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Mathematical Methods

Trial Examination 2 (2 hours)

SECTION A Multiple-choice questions

Instructions for Section A

Answer **all** questions. Choose the response that is **correct** for the question. A correct answer scores 1, an incorrect answer scores 0. Marks will **not** be deducted for incorrect answers. **No** marks will be given if more than one answer is completed for any question. Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this examination are **not** drawn to scale.

Question 1 The gradient of the tangent to $f^{-1}(x)$ at x = a is α . The gradient of the tangent to f(x) at

x = b is $\frac{1}{\alpha}$. Which one of the following statements is true?

- A. b = f(a)
- B. $a = f^{-1}(b)$
- C. a-b=0
- D. a = -f(b)
- E. $b = f^{-1}(a)$

Question 2 For $x \in R$, f(x) is a **differentiable periodic odd** function of period α . Let $g(x) = (f(x))^2$. Which of the following statements is false?

- A. g'(-x) = -g'(x)
- B. $g(x+\alpha) = g(x-\alpha)$
- C. $g(x-2\alpha) = g(x)$
- D. $g'(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in R$
- E. $g'(x+\alpha) = g'(x-\alpha)$

Question 3 y = f(x) has exactly two *x*-intercepts separated by a distance of β .

 $y = af\left(\frac{x-c}{b}\right)$ also has exactly two *x*-intercepts. The distance between these two *x*-intercepts is

- A. $b\beta$
- B. $b\beta c$

C.
$$\frac{b\beta}{a}$$

D. $\frac{b\beta-c}{a}$
E. $\frac{b\beta}{a}-c$

Question 4 Consider $f(x) = a^{\log_b x}$ where $a, b \in R^+$. The inverse of f(x) is

- A. $b^{\log_a x}$
- B. b^{a^x}
- C. a^{b^x}
- D. b^{ax}
- E. a^{bx}

Question 5 If the graphs of y = f(x) and y = g(x) intersect at (a, b), then the graphs of $y = f^{-1}(2x)$ and $y = g^{-1}(2x)$ intersect at

A. $\left(\frac{a}{2}, \frac{b}{2}\right)$ B. $\left(-\frac{a}{2}, -\frac{b}{2}\right)$ C. $\left(b, -\frac{a}{2}\right)$ D. $\left(-\frac{b}{2}, a\right)$ E. $\left(\frac{b}{2}, a\right)$

Question 6 f(x) is a quadratic function.

Given f(1) = a, f(3) = b, f'(p) = 0 and $\frac{b-a}{2} > f'(q)$, where a > b, 1 and <math>1 < q < 3. Which one of the following statements **cannot** be true?

- A. f'(3) > f'(q)
- B. f'(3) < f'(q)
- C. f'(q) > 0
- D. 1 < q < p
- E. p < q < 3

Question 7 Given $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx = c$ where $a \neq b$, the value of $\int_{\left(\frac{1-b}{2}\right)}^{\left(\frac{1-b}{2}\right)} f(1-2x) dx$ is

- A. *c*
- B. $\frac{c}{2}$
- C. 2c
- D. $-\frac{c}{2}$
- E. *c*

Question 8 For $a, b \in R^+$, the graphs of $y = \sqrt{1-ax}$ and $y = \sqrt{x-b}$ do **not** intersect when

- A. a+b < 1
- B. a + b > 1
- C. a < b
- D. *ab* < 1
- E. ab > 1

Question 9 Line y = x + k is a tangent to the curve given by $y = e^{kx} + k$ when

- A. k = 1
- B. k = 0.74
- C. k = 0.37
- D. $k = e^{-1}$
- E. $k = e^{-2}$

Question 10 The graph of $y = ax^2(x+1)(x-1) + b$ for $a \in R^+$ does **not** cross the x-axis when

A. $b > \frac{a}{8}$ B. $b < \frac{a}{8}$ C. $b > \frac{a}{4}$ D. $b < \frac{a}{4}$ E. $b < \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}$

Question 11 The graph of the **derivative** of $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ does **not** cross the *x*-axis when

- A. c > b
- B. $3ac > b^2$
- C. $4ac > b^2$
- D. $b \leq -2\sqrt{c}$
- E. ad > bc

Question 12 A solution to $\sin(2x) - \cos\left(2b - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 0, b \in R$ is

A.
$$x = \frac{9\pi}{8} + b$$

B.
$$x = \frac{11\pi}{8} - b$$

C.
$$x = \frac{19\pi}{8} + b$$

D.
$$x = \frac{21\pi}{8} - b$$

E.
$$x = \frac{23\pi}{8} + b$$

Question 13 $f(x) = \sin(mx) + \cos(nx)$ is a periodic function, *m*, *n* are non-zero integers. The period of f(x) is

