

**Dr Oliver Mathematics**  
**AQA Further Maths Level 2**  
**June 2021 Paper 2**  
**2 hours**

The total number of marks available is 80.

You must write down all the stages in your working.

You are permitted to use a scientific or graphical calculator in this paper.

1. Expand and simplify

$$5(2x - 1) + 4(11 - x).$$

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Give your answer in the form

$$a(bx + c),$$

where  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are integers greater than 1

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} 5(2x - 1) + 4(11 - x) &= 10x - 5 + 44 - 4x \\ &= 6x + 39 \\ &= \underline{\underline{3(2x + 13)}}; \end{aligned}$$

hence,  $\underline{\underline{a = 3}}$ ,  $\underline{\underline{b = 2}}$ , and  $\underline{\underline{c = 13}}$ .

2.  $5m$  is decreased by 40%.

The answer is  $(m + 1)$ .

- (a) Work out the value of  $m$ .

(2)

**Solution**

Well,

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - 0.4)(5m) &= m + 1 \Rightarrow 0.6(5m) = m + 1 \\ &\Rightarrow 3m = m + 1 \\ &\Rightarrow 2m = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{m = 0.5}}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Solve

$$\sqrt[3]{2w - 10} = 18.$$

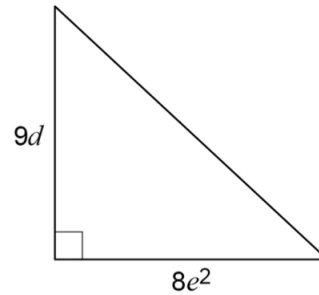
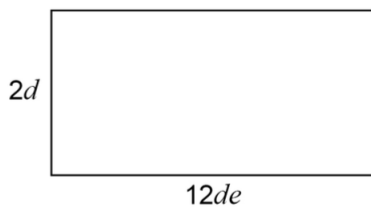
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**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[3]{2w - 10} = 18 &\Rightarrow 2w - 10 = 18^3 \\ &\Rightarrow 2w - 10 = 5832 \\ &\Rightarrow 2w = 5842 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{w = 2921}}.\end{aligned}$$

3. The rectangle and triangle shown have equal areas.

(3)



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Work out the value of

$$\frac{d}{e}.$$

Give your answer in its simplest form.

**Solution**

Well,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{area}_{\text{square}} &= 2d \times 12de \\ &= 24d^2e\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\text{area}_{\text{triangle}} &= \frac{1}{2} \times 9d \times 8e^2 \\ &= 36de^2.\end{aligned}$$

They are the same:

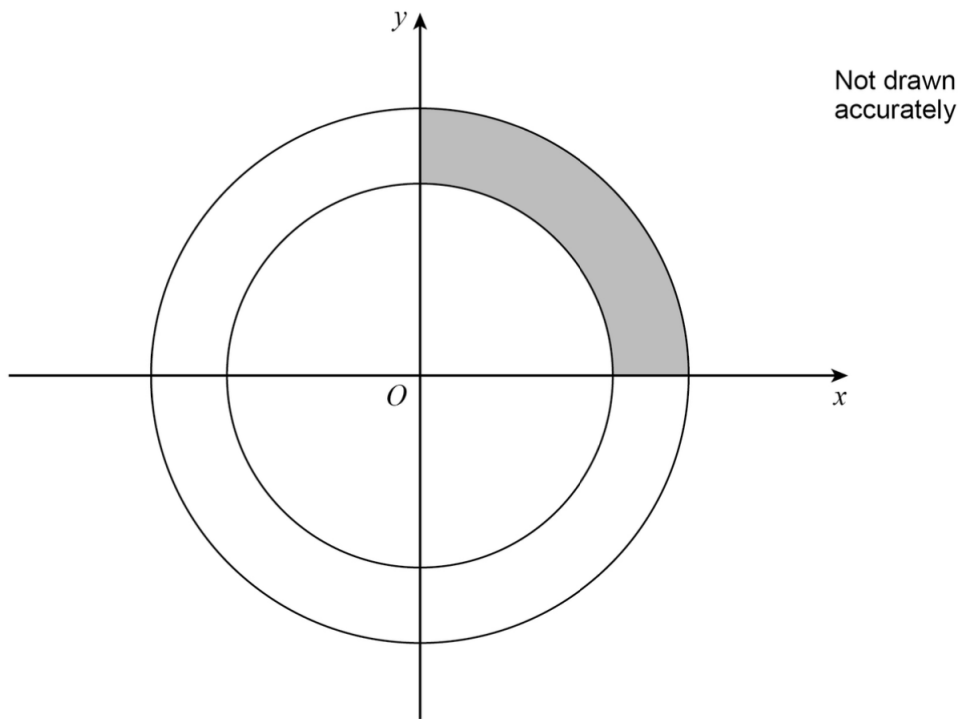
$$24d^2e = 36de^2 \Rightarrow 2d = 3e$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{e} = \frac{3}{\underline{\underline{2}}}$$

