

# $\alpha$ -MATHEMATICS

## Alpha Mathematics FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

November 3, 2020

Time: 3 hours

Grade 12

Total: 200 marks

### INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

Carefully read through the following instructions before answering the question paper:

1. Answer all 10 questions on this exam paper.
2. Write your name and ID number on the front page of the question paper.
3. Non-programmable calculators may be used, unless otherwise indicated at a specific question.
4. Unless indicated otherwise, all answers, where applicable, must be given correct to two decimal places.
5. The diagrams in the question paper are not necessarily drawn to scale.
6. All angles are given in radians. Answers must be given in radians where applicable.
7. This question paper consists of a front page, 26 pages and a formula sheet of 3 pages.
8. Question 1 consists of 10 multiple choice questions. Answer it on the answer sheet. This answer sheet is at the front of the paper.  
**Do not remove the answer sheet from the question paper.**
9. For all other questions, all necessary calculations must be shown clearly. The correct answer on its own will not necessarily lead to full marks.
10. Additional writing space is provided at the end of this question paper. Clearly indicate if you made use of this to complete a question.
11. Write neatly and legibly.

**QUESTION 1 [20 MARKS]**

- Answer this question **on the answer sheet** that is attached to the front, by marking an X (cross) on A, B, C or D.
- Please **DO NOT** remove this page from the question paper.
- Each question counts 2 marks.

1.1 Given  $f(x) = \sqrt{5x}$ . Then  $f'(5) =$

- (A)  $\sqrt{5}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{2}$   
(C)  $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{10}$

1.2 The expansion of the power series  $\left(1 - \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-5}$  will be valid if

- (A)  $|x| < 2$  (B)  $|x| < \frac{1}{2}$   
(C)  $|x| > 2$  (D)  $|x| > \frac{1}{2}$

1.3 The graph of  $y = -|2x - 6| - 4$  has a salient point at

- (A) (3; 4) (B) (6; -4)  
(C) (3; -4) (D) (-3; -4)

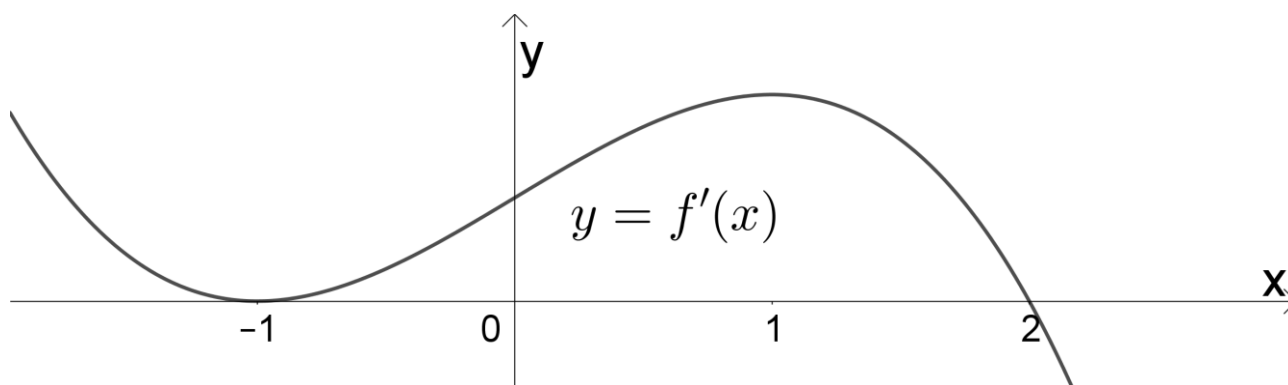
1.4 The function  $f(x) = \begin{cases} cx^2 + 2x & \text{if } x < 2 \\ 2x + 4 & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$  is continuous. The value of  $c =$

