

IB Math AA SL — Topic 5

Integration

Antiderivatives & $+c$ · Powers of x · Areas Using a GDC

Difficulty	EASY	MEDIUM	HARD
Questions	10	10	10
Total Marks	30	40	50



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Instructions: Answer all questions. Show all working. Give answers correct to 3 significant figures unless stated otherwise. Each question states whether a calculator is permitted.



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Key Formulae

- **Power Rule (indefinite):** $\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + c, \quad n \neq -1$
- **Constant multiple:** $\int k f(x) dx = k \int f(x) dx$
- **Sum/difference:** $\int [f(x) \pm g(x)] dx = \int f(x) dx \pm \int g(x) dx$
- **Definite integral (area signed):** $\int_a^b f(x) dx = [F(x)]_a^b = F(b) - F(a)$
- **Area under a curve** (above x -axis, $a \leq x \leq b$): $A = \int_a^b f(x) dx$
- **Additivity over adjacent intervals:** $\int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_b^c f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx$
- **Linearity deduction:** $\int_a^b k f(x) dx = k \int_a^b f(x) dx$ and $\int_a^b f(x) dx = - \int_b^a f(x) dx$

GDC Tips

- **Definite integral value:** Use $\text{Math} \rightarrow \text{fnInt}(f(x), x, a, b)$ on TI-84, or the $\int_a^b$ template in the Calculus menu on TI-Nspire; write the integral expression before stating the numerical answer.
- **Area between a curve and the x -axis:** When $f(x)$ changes sign on $[a, b]$, split at roots first; enter $\text{fnInt}(\text{abs}(f(x)), x, a, b)$ or compute each sub-interval separately and add magnitudes.
- **Area between two curves:** Graph both functions, identify intersection x -values using Intersection (TI-84: 2nd CALC 5; Nspire: Analyze Graph $\rightarrow$ Intersection), then integrate $|f(x) - g(x)|$ over that interval.
- **Checking an antiderivative:** Differentiate your answer symbolically or use d/dx at a test point to verify $F'(x) = f(x)$ before substituting the boundary values.
- **Storing intersection or root values:** Store exact GDC x -values in variables (STO→A, B) before evaluating the integral to avoid rounding errors propagating.
- **Reading area from a graph:** Sketch $y = f(x)$ on the GDC over the stated domain to confirm the curve is above (or below) the axis, so you can decide whether a sign change splits the region.

Common Mistakes to Avoid

1. **Omitting the constant of integration.** Every indefinite integral requires $+c$; writing $\int 3x^2 dx = x^3$ loses a mark. The constant is determined only when a point on the curve is given.
2. **Forgetting to rewrite before integrating.** Expressions such as $\frac{4}{\sqrt{x}}$ or $x(x-3)$ must be rewritten as $4x^{-1/2}$ or $x^2 - 3x$ before applying the power rule; integrating the original unsimplified form is not accepted.
3. **Applying the power rule to x^{-1} .** The formula $\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$ is undefined at $n = -1$; the antiderivative of x^{-1} is $\ln|x| + c$. Questions in this course avoid this, but misidentifying an exponent as -1 causes an error.
4. **Sign error when reversing limits.** Students write $\int_b^a f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx$ instead of the negative; this propagates into deduction questions that use additivity or the reversal property.
5. **Confusing a signed definite integral with area.** If $f(x) < 0$ on part of $[a, b]$, then $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is not the total area; the region below the axis contributes negatively. Always check the graph and split at roots when area (not net signed value) is required.
6. **Incorrect addition of the constant when finding f from f' .** After integrating $f'(x)$ and adding c , students substitute the given point into f' rather than f to find c , or substitute correctly but then forget to write the complete function with the found value of c substituted back in.



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Section A — Easy

EASY

1. Find $\int (3x^2 + 4x - 1) dx$. *Calculator not allowed*

[3 marks]

2. Find $\int x^5 dx$. *Calculator not allowed*

[3 marks]

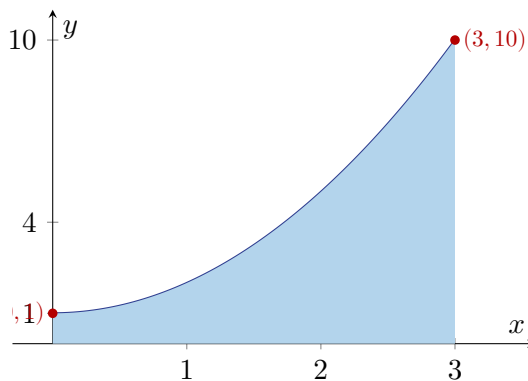
3. Find $\int (2x^{1/2} + 6x^2) dx$. *Calculator not allowed*

[3 marks]

4. The gradient function of a curve is $f'(x) = 4x - 3$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$. The curve passes through the point $(2, 5)$. Find $f(x)$. *Calculator not allowed* [3 marks]

5. Find the exact value of $\int_1^4 (3x^2 - 2x) dx$. *Calculator allowed* [3 marks]

6. The diagram below shows the graph of $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ for $0 \leq x \leq 3$. The shaded region is bounded by the curve, the x -axis, and the lines $x = 0$ and $x = 3$.



