

## Exponential and Natural Logarithms - Edexcel Past Exam Questions MARK SCHEME

### Question 1 : June 05 Q7

(a)	Setting $p = 300$ at $t = 0 \Rightarrow 300 = \frac{2800a}{1+a}$	M1
	$(300 = 2500a); \quad a = 0.12 \text{ (c.s.o.)}^*$	dM1A1 (3)
(b)	$1850 = \frac{2800(0.12)e^{0.2t}}{1 + 0.12e^{0.2t}}; \quad e^{0.2t} = 16.2\dots$	M1A1
	Correctly taking logs to $0.2t = \ln k$	M1
	$t = 14 \text{ (13.9..)}$	A1 (4)
(c)	Correct derivation: (Showing division of num. and den. by $e^{0.2t}$ ; using $a$ )	B1 (1)
(d)	Using $t \rightarrow \infty, e^{-0.2t} \rightarrow 0,$	M1
	$p \rightarrow \frac{336}{0.12} = 2800$	A1 (2)
		<b>[10]</b>

### Question 2 : June 06 Q4

(a)	425 °C	B1 (1)
(b)	$300 = 400e^{-0.05t} + 25 \Rightarrow 400e^{-0.05t} = 275$ sub. $T = 300$ and attempt to rearrange to $e^{-0.05t} = a$ , where $a \in \mathbb{Q}$	M1
	$e^{-0.05t} = \frac{275}{400}$	A1
	M1 correct application of logs	M1
	$t = 7.49$	A1 (4)
(c)	$\frac{dT}{dt} = -20e^{-0.05t}$ (M1 for $ke^{-0.05t}$ )	M1 A1
	At $t = 50$ , rate of decrease = $(\pm) 1.64$ °C/min	A1 (3)
(d)	$T > 25$ , (since $e^{-0.05t} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ )	B1 (1)
		<b>(9 marks)</b>



### Question 3 : June 07 Q1

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$\ln 3x = \ln 6$ or $\ln x = \ln \left(\frac{6}{3}\right)$ or $\ln \left(\frac{3x}{6}\right) = 0$ $x = 2$ (only this answer)	M1 A1 (cso) (2)
(b)	$(e^x)^2 - 4e^x + 3 = 0$ (any 3 term form) $(e^x - 3)(e^x - 1) = 0$ $e^x = 3$ or $e^x = 1$ Solving quadratic $x = \ln 3, x = 0$ (or $\ln 1$ )	M1 M1 dep M1 A1 (4) (6 marks)

Notes: (a) Answer  $x = 2$  with no working or no incorrect working seen: M1A1

Note:  $x = 2$  from  $\ln x = \frac{\ln 6}{\ln 3} = \ln 2$  M0A0

$\ln x = \ln 6 - \ln 3 \Rightarrow x = e^{(\ln 6 - \ln 3)}$  allow M1,  $x = 2$  (no wrong working) A1

- (b) 1<sup>st</sup> M1 for attempting to multiply through by  $e^x$ : Allow  $y, X$ , even  $x$ , for  $e^x$   
 2<sup>nd</sup> M1 is for solving quadratic as far as getting two values for  $e^x$  or  $y$  or  $X$  etc  
 3<sup>rd</sup> M1 is for converting their answer(s) of the form  $e^x = k$  to  $x = \ln k$  (must be exact)  
 A1 is for  $\ln 3$  and  $\ln 1$  or 0 (Both required and no further solutions)

# Question 4 : June 07 Q8

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$D = 10, t = 5, \quad x = 10e^{-\frac{1}{8} \times 5}$ $= 5.353$ awrt	M1 A1 (2)
(b)	$D = 10 + 10e^{-\frac{1}{8}}, t = 1, \quad x = 15.3526... \times e^{-\frac{1}{8}}$ $x = 13.549$ (*)	M1 A1 cso (2)
Alt.(b)	$x = 10e^{-\frac{1}{8} \times 6} + 10e^{-\frac{1}{8} \times 1}$ M1 $x = 13.549$ (*) A1 cso	
(c)	$15.3526...e^{-\frac{1}{8}T} = 3$ $e^{-\frac{1}{8}T} = \frac{3}{15.3526...} = 0.1954...$ $-\frac{1}{8}T = \ln 0.1954...$ $T = 13.06... \text{ or } 13.1 \text{ or } 13$	M1  M1  A1 (3) (7 marks)

Notes: (b) (main scheme) M1 is for  $(10 + 10e^{-\frac{1}{8}})e^{-\frac{1}{8}}$ , or  $\{10 + \text{their(a)}\}e^{-\frac{1}{8}}$

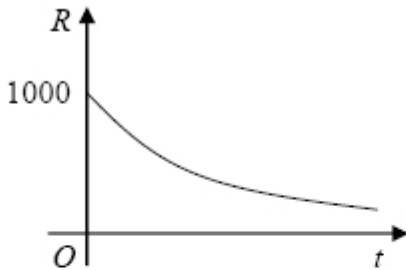
N.B. The answer is given. There are many correct answers seen which deserve M0A0  
or M1A0

(c) 1<sup>st</sup> M is for  $(10 + 10e^{-\frac{1}{8}})e^{-\frac{T}{8}} = 3$  o.e.

