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**2025 SECONDARY FOUR EXPRESS / FIVE NORMAL (ACADEMIC)
PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS**

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SOLUTIONS**

Mathematical Formulae**1. ALGEBRA***Quadratic Equation*

For the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$,

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Binomial expansion

$$(a + b)^n = a^n + \binom{n}{1}a^{n-1}b + \binom{n}{2}a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{r}a^{n-r}b^r + \dots + b^n,$$

where n is a positive integer and $\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!} = \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-r+1)}{r!}$

2. TRIGONOMETRY*Identities*

$$\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A = 1$$

$$\sec^2 A = 1 + \tan^2 A$$

$$\operatorname{cosec}^2 A = 1 + \cot^2 A$$

$$\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm \cos A \sin B$$

$$\cos(A \pm B) = \cos A \cos B \mp \sin A \sin B$$

$$\tan(A \pm B) = \frac{\tan A \pm \tan B}{1 \mp \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A$$

$$\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A = 2 \cos^2 A - 1 = 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$$

$$\tan 2A = \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}$$

Formulae for $\triangle ABC$

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

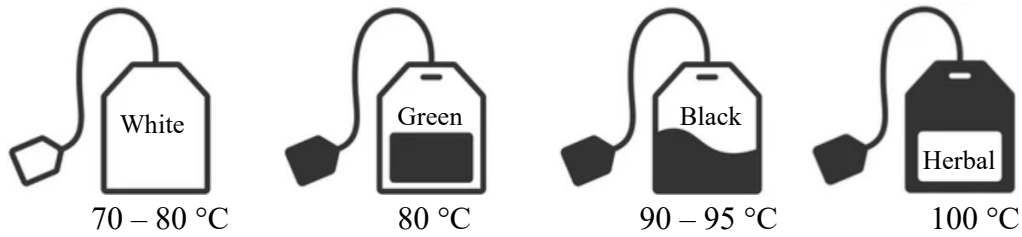
$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2}bc \sin A$$

- 1 The equation of a curve is $y = \frac{5x}{6-2x}$. Find the x -coordinates of the points at which the gradient of the curve is 7.5. [4]

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \frac{5x}{6-2x} \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{(6-2x)(5) - 5x(-2)}{(6-2x)^2} \\
 &= \frac{30}{(6-2x)^2} \\
 \frac{30}{(6-2x)^2} &= 7.5 \\
 (6-2x)^2 &= 4 \\
 6-2x &= \pm 2 \\
 -2x &= -4 \quad \text{or} \quad -8 \\
 x &= 2 \quad \text{or} \quad 4
 \end{aligned}$$

- 2 The temperature of water in a tea cup, T °C, t minutes after boiling water is poured into the empty cup can be modelled by the formula $T = 25 + 75e^{-kt}$.



The diagram above shows the ideal brewing temperature for various teas at a particular teahouse. At this teahouse, green tea leaves are placed into the tea cup for brewing at the ideal temperature when $t = 6$. Determine whether the teahouse's standards for brewing tea would be adhered to if black tea leaves are placed into the teacup when $t = 2$. [4]

When $t = 6$, $T = 80$,

$$80 = 25 + 75e^{-6k}$$

$$\frac{55}{75} = e^{-6k}$$

$$\ln \frac{55}{75} = \ln e^{-6k}$$

$$k = -\frac{1}{6} \ln \frac{55}{75} = 0.0516925$$

Alternative:

$$\ln 55 = \ln(75e^{-6k})$$

$$\ln 55 = \ln 75 - 6k$$

$$k = \frac{1}{6} (\ln 75 - \ln 55)$$

When $t = 2$, $T = 92.6$ °C

Since the temperature of the water would be within the ideal range of 90 – 95 °C, the standards for brewing black tea **would** be adhered to.

- 3 It is given that $f'(x) = 6\cos 3x - 12\sin 3x$ and $f\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = 0$.

(a) Find $f(x)$.

[4]

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= 6\cos 3x - 12\sin 3x \\
 f(x) &= \frac{6\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{12\cos 3x}{3} + c \\
 &= 2\sin 3x + 4\cos 3x + c \\
 f\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) &= 0 \\
 2\sin \pi + 4\cos \pi + c &= 0 \\
 c &= 4 \\
 \therefore f(x) &= 2\sin 3x + 4\cos 3x + 4
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the exact value of $f''\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right)$.