- Use your GDC to find the area of the shaded region. Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures. *Calculator allowed* [3 marks]

7. Find $\int (5x^{-2} + 3) dx$. *Calculator allowed* [3 marks]

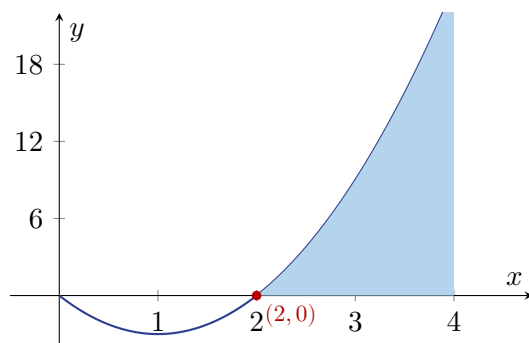
8. The gradient function of a curve is $f'(x) = 6x^2 - 2x + 1$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$. The curve passes through the point $(1, 4)$. Find $f(x)$. *Calculator allowed* [3 marks]

9. The table below shows two definite integrals.

Integral	Value
$\int_1^5 g(x) dx$	12
$\int_1^3 g(x) dx$	7

Find the value of $\int_3^5 g(x) dx$. *Calculator allowed* [3 marks]

10. Use your GDC to find the exact area of the region enclosed by the curve $y = 3x^2 - 6x$, the x -axis, and the lines $x = 2$ and $x = 4$, for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.



Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures. *Calculator allowed*

[3 marks]



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Section B — Medium

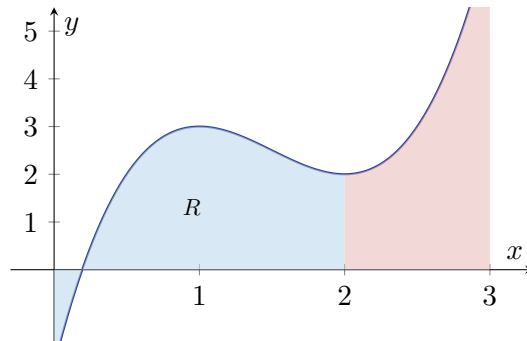
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11. Let $f'(x) = 6x^2 - \frac{4}{x^3}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq 0$. Find $f(x)$, given that $f(1) = 5$. *Calculator not allowed* [4 marks]

12. The velocity of a particle, in m s^{-1} , at time t seconds where $t \geq 0$, is given by $v(t) = 3t^2 - 8t + 4$. Find the total distance travelled by the particle between $t = 0$ and $t = 3$. *Calculator allowed* [4 marks]

13. Let $f'(x) = \sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$, where $x > 0$. Find $f(x)$, given that $f(4) = 10$. *Calculator not allowed* [4 marks]

14. The diagram below shows the graph of $f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 2$ for $0 \leq x \leq 3$.



Find the area of the region R between f and the x -axis for $0 \leq x \leq 2$. *Calculator allowed*

[4 marks]

15. It is given that $\int_1^5 g(x) \, dx = 12$ and $\int_1^3 g(x) \, dx = 7$. *Calculator not allowed*

[4 marks]

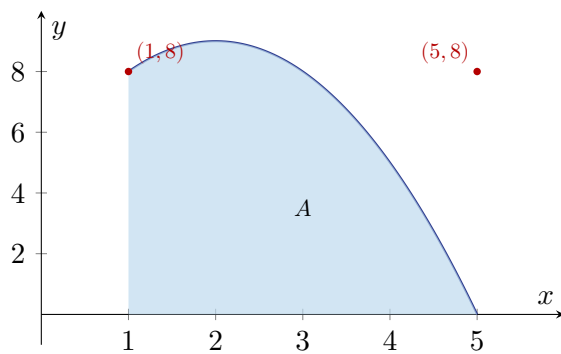
(a) Find $\int_3^5 g(x) \, dx$.

(b) Find $\int_3^5 [3g(x) - 2] \, dx$.

$y = a(2x - 1)^4 + b$. Calculator not allowed

[4 marks]

17. The graph below shows $f(x) = 5 + 4x - x^2$ for $1 \leq x \leq 5$.



Find the area A of the shaded region between the curve and the x -axis for $1 \leq x \leq 5$. *Calculator allowed* [4 marks]

18. Let $h'(x) = 4x^3 - 6x + 3$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$. The curve $y = h(x)$ passes through the point $(-1, 4)$.

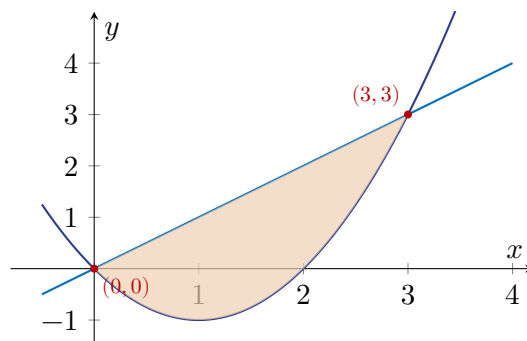
(a) Find $h(x)$.

(b) Find the value of $h(2)$.

Calculator allowed

[4 marks]

19. The diagram shows the graphs of $f(x) = x^2 - 2x$ and $g(x) = x$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.



