



Finding the Equation of a Curve Given The Differential Mark Scheme

Q1.

Question Number	Scheme	Marks	
(a)	$(3 - x^2)^2 = 9 - 6x^2 + x^4$	An attempt to expand the numerator obtaining an expression of the form $9 \pm px^2 \pm qx^4$, $p, q \neq 0$	M1
	$9x^{-2} + x^2$	Must come from $\frac{9 + x^4}{x^2}$	A1
	-6	Must come from $\frac{-6x^2}{x^2}$	A1
Alternative 1: Writes $\frac{(3 - x^2)^2}{x^2}$ as $(3x^{-1} - x)^2$ and attempts to expand = M1 then A1A1 as in the scheme.			
Alternative 2: Sets $(3 - x^2)^2 = 9 + Ax^2 + Bx^4$, expands $(3 - x^2)^2$ and compares coefficients = M1 then A1A1 as in the scheme.			
$(f'(x) = 9x^{-2} - 6 + x^2)$		(3)	
(b)	$-18x^{-3} + 2x$	M1: $x^n \rightarrow x^{n-1}$ on separate terms at least once. Do not award for $A \rightarrow 0$ (Integrating is M0) A1ft: $-18x^{-3} + 2$ "B" x with a numerical B and no extra terms. (A may have been incorrect or even zero)	M1 A1ft
		(2)	
(c)	$f(x) = -9x^{-1} - 6x + \frac{x^3}{3} (+c)$	M1: $x^n \rightarrow x^{n+1}$ on separate terms at least once. (Differentiating is M0) A1ft: $-9x^{-1} + Ax + \frac{Bx^3}{3} (+c)$ with numerical A and B, $A, B \neq 0$	M1A1ft
	$10 = \frac{-9}{-3} - 6(-3) + \frac{(-3)^3}{3} + c$ so $c = \dots$	Uses $x = -3$ and $y = 10$ in what they think is $f(x)$ (They may have differentiated here) but it must be a changed function i.e. not the original $f'(x)$, to form a linear equation in c and attempts to find c . No $+c$ gets M0 and A0 unless their method implies that they are correctly finding a constant.	M1
	$c = -2$	cs0	A1
	$(f(x) =) -9x^{-1} - 6x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \text{their } c$	Follow through their c in an otherwise (possibly un-simplified) correct expression . Allow $-\frac{9}{x}$ for $-9x^{-1}$ or even $\frac{9x^{-1}}{-1}$.	A1ft
Note that if they integrate in (b), no marks there but if they then go on to use their integration in (c), the marks for integration are available.			
		(5)	
		[10]	

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Q2.

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
	$\left(\frac{dy}{dx} =\right) \quad -x^3 + 2x^{-2} - \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)x^{-3}$	M1
	$(y =) \quad -\frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{2x^{-1}}{(-1)} - \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)\frac{x^{-2}}{(-2)} (+c)$	M1 A1ft
	$(y =) \quad -\frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{2x^{-1}}{(-1)} - \frac{5}{2}\frac{x^{-2}}{(-2)} (+c)$	A1
	Given that $y = 7$, at $x = 1$, then $7 = -\frac{1}{4} - 2 + \frac{5}{4} + c \Rightarrow c =$	M1
	So, $(y =) \quad -\frac{1}{4}x^4 - 2x^{-1} + \frac{5}{4}x^{-2} + c, \quad c=8$ or $(y =) \quad -\frac{1}{4}x^4 - 2x^{-1} + \frac{5}{4}x^{-2} + 8$	A1
		[6]
		6 marks
	Notes	
	<p>M1: Expresses as three term polynomial with powers 3, -2 and -3. Allow slips in coefficients. This may be implied by later integration having all three powers 4, -1 and -2.</p> <p>M1: An attempt to integrate at least one term so $x^n \rightarrow x^{n+1}$ (not a term in the numerator or denominator)</p> <p>A1ft: Any two integrations are correct – coefficients may be unsimplified (follow through errors in coefficients only here) so should have two of the powers 4, -1 and -2 after integration – depends on 2nd method mark only. There should be a maximum of three terms here.</p> <p>A1: Correct three terms – coefficients may be unsimplified- do not need constant for this mark Depends on both Method marks</p> <p>M1: Need constant for this mark. Uses $y = 7$ and $x = 1$ in their changed expression in order to find c, and attempt to find c. This mark is available even after there is suggestion of differentiation.</p> <p>A1: Need all four correct terms to be simplified and need $c = 8$ here.</p>	

Q3.