[2]

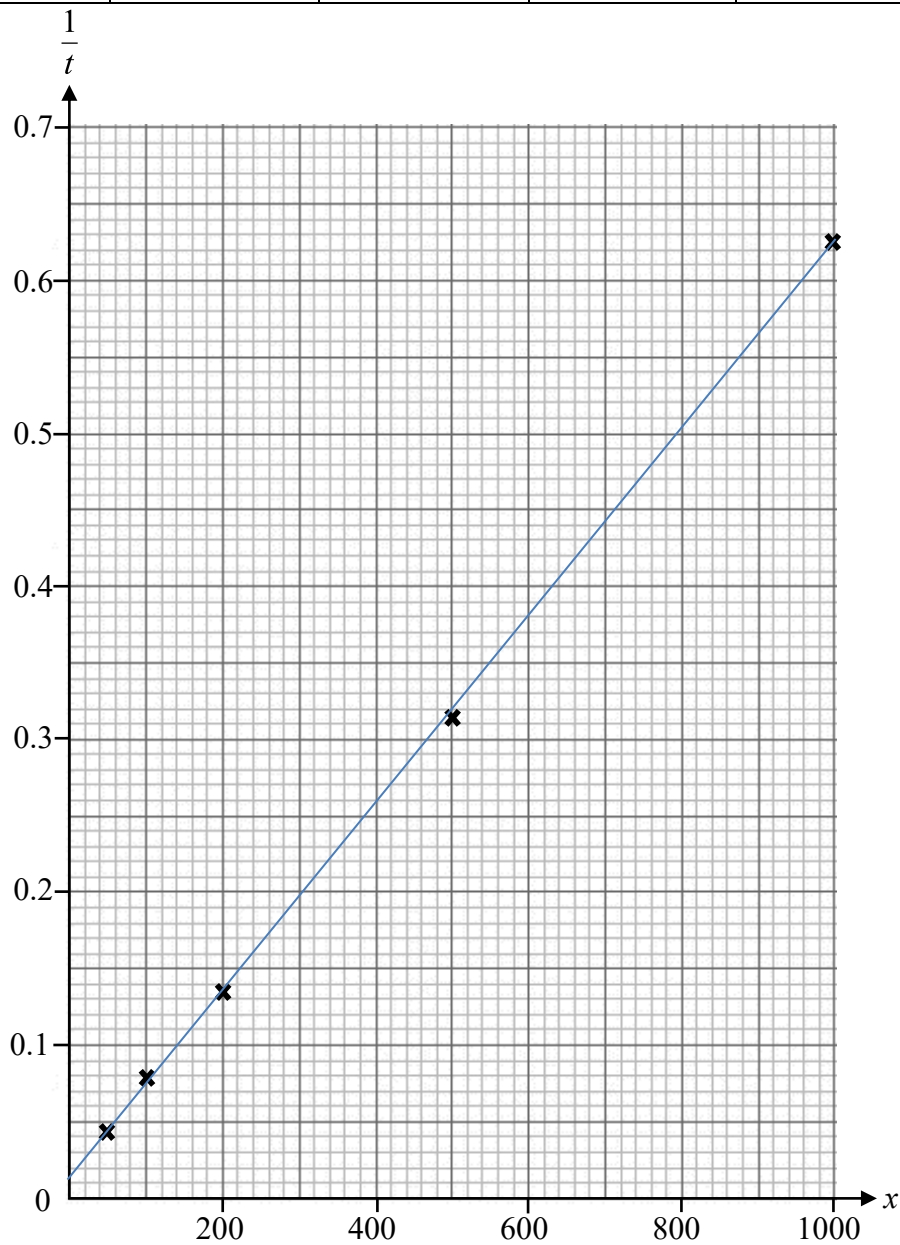
$$\begin{aligned}
 f''(x) &= -18\sin 3x - 36\cos 3x \\
 f''\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) &= -18\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - 36\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
 &= -18\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) - 36\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \\
 &= -27\sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

- 4 (a) The time taken, t in minutes, to download a particular gaming software is related to internet speed, x Mbps. The variables x and t are related by the formula $t = \frac{a}{b+x}$, where a and b are positive constants. The data below shows some measured values of x and t .

x (Mbps)	50	100	200	500	1000
t (minutes)	23	13	7.3	3.2	1.6

- (i) Plot $\frac{1}{t}$ against x and draw a straight line graph. [2]

$\frac{1}{t}$	0.043	0.077	0.137	0.313	0.625
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- (ii) Use the graph to estimate the value of a and of b , correct to 2 significant figures. [4]

$$\frac{1}{t} = \frac{b}{a} + \frac{1}{a}x$$

$$\text{Gradient} = \frac{0.62 - 0.02}{1000} = 0.0006$$

$$\frac{1}{a} = 0.0006$$

$$a = \frac{1}{0.0006} = 1700 \text{ (2 s.f.)}$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = 0.02$$

$$b = \frac{0.02}{0.0006} = 33 \text{ (2 s.f.)}$$

- (iii) Use the graph to estimate the time taken for John to download the gaming software if the speed of his internet is 240 Mbps. [2]