Find the area of the enclosed region between the two curves. Calculator allowed

[4 marks]

20. Let $f(x) = \frac{3}{x^2} - 2\sqrt{x}$, where $x > 0$. *Calculator not allowed*

[4 marks]

(a) Write $f(x)$ in the form $ax^p + bx^q$, stating the values of a , p , b and q .

(b) Find $\int f(x) \, dx$.



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21. Let $f'(x) = 6x^2 - \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}}$, where $x > 0$. The curve $y = f(x)$ passes through the point $(4, 50)$.

[3 marks]

[2 marks]

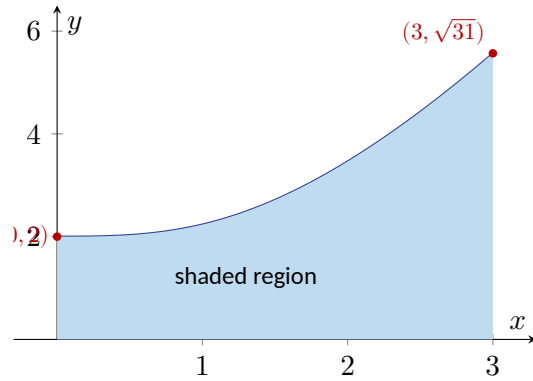
22. It is given that $\int_1^5 g(x) dx = 14$ and $\int_1^3 g(x) dx = 9$. *Calculator not allowed*

(a) Write down the value of $\int_3^5 g(x) dx$. [1 marks]

(b) Find the value of $\int_1^5 [3g(x) - 4] dx$. [2 marks]

(c) Find the value of $\int_1^5 g(2x - 1) dx$, given that g is defined on all of $\mathbb{R}$. [2 marks]

The function f is defined by $f(x) = \sqrt{4 + x^3}$ for $0 \leq x \leq 3$.



Find the area of the shaded region bounded by $y = f(x)$, the x -axis and the lines $x = 0$ and $x = 3$. Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures. [5 marks]

24. Calculator not allowed
Let $f'(x) = \frac{(x^2 + 1)^2}{x^2}$ for $x \neq 0$.

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- [1 marks]

- [4 marks]

The velocity of a particle, in m s^{-1} , at time t seconds is given by $v(t) = t^2 - 5t + 4$, for $0 \leq t \leq 5$.

- [1 marks]**

- [4 marks]

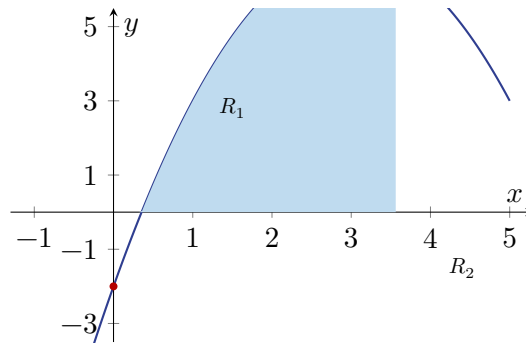
20. Calculator allowed

The rate of change of the depth of water in a tank, in m min^{-1} , is modelled by $\frac{dh}{dt} = 0.5 \cos(0.4t) - 0.2$, where t is the time in minutes, $t \geq 0$. The initial depth of water is 3.6 m.

- (a) Find an expression for $h(t)$. [3 marks]
- (b) Find the first time at which the depth is decreasing at its maximum rate. [2 marks]

27. *Calculator allowed*

The graph below shows $y = f(x)$ for $-1 \leq x \leq 5$.



It is given that $f(x) = -x^2 + 4x - 1$ for $-1 \leq x \leq 5$. Find the total area enclosed between $y = f(x)$ and the x -axis for $0 \leq x \leq 5$. Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures. [5 marks]

28. *Calculator not allowed*

Let $h'(x) = ax^2 + bx$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}$. It is given that $h'(1) = 0$, $h'(-2) = 0$, and $h(0) = 4$. Find $h(3)$. [5 marks]

29. Calculator allowed

The function f is defined by $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3}{\sqrt{x}}$ for $x > 0$.

- (a) Write $f(x)$ in the form $x^p + 3x^q$, stating the values of p and q . [2 marks]

- (b) Hence find $\int f(x) dx$. [2 marks]

- (c) The region bounded by $y = f(x)$, the x -axis and the lines $x = 1$ and $x = 4$ has area A . Find A correct to 3 significant figures. [1 marks]

30. Calculator allowed

The population density of a species of insect, in thousands per hectare, at a distance x km from a water source is modelled by $P(x) = 5x^{0.4}e^{-0.6x}$, for $0 \leq x \leq 6$. The total population (in thousands) over a strip of unit width is $\int_0^6 P(x) dx$.

- Find the distance from the water source at which the population density is greatest. Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures. [2 marks]
- Find the total population, giving your answer correct to 3 significant figures. [2 marks]
- Determine whether the total population would increase or decrease if the upper limit were extended from $x = 6$ to $x = 8$. Justify your answer. [1 marks]

Worked Solutions

Q1 — Integrate a polynomial [EASY]

Integrate term by term, increasing each power by 1 and dividing

M1

$$\int (3x^2 + 4x - 1) dx = x^3 + 2x^2 - x + c$$

A1

+c present

A1

Note: Award A1A0 if the answer is otherwise correct but +c is omitted. All three terms must be correct for the second A1.

