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Worthwhile CAS Calculator Use in This Year's 2nd Methods Exam?

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Multiple Choice analysis:





Question 11 (C)

The graph of $y = \tan(ax)$, where $a \in \mathbb{R}^+$, has a vertical asymptote $x = 3\pi$ and has exactly one *x*-intercept in the region $(0, 3\pi)$. The value of *a* is

Note: Using the slider option with a step of 1/6



marble scores +3 points. The points obtained from the two marbles randomly selected by a player are added together to obtain a final score. What is the probability that the final score will equal +1? Note: tree diagram or similar with standard arithmetic skills required.

Question 14 (B)

Two events, A and B, are independent, where Pr(B) = 2Pr(A) and $Pr(A \cup B) = 0.52 Pr(A)$ is equal to

Note: Probability table or Karnaugh Map, but no useful calculator



Question 18

Consider the functions $f: R^+ \to R$, $f(x) = x^{\frac{p}{q}}$ and $g: R^+ \to R$, $g(x) = x^{\frac{m}{n}}$ where p, q, m and n are positive integers, and $\frac{p}{q}$ and $\frac{m}{n}$ are fractions in simplest form. If $\{x: f(x) > g(x)\} = (0,1)$ and $\{x: f(x) > g(x)\} = (1,\infty)$, which of the following must be false? Note: nothing of significance with calculator apart from viewing power functions Question 19 The graphs $f: R \to R, f(x) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)$ and $g: R \to R, g(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ are shown in the diagram below. 3 An integral expression that gives the total area of the 0 shaded regions is Note: no useful functionalty on calculator 3 **Question 20** The differentiable function $f: R \rightarrow R$ is a probability density function. It is known that the median of the probability density function f is at x = 0 and f'(0) = 4. The transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$ maps the graph of f to the graph of g, where $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is a probability

density function with a median at x = 0 and g'(0) = -1.

The transformation T could be given by

Note:. no useful functionalty on calculator.

Extended Answer analysis:

Question 1. Consider the quartic and part of the graph of y = f(x) below. 1a. Find the coordinates of the point M, at which the minimum value of the function f occurs. $fMin(3 \cdot x^4 + 4 \cdot x^3 - 12 \cdot x^2, x, -\infty, \infty)$ $fMin(3 \cdot x^4 + 4 \cdot x^3 - 12 \cdot x^2 \cdot x - \infty \cdot \infty)$ x=-2 {MinValue=-32, x=-2} $3 \cdot x^4 + 4 \cdot x^3 - 12 \cdot x^2 |x = -2$ -32 **1b.** State the values of $b \in R$ for which the graph of y = f(x) + b has no *x*-intercepts. 1c. Part of the tangent, *l*, to y = f(x) at $x = -\frac{1}{3}$ is shown below. Find the equation of the tangent *l*. $tanLine \left(3 \cdot x^4 + 4 \cdot x^3 - 12 \cdot x^2, x, -\frac{1}{3} \right)$ $\tan \operatorname{gentLine} \left(3 \cdot x^4 + 4 \cdot x^3 - 12 \cdot x^2, x, \frac{-1}{3} \right)$ $\frac{80 \cdot x}{9} + \frac{41}{27}$ 1d. The tangent *l* intersects y = f(x) at $x = -\frac{1}{3}$ and at two other points. State the *x*-values of the two other points of intersection. Express your answers in the form $\frac{a \pm \sqrt{b}}{2}$, where *a*, *b* and c are integers. solve $\left(3 \cdot x^{4} + 4 \cdot x^{3} - 12 \cdot x^{2} = \frac{80 \cdot x}{9} + \frac{41}{27}, x\right)$ $\left\{x = -\frac{1}{3}, x = \frac{-\sqrt{42}}{3} - \frac{1}{3}, x = \frac{\sqrt{42}}{3} - \frac{1}{3}\right\}$ solve $\left(3 \cdot x^{4} + 4 \cdot x^{3} - 12 \cdot x^{2} = \frac{80 \cdot x}{9} + \frac{41}{27}, x\right)$ $\left\{x = -\frac{1}{3}, x = \frac{-\sqrt{42}}{3} - \frac{1}{3}, x = \frac{\sqrt{42}}{3} - \frac{1}{3}\right\}$ $x = \frac{-(\sqrt{42} + 1)}{3} \text{ or } x = \frac{-1}{3} \text{ or } x = \frac{\sqrt{42} - 1}{3}$ 1e. Find the total area of the regions bounded by the tangent l and y = f(x). Express your answer in the form $\frac{a\sqrt{b}}{d}$ where *a*, *b* and *c* are positive integers. $\frac{c}{\left| simplify(\int_{\frac{-\sqrt{42}}{3} - \frac{1}{3}}^{\frac{\sqrt{42}}{3} - \frac{1}{3}} \frac{80 \cdot x}{9} + \frac{41}{27} - (3 \cdot x^4 + 4 \cdot x^3 - 12 \cdot x^2) dx) \right|} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{42} - 1}{3}}{\left| \left| \left| \frac{\sqrt{42} - 1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}$ 784•√42 135 Let $p: R \to R$, $p(x) = 3x^4 + 4x^3 + 6(a-2)x^2 - 12ax + a^2$, $a \in R$ **f.** State the value of *a* for which f(x) = p(x) for all *x*. **g.** Find all solutions to p'(x) = 0, in terms of *a* where appropriate $solve(6 \cdot (a-2) = -12, a)$ {a=0} $\left| \operatorname{solve} \left(\frac{d}{dx} \left(3 \cdot x^4 + 4 \cdot x^3 + 6 \cdot (a-2) \cdot x^2 - 12 \cdot a \cdot x + a^2 \right) = 0, x \right) \right|_{x=-(\sqrt{1-a}+1) \text{ or } x = \sqrt{1-a}-1 \text{ or } x=1}$ hi. Find the values of a for which p has only one stationary point. solve(1-a<0, a){a>1} © Kevin McMenamin 2018



ci. On the graph above, sketch the total amount of drug X in the bloodstream during the first 12 hours after Tablet 1 is consumed.