From the graph,

$$\frac{1}{t} = 0.16$$

$$t = 6.25 \text{ min}$$

- (iv) Suggest an alternative set of variables to be plotted on each axis to draw a straight line to represent the formula. [1]

$$tb + xt = a$$

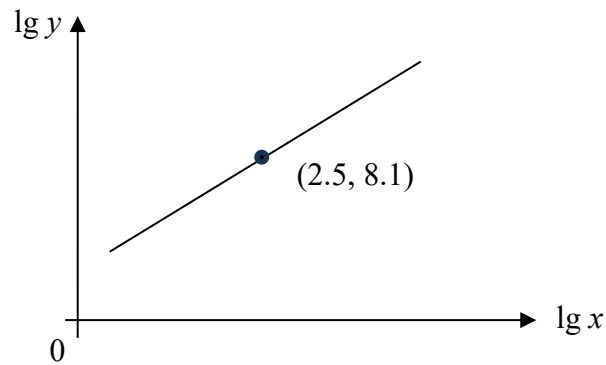
$$xt = -bt + a$$

An alternative would be to plot

xt against t **OR** t against xt

(b) The diagram shows part of a straight line graph drawn to represent the equation $y = px^q$.

Given that the line passes through the point (2.5, 8.1) and has a gradient of 3, find the value of p correct to the nearest integer. [3]



$$y = px^q$$

$$\lg y = \lg p + q \lg x$$

When $\lg y = 8.1$, $\lg x = 2.5$,

$$8.1 = \lg p + 3(2.5)$$

$$\lg p = 0.6$$

$$p = 10^{0.6} = 4 \text{ (to nearest integer)}$$

- 5 (a) Find the range of values of the constant k for which $k(x^2 + x) + 2(x^2 + x + 1) = 0$ has no real roots. [4]

$$(k + 2)x^2 + (k + 2)x + 2 = 0$$

Since there are no x -intercepts,

$$(k + 2)^2 - 4(k + 2)(2) < 0$$

$$k^2 + 4k + 4 - 8k - 16 < 0$$

$$k^2 - 4k - 12 < 0$$

$$(k - 6)(k + 2) < 0$$

$$\therefore -2 < k < 6$$

- (b) Hence, explain why $-(x^2 + x) + 2(x^2 + x + 1)$ is always positive. [2]

Since the **discriminant** < 0 when $k = -1$ and the **coefficient of x^2** , i.e. 1, is **positive**,

$-(x^2 + x) + 2(x^2 + x + 1)$ is always positive

- 6 (a) By using a suitable substitution, or otherwise, solve the equation

$$3 \log_6 x = \log_x 3 + \log_x 2 + \log_5 25.$$

[4]

$$3 \log_6 x = \log_x 3 + \log_x 2 + \log_5 25$$

$$3 \log_6 x = \log_x 6 + 2$$

$$3 \log_6 x = \frac{1}{\log_6 x} + 2$$

$$\text{Let } y = \log_6 x$$

$$3y = \frac{1}{y} + 2$$

$$3y^2 - 2y - 1 = 0$$

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

$$y = -\frac{1}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad y = 1$$

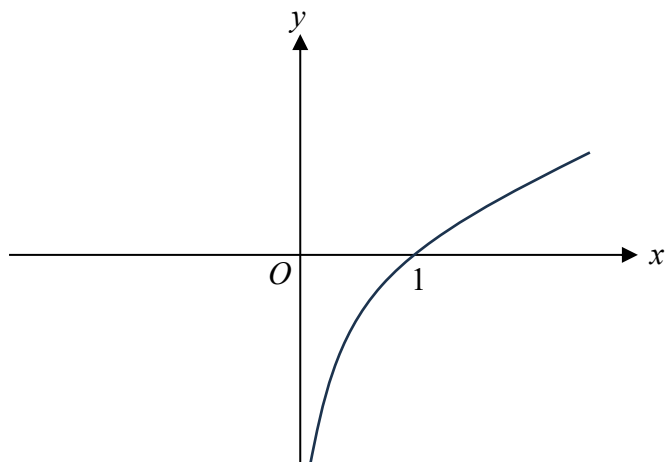
$$\log_6 x = -\frac{1}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad \log_6 x = 1$$

$$x = 6^{-\frac{1}{3}} \quad \text{or} \quad x = 6$$

$$= 0.550 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

- (b) Sketch the graph of $y = \log_6 x$ on the given axes. Label any axial intercepts.