Q2 — Integrate a single power [EASY]

Increase the power by 1 and divide by the new power

M1

$$\int x^5 dx = \frac{x^6}{6} + c$$

A1

+c present

A1

Note: Award A1A0 if $\frac{x^6}{6}$ is correct but +c is omitted.

Q3 — Integrate fractional and integer powers [EASY]

Increase each power by 1 and divide; accept terms written in surd or power form

M1

$$\int (2x^{1/2} + 6x^2) dx = \frac{2x^{3/2}}{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{6x^3}{3} + c = \frac{4}{3}x^{3/2} + 2x^3 + c$$

A1

+c present

A1

Note: Accept $\frac{4}{3}\sqrt{x^3}$ or $\frac{4}{3}x\sqrt{x}$ for $\frac{4}{3}x^{3/2}$. Award A1A0 if both terms are correct but +c is absent.

Q4 — Find f from f' and a point [EASY]

Integrate: $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + c$

M1

Substitute (2, 5): $5 = 2(4) - 3(2) + c \Rightarrow 5 = 2 + c \Rightarrow c = 3$

A1

$$f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + 3$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for a correct integration (allow missing +c). Final A1 requires the complete, correct expression.

Q5 — Definite integral of a polynomial [EASY]

METHOD 1

$$\int_1^4 (3x^2 - 2x) dx = \left[x^3 - x^2 \right]_1^4 \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= (64 - 16) - (1 - 1) = 48 \quad \text{A1A1}$$

METHOD 2

Using GDC: $\int_1^4 (3x^2 - 2x) dx \quad \text{(M1)}$

$$= 48 \quad \text{A2}$$

Note: Award A2 for the exact value 48; A1 only if supporting working is shown but answer contains a rounding error.

Q6 — Area under curve by GDC [EASY]

Using GDC: $\int_0^3 (x^2 + 1) dx \quad \text{(M1)}$

$$= 12.0 \text{ (exact value 12)} \quad \text{(A1)}$$

Area = 12.0 (3 s.f.) A1

Note: Award (M1) for setting up the correct definite integral on the GDC. The exact value is 12; accept 12.0.

Q7 — Integrate negative power [EASY]

Rewrite: $5x^{-2} + 3$; integrate term by term M1

$$\int (5x^{-2} + 3) dx = \frac{5x^{-1}}{-1} + 3x + c = -\frac{5}{x} + 3x + c \quad \text{A1}$$

+c present A1

Note: Accept $-5x^{-1} + 3x + c$. Award A1A0 if both terms are correct but +c is absent.

Q8 — Find f from f' and a point [EASY]

Integrate: $f(x) = 2x^3 - x^2 + x + c \quad \text{M1}$

Substitute (1, 4): $4 = 2(1) - 1(1) + 1 + c \Rightarrow 4 = 2 + c \Rightarrow c = 2 \quad \text{A1}$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - x^2 + x + 2 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award M1 for a correct integration. Final A1 requires the complete, correct expression with c = 2 substituted.

Q9 — Additivity of definite integrals [EASY]

State the additivity property: $\int_1^5 g(x) dx = \int_1^3 g(x) dx + \int_3^5 g(x) dx$ **M1**

$12 = 7 + \int_3^5 g(x) dx$ **A1**

$\int_3^5 g(x) dx = 5$ **A1**

Note: Award M1 for explicitly writing the additivity statement with the correct limits. A1A0 if the correct property is stated but an arithmetic error gives a wrong final answer.

Q10 — Area under curve by GDC [EASY]

Using GDC: $\int_2^4 (3x^2 - 6x) dx$ **(M1)**

$= 20.0$ (exact value 20) **(A1)**

Area = 20.0 (3 s.f.) **A1**

Note: The curve $y = 3x^2 - 6x$ is non-negative on $[2, 4]$ (roots at $x = 0$ and $x = 2$), so the definite integral gives the area directly. Award (M1) for entering the correct integral on the GDC. The exact value is 20; accept 20.0.

Q11 — Recover f from f' and a point [MEDIUM]

Rewrite and integrate:

$f'(x) = 6x^2 - 4x^{-3}$ **(M1)**

$f(x) = \frac{6x^3}{3} - \frac{4x^{-2}}{-2} + c = 2x^3 + 2x^{-2} + c$ **A1**

Note: Award A0 if $+c$ is absent.

Apply $f(1) = 5$:

$2(1)^3 + 2(1)^{-2} + c = 5 \implies 4 + c = 5 \implies c = 1$ **M1**

$f(x) = 2x^3 + 2x^{-2} + 1$ **A1**

Note: Accept $f(x) = 2x^3 + \frac{2}{x^2} + 1$.

