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**MATHEMATICS: PAPER I**  
**MARKING GUIDELINES**

Time: 3 hours

150 marks

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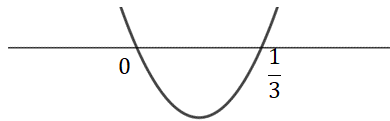
**SECTION A****QUESTION 1**

(a) (1)  $x = \log_3 2$

(2) 
$$x + 7 = (x + 1)^2$$
$$x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$
$$(x + 3)(x - 2) = 0$$
$$x \neq -3 \text{ or } x = 2$$

(b) 
$$y = 2x + 7$$
$$x^2 - x - (2x + 7) - 3 = 0$$
$$x^2 - 3x - 10 = 0$$
$$(x - 5)(x + 2) = 0$$
$$x = 5 \text{ or } x = -2$$
$$(5; 17) \text{ or } (-2; 3)$$

(c) 
$$3x^2 - x \leq 0$$
$$x(3x - 1) \leq 0$$
$$0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{3}$$



**QUESTION 2**

(a)  $(0; 32)$

(b)  $f(x) = (x + 2)(x^2 - 8x + 16)$

$f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 32$

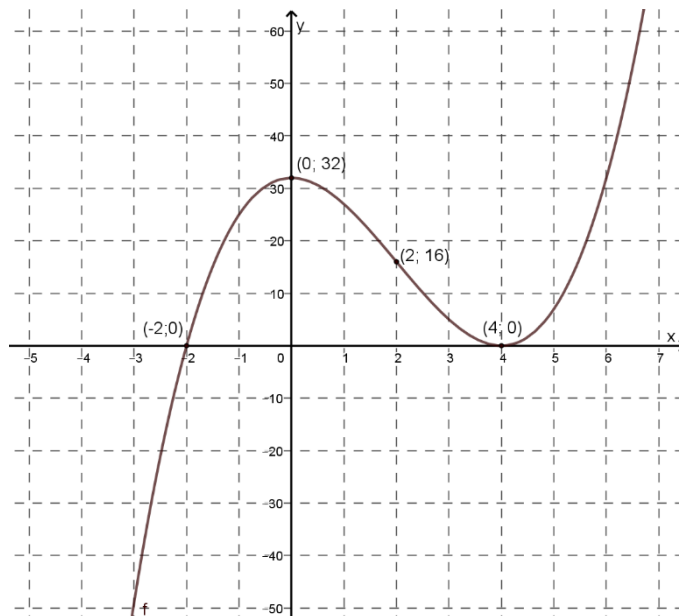
$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x$

(c)  $3x^2 - 12x = 0$  (no mark as this is stated in question)