[1]



- (c) (i) It is given that the equation of a curve is $y = e^{2x+1} + 2e^{x+1} - 3e$.

Explain why the curve has no stationary point.

[3]

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2e^{2x+1} + 2e^{x+1}$$

Since $e^{2x+1} > 0$ and $e^{x+1} > 0$ for all real values of x ,

$$2e^{2x+1} + 2e^{x+1} > 0, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} \neq 0$$

Therefore the curve has no stationary points

- (ii) Find the x -intercept of the curve $y = e^{2x+1} + 2e^{x+1} - 3e$.

[3]

$$e^{2x} \cdot e + 2e^x \cdot e - 3e = 0$$

$$e^{2x} + 2e^x - 3 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } y = e^x$$

$$y^2 + 2y - 3 = 0$$

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

$$e^x = -3 \text{ (rej)} \quad \text{or} \quad e^x = 1$$

$$x = 0$$

7 (a) Factorise $x^3 - 125$.

[1]

$$x^3 - 125 = (x - 5)(x^2 + 5x + 25)$$

(b) The expression $-2x^3 + 7x^2 + ax + b$, where a and b are integers, has a factor of $x - 5$ and a remainder of -11 when divided by $2x + 1$. Find the value of a and of b .

[4]

$$\text{Let } f(x) = -2x^3 + 7x^2 + ax + b.$$

$$f(5) = 0$$

$$-2(5)^3 + 7(5)^2 + a(5) + b = 0$$

$$5a + b = 75 \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -11$$

$$-2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 7\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + a\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + b = -11$$

$$2 - \frac{1}{2}a + b = -11$$

$$a = 2b + 26 \text{ --- (2)}$$

Subst (2) into (1):

$$5(2b + 26) + b = 75$$

$$11b = -55$$

$$b = -5, a = 16$$

- (c) Hence, or otherwise, show that the equation $x^3 - 125 = -2x^3 + 7x^2 + ax + b$ has only one real root. [4]

$$x^3 - 125 = -2x^3 + 7x^2 + 16x - 5$$

$$(x - 5)(x^2 + 5x + 25) = (x - 5)(-2x^2 - 3x + 1)$$

$$(x - 5)(3x^2 + 8x + 24) = 0$$

$$x - 5 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3x^2 + 8x + 24 = 0$$

$$x = 5 \quad b^2 - 4ac = 8^2 - 4(3)(24)$$

$$= -224$$

$$< 0$$

There is no real root for $3x^2 + 8x + 24 = 0$.

Therefore there is only one real root $x = 5$.

Alternative

$$x^3 - 125 = -2x^3 + 7x^2 + 16x - 5$$

$$3x^3 - 7x^2 - 16x - 120 = 0$$

$$(x - 5)(3x^2 + 8x + 24) = 0$$

8 The equation of a curve is $y = e^{-2x} \tan x$.

(a) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{-2x}(1 - \tan x)^2$.

[3]

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= e^{-2x} \sec^2 x - 2e^{-2x} \tan x \\ &= e^{-2x} (\tan^2 x + 1 - 2 \tan x) \\ &= e^{-2x} (\tan x - 1)^2\end{aligned}$$

(b) Find, in terms of π , the x -coordinate of the stationary point for $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

[2]

$$\begin{aligned}e^{-2x} (\tan x - 1)^2 &= 0 \\ \text{Since } e^{-2x} > 0 \text{ for all real values of } x, \\ (\tan x - 1)^2 &= 0 \\ \tan x &= 1 \\ x &= \frac{\pi}{4}\end{aligned}$$

(c) Explain why y is never decreasing.

[2]

Since $e^{-2x} > 0$ and $(\tan x - 1)^2 \geq 0$ for all real values of x ,

$\frac{dy}{dx} \geq 0$ therefore y is never decreasing.

(d) What does your answer to **part (c)** imply about the stationary point found in **part (b)**?

Explain your answer.

[2]

The stationary point at $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ is a **point of inflexion**.

Since y is never decreasing, the **gradient of the curve must be positive (or $dy/dx > 0$) slightly to the left and right** of the stationary point.

