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Algebraic Expressions



12. A student was asked to give the exact solution to the equation

$$2^{2x+4} - 9(2^x) = 0$$

The student's attempt is shown below:

$$2^{2x+4} - 9(2^x) = 0$$

$$2^{2x} + 2^4 - 9(2^x) = 0$$

Let $2^x = y$

$$y^2 - 9y + 8 = 0$$

$$(y - 8)(y - 1) = 0$$

$y = 8$ or $y = 1$

So $x = 3$ or $x = 0$

(a) Identify the two errors made by the student.

(2)

(b) Find the exact solution to the equation.

(2)



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<tr><th>Question</th><th colspan="2">Scheme</th><th>Marks</th><th>AOs</th></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="3">12(a)</td><td colspan="2">$2^{2x}+2^4$ is wrong in line 2 - it should be $2^{2x}\times 2^4$</td><td>B1</td><td>2.3</td></tr>
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<tr><td rowspan="3">(b)</td><td><u>Way 1:</u>

$2^{2x+4}-9(2^x)=0$
$2^{2x}\times 2^4-9(2^x)=0$
Let $2^x=y$
$16y^2-9y=0$</td><td><u>Way 2:</u>

$(2x+4)\log 2-\log 9-x\log 2=0$</td><td>M1</td><td>2.1</td></tr>
<tr><td>$y=\frac{9}{16}$ or $y=0$
So $x=\log_2\left(\frac{9}{16}\right)$ or $\frac{\log\left(\frac{9}{16}\right)}{\log 2}$
o.e. with no second answer</td><td>$x=\frac{\log 9}{\log 2}-4$ o.e.</td><td>A1</td><td>1.1b</td></tr>
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2. Find, using algebra, all real solutions to the equation

(i) $16a^2 = 2\sqrt{a}$

(4)

(ii) $b^4 + 7b^2 - 18 = 0$

(4)



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Question 2 (Total 8 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(i)	$16a^2 = 2\sqrt{a}$ so $\dfrac{16a^2}{2a^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 1$ $8a^{\frac{3}{2}} = 1$ so $a^{\frac{3}{2}} = \dfrac{1}{8}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find an equation to solve with the terms in a on one side
	$a = \left(\dfrac{1}{8}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$	M1	This mark is given for finding a way to deal with the indices when solving the equation
	$a = \dfrac{1}{4}$	A1	This mark is given for finding one correct solution to the equation
	$a = 0$ is also a solution	B1	This mark is given for deducing that $a = 0$ is also a solution
(ii)	$b^4 + 7b^2 - 18 = 0$ factorises to $(b^2 + 9)(b^2 - 2) = 0$	M1	This mark is given for factorising the equation given
	$b^2 = -9, 2$	A1	This mark is given for finding two correct solutions for b^2
	For real solutions, $b^2 = 2$ only	M1	This mark is given for recognising that $b = \sqrt{-9}$ is not a real solution
	$b = \sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}$	A1	This mark is given for finding the two real solutions to the equation



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3. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(i) Solve the equation

$$x\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{18} = x$$

writing the answer as a surd in simplest form.

(3)

(ii) Solve the equation

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

(3)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3 (i)	$x\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{18}=x \Rightarrow x\left(\sqrt{2}-1\right)=\sqrt{18} \Rightarrow x=\dfrac{\sqrt{18}}{\sqrt{2}-1}$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x=\dfrac{\sqrt{18}}{\sqrt{2}-1}\times\dfrac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}+1}$	dM1	3.1a
	$x=\dfrac{\sqrt{18}\left(\sqrt{2}+1\right)}{1}=6+3\sqrt{2}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(ii)	$4^{3x-2}=\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow 2^{6x-4}=2^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	M1	2.5
	$6x-4=-\dfrac{3}{2} \Rightarrow x=\ldots$	dM1	1.1b
	$x=\dfrac{5}{12}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



2. **In this question you should show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Given

$$\frac{9^{x-1}}{3^{y+2}} = 81$$

express y in terms of x, writing your answer in simplest form.