- A. *π*
- B. 2π
- C. $(m-n)\pi$
- D. $(m+n)\pi$
- E. $mn\pi$

Question 14 Given integers $a > b \ge 2$, the value of $\int_{a^{-1}}^{b^{-1}} \frac{b}{(bx+1)\log_e a} dx$ is

A.
$$\log_e\left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)$$

B. $\log_a\left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)$
C. $\log_e\left(\frac{2a}{a+b}\right)$
D. $\log_a\left(\frac{2a}{a+b}\right)$

E. $\log_e(2a) - \log_a(a+b)$

Question 15 Two dice are rolled and the uppermost numbers are noted. Which one of the following choices is **not** a random variable?

- A. The number of even numbers
- B. The sum of the numbers
- C. The numbers are the same
- D. The difference between the numbers
- E. The number of numbers greater than 3

Question 16
$$\Pr((A \cup B)') + \Pr((A \cap B)') =$$

- A. $\Pr(A') + \Pr(B')$
- B. $\Pr(A) + \Pr(B)$
- C. $1 \Pr(A') \Pr(B')$
- D. $1 \Pr(A) \Pr(B)$
- E. Pr(A') + Pr(B') 1

Question 17 A fair coin was tossed two times and heads appeared both times. The probability that *the third time is head and the fourth time is tail* is

A.	$\frac{1}{16}$
B.	$\frac{3}{16}$
C.	$\frac{1}{4}$
D.	$\frac{1}{3}$
E.	$\frac{3}{4}$

Question 18 The probability density function of random variable X is given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} a\sin(2x) + \frac{\pi}{4} & \text{for } 0 \le x \le \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

The value of a is

A.
$$\frac{1}{4}$$

B. $\frac{1}{2}$
C. $1 - \frac{\pi^2}{8}$
D. $\frac{\pi}{4} - 1$
E. $\frac{\pi}{4}$

Question 19 A probability experiment consists of 4 Bernoulli trials. Given the probability of 2 successes is 0.0600, the probability of 3 successes is closest to

- A. 0.0051
- B. 0.0093
- C. 0.0218
- D. 0.0453
- E. 0.4911

Question 20 A random sample of size 100 is taken from a large population with 80% having certain attribute. The 80% confidence interval for the proportion of the sample with the certain attribute is closest to

- A. (0.7663, 0.8337)
- B. (0.7487, 0.8513)
- C. (0.7216, 0.8784)
- D. (0.7211, 0.8789)
- E. (0.6598, 0.9402)

SECTION B

Instructions for Section B

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

In all questions where a numerical answer is required, an exact value must be given unless otherwise stated. In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working **must** be shown. Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this examination are **not** drawn to scale.

Question 1 (12 marks)

Consider $f(x) = x^4 - ax^2 + b$ where $a, b \in R$.

a. Find the restrictions on a and b such that solution(s) to f(x) = 0 exist.

3 marks

b. Find the values of *a* such that the graph of $y = x^4 - ax^2 + b$ has a local maximum on the *y*-axis.

2 marks

c. Let b = 1. Show working in finding the value of *a* such that the *x*-intercepts of the graph of $y = x^4 - ax^2 + 1$ are local minima. 2 marks

d. Given $f(x) = x^4 - 5x^2 + 4$ and $g(x) = f(x - \alpha)$, find the values of α such that the graph of y = g(x) has one *x*-intercept with positive *x*-coordinate, and three *x*-intercepts with negative *x*-coordinate.

2 marks

e. The graph of $y = x^4 - 4x^2 + \beta$ has four *x*-intercepts. Find the value of β such that the *x*-intercepts are spaced out equally. 3 marks **Question 2** (12 marks) Consider $f(x) = \sqrt{2x} \sin(2x)$.

a. Show that the coordinates of intersections of the graphs of $y = \sqrt{2x} \sin(2x)$ and $y = \sqrt{2x}$ are

$$\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}\right)$$
 and $\left(\frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{10\pi}}{2}\right)$ for $x \in (0, 4]$. 2 marks

b. Show that the graphs of $y = \sqrt{2x} \sin(2x)$ and $y = \sqrt{2x}$ touch (but do not cross) each other at the intersections.

2 marks

c. The average rate of change of $f(x) = \sqrt{2x} \sin(2x)$ between the two intersections in part a with respect to x can be expressed in the form $\frac{\sqrt{p}-1}{\sqrt{q}}$. Find the value of each of p and q. 2 marks

d. Find the area of the region bounded by the graphs of $y = \sqrt{2x} \sin(2x)$ and $y = \sqrt{2x}$ for $x \in (0,4]$, correct to 4 decimal places.