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$(x^2 + 3)^2 = x^4 + 3x^2 + 3x^2 + 3^2$	M1
	$\frac{(x^2 + 3)^2}{x^2} = \frac{x^4 + 6x^2 + 9}{x^2} = x^2 + 6 + 9x^{-2} \quad (*)$	A1 cso (2)
(b)	$y = \frac{x^3}{3} + 6x + \frac{9}{-1}x^{-1} (+c)$	M1 A1 A1
	$20 = \frac{27}{3} + 6 \times 3 - \frac{9}{3} + c$	M1
	$c = -4$	A1
	$[y =] \frac{x^3}{3} + 6x - 9x^{-1} - 4$	A1 ft (6)
		(8 marks)

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Q4.

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^{-\frac{1}{2}} + x\sqrt{x}$	
	$y = \frac{6}{\frac{1}{2}}x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}} (+c)$	B1 M1 A1, A1
	Use $x=4, y=37$ to give equation in c , $37 = 12\sqrt{4} + \frac{2}{5}(\sqrt{4})^5 + c$	M1
	$\Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{5} \text{ or equivalent eg. } 0.2$	A1
	$(y) = 12x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{2}{5}x^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{1}{5}$	A1
		(7 marks)

B1 $x\sqrt{x} = x^{\frac{3}{2}}$. This may be implied by $+\frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}}$ oe in the subsequent work.

M1 $x^n \rightarrow x^{n+1}$ in at least one case so see either $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ or $x^{\frac{5}{2}}$ or both

A1 One term integrated correctly. It does not have to be simplified Eg. $\frac{6}{\frac{1}{2}}x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ or $+\frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}}$.

A1 No need for $+c$
 Other term integrated correctly. See above. No need to simplify nor for $+c$. Need to see

$\frac{6}{\frac{1}{2}}x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}}$ or a simplified correct version

M1 Substitute $x = 4, y = 37$ to produce an equation in c .

A1 Correctly calculates $c = \frac{1}{5}$ or equivalent e.g. 0.2

A1 cso $y = 12x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{2}{5}x^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{1}{5}$. Allow $5y = 60x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{5}{2}} + 1$ and accept fully simplified equivalents.

e.g. $y = \frac{1}{5}(60x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{5}{2}} + 1)$, $y = 12\sqrt{x} + \frac{2}{5}\sqrt{x^5} + \frac{1}{5}$



Q5.

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$p = \frac{1}{2}, q = 2$ or $6x^{\frac{1}{2}}, 3x^2$	B1, B1 (2)
(b)	$\frac{6x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} + \frac{3x^3}{3} \quad \left(= 4x^{\frac{3}{2}} + x^3 \right)$ $x = 4, y = 90: 32 + 64 + C = 90 \Rightarrow C = -6$ $y = 4x^{\frac{3}{2}} + x^3 + \text{"their" } -6$	M1 A1ft M1 A1 A1 (5) 7
Notes		
<p>(a) Accept any equivalent answers, e.g. $p = 0.5, q = 4/2$</p> <p>(b) 1st M: Attempt to integrate $x^n \rightarrow x^{n+1}$ (for either term) 1st A: ft their p and q, but terms need not be simplified (+C not required for this mark) 2nd M: Using $x = 4$ <u>and</u> $y = 90$ to form an equation in C. 2nd A: cao 3rd A: answer as shown with simplified correct coefficients and powers – but follow through their value for C</p> <p>If there is a 'restart' in part (b) it can be marked independently of part (a), but marks for part (a) cannot be scored for work seen in (b).</p> <p><u>Numerator and denominator integrated separately:</u> First M mark cannot be awarded so only mark available is second M mark. So 1 out of 5 marks.</p>		

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Q6.