4. The equations of the two circles shown are

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$$x^2 + y^2 = 100 \text{ and } x^2 + y^2 = 36.$$



Work out the shaded area.

Give your answer as an integer multiple of  $\pi$ .

**Solution**

What are the radii of the two circles?

$$\sqrt{100} = 10 \text{ and } \sqrt{36} = 6.$$

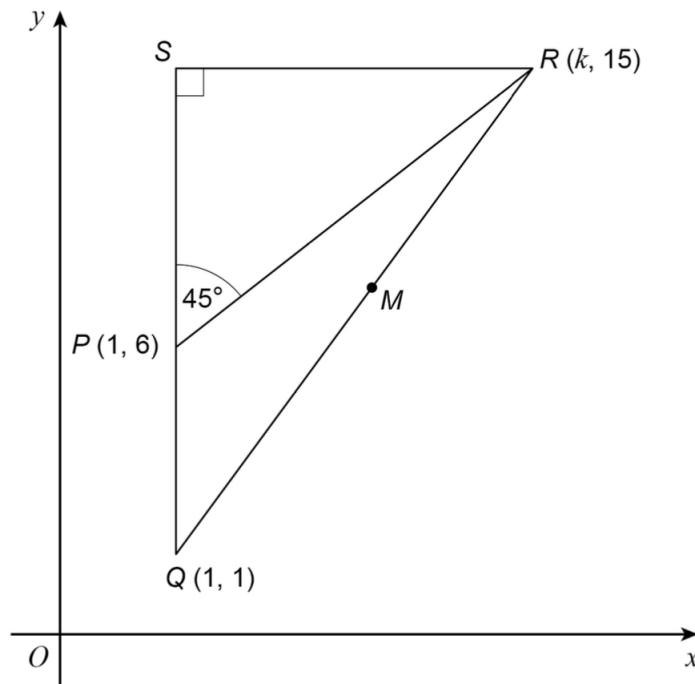
Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{shaded area} &= \frac{1}{4} [(\pi \times 10^2) - (\pi \times 6^2)] \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(100\pi - 36\pi) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(64\pi) \\ &= \underline{16\pi}.\end{aligned}$$

5.  $SQR$  is a right-angled triangle.

(3)

- $P$  is a point on  $SQ$ .
- Angle  $SPR = 45^\circ$ .
- $M$  is the midpoint of  $QR$ .
- $k$  is a constant.



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Work out the coordinates of  $M$ .

**Solution**

Well,  $S(1, 15)$ .

Next,  $PS = 15 - 6 = 9$  and  $R$  is the point  $(1 + 9, 15) = (10, 15)$ .

Finally, the coordinates of  $M$  are

$$\left(\frac{1 + 10}{2}, \frac{1 + 15}{2}\right) = \underline{\underline{\left(5\frac{1}{2}, 8\right)}}.$$

6. Rearrange

(3)

$$y = \sqrt{\frac{x + 2w}{3}}$$

to make  $w$  the subject.

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} y = \sqrt{\frac{x + 2w}{3}} &\Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{x + 2w}{3} \\ &\Rightarrow 3y^2 = x + 2w \\ &\Rightarrow 3y^2 - x = 2w \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{w = \frac{3y^2 - x}{2}}}. \end{aligned}$$

7.  $a$  is a value greater than 1.

(2)

(a) Work out the value of  $m$  for which

$$(a^m)^4 = (a^5)^{2m}.$$

**Solution**

$$(a^m)^4 = (a^5)^{2m} \Rightarrow a^{4m} = a^{10m}$$

as the exponent is the same:

$$\Rightarrow 4m = 10m$$

$$\Rightarrow 6m = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{m = 0}}.$$

$$w^3x^2y^5 = w^{13}x^7.$$

(b) Write  $y$  in terms of  $w$  and  $x$ .