1 mark

e. Show that at the local maxima of $y = \sqrt{2x} \sin(2x)$, $4x + \tan(2x) = 0$. Hence find the coordinates of the local maxima for $x \in (0,4]$, correct to 4 decimal places.

2 marks

Now consider $g(x) = \sqrt{nx} \sin(nx)$ where $n \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

f. The gradient of the line joining the first two intersections of the graphs of $y = \sqrt{nx} \sin(nx)$ and $y = \sqrt{nx}$, where $x \in \left(0, \frac{8}{n}\right]$, can be expressed in the form $k\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}\right)$. Find k in terms of n. 3 marks

Question 3 (12 marks)

Two cone-shape water tanks are shown in the following diagram. Initially (t = 0), the large tank, labeled as A, is empty, and the small tank, labeled as B, is full.

Both tanks have the same height of 3 m. Volume of a cone = $\frac{\pi}{3} \times (\text{radius})^2 \times \text{height}$.



The depths of water in the tanks are controlled such that both depths change at 0.1 m min⁻¹. The volume (m³) of water in Tank A and Tank B at time t (minutes) are given by $V_A = \frac{\pi t^3}{12000}$ and

$$V_{\rm B} = \frac{\pi (30-t)^3}{27000}$$
 respectively.

- a. Find the time to completely fill Tank A.
- b. Find the value of the ratio $\frac{r_A}{r_B}$ where r_A and r_B are the radii of Tank A and Tank B respectively.

1 mark

1 mark

c. Explain that at t = 15 both tanks have the same depth of water. 1 mark

d. Sketch the graphs of $V_{\rm A}(t)$ and $V_{\rm B}(t)$ on the same set of axes.

s. 2 marks



f. The two tanks have the same volume of water at $t = \frac{30}{1 + a^{\frac{1}{a}}}$. Find the value of *a*. 2 marks



Question 4 (12 marks)

In ideal conditions sound intensity level *L* (measured in dB) varies with distance *x* (metres) from a source (e.g. a siren) according to $L = 10\log_{10}\left(\frac{k}{m^2}\right)$ where $k \in R$.

a i. The sound intensity level of a siren at 30 m away is 100 dB. Show that $k = 9 \times 10^{12} \text{ m}^2$ for **this** siren.

1 mark

a ii. Calculate the sound intensity level of the siren at 100 m away.Express your answer in terms of $log_{10}9$.1 mark

a iii. The distance from the siren is d metres when the sound intensity level is n dB. Express d in terms of n. 1 mark

a iv. When the distance from the siren changes from x_1 to x_2 , the sound intensity level drops by 6 dB.

Determine the value of the ratio $\frac{x_2}{x_1}$. 2 marks

a v. Sketch the graph of $L = 10\log_{10}\left(\frac{9 \times 10^{12}}{x^2}\right)$ for $x \le 100$. Show and label the distinctive features. 3 marks

a vi. The value of k is related to the power of a siren. A second more powerful siren has $k = 1.8 \times 10^{13} \text{ m}^2$. Find the difference in the sound intensity levels at the same distance away from the two sirens.

80 90

100 X

40 50 60 70

10 20 30

1 mark

b. Find the rate of change of L with respect to x for any siren in ideal conditions at $x = \frac{10}{\log_e 20}$.

Express your answer in terms of \log_{10} .

3 marks

Question 5 (12 marks)

The weights (in kg) of cats in certain region have a normal distribution. 15% of the cats in a random sample of 100 from the region weigh more than 1.6 kg, and 10% weigh less than 1.25 kg.

a. A confidence interval (a,b) for the proportion of cats in the region weighing more than 1.6 kg is determined.

Given that $Pr(0.15 \in (a,b)) = 0.95$, find the value of each of a and b, correct to 2 decimal places.

3 marks

For the following parts, **assume** that 15% of the cats in the region weigh more than 1.6 kg, and 10% weigh less than 1.25 kg.

b. Find the mean and standard deviation of weights of cats in the region, correct to 2 decimal places.

2 marks

c. Find the probability that cats in the region weighing more than 1.25 kg weigh more than 1.5 kg, correct to 2 decimal places.

A random sample of 100 cats from the region is taken.

d. Find the probability that more than 75 cats weigh between 1.25 kg and 1.6 kg, correct to 2 decimal places.

2 marks

2 marks

e. Show that the mean and standard deviation of the number of cats weighing between 1.25 kg and 1.6 kg are 75 and 4.3301 respectively.

1 mark

f. Use normal approximation to answer part d. Correct to 2 decimal places. 1 mark

g. Explain the discrepancy between your answers to part d and part f. 1 mark

End of Examination 2