2<sup>nd</sup> M is for converting  $e^{-\frac{T}{8}} = k$  ( $k > 0$ ) to  $-\frac{T}{8} = \ln k$ . This is independent of 1<sup>st</sup> M.

Trial and improvement: M1 as scheme,  
M1 correct process for their equation (two equal to 3 s.f.)  
A1 as scheme

**Question 5 : Jan 08 Q5**

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
	<p>(a) 1000</p> <p>(b) <math>1000e^{-5730c} = 500</math>  <math>e^{-5730c} = \frac{1}{2}</math>  <math>-5730c = \ln \frac{1}{2}</math>  <math>c = 0.000121</math></p> <p>(c) <math>R = 1000e^{-22920c} = 62.5</math></p> <p>(d)</p> 	<p>B1 (1)</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>cao A1 (4)</p> <p>Accept 62-63 M1 A1 (2)</p> <p>Shape 1000 B1 B1 (2)</p> <p>[9]</p>



# Question 6 : June 09 Q3

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
Q	$P = 80e^{\frac{t}{5}}$	
(a)	$t = 0 \Rightarrow P = 80e^{\frac{0}{5}} = 80(1) = \underline{80}$	<p>B1</p> <p>(1)</p>
(b)	$P = 1000 \Rightarrow 1000 = 80e^{\frac{t}{5}} \Rightarrow \frac{1000}{80} = e^{\frac{t}{5}}$ $\therefore t = 5 \ln\left(\frac{1000}{80}\right)$ $t = 12.6286\dots$	<p>Substitutes <math>P = 1000</math> and rearranges equation to make <math>e^{\frac{t}{5}}</math> the subject.</p> <p>M1</p> <p>awrt 12.6 or 13 years</p> <p>A1</p> <p>Note <math>t = 12</math> or <math>t = \text{awrt } 12.6 \Rightarrow t = 12</math> will score A0</p> <p>(2)</p>
(c)	$\frac{dP}{dt} = 16e^{\frac{t}{5}}$	<p><math>ke^{\frac{t}{5}}</math> and <math>k \neq 80</math>.</p> <p>M1</p> <p><math>16e^{\frac{t}{5}}</math></p> <p>A1</p> <p>(2)</p>
(d)	$50 = 16e^{\frac{t}{5}}$ $\therefore t = 5 \ln\left(\frac{50}{16}\right) \quad \{= 5.69717\dots\}$ $P = 80e^{\frac{1}{5}\left(5 \ln\left(\frac{50}{16}\right)\right)}$ or $P = 80e^{\frac{1}{5}(5.69717\dots)}$ $P = \frac{80(50)}{16} = \underline{250}$	<p>Using <math>50 = \frac{dP}{dt}</math> and an attempt to solve to find the value of <math>t</math> or <math>\frac{t}{5}</math>.</p> <p>M1</p> <p>Substitutes their value of <math>t</math> back into the equation for <math>P</math>.</p> <p>dM1</p> <p><math>\underline{250}</math> or awrt 250</p> <p>A1</p> <p>(3)</p> <p>[8]</p>

# Question 7 : Jan 10 Q9

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(i)(a)	$\ln(3x - 7) = 5$ $e^{\ln(3x-7)} = e^5$  $3x - 7 = e^5 \Rightarrow x = \frac{e^5 + 7}{3} \{= 51.804...\}$	<p>Takes e of both sides of the equation. This can be implied by <math>3x - 7 = e^5</math>. M1</p> <p>Then rearranges to make x the subject. dM1</p> <p>Exact answer of <math>\frac{e^5 + 7}{3}</math>. A1</p> <p>(3)</p>
(b)	$3^x e^{7x+2} = 15$ $\ln(3^x e^{7x+2}) = \ln 15$ $\ln 3^x + \ln e^{7x+2} = \ln 15$ $x \ln 3 + 7x + 2 = \ln 15$ $x(\ln 3 + 7) = -2 + \ln 15$ $x = \frac{-2 + \ln 15}{7 + \ln 3} \{= 0.0874...\}$	<p>Takes ln (or logs) of both sides of the equation. M1</p> <p>Applies the addition law of logarithms. M1</p> <p><math>x \ln 3 + 7x + 2 = \ln 15</math> A1 oe</p> <p>Factorising out at least two x terms on one side and collecting number terms on the other side. ddM1</p> <p>Exact answer of <math>\frac{-2 + \ln 15}{7 + \ln 3}</math> A1 oe</p> <p>(5)</p>