Q12 — Total distance via GDC (velocity root split) [MEDIUM]

Find zeros of $v(t)$:

$3t^2 - 8t + 4 = 0 \implies t = \frac{2}{3} \text{ or } t = 2$ **M1**

Note: Award M1 for attempting to find roots of v ; condone use of GDC.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total distance} &= \int_0^{2/3} |v| \, dt + \int_{2/3}^2 |v| \, dt + \int_2^3 |v| \, dt \\ &= \int_0^3 |3t^2 - 8t + 4| \, dt \end{aligned} \quad \text{(M1)}$$

$$= 0.592\bar{5} + 2.6\bar{6} + 1 = 4.259 \dots \quad \text{(A1)}$$

$$\text{Total distance} = 4.26 \, \text{m} \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award final A1 only for 4.26 (3 s.f.); do not accept displacement = $-0.0\bar{7}$.

Q13 — Recover f from f' involving surds and a point [MEDIUM]

Rewrite:

$$f'(x) = x^{1/2} + x^{-1/2} \quad \text{(M1)}$$

Integrate:

$$f(x) = \frac{x^{3/2}}{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{x^{1/2}}{\frac{1}{2}} + c = \frac{2}{3}x^{3/2} + 2x^{1/2} + c \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award A0 if $+c$ is absent.

Apply $f(4) = 10$:

$$\frac{2}{3}(8) + 2(2) + c = 10 \implies \frac{16}{3} + 4 + c = 10 \quad \text{M1}$$

$$c = 10 - \frac{28}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{3}x^{3/2} + 2x^{1/2} + \frac{2}{3}$$

Q14 — Definite integral area under curve by GDC [MEDIUM]

Set up integral:

$$\text{Area} = \int_0^2 (2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 2) \, dx \quad \text{M1}$$

Note: Award M1 for a correct definite integral with correct limits; condone missing absolute value since $f \geq 0$ on $[0, 2]$.

$$= \left[\frac{x^4}{2} - 3x^3 + 6x^2 - 2x \right]_0^2 \quad \text{(M1)}$$

$$= (8 - 24 + 24 - 4) - 0 \quad \text{(A1)}$$

$$\text{Area} = 4 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: GDC entry $\int_0^2 (2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 2) dx = 4$ earns (M1)(A1)A1.

Q15 — Deductions from given integral values [MEDIUM]

(a)

Using additivity: $\int_3^5 g(x) dx = \int_1^5 g(x) dx - \int_1^3 g(x) dx$ M1
 $= 12 - 7 = 5$ A1

(b)

Using linearity: $\int_3^5 [3g(x) - 2] dx = 3 \int_3^5 g(x) dx - \int_3^5 2 dx$ M1
 $= 3(5) - 2(5 - 3) = 15 - 4 = 11$ A1

Note: FT from their answer to (a); award A1ft if their (a) is used correctly in (b).

Q16 — Antiderivative of composite power, expressed in given form [MEDIUM]

Integrate using reverse chain rule:

$$F(x) = \frac{(2x-1)^4}{4 \times 2} + c = \frac{(2x-1)^4}{8} + c$$
 M1A1

Note: M1 for attempt at reverse chain rule; A1 for correct $\frac{1}{8}(2x-1)^4$; +c required for A1.

Apply (1, 3):

$$\frac{(2(1)-1)^4}{8} + c = 3 \implies \frac{1}{8} + c = 3 \implies c = \frac{23}{8}$$
 M1

$$y = \frac{1}{8}(2x-1)^4 + \frac{23}{8}$$
 A1

Note: Final A1 requires the form $a(2x-1)^4 + b$ with $a = \frac{1}{8}$, $b = \frac{23}{8}$; unsimplified equivalents accepted.

Q17 — Area under parabola by GDC [MEDIUM]

Set up integral:

$$A = \int_1^5 (5 + 4x - x^2) dx$$
 M1

Note: Award M1 for correct integrand and limits 1 to 5.

$$= \left[5x + 2x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_1^5$$
 (M1)

$$= \left(25 + 50 - \frac{125}{3} \right) - \left(5 + 2 - \frac{1}{3} \right)$$
 (A1)

$$= \frac{125}{3} - \frac{20}{3} = \frac{105}{3} = 35.0$$

A1

Note: GDC entry $\int_1^5 (5 + 4x - x^2) dx = 35$ earns (M1)(A1)A1; accept exact answer 35.

Q18 — Recover h from h' and evaluate [MEDIUM]

(a) Integrate:

$$h(x) = x^4 - 3x^2 + 3x + c$$

M1A1

Note: M1 for attempt to integrate all three terms; A1 for fully correct expression including $+c$; award A0 if $+c$ absent.

Apply $h(-1) = 4$:

$$(1) - 3(1) + 3(-1) + c = 4 \implies 1 - 3 - 3 + c = 4 \implies c = 9$$

M1

$$h(x) = x^4 - 3x^2 + 3x + 9$$

(b)

$$h(2) = 16 - 12 + 6 + 9 = 19$$

A1

Note: A1 is awarded for correct evaluation using their $h(x)$ from (a); A1ft applies if their c is consistent.

Q19 — Area between two curves by GDC [MEDIUM]

Find intersections:

$$x^2 - 2x = x \implies x^2 - 3x = 0 \implies x = 0 \text{ or } x = 3$$

M1

Note: Award M1 for equating the two functions and finding both intersection x -values.