$3x(x - 4) = 0$

$x = 0$  or  $x = 4$

- (d) Turning points  
X intercept  
Point of inflection  
Shape



(e)  $x \geq -2$

**QUESTION 3**

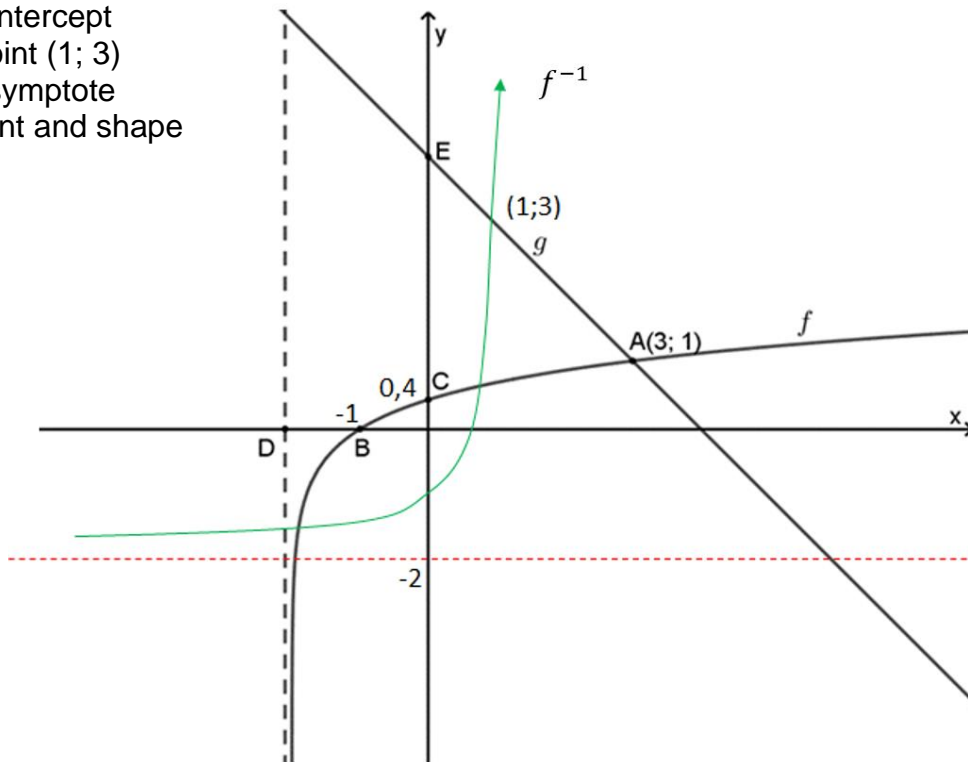
(a)  $1 = \log_m(3 + 2)$   
 $m = 5$

(b)  $y = \log_5(0 + 2)$   
 $C(0; 0,4)$

$0 = \log_5(x + 2)$   
 $x = -1$   
 $B(-1; 0)$

(c)  $x \in (-2; 3]$  notation    Alt:  $-2 < x \leq 3$

(d) y intercept  
 Point (1; 3)  
 Asymptote  
 x-int and shape



**QUESTION 4**

(a) (1)  $f(x) = \sqrt[5]{x^2} - \frac{3}{x^3}$

$$f(x) = x^{\frac{2}{5}} - 3x^{-3}$$
$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{5}x^{\frac{-3}{5}} + 9x^{-4}$$

(2)  $g(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x-1)}{4(x-1)}$

$$g(x) = \frac{x}{4} - \frac{1}{4}$$
$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{4}$$

(b)  $y = 7x + c$  Alt:  $y - 5 = 7(x - 4)$

$$5 = 7(4) + c$$
$$c = -23$$
$$y = 7x - 23$$

(c)  $h'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(x+h) - 8 - (5x-8)}{h}$

$$h'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5x + 5h - 8 - 5x + 8}{h}$$
$$h'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5h}{h}$$
$$h'(x) = 5$$

**QUESTION 5**

$$(a) \quad T_n = 22 + (n-1)(3)$$

$$T_n = 3n + 19$$

$$3n + 19 = 262$$

$$3n = 243$$

$$n = 81$$

$$(b) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{81} 3n + 19$$

$$(c) \quad \frac{n}{2}(2(22) + (n-1)(3)) > 15\,000$$

$$3n^2 + 41n - 30\,000 > 0$$

$$n < -107,1 \text{ or } n = 93,4$$

$$n = 94 - 81 = 13$$

**QUESTION 6**

(a)

$$\text{Investment 1: } \frac{3\,500 \left( \left( 1 + \frac{0,15}{12} \right)^{60} - 1 \right)}{\frac{0,15}{12}} = \text{R}310\,010,78$$

$$\text{Investment 2: } 24\,000 \left( 1 + \frac{0,20}{4} \right)^{20} + 7\,000 \left( 1 + \frac{0,20}{4} \right)^8 = \text{R}74\,021,33$$

