



2014 HSC Assessment 1

Year 12 Mathematics

General Instructions:

- Date of task Tuesday 18th November (Period 6)
- Working time 45 mins
- Weighting 15%
- Board-approved calculators may be used.
- Start each question in a new booklet.
- Show all relevant mathematical reasoning and/or calculations.

Total marks - 30

Outcomes to be assessed:

- **P6** Relates the derivative of a function to the slope of its graph.
- P7 Determines the derivative of a function through routine application of the rule of differentiation.
- P8 Understands and uses the language and notation of calculus.
- **H6** Uses the derivative to determine the features of the graph of a function.
- H7 Uses the features of a graph to deduce information about the derivative.

Section A (4 marks)

Multiple choice, answer on the multiple choice answer sheet provided.

1) What is the equation of the directrix of the parabola $y^2 = -12x$?

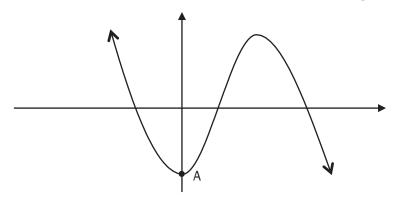
(A) x = -3

(C) y = -3

(B) x = 3

(D) y = 3

2) At the point A on the function shown below which of the following is true?



- (A) f'(x) < 0, f''(x) < 0
- (C) f'(x) = 0, f''(x) = 0
- (B) f'(x) = 0, f''(x) > 0
- (D) f'(x) = 0, f''(x) < 0

3) Which of the following is the second derivative of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$?

 $(A) \qquad -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^3}}$

(C) $\frac{3}{4}\sqrt{x^5}$

 $(B) \qquad -\frac{3}{4\sqrt{x^5}}$

(D) $\frac{3}{4\sqrt{x^5}}$

4) For what values of x is the curve $f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2$ concave down?

(A) $x < -\frac{1}{6}$

(C) x < -6

(B) $x > -\frac{1}{6}$

(D) x > -6

Section B (13 marks)

Answer in a new booklet.

1) If the quadratic equation $2x^2-3x+4=0$ has the roots α and β , find

(i)
$$\alpha eta$$
 (1 mark)

(ii)
$$\alpha + \beta$$
 (1 mark)

(iii)
$$4\alpha^2\beta + 4\alpha\beta^2$$
 (2 marks)

2) Find
$$A$$
 and B given that $x^2 + x \equiv A(x^2 - 3x) + Bx$. (2 marks)

- 3) Consider the quadratic equation $(k+3)x^2 + 4x + k = 0$.
 - (i) Show that the discriminant is $16-12k-4k^2$ (1 mark)
 - (ii) Find the value(s) of k for which the equation $(k+3)x^2+4x+k=0$ has real roots. (2 marks)
- 4) A and B are the points (1, 4) and (-3, 2) respectively. The point P(x, y) moves such that PA is perpendicular to PB.
 - (i) Show that the equation of the locus of P is the circle $x^2 + 2x + y^2 6y + 5 = 0 \tag{2 marks}$
 - (ii) Find the radius and centre of this circle. (2 marks)

(End of section B)

Section C (13 marks)

Answer in a new booklet.

- 1) Find the first derivative of $f(x) = x(5x-1)^4$, giving your answer in its factorised form. (2 marks)
- 2) For the parabola $(x+2)^2 = -6y + 24$, find the
 - (i) coordinates of the vertex (1 mark)
 - (ii) coordinates of the focus (1 mark)
- 3) Consider the curve given by $y = 3x^2 x^3 + 9x 2$.
 - (i) Find the co-ordinates of the stationary points and determine their nature. (3 marks)

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- (ii) Determine the co-ordinates of any point(s) of inflexion. (2 marks)
- (iii) Sketch the graph of $y = 3x^2 x^3 + 9x 2$, clearly indicating its stationary points, inflexion point(s) and *y*-intercept. (2 marks)
- 4) The line 5x+2y+14=0 forms a focal chord of the parabola $(y-3)^2=-4a(x+2)$. By using the focus, find a, the focal length of the parabola. (2 marks)

(End of section C)

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Multiple Choice Answer Sheet - Mathematics

Completely fill the response oval representing the most correct answer.

Year 12 Mathematics Assessment Task 1 Solutions and Marking Criteria

Section A

Q.	Solution	Marking criteria
1	x=3 : B	1 mark for correct answer
2	f'(x) = 0, f''(x) > 0 :: B	1 mark for correct answer
3	$y = x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	1 mark for correct answer
	$y' = -\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	
	$y'' = \frac{3}{4}x^{-\frac{5}{2}}$	
	$=\frac{3}{4\sqrt{x^5}} :: D$	
4	$f'(x) = 6x^2 + 2x$	1 mark for correct answer
	f''(x) = 12x + 2	
	12x + 2 > 0	
	12x > -2	
	$x > -\frac{1}{6} \therefore A$	