- (A) -1 (B) -2 (C) 2 (D) 1

- 1.5 The size of the vector  $2i - 3j + ak$  is  $\sqrt{14}$ . Then a possible value of  $a =$   
**(A)** 2                      **(B)** 3                      **(C)** -1                      **(D)** -4
- 1.6 Which of the following statements is always true?  
**(i)** If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$  exists, then  $f$  is continuous in  $x = a$ .  
**(ii)** If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ , then  $f$  is differentiable in  $x = a$ .  
**(iii)** If  $f$  is differentiable in  $x = a$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ .  
**(A)** Only (i)              **(B)** Only (ii)              **(C)** Only (iii)              **(D)** Only (i) and (iii)
- 1.7 The gradient of the tangent to the graph  $\sin x + \cos y = \sqrt{3}$  at the point  $(\frac{\pi}{3}; \frac{\pi}{6})$  is equal to  
**(A)** 1                      **(B)** -1                      **(C)**  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$                       **(D)**  $\sqrt{3}$
- 1.8  $\int_0^a e^x dx = 2$ , then  $a =$   
**(A)**  $\ln 2$                       **(B)**  $\ln 3$                       **(C)** 2                      **(D)** 3

- 1.9 The position function of a particle is given by  $S(t) = 6 + 3t^2 - t^3, t \geq 0$ .  
When will the particle have no acceleration? At  $t =$
- (A)  $-1$             (B)  $2$             (C)  $0$             (D)  $1$

- 1.10 The graph of  $f'$ , the derivative of  $f$  is shown beneath.



Which one of the following statements is **not** true: The graph of  $y = f(x)$

- (A) is concave up at  $x = 0$ .  
(B) has a stationary point at  $x = -1$ .  
(C) has a point of inflection at  $x = -1$ .  
(D) has a local minimum at  $x = 2$ .



2.3 Solve for  $x$ :  $|x - 2| = x^2$

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2.4 Given the set of equations:

$$\begin{aligned}x + 3y + kz &= 4 \\4x - 2y - 10z &= -5 \\x + y + 2z &= 1\end{aligned}$$

Use Cramer's rule and determine the value of  $k$  for which the set has no unique solution.

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5.2 Determine and simplify the first three terms of the power series

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2x}}$$

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5.3 In an exam, the following question is asked:  
Use mathematical induction and prove that

$$\frac{1}{4 \times 1^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{4 \times 2^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{4 \times 3^2 - 1} + \dots + \frac{1}{4 \times n^2 - 1} = \frac{n}{2n+1}$$

A learner does the following:

**Let  $n = 1$ : LHS =  $\frac{1}{3}$  and RHS =  $\frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 1} = \frac{1}{3}$ , thus true for  $n=1$ .**

**A Let  $n = k$ :**

$$\frac{1}{4 \times 1^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{4 \times 2^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{4 \times 3^2 - 1} + \dots + \frac{1}{4 \times k^2 - 1} = \frac{k}{2k+1}$$

**B Let  $n = k + 1$ :**

**RHS =  $\frac{k+1}{2(k+1)+1} = \frac{k+1}{2k+3}$**

**LHS =  $\frac{1}{4 \times 1^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{4 \times 2^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{4 \times 3^2 - 1} + \dots + \frac{1}{4 \times (k+1)^2 - 1} = \dots$**

(a) The learner makes a mistake in step A. Correct it.

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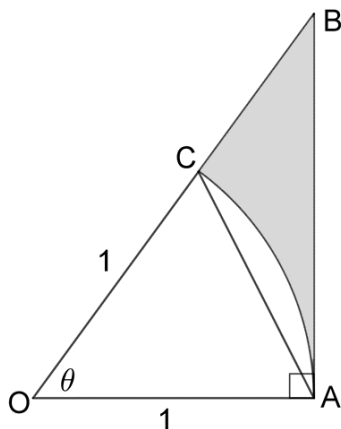


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- 6.2 O is the centre of the sector OAC below with radius 1 and  $\widehat{COA} = \theta$  with  $\theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$ . The line perpendicular to radius OA intercepts OC extended in B and chord AC is drawn.



