

Higher Still Mathematics

HIGHER GRADE
Paper I

November Prelim
45 minutes

All questions should be attempted

Marks

1. A function is defined by the formula

$$f(x) = 4x^2(x - 3), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

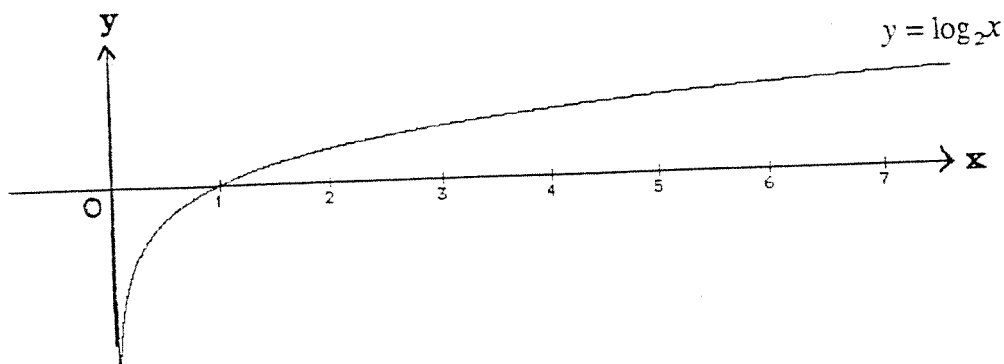
- (a) Write down the coordinates of the points where the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ meets the coordinate axes. (2)
- (b) Find the stationary points of $y = f(x)$ and determine the nature of each. (6)
- (c) Sketch and annotate the curve $y = f(x)$ (2)

2. A mushroom grower harvests 20% of her stock at the end of every week. During the week another 100 mushrooms will become ready for picking.

- (a) Write a recurrence relation to model the situation, using u_n to represent the number of mushrooms ready for picking at the start of each week.
- (b) If growing conditions are maintained, comment on long-term levels of the mushroom crop. (4)

3. Differentiate $3x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}}$ with respect to x . (2)

4. The diagram below shows a sketch of the graph of $y = f(x)$, where $f(x) = \log_2 x$

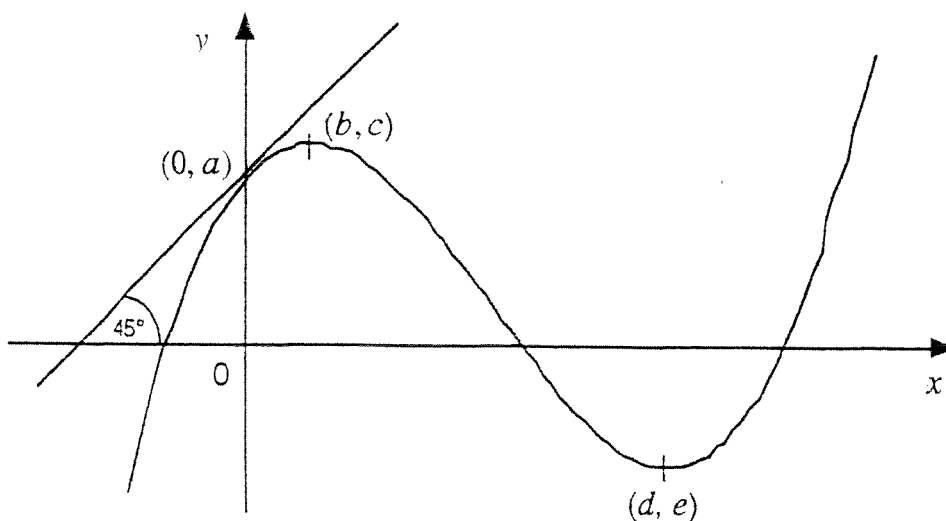


Make a copy of this graph. (Your copy need not be exact). (3)

On your copy, sketch and annotate the graph of $y = f^{-1}(x)$, the inverse of $f(x)$.

5. The diagram below shows the graph of a cubic function f which has

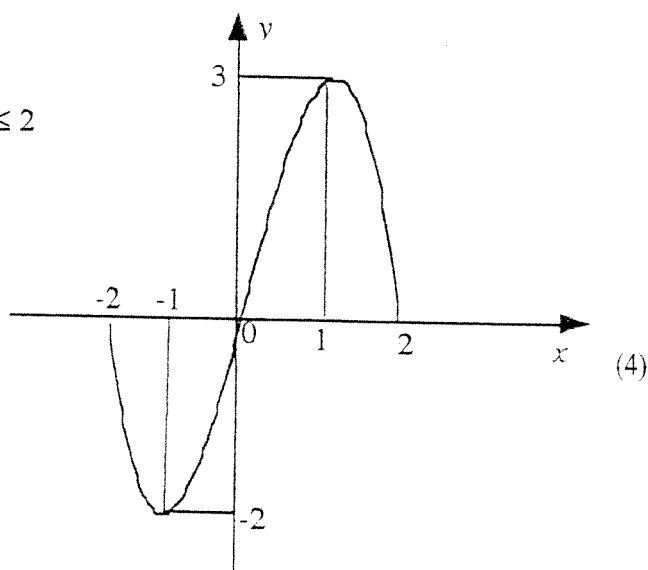
- (i) a maximum turning point at (b, c)
- (ii) a minimum turning point at (d, e) , and
- (iii) a tangent, at the point $(0, a)$, inclined at 45° to the x -axis.



- (a) State the values of $f'(b)$, $f'(d)$ and $f'(0)$. (2)
- (b) Sketch the graph of the derived function $f'(x)$. (2)

6. The graph of $y = f(x)$ for $-2 \leq x \leq 2$ is indicated. On separate axes sketch and annotate the graphs of:

- (a) $y = -f(x)$,
- (b) $y = 3 + f(x)$.



7. Find the exact values of:

- (a) $\cos \frac{\pi}{4}$ (1)
- (b) $2 \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{4} - 2 \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{4}$ (3)

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