Section B

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Q.	Solution	Marking criteria				
1	c 4	1 mark for correct answer				
(i)	$\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{4}{2}$					
	= 2					
(ii)	$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{-3}{2}$	1 mark for correct answer				
	$\alpha + \rho == -\frac{\pi}{2}$					
	<i>u z</i>					
	$=\frac{3}{}$					
	2					
(iii)	$4\alpha^2\beta + 4\alpha\beta^2 = 4\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)$	1 mark for correct factorisation				
	$(\alpha, \beta, \alpha, \alpha, \beta)$					
	$=(4\times2)\times\frac{3}{2}$	1 mark for correct answer				
	$-(4 \wedge 2) \wedge \frac{\pi}{2}$					
	=12					
2		1 mark for $A = 1$				
	$A\left(x^2-3x\right)+Bx$					
	$=Ax^2-3Ax+Bx$	1 mark for $B=4$				
	$=Ax^2+(B-3A)x$					
	$\therefore A = 1$					
	$\therefore B-3A=1$					
	B - 3 = 1					
	B=4					

3 (i)	$\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ $= 4^2 - 4 \times (k+3) \times k$ $= 16 - 4k(k+3)$	1 mark for correctly showing the discriminant
	$=16-4k^2-12k$	
(ii)	$=16-12k-4k^2$ $\Delta \ge 0$	1 mark for $16 - 12k - 4k^2 \ge 0$ or
	$16 - 12k - 4k^2 \ge 0$	equivalent = 12/0 / 1/2 = 0 = 0
	$4 - 3k - k^2 \ge 0$	1 mark of solution follows
	$k^2 + 3k - 4 \le 0$	
	$(k+4)(k-1) \le 0$	
	$\therefore -4 \le k \le 1$	
4 (i)	$\therefore -4 \le k \le 1$ $m_{PA} = \frac{y-4}{x-1}, m_{PB} = \frac{y-2}{x+3}$	1 mark for $\frac{y-4}{x-1} \times \frac{y-2}{x+3} = -1$ or
	$m_{PA} \times m_{PB} = -1$	equivalent
	$\frac{y-4}{x-1} \times \frac{y-2}{x+3} = -1$	1 mark for showing the correct equation of the circle
	(y-4)(y-2) = -(x-1)(x+3)	
	$y^2 - 6y + 8 = -(x^2 + 2x - 3)$	
	$y^2 - 6y + 8 = -x^2 - 2x + 3$	
	$\therefore x^2 - 2x + y^2 - 6y + 5 = 0$	
(ii)	$(x+1)^2 + (y-3)^2 = -5+1+9$	1 mark for centre
	= 5	1 mark for radius
	Centre $(-1, 3)$	
	Radius $\sqrt{5}$ units	

Section C

Q.	Solution	Marking criteria
1	$f'(x) = x \times [4(5x-1)^3 \times 5] + 1 \times (5x-1)^4$	1 mark for correct application of the product rule and chain rule
	$= 20x(5x-1)^3 + (5x-1)^4$	1 mark for correct factorisation
	$= (5x-1)^3 (20x + 5x - 1)$	
	$= (5x - 1)^3 (25x - 1)$	
2 (i)	$(x+2)^2 = -6y + 24$ $(x+2)^2 = -6(y-4)$	1 mark for correct answer
	$(x+2)^2 = -6(y-4)$	
	vertex is at $(-2,4)$	
(ii)	$a = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$	1 mark if focus follows using $a = \frac{3}{2}$
	focus is at $\left(-2, \frac{5}{2}\right)$	

3 (i)	y'=	6 <i>x</i> –	$-3x^2$	+	9
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$$y'' = -6x + 6$$

Stationary points when y' = 0

$$-3x^2 + 6x + 9 = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 6x - 9 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$(x-3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 3 \text{ or } x = -1$$

When
$$x = 3$$
, $y'' = -6 \times 3 + 6 = -12$

 \therefore curve is concave down at x = 3

When
$$x = -1$$
, $y'' = -6 \times -1 + 6 = 12$

 \therefore curve is concave up at x = -1

When
$$x = 3$$
, $y = 25$

When
$$x = -1$$
, $y = -7$

: local minimum turning point at (-1,-7) local maximum turning point at (3,25)

1 mark for correct *x* values of stationary points

1 mark for correctly determining the nature of the stationary points

1 mark for correctly stating the co-ordinates of the stationary points

(ii)

$$Let y'' = 0$$
$$-6x + 6 = 0$$

$$-6x = -6$$

$$x = 1$$

Possible point of inflexion at x = 1

Testing, let $\varepsilon = 0.1$

At
$$x + \varepsilon$$
, $y'' < 0$

$$x - \varepsilon$$
, $y'' > 0$

.. point of inflexion exists

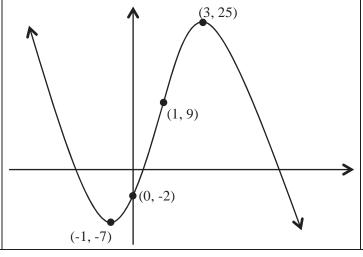
At
$$x = 1$$
, $y = 9$

 \therefore point of inflexion at (1,9)

1 mark for correct co-ordinates of point of inflexion

1 mark for checking for concavity change and hence concluding point of inflexion occurs





1 mark for correct shape of curve indicating the stationary points

1 mark for labelling inflexion point and *y*-intercept

4	Vertex $(-2, 3)$ Focus $(x, 3)$	1 mark for identifying the <i>y</i> value of the focus
	When $y = 3$,	1 mark for finding the focal length
	5x + 6 + 14 = 0	
	5x = -40	
	x = -4	
	\therefore focus is at $(-4,3)$	
	\therefore focal length, $a = 2$ units	