- (a) By referring to the areas of the respective triangles and sector, arrange  $\theta$ ,  $\tan \theta$  and  $\sin \theta$  in descending order. (5)

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- (b) If  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ , determine the circumference of the shaded area ABC. (5)

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6.3 Given  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 4 & \text{if } x < -2 \\ -x - 2 & \text{if } -2 \leq x < 1 \\ x^2 - 4x & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

Use the definition and determine the continuity of  $f$  at the following points.  
If discontinuous, give the type as well.

(a) (i)  $x = -2$  (3)

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(ii)  $x = 1$  (3)

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(b) is  $f$  differentiable at  $x = 1$ ? Motivate fully. (3)

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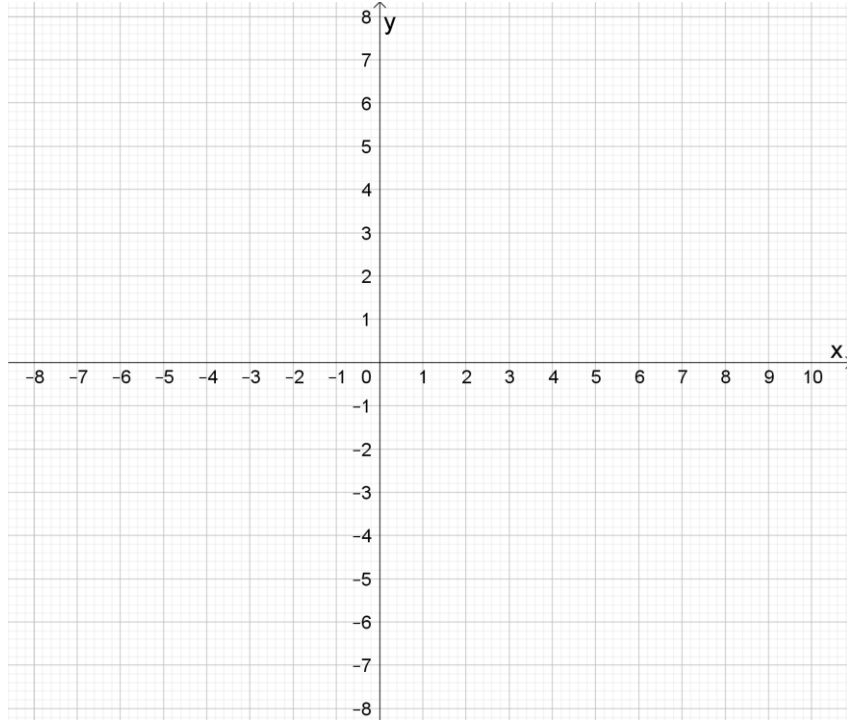
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7.3 Write down the  $y$ -intercept of  $f$ . (1)

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7.4 Use the diagram sheet below and make a sketch graph of  $f$ .  
 Clearly show the coordinates of the turning points (if any), the asymptotes and the  $y$ -intercept on your sketch. (6)



**QUESTION 8 [25 MARKS]**

8.1 Differentiate the following functions as asked:

(a) If  $f(x) = 2^{2x+1} + \operatorname{cosec}(x)$ , determine  $f'(x)$ . (3)

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(b)  $D_x[\arcsin(\ln(4x))]$  (3)

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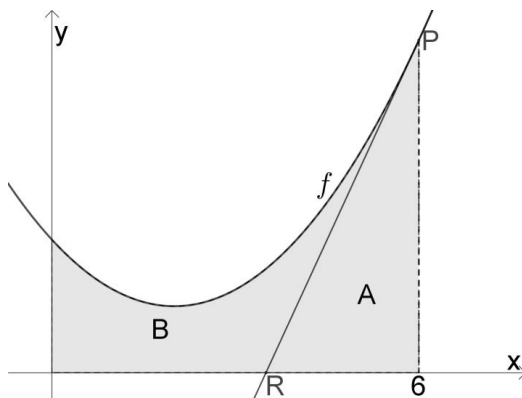












(b) Accept that  $t = 8$  and determine the equation of  $PR$ . (5)

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(c) The area  $B$  rotates around the  $x$ -axis. Write down the expression with which the volume of this rotating body can be calculated. DO NOT CALCULATE IT. (3)

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