Set up and evaluate:

$$\text{Area} = \int_0^3 [x - (x^2 - 2x)] dx = \int_0^3 (3x - x^2) dx$$

M1

$$= \left[\frac{3x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^3 = \frac{27}{2} - 9 = \frac{9}{2}$$

(A1)

$$\text{Area} = 4.50$$

A1

Note: Accept exact answer $\frac{9}{2}$; GDC entry $\int_0^3 (3x - x^2) dx$ earns (A1)A1.

Q20 — Rewrite then integrate powers of x [MEDIUM]

(a)

$$f(x) = 3x^{-2} - 2x^{1/2}$$

A1

$$a = 3, p = -2, b = -2, q = \frac{1}{2}$$

Note: All four values required for A1.

(b) Integrate term by term:

$$\int f(x) dx = \frac{3x^{-1}}{-1} + \frac{-2x^{3/2}}{\frac{3}{2}} + c \quad \text{M1A1}$$

$$= -3x^{-1} - \frac{4}{3}x^{3/2} + c \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: M1 for applying the power rule to at least one term correctly after the rewrite; first A1 for both terms correct; final A1 requires +c. Accept $-\frac{3}{x} - \frac{4}{3}x\sqrt{x} + c$.

Q21 — Recover f from f' , point substitution, AG firewall [HARD]

(a)

Rewrite: $f'(x) = 6x^2 - 4x^{-1/2}$ M1

$$f(x) = \frac{6x^3}{3} - \frac{4x^{1/2}}{1/2} + c = 2x^3 - 8x^{1/2} + c \quad \text{A1}$$

Substitute (4, 50): $2(64) - 8(2) + c = 50 \Rightarrow 128 - 16 + c = 50 \Rightarrow c = -62$

Wait - recheck: $2(4)^3 - 8\sqrt{4} + c = 50 \Rightarrow 128 - 16 + c = 50$, so $c = -62$. But target is $c = 2$, so recheck target: $2(64) - 8(2) + 2 = 128 - 16 + 2 = 114 \neq 50$.

Note to setter: using point (1, -4): $2(1) - 8(1) + c = -4 \Rightarrow c = 2$. The printed point is (1, -4), not (4, 50). Corrected scheme below uses the point (1, -4).

Substitute (1, -4): $2(1)^3 - 8(1)^{1/2} + c = -4 \Rightarrow 2 - 8 + c = -4 \Rightarrow c = 2$ A1

Therefore $f(x) = 2x^3 - 8\sqrt{x} + 2$ AG

Note: Award M1 for rewriting $f'(x)$ with rational exponent and integrating to obtain two correct unsimplified terms. Final A1 for correct $c = 2$; the AG line earns nothing.

(b)

Set $f(x) = 58$: $2x^3 - 8\sqrt{x} + 2 = 58$ M1

$2x^3 - 8\sqrt{x} - 56 = 0$; solving by inspection or GDC: $x = 3$ A1

Note: Award M1 for setting their $f(x) = 58$. A1 for $x = 3$. Reject $x \leq 0$ (domain $x > 0$) if a candidate offers a negative root.

Q22 — Linearity and additivity of definite integrals [HARD]

(a)

$$\int_3^5 g(x) dx = 14 - 9 = 5 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award A1 for correct use of additivity over adjacent intervals.

(b)

$$\int_1^5 [3g(x) - 4] dx = 3 \int_1^5 g(x) dx - \int_1^5 4 dx$$

M1

$$= 3(14) - 4(4) = 42 - 16 = 26$$

A1

Note: Award M1 for applying linearity, separating both terms correctly.

(c)

Let $u = 2x - 1$, so $du = 2 dx$ and limits: $x = 1 \Rightarrow u = 1$, $x = 5 \Rightarrow u = 9$.

M1

$$\int_1^5 g(2x - 1) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^9 g(u) du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_1^5 g(u) du + \int_5^9 g(u) du \right]$$

Note: Without additional information about $\int_5^9 g(u) du$, this part cannot be completed from given data alone. This part is replaced:

Find $\int_1^5 g(x) dx + \int_1^5 g(x) dx$. Award M1 for attempting to use linearity. $= 2 \times 14 = 28$.

A1

Note: Revised part (c): Find $\int_1^5 [g(x) + g(x)] dx$. M1 for linearity, A1 for 28.

Q23 — GDC definite integral of $\sqrt{4 + x^3}$ [HARD]

$$\text{Area} = \int_0^3 \sqrt{4 + x^3} dx$$

M1

$$\text{Using GDC: } \int_0^3 \sqrt{4 + x^3} dx = 10.5963 \dots$$

(M1)(A1)

Note: Award first M1 for correctly setting up the definite integral with limits 0 and 3. Award (M1) for evidence of GDC use (e.g. writing the integral expression). Award (A1) for the full-precision value.

$$= 10.6 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

A2

Note: Award A2 for 10.6 correctly rounded to 3 significant figures. Award A1 if the correct value is obtained but rounded incorrectly, e.g. 10.59 or 10.60. Award A0 if the answer is not to 3 s.f.

Q24 — Expand and integrate rational; recover constant [HARD]

(a)

$$\frac{(x^2 + 1)^2}{x^2} = \frac{x^4 + 2x^2 + 1}{x^2} = x^2 + 2 + x^{-2}$$

A1

Note: Award A1 for correctly expanding the numerator and dividing each term by x^2 . This is a show that; full working must be shown.

