

GCE Examinations
Advanced Subsidiary

Core Mathematics C3

Paper B

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 knowing and using a 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. (a) $\frac{(x+3)(x+4)}{(2x+1)(x+4)} = \frac{x+3}{2x+1}$ M1 A2
- (b) $\ln(x^2 + 7x + 12) - \ln(2x^2 + 9x + 4) = 1, \quad \ln \frac{x^2 + 7x + 12}{2x^2 + 9x + 4} = 1$ M1
- $\ln \frac{x+3}{2x+1} = 1, \quad \frac{x+3}{2x+1} = e$ A1
- $x+3 = e(2x+1), \quad 3-e = x(2e-1)$ M1
- $x = \frac{3-e}{2e-1}$ A1 (7)
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2. (a) $x = 3, y = \sqrt{20} = 2\sqrt{5}$ B1
- $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(3x+11)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times 3 = \frac{3}{2}(3x+11)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ M1 A1
- $\text{grad} = \frac{3}{4\sqrt{5}}$ A1
- $\therefore y - 2\sqrt{5} = \frac{3}{4\sqrt{5}}(x - 3)$ M1
- $4\sqrt{5}y - 40 = 3x - 9$
- $3x - 4\sqrt{5}y + 31 = 0$ A1
- (b) normal: $y - 2\sqrt{5} = -\frac{4\sqrt{5}}{3}(x - 3)$ M1
- at $Q, x = 0 \quad \therefore y - 2\sqrt{5} = 4\sqrt{5}, \quad y = 6\sqrt{5}$ M1 A1 (9)
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3. (a) $\sin(A+B) \equiv \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$
 $\sin(A-B) \equiv \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$
 adding, $\sin(A+B) + \sin(A-B) \equiv 2 \sin A \cos B$ M1 A1
 let $P = A+B, Q = A-B$
 adding, $P+Q = 2A \Rightarrow A = \frac{P+Q}{2}$ M1
 subtracting, $P-Q = 2B \Rightarrow B = \frac{P-Q}{2}$
 $\therefore \sin P + \sin Q \equiv 2 \sin \frac{P+Q}{2} \cos \frac{P-Q}{2}$ A1
- (b) $2 \sin 3x \cos 2x = 0$ M1
 $\sin 3x = 0 \text{ or } \cos 2x = 0$ A1
 $3x = 0, \pi, 2\pi \text{ or } 2x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$ M1
 $x = 0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{3\pi}{4}$ A2 (9)
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4. (a) $(4, 0)$ B1
- (b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5}{2}x^{\frac{3}{2}} \times \ln \frac{x}{4} + x^{\frac{5}{2}} \times \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2}x^{\frac{3}{2}}(5 \ln \frac{x}{4} + 2)$ M1 A1
- $\text{grad} = 8, \text{ grad of normal} = -\frac{1}{8}$ A1
- $\therefore y - 0 = -\frac{1}{8}(x - 4)$ M1
- at $Q, x = 0, y = \frac{1}{2}$ A1
- $\text{area} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 1$ A1
- (c) $\frac{1}{2}x^{\frac{3}{2}}(5 \ln \frac{x}{4} + 2) = 0$
 $\ln \frac{x}{4} = -\frac{2}{5}$ M1
 $x = 4e^{-\frac{2}{5}}$ M1 A1 (10)
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5. (a) $= 2[x^2 + 2x] + 2 = 2[(x+1)^2 - 1] + 2$ M1
 $= 2(x+1)^2$ A1

(b) translation by 1 unit in negative x direction
stretch by scale factor of 2 in y direction (either first) B3

(c) $y = 2(x+1)^2, \quad \frac{y}{2} = (x+1)^2$ M1

$x+1 = \pm \sqrt{\frac{y}{2}}$ M1

$x = -1 \pm \sqrt{\frac{y}{2}}$ (domain $\Rightarrow +$), $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = -1 + \sqrt{\frac{x}{2}}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0$ A2



$y = f^{-1}(x)$ is reflection of
 $y = f(x)$ in line $y = x$ B1

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6. (a) $f(x) > -2$ B1

(b) $x = 0, y = e - 2 \therefore P(0, e - 2)$ B1

$y = 0, 0 = e^{3x+1} - 2$ M1

$3x + 1 = \ln 2$ M1

$x = \frac{1}{3}(\ln 2 - 1) \therefore Q\left(\frac{1}{3}(\ln 2 - 1), 0\right)$ A1

(c) $f'(x) = 3e^{3x+1}$ M1

at P , grad = $3e$ A1

$\therefore y - (e - 2) = 3e(x - 0)$ M1

$y = 3ex + e - 2$ A1

(d) at Q , grad = 6 B1

tangent at Q : $y - 0 = 6(x - \frac{1}{3}(\ln 2 - 1))$ M1

$y = 6x - 2\ln 2 + 2$

intersect: $3ex + e - 2 = 6x - 2\ln 2 + 2$

$x(3e - 6) = 4 - e - 2\ln 2$ M1

$x = \frac{4 - e - 2\ln 2}{3e - 6} = -0.0485$ (3sf) A1

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7. (a) $\arccos \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \quad \theta = \cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{2}$ M1 A1

(b)

The graph shows a Cartesian coordinate system with a vertical y -axis and a horizontal x -axis. The origin is labeled O . Two curves are plotted: $y = \arccos(x-1)$, which is a decreasing function from $x=0$ to $x=2$, and $y = \sqrt{x+2}$, which is an increasing function starting from $x=-2$. The two curves intersect at two points.

B2

B3

(c) let $f(x) = \arccos(x-1) - \sqrt{x+2}$ M1 A1

$f(0) = 1.7, f(1) = -0.16$

sign change, $f(x)$ continuous \therefore root A1

(d) $x_1 = 0.83944, x_2 = 0.88598, x_3 = 0.87233,$ M1 A2

$x_4 = 0.87632, x_5 = 0.87515, x_6 = 0.87549$

$\therefore \alpha = 0.875$ (3dp) A1

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Total (75)

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