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
	$(f(x) =) \frac{12x^3}{3} - \frac{8x^2}{2} + x(+c)$ $(f(-1) = 0 \Rightarrow) 0 = 4 \times (-1) - 4 \times 1 - 1 + c$ $c = \underline{9}$ $[f(x) = 4x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 9]$	M1 A1 A1 M1 A1 5
Notes		
	1 st M1 for an attempt to integrate $x^n \rightarrow x^{n+1}$ 1 st A1 for at least 2 terms in x correct - needn't be simplified, ignore $+c$ 2 nd A1 for all the terms in x correct but they need not be simplified. No need for $+c$ 2 nd M1 for using $x = -1$ and $y = 0$ to form a linear equation in c . No $+c$ gets M0A0 3 rd A1 for $c = 9$. Final form of $f(x)$ is not required.	

Q7.

Question	Scheme	Marks
	$[f(x) =] \frac{3x^3}{3} - \frac{3x^2}{2} + 5x[+c] \quad \text{or} \quad \left\{ x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 5x(+c) \right\}$ $10 = 8 - 6 + 10 + c$ $c = -2$ $f(1) = 1 - \frac{3}{2} + 5 \quad "-2" = \underline{\frac{5}{2}} \quad (\text{o.e.})$	M1A1 M1 A1 Alft (5) 5 marks
Notes		
	1 st M1 for attempt to integrate $x^n \rightarrow x^{n+1}$ 1 st A1 all correct, possibly unsimplified. Ignore $+c$ here. 2 nd M1 for using $x = 2$ and $f(2) = 10$ to form a linear equation in c . Allow sign errors. They should be substituting into a <u>changed</u> expression 2 nd A1 for $c = -2$ 3 rd Alft for $\frac{9}{2} + c$ Follow through their <u>numerical</u> $c (\neq 0)$ This mark is dependent on 1 st M1 and 1 st A1 only.	

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Q8.

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$(y =) \frac{3x^2}{2} - \frac{5x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{1}{2}} - 2x \quad (+c)$ $f(4) = 5 \Rightarrow 5 = \frac{3}{2} \times 16 - 10 \times 2 - 8 + c$ $c = 9$ $\left[f(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 - 10x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2x + 9 \right]$	M1A1A1 M1 A1 (5)
(b)	$m = 3 \times 4 - \frac{5}{2} - 2 \left(= 7.5 \text{ or } \frac{15}{2} \right)$ <p>Equation is: $y - 5 = \frac{15}{2}(x - 4)$</p> $\underline{2y - 15x + 50 = 0} \quad \text{o.e.}$	M1 M1A1 A1 (4) (9marks)
Normal	<p>(a) 1st M1 for an attempt to integrate $x^n \rightarrow x^{n+1}$ 1st A1 for at least 2 correct terms in x (unsimplified) 2nd A1 for all 3 terms in x correct (condone missing $+c$ at this point). Needn't be simplified 2nd M1 for using the point (4, 5) to form a linear equation for c. Must use $x = 4$ and $y = 5$ and have no x term and the function must have "changed". 3rd A1 for $c = 9$. The final expression is not required.</p> <p>(b) 1st M1 for an attempt to evaluate $f'(4)$. Some correct use of $x = 4$ in $f'(x)$ but condone slips. They must therefore have at least 3×4 or $-\frac{5}{2}$ and clearly be using $f'(x)$ with $x = 4$. Award this mark wherever it is seen. 2nd M1 for using their value of m [or their $-\frac{1}{m}$] (provided it clearly comes from using $x = 4$ in $f(x)$) to form an equation of the line through (4,5). Allow this mark for an attempt at a normal or tangent. Their m must be numerical. Use of $y = mx + c$ scores this mark when c is found. 1st A1 for any correct expression for the equation of the line 2nd A1 for any correct equation with integer coefficients. An "=" is required. e.g. $2y = 15x - 50$ etc as long as the equation is correct and has integer coefficients.</p> <p>Attempt at normal can score both M marks in (b) but A0A0</p>	