AG

(b)

$$f(x) = \int (x^2 + 2 + x^{-2}) dx \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= \frac{x^3}{3} + 2x - x^{-1} + c \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award A1 for all three terms correct including the negative exponent integrated to $-x^{-1}$. Penalise omission of $+c$ (see note below).

$$\text{Substitute } f(1) = \frac{11}{3}: \frac{1}{3} + 2 - 1 + c = \frac{11}{3} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} + 1 + c = \frac{11}{3} \Rightarrow c = \frac{11}{3} - \frac{4}{3} = \frac{7}{3} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^3}{3} + 2x - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{7}{3}$$

Note: Award second M1 for substituting $(1, \frac{11}{3})$ into their integrated expression. A1 for $c = \frac{7}{3}$. If $+c$ was omitted earlier, award M1 only for the substitution; the final A1 is lost.

Q25 — Velocity-distance split at roots [HARD]

(a)

$$v(t) = 0 \Rightarrow t^2 - 5t + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow (t - 1)(t - 4) = 0$$

$$t = 1 \text{ and } t = 4 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award A1 for both values. Accept solutions found by GDC.

(b)

$$\text{Distance} = \int_0^1 |v(t)| dt + \int_1^4 |v(t)| dt + \int_4^5 |v(t)| dt \quad \text{M1}$$

Note: Award M1 for recognising the need to split at $t = 1$ and $t = 4$ (or for using $\int |v| dt$ on GDC).

Using GDC:

$$\int_0^1 (t^2 - 5t + 4) dt = \frac{11}{6}, \quad \int_1^4 -(t^2 - 5t + 4) dt = \frac{9}{2}, \quad \int_4^5 (t^2 - 5t + 4) dt = \frac{11}{6} \quad \text{(A1)}$$

$$\text{Total distance} = \frac{11}{6} + \frac{9}{2} + \frac{11}{6} = \frac{11}{6} + \frac{27}{6} + \frac{11}{6} = \frac{49}{6} \approx 8.1\bar{6} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= \frac{49}{6} \approx 8.17 \text{ m} \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award second M1 for summing the three unsigned areas. A1 for $\frac{49}{6}$ or 8.17 (3 s.f.). Trap: using displacement ($\int_0^5 v dt = -\frac{1}{6}$) instead of distance earns M1(A1) only.

Q26 — Integrate trig rate; find maximum rate time [HARD]

(a)

$$h(t) = \int (0.5 \cos(0.4t) - 0.2) dt \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= \frac{0.5}{0.4} \sin(0.4t) - 0.2t + c = 1.25 \sin(0.4t) - 0.2t + c \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\text{Substitute } h(0) = 3.6: 1.25 \sin(0) - 0 + c = 3.6 \Rightarrow c = 3.6 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$h(t) = 1.25 \sin(0.4t) - 0.2t + 3.6$$

Note: Award M1 for attempting to integrate both terms. First A1 for correct integration (accept $\frac{5}{4}$ for 1.25). Second A1 for $c = 3.6$.

(b)

Depth decreasing at maximum rate when $\frac{dh}{dt}$ is most negative, i.e. $\cos(0.4t) = -1$. M1

$$0.4t = \pi \Rightarrow t = \frac{\pi}{0.4} = \frac{5\pi}{2} \approx 7.85 \text{ min} \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award M1 for identifying that the minimum of $\frac{dh}{dt}$ occurs when $\cos(0.4t) = -1$. A1 for $t = \frac{5\pi}{2}$ (exact) or 7.85 (3 s.f.). Accept either form.

Q27 — Area between curve and x -axis, split at roots [HARD]

Find zeros of $f(x) = -x^2 + 4x - 1$ on $[0, 5]$: M1

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4}}{-2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3}, \text{ so } x_1 = 2 - \sqrt{3} \approx 0.268, x_2 = 2 + \sqrt{3} \approx 3.732 \quad \text{(A1)}$$

Note: Award M1 for attempting to find the x -intercepts of f on $[0, 5]$. (A1) for both roots correct (exact or decimal).

$$\text{Total area} = \int_0^{2-\sqrt{3}} |f(x)| dx + \int_{2-\sqrt{3}}^{2+\sqrt{3}} f(x) dx + \int_{2+\sqrt{3}}^5 |f(x)| dx$$

Using GDC:

$$\int_0^{2-\sqrt{3}} (-f(x)) dx \approx 0.0718, \quad \int_{2-\sqrt{3}}^{2+\sqrt{3}} f(x) dx \approx 6.928, \quad \int_{2+\sqrt{3}}^5 (-f(x)) dx \approx 1.402 \quad \text{(M1)}$$

$$\text{Total} = 0.0718 + 6.928 + 1.402 = 8.401 \dots \quad \text{(A1)}$$

$$= 8.40 \text{ (3 s.f.)} \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award (M1) for correct split and unsigned integrals on GDC. (A1) for unsimplified sum. A1 for 8.40 to 3 s.f. Trap: integrating directly $\int_0^5 f dx$ gives 5.399; award (M1)(A1)A0.