9 (a) State

(i) the principal value of $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$, [1]

$$-60^\circ \text{ or } -\frac{\pi}{3}$$

(ii) the values between which the principal value of $\tan^{-1}x$ must lie, [1]

$$-90^\circ < \tan^{-1}x < 90^\circ$$

(iii) the range of values of k for which the equation $4\sin^2x = k$ has a solution. [1]

$$0 \leq k \leq 4$$

(b) (i) Prove the identity $\cot x - \cot x \tan^2 x + \tan x = \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{\sin 2x}$. [4]

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \cot x - \cot x \tan^2 x + \tan x \\
 &= \cot x - \frac{1}{\tan x} \tan^2 x + \tan x \\
 &= \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} - \tan x + \tan x \\
 &= \frac{2 \cos^2 x}{2 \sin x \cos x} \\
 &= \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{\sin 2x}
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Hence solve the equation $\cot x - \cot x \tan^2 x + \tan x = \operatorname{cosec} 2x - 3$ for $0^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$.

[5]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{\sin 2x} &= \operatorname{cosec} 2x - 3 \\
 \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{\sin 2x} &= \frac{1}{\sin 2x} - 3 \\
 1 + \cos 2x &= 1 - 3 \sin 2x \\
 \tan 2x &= -\frac{1}{3} \\
 \tan \alpha &= \frac{1}{3} \\
 \alpha &= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 18.434^\circ \\
 2x &= 180^\circ - 18.434^\circ, 360^\circ - 18.434^\circ \\
 2x &= 161.566^\circ, 341.566^\circ \\
 x &= 80.8^\circ, 170.8^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

- 10 (a) Points $P(-2, 0)$, $Q(5, 1)$, $R(6, -6)$ and $S(-1, -7)$ lie on a circle.

PQ and SR are parallel chords of the same length.

Show that the centre of the circle is at $(2, -3)$.

[2]

Centre of circle

$$= \left(\frac{-2+6}{2}, \frac{0-6}{2} \right)$$

$$= (2, -3)$$

OR

$$\text{Midpoint of } PQ = \left(\frac{-2+5}{2}, \frac{0+1}{2} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{Midpoint of } SR = \left(\frac{6-1}{2}, \frac{-6-7}{2} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{13}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{Centre of circle} = \left(\frac{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{5}{2}}{2}, \frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{13}{2}}{2} \right)$$

$$= (2, -3)$$

- (b) Find the equation of the circle.

[3]

Radius

$$= \sqrt{(5-2)^2 + (1+3)^2}$$

$$= 5 \text{ units}$$

$$(x-2)^2 + (y+3)^2 = 25$$

OR

$$x^2 - 4x + y^2 + 6y - 12 = 0$$

- (c) A second circle has centre C . It is given that the y -axis is the perpendicular bisector of CR and is also a tangent to the second circle.

(i) State the coordinates of C .

[1]

Centre of second circle = $(-6, -6)$

(ii) Hence explain why the x -axis is a tangent to the second circle.

[2]

Since the y -axis is a tangent to the second circle, the radius of the circle is 6 units. The highest point, H , of the second circle is $(-6, 0)$.
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Since the circle touches the x -axis at exactly one point at $(-6, 0)$, the x -axis is a tangent to the second circle.

Or

Since CH is a vertical radius of the circle and H lies on the x -axis, the x -axis, which is horizontal, must be a tangent to the second circle (rad $\perp$ tan)

- 11** A particle moves from point P towards point O . The speed of the particle, t seconds after passing point P , can be modelled by the formula $v = (k - 2t)^n$, where k and n are constants.

- (a)** Find an expression for the acceleration of the particle in terms of k , t and n . [1]

$$a = -2n(k - 2t)^{n-1}$$

The particle has a speed of 27 m/s when $t = 3.5$ and comes to instantaneous rest 4.8 metres to the right of point O when $t = 8$.

- (b)** Find the value of k and of n . [3]

When $t = 8$, $v = 0$,

$$0 = (k - 16)^n$$

$$k = 16$$

When $t = 3.5$, $v = 27$,

$$27 = (16 - 7)^n$$

$$27 = 9^n$$

$$3^3 = 3^{2n}$$

$$n = 1.5$$

- (c) Using the values of k and n found in **part (b)**, find the total distance travelled by the particle in the first 8 seconds.

[4]

$$v = (16 - 2t)^{1.5}$$

$$s = \frac{(16 - 2t)^{2.5}}{(2.5)(-2)} + c$$

$$\text{When } t = 8, s = 4.8$$

$$4.8 = c$$

$$s = -\frac{1}{5}(16 - 2t)^{2.5} + 4.8$$

$$\text{When } t = 0, s = -200$$

$$\text{Total distance} = 200 + 4.8 = 204.8 \text{ m}$$

- (d) Explain whether the given model can continue to describe the motion of the particle after 8 seconds.

[1]

No since when $t > 8$, v and s are undefined.