(2)

Give your answer in its simplest form.

**Solution**

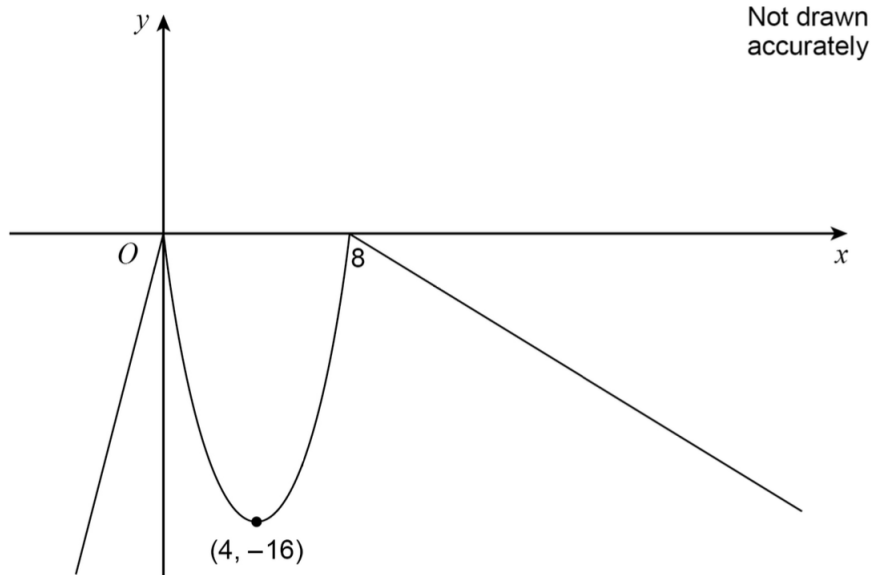
$$\begin{aligned}w^3x^2y^5 = w^{13}x^7 &\Rightarrow y^5 = w^{10}x^5 \\ &\Rightarrow y = \sqrt[5]{w^{10}x^5} \\ &\Rightarrow y = \sqrt[5]{(w^2x)^5} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = w^2x}}.\end{aligned}$$

8. A function  $f$  is given by

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$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 4x, & x < 0, \\ x^2 - 8x, & 0 \leq x \leq 8, \\ 16 - 2x, & x > 8. \end{cases}$$

A sketch of  $y = f(x)$  is shown.



Work out **all** the values of  $x$  for which

$$f(x) = -12.$$

**Solution**

$y = 4x, x < 0:$

$$4x = -12 \Rightarrow x = -3.$$

$y = x^2 - 8x, 0 \leq x \leq 8:$

$$x^2 - 8x = -12 \Rightarrow x^2 - 8x + 12 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{add to:} \quad -8 \\ \text{multiply to:} \quad +12 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{r} -8 \\ +12 \end{array}} \right\} -6, -2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 6)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 6 = 0 \text{ or } x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6 \text{ or } x = 2.$$

$y = 16 - 2x, x > 8:$

$$16 - 2x = -12 \Rightarrow -2x = -28$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 14.$$

Hence, the values of  $x$  are

$-3, 2, 6, \text{ or } 14.$

9. (a) Circle the expression that is equivalent to

(1)

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} :$$

$$\frac{2}{a+b} \quad \frac{ab}{b+a} \quad \frac{2}{ab} \quad \frac{b+a}{ab}.$$

**Solution**

Well,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} &= \frac{b}{ab} + \frac{a}{ab} \\ &= \frac{b+a}{ab} \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\frac{2}{a+b} \frac{ab}{b+a} \frac{2}{ab} \frac{b+a}{\underline{\underline{ab}}}.$$

(b) Simplify fully

$$\frac{6c^4 - c^3}{36c^2 - 1}.$$

(3)

**Solution**

Difference of two squares:

$$\begin{aligned} 36c^2 - 1 &= (6c)^2 - 1^2 \\ &= (6c - 1)(6c + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{6c^4 - c^3}{36c^2 - 1} &= \frac{c^3(6c - 1)}{(6c - 1)(6c + 1)} \\ &= \frac{c^3}{\underline{\underline{6c + 1}}}. \end{aligned}$$

10. The radius of a sphere, in cm, is  $\frac{3}{2}k$ .

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The volume of the sphere, in  $\text{cm}^3$ , is  $972\pi$ .

$$\text{Volume of a sphere} = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \quad \text{where } r \text{ is the radius}$$

Work out the value of  $k$ .