(3)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2	$\frac{9^{x-1}}{3^{y+2}}=81\Rightarrow\frac{3^{2x-2}}{3^{y+2}}=3^4$ or $\frac{9^{x-1}}{3^{y+2}}=81\Rightarrow\frac{9^{x-1}}{9^{\frac{1}{2}(y+2)}}=9^2$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 2x-2-y-2=4\Rightarrow y=$ or $\Rightarrow x-1-\frac{1}{2}y-1=2\Rightarrow y=$	dM1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow y=2x-8$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
Alt	Eg. $\log_3\left(\frac{9^{x-1}}{3^{y+2}}\right)=\log_3 81$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow (x-1)\log_3\left(9^{x-1}\right)-(y+2)\log_3\left(3^{y+2}\right)=4$ $\Rightarrow 2(x-1)-y-2=4\Rightarrow y=$	dM1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow y=2x-8$	A1	1.1b
			(3 marks)



6. **In this question you should show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Using algebra, find all solutions of the equation

$$3x^3 - 17x^2 - 6x = 0$$

(3)

(b) Hence find all real solutions of

$$3(y-2)^6 - 17(y-2)^4 - 6(y-2)^2 = 0$$

(3)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6 (a)	$3x^3-17x^2-6x=0 \Rightarrow x\left(3x^2-17x-6\right)=0$	M1	1.1a
	$\Rightarrow x\left(3x+1\right)\left(x-6\right)=0$	dM1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x=0,-\frac{1}{3},6$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Attempts to solve $\left(y-2\right)^2=n$ where n is any solution $\geqslant 0$ to (a)	M1	2.2a
	Two of $2, 2\pm\sqrt{6}$	A1ft	1.1b
	All three of $2, 2\pm\sqrt{6}$	A1	2.1
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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1. Given

$$2^x \times 4^y = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

express y as a function of x.

(3)



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Algebraic Expressions

Question 1 (Total 3 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
	$2^x \times (2^2)^y = 2^{-\frac{3}{2}} \Rightarrow 2^{x+2y} = 2^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	M1	This mark is given for writing all terms in the same base and applying an index law
	$x + 2y = -\frac{3}{2}$	M1	This mark is given for writing an equation to link x and y
	$y = -\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{3}{4}$	A1	This mark is given for rearranging to find a correct expression of y as a function of x



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10. The equation $kx^2 + 4kx + 3 = 0$, where k is a constant, has no real roots.

Prove that

$$0 \leqslant k < \frac{3}{4}$$

(4)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10	Realises that $k = 0$ will give no real roots as equation becomes $3 = 0$ (proof by contradiction)	B1	3.1a
	(For $k \neq 0$) quadratic has no real roots provided $b^2 < 4ac$ so $16k^2 < 12k$	M1	2.4
	$4k(4k-3) < 0$ with attempt at solution	M1	1.1b
	So $0 < k < \frac{3}{4}$, which together with $k = 0$ gives $0 \leqslant k < \frac{3}{4}$ *	A1*	2.1
			(4 marks)



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2. (i) Show that $x^2 - 8x + 17 > 0$ for all real values of x

(3)

(ii) "If I add 3 to a number and square the sum, the result is greater than the square of the original number."

State, giving a reason, if the above statement is always true, sometimes true or never true.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2(i)	$x^2-8x+17=(x-4)^2-16+17$	M1	3.1a
	$=(x-4)^2+1$ with comment (see notes)	A1	1.1b
	As $(x-4)^2\geqslant 0 \Rightarrow (x-4)^2+1\geqslant 1$ hence $x^2-8x+17>0$ for all x	A1	2.4
		(3)	



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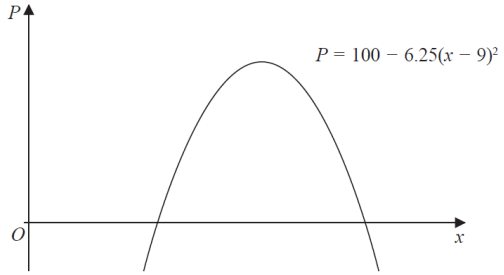


Figure 1

A company makes a particular type of children's toy.

The annual profit made by the company is modelled by the equation

$$P = 100 - 6.25(x - 9)^2$$

where P is the profit measured in thousands of pounds and x is the selling price of the toy in pounds.

A sketch of P against x is shown in Figure 1.

Using the model,

(a) explain why £15 is not a sensible selling price for the toy.

