



*Waverley College*  
**Year 12 2 unit Mathematics Examination**  
**Term 4 2006**

**TIME ALLOWED: 45 MINUTES**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Attempt all questions**

**Approved calculators may be used**

**Write in blue or black pen only**

**Show all necessary working**

**Marks may be deducted for careless or badly arranged work**

Section 1	/35	Section 2	/ 10
Total	/45	Percentage	%

Outcomes: A student

P4-chooses and applies appropriate arithmetic, algebraic, graphical, trigonometric and geometric techniques.

P6-relates the derivative of a function to the slope of its graph.

P7-determines the derivative of a function through routine application of the rules of differentiation.

P8-understands and uses the language and notation of calculus.

H2-constructs arguments to prove and justify results.

H9-communicates using mathematical language, notation, diagrams and graphs.

## SECTION 1 The Quadratic Polynomial

### Question 1

- a) Write down the discriminant of  $3x^2 - kx + 3 = 0$ . 1
- b) Find the value(s) of  $k$  for which the equation  $3x^2 - kx + 3 = 0$  has  
(i) exactly one real root. 2  
(ii) no real roots. 2

### Question 2

Prove the function  $y = x^2 - x + 6$  is positive definite. ✓ 3

### Question 3

Find the axis of symmetry of  $y = x^2 - 6x + 10$  and hence find the minimum value of  $y = x^2 - 6x + 10$ . ✓ 2

### Question 4

If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 - 2x - 7 = 0$ , find the values of:

- a)  $\alpha + \beta$  ✓ 1
- b)  $\alpha\beta$  ✓ 1
- c)  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}$  ✓ 2
- d)  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$  ✓ 2
- e)  $\alpha^2\beta^3 + \alpha^3\beta^2$  ✓ 2

### Question 5

For what values of  $k$  will the equation  $x^2 + 4x - 2k = 0$  have roots which are the reciprocal of each other? ✓ 2

### Question 6

Solve the following equations for all real values of  $x$ :

- a)  $3^{2x} - 4(3^x) + 3 = 0$  ✓ 5
- b)  $4x^4 = 4x^2 + 8$  ✓ 5

### Question 7

Find the values of  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  for which  $2x^2 - 7x - 4 \equiv A(x+2)^2 + B(x+2) + C$  ✓ 5

## SECTION 2 Locus

### Question 8

Find the equation of the circle with radius 6 units and centre (2, -5).  
(Do not expand)

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### Question 9

Let A and B be the fixed points (-2, 0) and (1, 0) and let the variable point be P(x, y).

- The point P moves so that PA is twice the distance of PB. Prove that the locus of P is  $x^2 - 4x + y^2 = 0$ .
- This locus is a circle. Find the centre and radius of this circle.

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Section 1

(a)  $\Delta = (-k)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 3$

$\Delta = k^2 - 36$  (1)

b) (i) For exactly one real root,  $\Delta = 0$

$k^2 - 36 = 0$  (1)

$k = \pm 6$  (1)

(ii) For no real roots,  $\Delta < 0$

$k^2 - 36 < 0$  (1)

$-6 < k < 6$  (1)

2)  $\Delta = (-1)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 6$

$\Delta = -23$  (1)

$\Delta < 0$

$a = 1$  (1)

$a > 0$

For  $\Delta < 0$  and  $a > 0$   $y = x^2 - x + 6$  is positive definite (1)

3)  $x = \frac{6}{2 \times 1}$

$x = 3$  (1)

$y = (3)^2 - 6(3) + 10$

$y = 1$

$\therefore$  min value = 1 (1)  $\frac{1}{2}$  off if vertex given rather than value.

$$4) \text{ a) } \alpha + \beta = 2 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{b) } \alpha\beta = -7 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{c) } \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} \quad (1)$$
$$= -\frac{2}{7} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{d) } \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta \quad (1)$$
$$= 2^2 - 2(-7)$$
$$= 18 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{e) } \alpha^2\beta^3 + \alpha^3\beta^2 = \alpha^2\beta^2(\beta + \alpha)$$
$$= (\alpha\beta)^2(\alpha + \beta) \quad (1)$$
$$= (-7)^2 \times 2$$
$$= 98 \quad (1)$$

5) Let the roots be  $\alpha$  and  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$

$$\alpha \times \frac{1}{\alpha} = -2k \quad (1)$$

$$1 = -2k$$

$$k = -\frac{1}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$6) \text{ a) } 3^{2x} - 4(3^x) + 3 = 0$$

$$(3^x)^2 - 4(3^x) + 3 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } m = 3^x$$

$$m^2 - 4m + 3 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$(m-1)(m-3) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$m = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad m = 3 \quad (1)$$

$$\therefore 3^x = 1 \quad \therefore 3^x = 3$$

$$x = 0 \quad x = 1 \quad (2)$$

$$6 b) 4x^4 - 4x^2 - 8 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Let } m = x^2$$

$$4m^2 - 4m - 8 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$4(m^2 - m - 2) = 0$$

$$4(m+1)(m-2) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\therefore m = -1 \quad \text{or} \quad m = 2$$

$$x^2 = -1 \quad x^2 = 2$$

$$\text{no real soln.} \quad x = \pm \sqrt{2} \quad (2)$$

$$7) 2x^2 - 7x - 4 \equiv A(x^2 + 4x + 4) + B(x+2) + C$$

$$2x^2 - 7x - 4 \equiv Ax^2 + 4Ax + 4A + Bx + 2B + C$$

$$2x^2 - 7x - 4 \equiv Ax^2 + (4A+B)x + 4A + 2B + C \quad (2)$$

$$\therefore A = 2 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{and } 4A + B = -7$$

$$4(2) + B = -7$$

$$B = -15 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{and } 4A + 2B + C = -4$$

$$4(2) + 2(-15) + C = -4$$

$$8 - 30 + C = -4$$

$$C = 18 \quad (1)$$

Section 2

$$8) (x-2)^2 + (y+5)^2 = 36 \quad (2)$$

$$9) a) PA = 2PB \quad (1)$$

$$PA^2 = 4PB^2$$

$$(x+2)^2 + y^2 = 4[(x-1)^2 + y^2] \quad (2)$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 + y^2 = 4x^2 - 8x + 4 + 4y^2$$

$$0 = 3x^2 - 12x + 3y^2 \quad (1)$$

$$x^2 - 4x + y^2 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$b) x^2 - 4x + 4 + y^2 = 0 + 4$$

$$(x-2)^2 + y^2 = 4 \quad (1)$$

$\therefore$  Centre  $(2, 0)$  and radius = 2 units  $(2)$