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Advance Level Mathematics
Pure Mathematics 1: Calculator
2 hours

The total number of marks available is 100.
You must write down all the stages in your working.

1.

$$f(x) \equiv 3x^3 + 2ax^2 - 4x + 5a.$$

(3)

Given that $(x + 3)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, find the value of the constant a .

2. Figure 1 shows a plot of part of the curve with equation $y = \cos x$ where x is measured in radians.

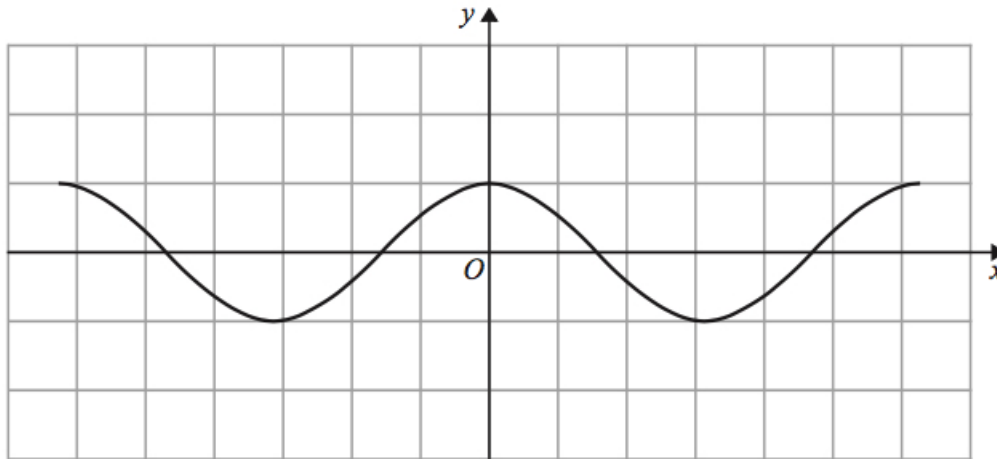


Figure 1: $y = \cos x$

(a) Use Figure 1 to show why the equation

(2)

$$\cos x - 2x - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

has only one real root, giving a reason for your answer.

Given that the root of the equation is α , and that α is small,

(b) use the small angle approximation for $\cos x$ to estimate the value of α to 3 decimal places.

(3)

3.

$$y = \frac{5x^2 + 10x}{(x + 1)^2}, \quad x \neq -1.$$

(a) Show that (4)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{A}{(x+1)^n},$$

where A and n are constants to be found.

(b) Hence deduce the range of values for x for which (1)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} < 0.$$

4. (a) Find the first three terms, in ascending powers of x , of the binomial expansion of (4)

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x}},$$

giving each coefficient in its simplest form.

The expansion can be used to find an approximation to $\sqrt{2}$.

Possible values of x that could be substituted into this expansion are:

• $x = -14$ because

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}.$$

• $x = 2$ because

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}.$$

• $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ because

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{9}{2}}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}.$$

(b) Without evaluating your expansion,

(i) state, giving a reason, which of the three values of x should not be used; (1)

(ii) state, giving a reason, which of the three values of x would lead to the most accurate approximation to $\sqrt{2}$. (1)

5.

$$f(x) \equiv 2x^2 + 4x + 9, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(a) Write $f(x)$ in the form $a(x+b)^2 + c$, where a , b , and c are integers to be found. (3)

(b) Sketch the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ showing any points of intersection with the coordinate axes and the coordinates of any turning point. (3)

(c) (i) Describe fully the transformation that maps the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ onto the curve with equation $y = g(x)$ where (4)

$$g(x) \equiv 2(x-2)^2 + 4x - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(ii) Find the range of the function

$$h(x) = \frac{21}{2x^2 + 4x + 9}, x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

6. (a) Solve, for $-180^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$, the equation (6)

$$5 \sin 2\theta = 9 \tan \theta,$$

giving your answers, where necessary, to one decimal place.

(b) Deduce the smallest positive solution to the equation (2)

$$5 \sin(2x - 50)^\circ = 9 \tan(x - 25)^\circ.$$

7. In a simple model, the value, $\pounds V$, of a car depends on its age, t , in years.

The following information is available for car A :

- its value when new is $\pounds 20\,000$,
- its value after one year is $\pounds 16\,000$.