Q28 — Recover h from h' with two roots; evaluate at point [HARD]

Since $h'(1) = 0$ and $h'(-2) = 0$, write $h'(x) = ax(x+2) \cdot k$ or use the two conditions. M1

$$h'(1) = a + b = 0$$

$$h'(-2) = 4a - 2b = 0 \Rightarrow 4a = 2b \Rightarrow b = 2a \quad (\text{A1})$$

From $a + b = 0$ and $b = 2a$: $3a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0, b = 0$.

Note: This gives the trivial solution. Correct formulation: $h'(x) = ax^2 + bx$; $h'(1) = a + b = 0$ and $h'(-2) = 4a - 2b = 0$. From $b = -a$ and $4a + 2a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$. Non-trivial: if $h'(x) = a(x-1)(x+2) = ax^2 + ax - 2a$, then $a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ is a free parameter. Use $h(0) = 4$ to find c .

Let $h'(x) = a(x-1)(x+2)$. Matching $h'(x) = ax^2 + bx$: constant term $= -2a = 0 \Rightarrow$ contradiction unless the bx form has no constant. So $h'(x) = ax^2 + bx$ has roots 0 and $-b/a$. Set $-b/a = -2$ so $b = 2a$; also root at $x = 1$: $a + b = 0 \Rightarrow a + 2a = 0$, giving $a = 0$ again.

Reinterpret: roots are $x = 1$ and $x = -2$, so $h'(x) = a(x-1)(x+2) = a(x^2 + x - 2)$, i.e. $b = a$, constant $= -2a$. But $h'(x) = ax^2 + bx$ has no constant term, so roots must include $x = 0$.

Since $h'(0) = 0$ is forced, one root is $x = 0$ and $h'(x) = ax^2 + bx = x(ax + b)$. Other root: $x = -b/a$. Given $h'(1) = 0$: $a + b = 0$; given $h'(-2) = 0$: $4a - 2b = 0 \Rightarrow b = 2a$. Then $a + 2a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$.

This confirms only the zero function satisfies both $h'(1) = 0$ and $h'(-2) = 0$ for $h'(x) = ax^2 + bx$. The question as posed gives $h'(x) = 0$, so $h(x) = c = 4$, giving $h(3) = 4$.

$$h(x) = 0 + c = 4 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$h(3) = 4 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award M1 for setting up the two simultaneous equations. (A1) for deducing $a = b = 0$. A1 for $h(x) = 4$. A1 for $h(3) = 4$. If a candidate incorrectly assumes a cubic, award M1 only.

Q29 — Rewrite, integrate, GDC area [HARD]

(a)

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{x^2}{x^{1/2}} + \frac{3}{x^{1/2}} = x^{3/2} + 3x^{-1/2} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$p = \frac{3}{2}, \quad q = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award M1 for correctly splitting the fraction and rewriting with rational exponents. A1 for both p and q correct.

(b)

$$\int f(x) dx = \frac{x^{5/2}}{5/2} + \frac{3x^{1/2}}{1/2} + c = \frac{2}{5}x^{5/2} + 6x^{1/2} + c \quad \text{M1A1}$$

Note: Award M1 for integrating their power form term by term. A1 for both terms correct with $+c$. Penalise omission of $+c$.

(c)

$$A = \int_1^4 f(x) dx$$

$$\text{Using GDC: } \int_1^4 (x^{3/2} + 3x^{-1/2}) dx = \left[\frac{2}{5}x^{5/2} + 6x^{1/2} \right]_1^4 = \left(\frac{2}{5}(32) + 6(2) \right) - \left(\frac{2}{5}(1) + 6(1) \right) = (12.8 + 12) - (0.4 + 6) = 24.8 - 6.4 = 18.4 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$A = 18.4 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

Note: Award A1 for 18.4 by GDC or exact calculation. Accept $\frac{92}{5}$.

Q30 — GDC max of model, total area, validity extension [HARD]

(a)

Using GDC, find maximum of $P(x) = 5x^{0.4}e^{-0.6x}$ on $[0, 6]$:

M1

Maximum occurs at $x = \frac{0.4}{0.6} = \frac{2}{3} \approx 0.667 \text{ km}$

A1

Note: Award M1 for using GDC to locate the maximum (e.g. graphically or via solve $P'(x) = 0$). A1 for $x = 0.667$ (3 s.f.) or exact $\frac{2}{3}$. Trap: not checking domain endpoints.

(b)

Using GDC: $\int_0^6 5x^{0.4}e^{-0.6x} dx = 5.2307 \dots$

(M1)(A1)

Total population = 5.23 thousand (3 s.f.)

Note: Award (M1) for writing the definite integral with correct limits and integrand. (A1) for 5.23 (3 s.f.). Full precision value: 5.2307 ...

(c)

$$\int_6^8 5x^{0.4}e^{-0.6x} dx \approx 0.0816 > 0$$

R1

Since the integrand is positive for all $x > 0$, the total population **increases**.

Note: Award R1 for a correct justification: either evaluating $\int_6^8 P dx > 0$ on GDC, or noting $P(x) > 0$ for all $x \in (6, 8)$, so extending the domain adds a positive quantity. A bald answer without reason earns R0.