# Question 8 : June 10 Q8

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$\frac{(x+5)(2x-1)}{(x+5)(x-3)} = \frac{(2x-1)}{(x-3)}$	M1 B1 A1 aef (3)
(b)	$\ln\left(\frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{x^2 + 2x - 15}\right) = 1$ $\frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{x^2 + 2x - 15} = e$ $\frac{2x-1}{x-3} = e \Rightarrow 3e - 1 = x(e-2)$ $\Rightarrow x = \frac{3e-1}{e-2}$	M1 dM1 M1 A1 aef cso (4) [7]
	<p>(a) M1: An attempt to factorise the numerator. B1: Correct factorisation of denominator to give <math>(x+5)(x-3)</math>. Can be seen anywhere.</p> <p>(b) M1: Uses a correct law of logarithms to combine at least two terms. This usually is achieved by the subtraction law of logarithms to give  <math display="block">\ln\left(\frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{x^2 + 2x - 15}\right) = 1.</math> The product law of logarithms can be used to achieve  <math display="block">\ln(2x^2 + 9x - 5) = \ln(e(x^2 + 2x - 15)).</math> The product and quotient law could also be used to achieve  <math display="block">\ln\left(\frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{e(x^2 + 2x - 15)}\right) = 0.</math> dM1: Removing ln's correctly by the realisation that the anti-ln of 1 is e. Note that this mark is dependent on the previous method mark being awarded.  M1: Collect x terms together and factorise. Note that this is not a dependent method mark.  A1: <math>\frac{3e-1}{e-2}</math> or <math>\frac{3e^1-1}{e^1-2}</math> or <math>\frac{1-3e}{2-e}</math>. aef  Note that the answer needs to be in terms of e. The decimal answer is 9.9610559...  Note that the solution must be correct in order for you to award this final accuracy mark.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> See Appendix for an alternative method of long division.</p>	

# Question 9 : Jan 11 Q4

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$\theta = 20 + Ae^{-kt}$ (eqn *) $\{t = 0, \theta = 90 \Rightarrow\} \quad 90 = 20 + Ae^{-k(0)}$ Substitutes $t = 0$ and $\theta = 90$ into eqn * $90 = 20 + A \Rightarrow \underline{A = 70}$ $\underline{A = 70}$	M1 A1 (2)
(b)	$\theta = 20 + 70e^{-kt}$ $\{t = 5, \theta = 55 \Rightarrow\} \quad 55 = 20 + 70e^{-k(5)}$ Substitutes $t = 5$ and $\theta = 55$ into eqn * $\frac{35}{70} = e^{-5k}$ and rearranges eqn * to make $e^{\pm 5k}$ the subject. $\ln\left(\frac{35}{70}\right) = -5k$ Takes 'lns' and proceeds to make ' $\pm 5k$ ' the subject. $-5k = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ $-5k = \ln 1 - \ln 2 \Rightarrow -5k = -\ln 2 \Rightarrow \underline{k = \frac{1}{5} \ln 2}$ Convincing proof that $k = \frac{1}{5} \ln 2$	M1 dM1 A1 * (3)
(c)	$\theta = 20 + 70e^{-\frac{1}{5}t \ln 2}$ $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = -\frac{1}{5} \ln 2 \cdot (70)e^{-\frac{1}{5}t \ln 2}$ $\pm \alpha e^{-kt}$ where $k = \frac{1}{5} \ln 2$ $-14 \ln 2 e^{-\frac{1}{5}t \ln 2}$ When $t = 10$ , $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = -14 \ln 2 e^{-2 \ln 2}$ $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = -\frac{7}{2} \ln 2 = -2.426015132...$ Rate of decrease of $\theta = 2.426^\circ \text{C/min}$ (3 dp.) awrt $\pm 2.426$	M1 A1 oe A1 (3) [8]





# Question 10 : June 11 Q5

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$p=7.5$	B1
(b)	$2.5 = 7.5e^{-4k}$ $e^{-4k} = \frac{1}{3}$ $-4k = \ln\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$ $-4k = -\ln(3)$ $k = \frac{1}{4}\ln(3)$	M1 M1 dM1 A1*
	See notes for additional correct solutions and the last A1	(4)
(c)	$\frac{dm}{dt} = -kpe^{-kt}$ ft on their $p$ and $k$  $-\frac{1}{4}\ln 3 \times 7.5e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\ln 3)t} = -0.6\ln 3$  $e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\ln 3)t} = \frac{2.4}{7.5} = (0.32)$  $-\frac{1}{4}(\ln 3)t = \ln(0.32)$  $t=4.1486....$ 4.15 or awrt 4.1	M1A1ft   M1A1 dM1 A1
		(6)
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