The total of the lump sum is R384 032,11

(b) (1)

$$250\,000 = \frac{x \left( 1 - \left( 1 + \frac{0,10}{12} \right)^{-120} \right)}{\frac{0,10}{12}}$$

$$x = \text{R}3\,303,77$$

(2)

$$250\,000 \left( 1 + \frac{0,10}{12} \right) = \frac{6\,000 \left( 1 - \left( 1 + \frac{0,10}{12} \right)^{-n} \right)}{\frac{0,10}{12}}$$

$$\frac{1\,123}{1\,728} = \left( 1 + \frac{0,10}{12} \right)^{-n}$$

$$-n = \log_{\left( 1 + \frac{0,10}{12} \right)} \frac{1\,123}{1\,728}$$

$$-n = -51,93$$

$$n = 52 \text{ months}$$

**SECTION B****QUESTION 7**

(a)  $x^2 - 16x + 64 + 9$   
 $(x - 8)^2 + 9$   
 $m = 8$  and  $p = 9$

(b) (1)  $k^2$

(2)  $k^{\frac{1}{3}}$  or  $\sqrt[3]{k}$

(3)  $\frac{2}{k}$  or  $2k^{-1}$

(c)  $\frac{3^{\log_p 2}}{3^{\log_p 8}} = 9$

$$3^{\log_p 2} = 3^{\log_p 8} \cdot 3^2$$

$$\log_p 2 = \log_p 8 + 2$$

$$\log_p 2 - \log_p 8 = 2$$

$$\log_p \frac{1}{4} = 2$$

$$p = \frac{1}{2}$$

Alternative:

$$3^{\log_p 2 - \log_p 2^3} = 3^2$$

$$\therefore \log_p 2 - 3\log_p 2 = 2$$

$$-2\log_p 2 = 2 \quad \therefore \log_p 2 = -1 \quad \therefore p^{-1} = 2 \quad \therefore p = \frac{1}{2}$$



**QUESTION 8**

(a)  $y = x$

(b)  $x = \frac{12}{x}$

$x^2 = 12$

$x = \pm\sqrt{12}$

$B(\sqrt{12}; \sqrt{12})$

(c)  $f'(x) = -12x^{-2}$  or  $f'(x) = \frac{-12}{x^2}$

$\frac{-12}{x^2} = \frac{-1}{3}$

$-36 = -x^2$

$x^2 = 36$

$x = \pm 6$

$x = 6$

$C(6; 2)$

$y = -\frac{1}{3}x + c$  or Alt. for equation line:  $y - 2 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 6) \quad \therefore y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 4$

$2 = -\frac{1}{3}(6) + c$

$c = 4$

Area of  $\triangle ACO = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 6$

Area of  $\triangle ACO = 12 \text{ units}^2$

**QUESTION 9**

(a)  $y = a(x-1)^2 + 2$

$D(7; 5)$

$5 = a(7-1)^2 + 2$

$3 = 36a$

$a = \frac{1}{12}$

(b)  $y = \frac{1}{100}(x-p)^2 + 4$

$B(-5; 5)$

$1 = \frac{1}{100}(-5-p)^2$

$100 = 25 + 10p + p^2 \quad \text{or} \quad (p+5)^2 = 100 \quad \therefore p+5 = \pm 10$

$p^2 + 10p - 75 = 0$

$(p+15)(p-5) = 0$

$p \neq -15 \quad \text{or} \quad p = 5$

The distance between the poles should be 20 metres.

**QUESTION 10**

(a) (1)  $T_n = 1 \cdot (1,1)^{24-1}$   
 $T_n = 8,95$  or 9,0 litres/minute **9,0 is the rounded off value**

(2)  $S_n = \frac{60 \cdot (1,1^{24} - 1)}{1,1 - 1}$   
 $S_n = 5\,309,8$  litres