**Solution**



$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \Rightarrow 972\pi = \frac{4}{3}\pi \times \left(\frac{3}{2}k\right)^3 \\
 &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{2}k\right)^3 = 729 \\
 &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{2}k\right)^3 = 9^3 \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2}k = 9 \\
 &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{k = 6.}}
 \end{aligned}$$

11. Expand and simplify fully

$$(5x + 3y^2)(4x - y^2).$$

(3)

**Solution**

$\times$	$5x$	$+3y^2$
$4x$	$20x^2$	$+12xy^2$
$-y^2$	$-5xy^2$	$-3y^4$

Hence,

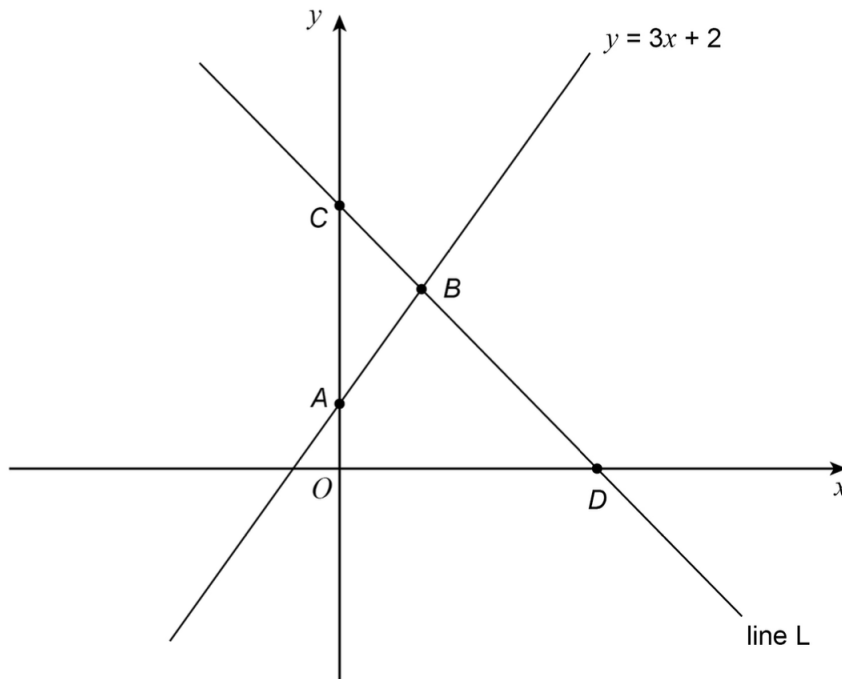
$$(5x + 3y^2)(4x - y^2) = \underline{\underline{20x^2 + 7xy^2 - 3y^4.}}$$

12.  $A$  and  $B$  are points on the line

$$y = 3x + 2.$$

(5)

- $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D(5, 0)$  are points on the line  $L$ .
- $OA : AC = 1 : 4$ .



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Work out the  $x$ -coordinate of  $B$ .

**Solution**

Well,  $A(0, 2)$ . Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{OC} &= 5\overrightarrow{OA} \\ &= 5 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

so  $C(0, 10)$ . Next,

$$\begin{aligned}m_{CD} &= \frac{10 - 0}{0 - 5} \\ &= -2\end{aligned}$$

and the equation of the line L is

$$y - 0 = -2(x - 5) \Rightarrow y = -2x + 10.$$

Equate the two terms:

$$\begin{aligned}3x + 2 &= -2x + 10 \Rightarrow 5x = 8 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{x = 1\frac{3}{5}}}.\end{aligned}$$

13.  $P$  is the point on the curve

$$y = ax^3 + 10x^2,$$

where  $x = 2$ .

The gradient of the **normal** to the curve at  $P$  is  $-\frac{1}{4}$ .

Work out the value of  $a$ .

**Solution**

$$y = ax^3 + 10x^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3ax^2 + 20x.$$

Now,

$$m_{\text{normal}} = -\frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow m_{\text{tangent}} = 4.$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned}x = 2, m_{\text{tangent}} = 4 &\Rightarrow 3a(2^2) + 20(2) = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow 12a + 40 = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow 12a = -36 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{a = -3}}.\end{aligned}$$

14.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Describe geometrically the single transformation represented by  $\mathbf{A}$ .

