

GCE Examinations
Advanced / Advanced Subsidiary

Core Mathematics C3

Paper A

MARKING GUIDE

This guide is intended to be as helpful as possible to teachers by providing concise solutions and indicating how marks could be awarded. There are obviously alternative methods that would also gain full marks.

Method marks (M) are awarded for using a valid method.

Accuracy marks (A) can only be awarded when a correct method has been used.

(B) marks are independent of method marks.



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1.	$= [\frac{3}{4}(2x-3)^{\frac{2}{3}}]_2^{15}$	M1 A1	
	$= \frac{3}{4}(27^{\frac{2}{3}} - 1)$	M1	
	$= \frac{3}{4}(9 - 1) = 6$	M1 A1	(5)

2.	$= \pi \int_1^3 \frac{(3x+1)^2}{x} dx$	M1	
	$= \pi \int_1^3 \frac{9x^2+6x+1}{x} dx = \int_1^3 (9x+6+\frac{1}{x}) dx$	A1	
	$= \pi[\frac{9}{2}x^2+6x+\ln x]_1^3$	M1 A1	
	$= \pi\{(\frac{81}{2}+18+\ln 3) - (\frac{9}{2}+6+0)\}$	M1	
	$= \pi(48+\ln 3)$	A1	(6)

3.	(i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3(3x-5)^2 \times 3 = 9(3x-5)^2$	M1	
	grad = 9	A1	
	$\therefore y-1 = 9(x-2) \quad [y = 9x-17]$	M1 A1	
	(ii) $9(3x-5)^2 = 9, \quad 3x-5 = \pm 1$	M1	
	$x = 2 \text{ (at P)}, \frac{4}{3} \quad \therefore Q(\frac{4}{3}, -1)$	A2	(7)

4.	$e^{2y} - x + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow e^{2y} = x - 2$	M1	
	$2y = \ln(x-2)$	A1	
	sub. $\Rightarrow \ln(x+3) - \ln(x-2) - 1 = 0$	M1	
	$\ln \frac{x+3}{x-2} = 1$	A1	
	$\frac{x+3}{x-2} = e$	M1	
	$x+3 = e(x-2), \quad 3+2e = x(e-1)$	A2	(7)
	$x = \frac{2e+3}{e-1} = 4.91 \text{ (2dp)}, y = \frac{1}{2} \ln(\frac{2e+3}{e-1} - 2) = 0.53 \text{ (2dp)}$		

5.	(i) $\tan^{-1}(x-2) = -\frac{\pi}{3}$	M1	
	$x-2 = \tan(-\frac{\pi}{3}) = -\sqrt{3}$	M1	
	$x = 2 - \sqrt{3}$	A1	
	(ii) $1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta - \sin \theta - 1 = 0$	M1	
	$2 \sin^2 \theta + \sin \theta = 0, \quad \sin \theta(2 \sin \theta + 1) = 0$	M1	
	$\sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } -\frac{1}{2}$	A1	
	$\theta = 0 \text{ or } -\frac{\pi}{6}, -\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}$		
	$\theta = -\frac{5\pi}{6}, -\frac{\pi}{6}, 0$	A2	(8)

6.	(i) $= f(\frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{5}{2}$	M1 A1	
	(ii) $gf(x) = \frac{2}{(3x-4)+3} = \frac{2}{3x-1}$	M1 A1	
	$\therefore \frac{2}{3x-1} = 6, \quad 2 = 6(3x-1)$	M1	
	$x = \frac{4}{9}$	A1	
	(iii) $y = \frac{2}{x+3}, \quad x+3 = \frac{2}{y}, \quad x = \frac{2}{y} - 3$	M1	
	$\therefore g^{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{x} - 3$	A1	(8)

7.	(i)	$2 \sin x - 3 \cos x = R \sin x \cos \alpha - R \cos x \sin \alpha$ $R \cos \alpha = 2, R \sin \alpha = 3$ $\therefore R = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13}$ $\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{2}, \alpha = 56.3$ (3sf) $\therefore 2 \sin x^\circ - 3 \cos x^\circ = \sqrt{13} \sin(x - 56.3)^\circ$	M1 A1 A1	
	(ii)	$\operatorname{cosec} x^\circ + 3 \cot x^\circ = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sin x} + \frac{3 \cos x}{\sin x} = 2$ $\Rightarrow 1 + 3 \cos x = 2 \sin x$ $\Rightarrow 2 \sin x^\circ - 3 \cos x^\circ = 1$	B1	
	(iii)	$\sqrt{13} \sin(x - 56.31) = 1$ $\sin(x - 56.31) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}$ $x - 56.31 = 16.10, 180 - 16.10 = 16.10, 163.90$ $x = 72.4, 220.2$ (1dp)	M1 M1 A2	(8)

8.	(i)	$= f(3a) = 0$	M1 A1	
	(ii)		B4	
	(iii)	$(x - 3a)^2 = (2x + a)^2$ $3x^2 + 10ax - 8a^2 = 0$ $(3x - 2a)(x + 4a) = 0$ $x = -4a, \frac{2}{3}a$	M1 A1 M1 A1	(10)

9.	(i)	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - \frac{3}{2x+5} \times 2 = 2 - \frac{6}{2x+5}$ grad = -4, grad of normal = $\frac{1}{4}$ $\therefore y + 4 = \frac{1}{4}(x + 2)$ $[y = \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{7}{2}]$	M1 A1 M1 A1	
	(ii)	$\frac{1}{4}x - \frac{7}{2} = 2x - 3 \ln(2x + 5)$ $\frac{7}{4}x + \frac{7}{2} - 3 \ln(2x + 5) = 0$ let $f(x) = \frac{7}{4}x + \frac{7}{2} - 3 \ln(2x + 5)$ $f(1) = -0.59, f(2) = 0.41$ sign change, $f(x)$ continuous \therefore root	M1 A1	
	(iii)	$\frac{7}{4}x + \frac{7}{2} - 3 \ln(2x + 5) = 0$ $7x + 14 - 12 \ln(2x + 5) = 0$ $7x = 12 \ln(2x + 5) - 14$ $x = \frac{12}{7} \ln(2x + 5) - 2$	M1 A1	
	(iv)	$x_{n+1} = \frac{12}{7} \ln(2x_n + 5) - 2, x_0 = 1.5$ $x_1 = 1.5648, x_2 = 1.5923, x_3 = 1.6039, x_4 = 1.6087, x_5 = 1.6107$ $q = 1.61$ (3sf) $f(1.605) = -0.0073, f(1.615) = 0.0029$ sign change, $f(x)$ continuous \therefore root $\therefore q = 1.61$ (3sf)	M1 A1 M1 A1	(13)

Total (72)