(a) Use an exponential model to form, for car A , a possible equation linking V with t . (4)

The value of car A is monitored over a 10-year period.

Its value after 10 years is $\pounds 2\,000$.

(b) Evaluate the reliability of your model in light of this information. (2)

The following information is available for car B :

- it has the same value, when new, as car A ,
- its value depreciates more slowly than that of car A .

(c) Explain how you would adapt the equation found in (a) so that it could be used to model the value of car B . (1)

8. Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation

$$y = x(x + 2)(x - 4).$$

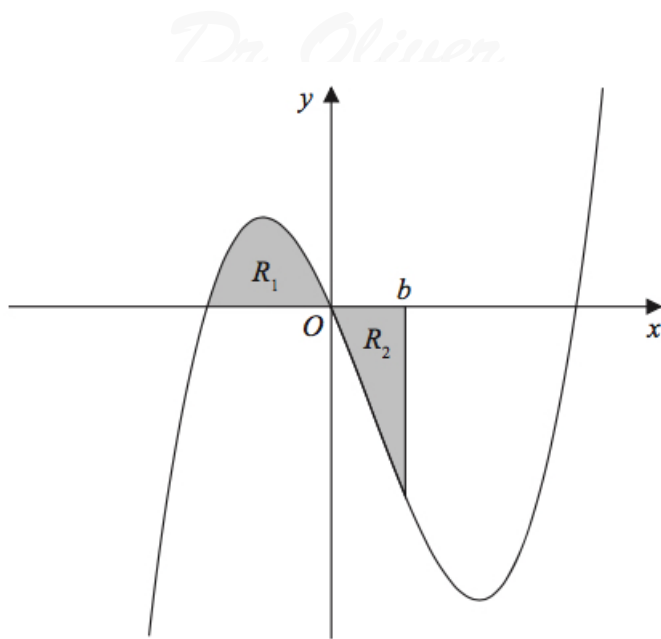


Figure 2: $y = x(x + 2)(x - 4)$

The region R_1 shown shaded in Figure 2 is bounded by the curve and the negative x -axis.

(a) Show that the exact area of R_1 is $\frac{20}{3}$. (4)

The region R_2 also shown shaded in Figure 2 is bounded by the curve, the positive x -axis, and the line with equation $x = b$, where b is a positive constant and $0 < b < 4$.

Given that the area of R_1 is equal to the area of R_2 ,

(b) verify that b satisfies the equation (4)

$$(b + 2)^2(3b^2 - 20b + 20) = 0.$$

The roots of the equation

$$3b^2 - 20b + 20 = 0$$

are 1.225 and 5.442 to 3 decimal places.

The value of b is therefore 1.225 to 3 decimal places.

(c) Explain, with the aid of a diagram, the significance of the root 5.442. (2)

9. Given that $a > b > 0$ and that a and b satisfy the equation

$$\log a - \log b = \log(a - b),$$

(a) show that (3)

$$a = \frac{b^2}{b - 1}.$$

- (b) Write down the full restriction on the value of b , explaining the reason for this restriction. (2)

10. (a) Prove that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, (4)

$$n^2 + 2 \text{ is not divisible by } 4.$$

- (b) “Given $x \in \mathbb{R}$, the value of $|3x - 28|$ is greater than or equal to the value of $(x - 9)$.” (2)
State, giving a reason, if the above statement is always true, sometimes true, or never true.

11. A competitor is running a 20 kilometre race.

She runs each of the first 4 kilometres at a steady pace of 6 minutes per kilometre. After the first 4 kilometres, she begins to slow down.

In order to estimate her finishing time, the time that she will take to complete each subsequent kilometre is modelled to be 5% greater than the time that she took to complete the previous kilometre.

Using the model,

- (a) show that her time to run the first 6 kilometres is estimated to be 36 minutes 55 seconds, (2)

- (b) show that her estimated time, in minutes, to run the r th kilometre, for $5 \leq r \leq 20$, is (1)

$$6 \times 1.05^{r-4},$$

- (c) estimate the total time, in minutes and seconds, that she will take to complete the race. (4)

- 12.

$$f(x) = 10e^{-0.25x} \sin x, \quad x > 0.$$

- (a) Show that the x -coordinates of the turning points of the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ satisfy the equation $\tan x = 4$. (4)

Figure 3 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = f(x)$.