**Solution**

It is a reflection in the  $x$ -axis.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (b) Describe geometrically the single transformation represented by  $\mathbf{B}^2$ . (2)

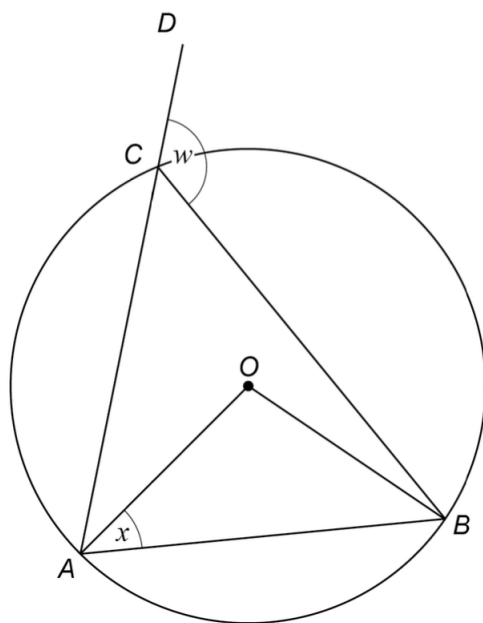
**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B}^2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix};\end{aligned}$$

it is a rotation, through  $180^\circ$ , centre  $(0,0)$ .

15.  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  are points on a circle, centre  $O$ . (5)

- $ACD$  is a straight line.
- Angle  $BCD = w$ .



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accurately

Prove that

$$w = x + 90^\circ.$$

**Solution**

Well,  $\angle ACB = 180 - w$  (supplementary angles)

$\angle AOB = 2(180 - w) = 360 - 2w$  (angle at the centre is twice the angle at the circumference)

$\angle OAB = \angle OBA = x$  (base angles).

Now, as there are  $180^\circ$  in a triangle,

$$\begin{aligned}x + (360 - 2w) + x &= 180 \Rightarrow 2x - 2w + 360 = 180 \\ &\Rightarrow 2(x - w + 180) = 180 \\ &\Rightarrow x - w + 180 = 90 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{w = x + 90}},\end{aligned}$$

as required.

16. The coefficient of  $x^4$  in the expansion of

$$(a + 2x)^6$$

(3)

is 1 500.

Work out the two possible values of  $a$ .

**Solution**

The coefficient of  $x^4$  is

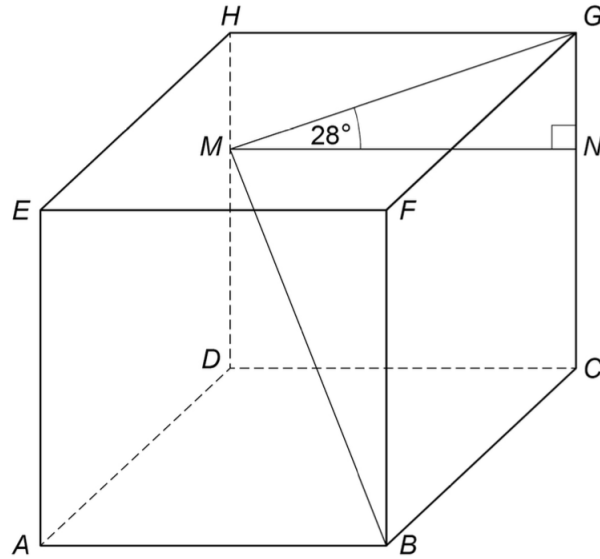
$$\binom{6}{4} (a)^2 (2)^4 = 240a^2.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}240a^2 &= 1\,500 \Rightarrow a^2 = 6\frac{1}{4} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{a = \pm 2\frac{1}{2}}}.\end{aligned}$$

17.  $ABCDEFGH$  is a cube with side length 32 cm.  
 $M$  and  $N$  are points on  $DH$  and  $CG$  respectively.

(5)



Work out the size of the angle that the line  $BM$  makes with the plane  $ABCD$ .

### Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \tan &= \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} \Rightarrow \tan 28^\circ = \frac{GN}{32} \\ &\Rightarrow GN = 32 \tan 28^\circ \\ &\Rightarrow DM = 32 - 32 \tan 28^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} BM^2 &= AB^2 + AD^2 + DM^2 \Rightarrow BM^2 = 32^2 + 32^2 + (32 - 32 \tan 28^\circ)^2 \\ &\Rightarrow BM^2 = 2272.559162 \text{ (FCD)} \\ &\Rightarrow BM = 47.67136627 \text{ (FCD)}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, let  $x$  be the required angle. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sin &= \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}} \Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{32(1 - \tan 28^\circ)}{47.671366\dots} \\ &\Rightarrow x = 18.32133046 \text{ (FCD)} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{x = 18.3^\circ \text{ (3 sf)}}}. \end{aligned}$$

18.

(5)

$$y = 12x + \frac{3}{x}.$$

Show that  $y$  has a minimum value when  $x = 0.5$ .

**Solution**

Well, surely there's a mistake in the question: what happens if  $x = 0$ ? Anyway,

$$\begin{aligned} y = 12x + \frac{3}{x} &\Rightarrow y = 12x + 3x^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 12 + 3(-x^{-2}) \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 12 - 3x^{-2} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -3(-2x^{-3}) \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 6x^{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 &\Rightarrow 12 - 3x^{-2} = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow 3x^{-2} = 12 \\ &\Rightarrow x^{-2} = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{4} \\ &\Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 48.$$

So, we established that there is a candidate for the critical point at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  and then we use the second derivative to prove the value is 48.

$y$  has a minimum value when  $x = 0.5$ .

19.

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

$g$  is a function such that

$$g f(x) = (x + 2)^{12}.$$

(a) Work out an expression for  $g(x)$ .

(1)

**Solution**

$$g(x) = \underline{\underline{x^4}}.$$

$$h(x) = x^2 + 5.$$

$m$  is a function such that

$$h m(x) = 4x^2 + 5.$$

(b) Work out an expression for  $m h(x)$ .

(2)

**Solution**

Well,  $m(x) = 2x$  and

$$\begin{aligned} m h(x) &= m(h(x)) \\ &= m(x^2 + 5) \\ &= \underline{\underline{2(x^2 + 5)}}. \end{aligned}$$

20. Show that

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$$\frac{2 \sin x + \cos x}{\tan x} - \frac{1}{\sin x}$$

can be written in the form

$$a \cos x + b \sin x,$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers.

**Solution**



Well,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2 \sin x + \cos x}{\tan x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} &\equiv \frac{2 \sin x + \cos x}{\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \\ &\equiv \frac{\cos x(2 \sin x + \cos x)}{\sin x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \\ &\equiv \frac{2 \sin x \cos x + \cos^2 x - 1}{\sin x} \\ &\equiv \frac{2 \sin x \cos x - (1 - \cos^2 x)}{\sin x} \\ &\equiv \frac{2 \sin x \cos x - \sin^2 x}{\sin x} \\ &\equiv \frac{\sin x(2 \cos x - \sin x)}{\sin x} \\ &\equiv \underline{\underline{2 \cos x - \sin x}};\end{aligned}$$

hence,  $a = 2$  and  $b = -1$ .

21.

$$3x^2 + 2bx + 8a$$

(6)

can be written in the form

$$3(x + a)^2 + b + 2.$$

Work out the two possible pairs of values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution**

$\times$	$x$	$+a$
$x$	$x^2$	$+ax$
$+a$	$+ax$	$+a^2$

So

$$\begin{aligned}3(x + a)^2 + b + 2 &= 3(x^2 + 2ax + a^2) + b + 2 \\ &= 3x^2 + 6ax + (a^2 + b + 2).\end{aligned}$$

Coefficient of  $x$ :

$$2b = 6a \Rightarrow b = 3a \quad (1).$$

Coefficient of the constant term:

$$8a = 3a^2 + b + 2 \Rightarrow b = -3a^2 + 8a - 2 \quad (2).$$

Do (1) = (2):

$$3a = -3a^2 + 8a - 2 \Rightarrow 3a^2 - 5a + 2 = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{add to:} \quad \quad \quad -5 \\ \text{multiply to: } (+3) \times (+2) = +6 \end{array} \right\} -3, -2$$

e.g.,

$$\Rightarrow 3a^2 - 3a - 2a + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a(a - 1) - 2(a - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3a - 2)(a - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a - 2 = 0 \text{ or } a - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{2}{3} \text{ or } a = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 2 \text{ or } b = 3;$$

hence, the two possible values are

$$\underline{\underline{a = \frac{2}{3}, b = 2}} \text{ or } \underline{\underline{a = 1, b = 3.}}$$