(b)  $T_2 - T_1 = 4$ ;  $T_3 - T_2 = 7$  and  $T_{10} = 0$

$$3a + b = 4$$

$$2a = 3$$

$$a = \frac{3}{2} \text{ and } b = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$0 = \frac{3}{2}(10)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(10) + c$$

$$c = -145$$

$$T_n = \frac{3}{2}n^2 - \frac{1}{2}n - 145$$

(c)  $\frac{r}{1-r} = \frac{1}{5}$       Alt. solution:  $\frac{a}{1-a} = \frac{1}{5}$        $\therefore 5a = 1 - a$        $\therefore a = \frac{1}{6}$

$$5r = 1 - r$$

$$r = \frac{1}{6}$$

but  $a = r$ , hence  $a = \frac{1}{6}$

(d)  $x; y; x+y; \dots$ 

$$\frac{x+y}{y} = \frac{y}{x} \checkmark \quad \text{ALT. } a = x \text{ and } r = \frac{y}{x} \text{ hence } T_3 = ar^2 = x \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)^2 = \frac{y^2}{x}$$

$$\text{But } T_3 = \frac{y^2}{x} = x + y \text{ and } y^2 = x^2 + xy$$

$$x^2 + xy = y^2$$

$$x^2 + xy - y^2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-(y) \pm \sqrt{(y)^2 - 4(1)(-y^2)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-(y) \pm \sqrt{5}y}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{y(-1 \pm \sqrt{5})}{2}$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \text{ as } x \text{ and } y \text{ are both positive}$$

**QUESTION 11**

(a) (1) (i)  $9^6$  (First password) or 531 441

(ii)  $9^6 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 4 = 714\ 256\ 704$   
 (The four digit even password x first a password)

(2)  $4 \times 7! \times 1$  (Ends in a 3 and starts with a 6, 7, 8 or 9)

$3 \times 7! \times 2$  (Ends with a 6 or 9, starts with 7, 8 and either 6 or 8)

$$= 4 \times 7! \times 1 + 3 \times 7! \times 2 = 50\ 400$$

ALT:  $10 \times 7!$

(b) (1)  $\frac{3}{36}$  or  $\frac{1}{12}$

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	-1	-2	-3	-4	-5	-6
2	-2	-4	-6	-8	-10	-12
3	-3	-6	-9	-12	-15	-18
4	-4	-8	-12	-16	-20	-24
5	-5	-10	-15	-20	-25	-30
6	-6	-12	-18	-24	-30	-36

All y intercepts are negative.  
 Only three values less than -29.

(2) 1 (They will always be real, rational and unequal)

(3) The shape of the graph is



For non-real roots the turning point needs to be below the x-axis.

$$= \frac{2}{6} \text{ or } \frac{1}{3}$$

Alternate Solution:

$$h(x) = -x^2 + 2gx + g^2 + 4 - r$$

$$\Delta = (-2g)^2 - 4(-1)(-g^2 + 4 - r)$$

$$= 4g^2 - 4g^2 + 16 - 4r$$

$$\therefore \Delta = 16 - 4r < 0 \quad \therefore > 4$$

$$\therefore 5 \text{ or } 6 \quad \text{hence } P(\text{non-real roots}) = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

**QUESTION 12**

(a) 
$$y = -\frac{2}{5}x + 6$$

(b) 
$$\text{Volume} = x(x-2)\left(\frac{-2}{5}x + 6\right)$$

$$\text{Volume} = x\left(\frac{-2}{5}x^2 + 6x + \frac{4}{5}x - 12\right)$$

$$\text{Volume} = \frac{-2}{5}x^3 + 6x^2 + \frac{4}{5}x^2 - 12x$$

$$\frac{Dv}{dx} = -\frac{6}{5}x^2 + 12x + \frac{8}{5}x - 12$$

$$-\frac{6}{5}x^2 + 12x + \frac{8}{5}x - 12 = 0$$

$$-6x^2 + 60x + 8x - 60 = 0$$

$$-6x^2 + 68x - 60 = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 34x + 30 = 0$$

$$x = 0,96 \text{ or } x = 10,3689$$

Vertical beam

$$\text{Height of vertical beam} = -\frac{2}{5}(10,3689...) + 6$$

Height of vertical beam for maximum volume is 1,9 metres.

**Total: 150 marks**