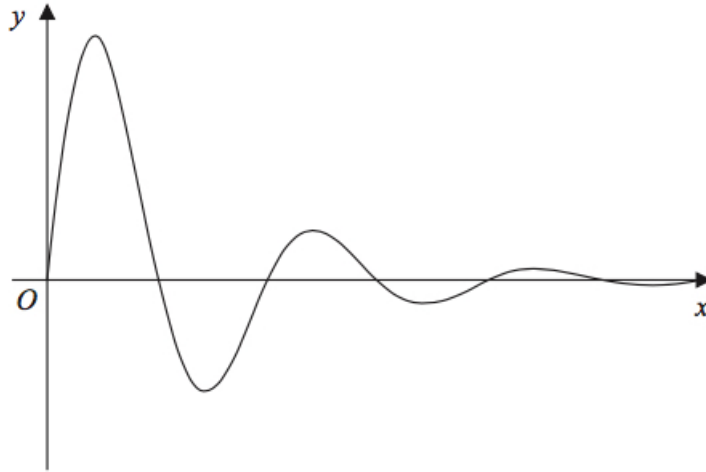


Figure 3: $f(x) = 10e^{-0.25x} \sin x$

- (b) Sketch the graph of H against t where (2)

$$H(t) = |10e^{-0.25t} \sin t|, t \geq 0,$$

showing the long-term behaviour of this curve.

The function $H(t)$ is used to model the height, in metres, of a ball above the ground t seconds after it has been kicked.

Using this model, find

- (c) the maximum height of the ball above the ground between the first and second bounce. (3)
- (d) Explain why this model should not be used to predict the time of each bounce. (1)

13. The curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{p - 3x}{(2x - q)(x + 3)}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -3, x \neq 2,$$

where p and q are constants, passes through the point $(3, \frac{1}{2})$ and has two vertical asymptotes with equations $x = 2$ and $x = -3$.

- (a) (i) Explain why you can deduce that $q = 4$. (3)

(ii) Show that $p = 15$.

Figure 4 shows a sketch of part of the curve C .

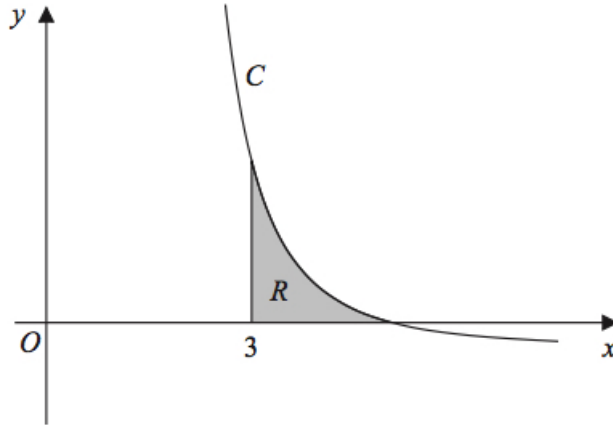


Figure 4: $y = \frac{p - 3x}{(2x - q)(x + 3)}$

The region R , shown shaded in Figure 4, is bounded by the curve C , the x -axis, and the line with equation $x = 3$.

(b) Show that the exact value of the area of R is (8)

$$a \ln 2 + b \ln 3,$$

where a and b are rational constants to be found.

14. The curve C , in the standard Cartesian plane, is defined by the equation

$$x = 4 \sin 2y, \quad -\frac{1}{4}\pi < y < \frac{1}{4}\pi.$$

The curve C passes through the origin O .

(a) Find the value of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at the origin. (2)

(b) (i) Use the small angle approximation for $\sin 2y$ to find an equation linking x and y for points close to the origin. (2)

(ii) Explain the relationship between the answers to (a) and (b)(i).

(c) Show that, for all points (x, y) lying on C , (3)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{a\sqrt{b-x^2}},$$

where a and b are constants to be found.