

Exercise 1

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Tom and Simon play a board game. Each time Tom manages to move his piece around the board he gets 5 points. Each time Simon manages to move his piece around the board he gets 10% of the previous amount. They both start with 10 points.

- 1. **Calculate** Tom's total score after moving around the board 20 times. 2 marks
- 2. **Write** in terms of n the formula $T(n)$ for Tom's score after n moves around the board. 2 marks
- 3. If you know that Simon's score after n moves around the board could be modelled with a geometric sequence, **explain** the use of the formula: 2 marks

$$S(n) = 11 \cdot 1.1^{n-1}$$

- 4. Simon and Tom have been around the board the same number of times. Simon's score has just moved ahead of Tom's. 3 marks
Find how many times have they been around the board.

Tom challenges Simon to a dice game. Two fair six-sided die are rolled and the sum of scores is noted. For a sum less than 6 Simon receives 10 cents, for a sum between 6 and 9 Simon loses 5 cents, and for the sum bigger or equal 10 Simon receives 30 cents. The winnings are governed by the probability distribution shown below, where the random variable N is the sum of scores.

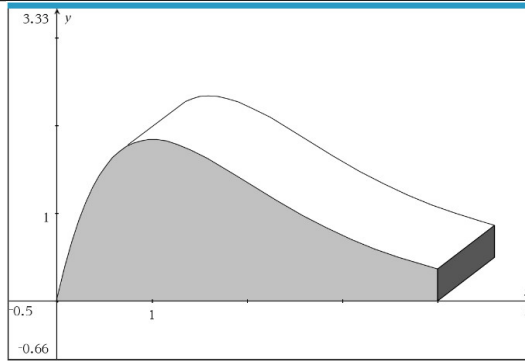
N	$n < 6$	$6 \leq n \leq 9$	$n \geq 10$
Winnings n	10 cents	-5 cents	30 cents
$P(N = n)$	a	$\frac{20}{36}$	b

- 5. **Show**, that $a = \frac{10}{36}$ and $b = \frac{6}{36}$. 2 marks
- 6. **Calculate** the expected value of Simon's winnings in this game and comment if it is worth Simon playing. 2 marks
- 7. A game is said to be fair if the expected value is 0. 2 marks
Determine how many cents should be lost for the sum between 6 and 9 to make this game fair.

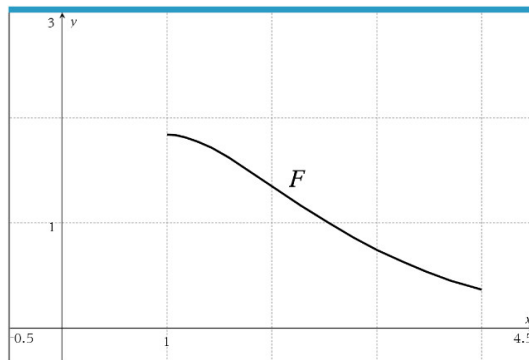
Exercise 2

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A kids' play area manufacturer wants to offer its customers a new model of slide. They create a diagram of the proposed slide in an oblique projection:



The profile of this slide is measured in meters and can be modeled by the function $F(x) = (ax - b)e^{-x}$, for $1 \leq x \leq 4$, where a and b are two parameters. The function F was drawn below.



1. It is planned that the tangent to the function F at the point where $x = 1$ would be horizontal.

Determine the value of the parameter b .

3 marks

2. It is also planned that the top of the slide will be at 1.85 meters.

Determine the value of the parameter a .

2 marks

The profile of the wall is finally modeled by $F(x) = 5x \cdot e^{-x}$.

3. **Show** that the total area of each side wall, shaded grey on the diagram is equal to $5 - \frac{25}{e^4}$ m².

2 marks

4. **Determine** the point on the slide where the gradient is greatest.

3 marks

Exercise 3

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Optical smoke detectors contain a photocell as an important component. A factory produces photocells for this purpose. A controller automatically checks photocells and rejects those that are faulty. On average he is 86% accurate. However, the accuracy of the controller is found to vary — sometimes he detects a higher percentage of faulty photocells and sometimes a lower percentage. The controller’s accuracy is found to be modelled by a normal distribution with a standard deviation of 5%.

- 1. **Find** the probability that the controller is less than 85% accurate. 1 mark
- 2. $\frac{9}{10}$ of the time the controller is less than $x\%$ accurate. **Determine** x . 2 marks
- 3. Given that, on a particular day, the controller is less than 90% accurate, **find** the probability that he is more than 85% accurate. 2 marks

Two types of optical smoke detector are being tested for reliability. The higher the probability of an alarm being triggered the more reliable it is.

Type A contains a single photocell and is triggered when this photocell is activated.

Type B contains three photocells and is triggered if at least two of the three photocells are activated.

The probability of a photocell being activated in the presence of smoke is p . The probability of both types of alarm being triggered is calculated for different values of p .

$P(A_p)$ is the probability of type A being triggered when the probability is p ,

$P(B_p)$ is the probability of type B being triggered when the probability is p .

- 4. **Complete** the table below. 4 marks

p	0.3	0.5	0.7
$P(A_p)$	0.3	0.5	0.7
$P(B_p)$			
More reliable type			

- 5. **Determine** for what value of p does type B become more reliable than type A. 2 marks
- 6. **Show** that, in terms of p , $P(A_p) = p$ and $P(B_p) = -2p^3 + 3p^2$. 4 marks
- 7. **Explain** the meaning of the following function R in relation to the context of the question. 3 marks
Explain what is calculated in lines (1) to (3) and **interpret** the result.

$$\begin{aligned}
 R : p &\mapsto R(p) = -2p^3 + 3p^2 - p \\
 (1) \quad R'(p) &= -6p^2 + 6p - 1 \\
 (2) \quad R'(p_1) = 0 &\Rightarrow p_1 \approx 0.79 \\
 (3) \quad R''(p_1) &< 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4

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Given are the plane $E : 2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 5$ and for each $a \in \mathbb{R}$ a straight line:

$$g_a : \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ a \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 1. **Determine** the coordinates of the intersection of the straight line g_a with the plane E in terms of a . 4 marks
- 2. **Find** for which value of a is there no solution. 3 marks
Interpret the result geometrically.