cii. Find the maximum amount of drug X in the bloodstream in the first 12 hours and the time

at which this maximum occurs. Give your answers correct to two decimal places



Question 3

c. The area above ground level between the arches and the bridge is filled with stone. The stone is represented by the shaded regions shown in the diagram below. Find the total area of the shaded regions, correct to the nearest square metre.





Question 4.

Doctors are studying the resting heart rate of adults in two neighbouring towns: Mathsland and Statsville. Resting heart rate is measured in beats per minute (bpm).

The resting heart rate of adults in Mathsland is known to be normally distributed with a mean of 68 bpm and a standard deviation of 8 bpm.

a. Find the probability that a randomly selected Mathsland adult has a resting heart rate between 60 bpm and 90 bpm. Give your answer correct to three decimal places.

normCDf(60,90,8,68)	normCdf(60,90,68,8)	0.838364921851	
0.8383649828			

The probability that a randomly chosen Mathsland adult has a slow heart rate is 0.1587.

b. Find the probability that a random sample of 16 Mathsland adults will contain exactly one person with a slow heart rate. Give your answer correct to three decimal places

binomialPDf(1,16,0.1587)

0.1900904256

For random samples of 16 Mathsland adults, \hat{P} is the random variable that represents the roportion of people who have a slow heart rate.

c. Find the probability that \hat{P} is greater than 10%, correct to three decimal places.

$$\Pr(p>0.1) = \Pr(p>\frac{1.6}{16})$$

Pr(p>0.1)=Pr(p>0.1)

0

binomialCDf(2,16,16,0.1587)

For random samples of n Mathsland adults, P n is the random variable that represents the proportion of people who have a slow heart rate.

d. Find the least value of *n* for which
$$\Pr\left(\hat{P} > \frac{1}{n}\right) > 0.99$$

solve(invBinomialCDf(0.01, x, 0.1587)=2, x) $\{x=39\}$ invBinomN(0.01, 0.1587, 1)

Every year at Mathsland Secondary College, students hike to the top of a hill that rises behind the school. The time taken by a randomly selected student to reach the top of the hill has the probability density function

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M with the rule
$$M(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{50} \left(\frac{t}{50}\right)^2 e^{-\left(\frac{t}{50}\right)^2} & t \ge 0\\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$
 where *t* is given in minutes.

e. Find the expected time, in minutes, for a randomly selected student from Mathsland Secondary College to reach the top of the hill. Give your answer correct to one decimal place.

Students who take less than 15 minutes to get to the top of the hill are categorised as 'elite'.

f. Find the probability that a randomly selected student from Mathsland Secondary College is categorised as elite. Give your answer correct to four decimal places.

Question 5.

Consider functions of the form
$$f: R \to R$$
, $f(x) = \frac{81x^2(a-x)}{4a^4}$ and $h: R \to R$, $h(x) = \frac{9x}{2a^2}$ where *a* is a

positive real number.

a. Find the coordinates of the local maximum of f in terms of a.

b. Find the x-values of all of the points of intersection between the graphs of f and h, in terms of

a where appropriate.

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{solve}\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dx}}\left(\frac{\$1\cdot x^{2}\cdot(a-x)}{4\cdot a^{4}}\right)=0, x\right) \\ \left\{x=0, x=\frac{2\cdot a}{3}\right\} \\ \frac{\$1\cdot x^{2}\cdot(a-x)}{4\cdot a^{4}} \mid x=\frac{2\cdot a}{3} \\ \frac{\$1\cdot x^{2}\cdot(a-x)}{4\cdot a^{4}} \mid x=\frac{2\cdot a}{3} \\ \frac{3}{a} \end{array} \right|$$
 solve $\left(\frac{\$1\cdot x^{2}\cdot(a-x)}{4\cdot a^{4}}=\frac{9\cdot x}{2\cdot a^{2}}, x\right) \\ \left\{x=0, x=\frac{a}{3}, x=\frac{2\cdot a}{3}\right\} \\ \frac{\$1\cdot x^{2}\cdot(a-x)}{4\cdot a^{4}} \mid x=\frac{2\cdot a}{3} \\ \frac{3}{a} \\ \frac{1}{8} \end{array} \right|$

Consider the function $g: \left[0, \frac{2a}{3}\right] \rightarrow R, g(x) = \frac{81x^2(a-x)}{4a^4}$, where *a* is a positive real number. **d**. Evaluate $\frac{2a}{3} \times g\left(\frac{2a}{3}\right)$ **e**. Find the area bounded by the graph of g^{-1} , the *x*-axis and the line $x = g\left(\frac{2a}{3}\right)$ **f**. Find the value of *a* for which the graphs of *g* and g^{-1} have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graphs of *g* and *g*-1 when they have the same endpoints. **g**. Find the area enclosed by the graph area enclosed by the graph

Very helpful, as long as I know how to use the CAS.