(2)

Given that the company made an annual profit of more than £80 000

(b) find, according to the model, the least possible selling price for the toy.

(3)

The company wishes to maximise its annual profit.

State, according to the model,

(c) (i) the maximum possible annual profit,

(ii) the selling price of the toy that maximises the annual profit.

(2)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6 (a)	Attempts $P = 100 - 6.25(15-9)^2$	M1	3.4
	$= -125$ $\therefore$ not sensible as the company would make a loss	A1	2.4
		(2)	
(b)	Uses $P > 80 \Rightarrow (x-9)^2 < 3.2$ or $P = 80 \Rightarrow (x-9)^2 = 3.2$	M1	3.1b
	$\Rightarrow 9 - \sqrt{3.2} < x < 9 + \sqrt{3.2}$	dM1	1.1b
	Minimum Price = £7.22	A1	3.2a
		(3)	
(c)	States (i) maximum profit =£ 100 000 and (ii) selling price £9	B1 B1	3.2a 2.2a
		(2)	
			(7 marks)



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9. A company started mining tin in Riverdale on 1st January 2019.

A model to find the total mass of tin that will be mined by the company in Riverdale is given by the equation

$$T = 1200 - 3(n - 20)^2$$

where T tonnes is the total mass of tin mined in the n years after the start of mining.

Using this model,

(a) calculate the mass of tin that will be mined up to 1st January 2020,

(1)

(b) deduce the maximum total mass of tin that could be mined,

(1)

(c) calculate the mass of tin that will be mined in 2023.

(2)

(d) State, giving reasons, the limitation on the values of n.

(2)



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Question 9 (Total 6 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$1200 - 3(1 - 20)^2$ $= 1200 - 3(-19)^2$ $= 1200 - 1083$ $= 117$ tonnes	B1	This mark is given for the correct answer
(b)	1200 tonnes	B1	This mark is given for deducing that $(n - 20)^2$ is always positive, and so deducing the maximum value for T Units (tonnes) must be stated
(c)	$[1200 - 3(5 - 20)^2] - [1200 - 3(4 - 20)^2]$ $= 525 - 432$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find the mass of tin that will be mined in 2023
	= 93 tonnes	A1	This mark is given for the correct answer (units need not be given)
(d)	$n \leq 20$	B1	This mark is given for an appreciation that the model only predicts the mass of tin mined for the next 20 years
	This model predicts that the mass of tin mined will increase each year	B1	This mark is given for an appreciation that the total mass of tin mined cannot decrease but that for $n > 20$ the value of T decreases as n increases.



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2. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Using the substitution $u = \sqrt{x}$ or otherwise, solve

$$6x + 7\sqrt{x} - 20 = 0$$

(4)



2	Let $u=\sqrt{x}$ $\quad 6x+7\sqrt{x}-20=0\Rightarrow 6u^2+7u-20=0$ $\Rightarrow(3u-4)(2u+5)\{=0\}$	M1A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Attempts $\sqrt{x}="\frac{4}{3}","-\frac{5}{2}"\Rightarrow x=...$	M1	1.1b
	$x=\frac{16}{9}$ only	A1 cso	2.3
		(4)	

(4 marks)

Alt 1	$6x+7\sqrt{x}-20=0\Rightarrow 7\sqrt{x}=20-6x\Rightarrow 49x=(20-6x)^2$ $\Rightarrow 49x=400-240x+36x^2$	M1	1.1b
	$36x^2-289x+400\{=0\}$	A1	1.1b
	$(9x-16)(4x-25)=0$	M1	1.1b
	$x=\frac{16}{9}$ only	A1 cso	2.3
		(4)	
Alt 2	$6x+7\sqrt{x}-20=0\Rightarrow(3\sqrt{x}-4)(2\sqrt{x}+5)=0$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Attempts $\sqrt{x}="\frac{4}{3}","-\frac{5}{2}"\Rightarrow x=...$	M1	1.1b
	$x=\frac{16}{9}$ only	A1 cso	2.3
		(4)	



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11. An archer shoots an arrow.

The height, H metres, of the arrow above the ground is modelled by the formula

$$H = 1.8 + 0.4d - 0.002d^2, \qquad d \geqslant 0$$

where d is the horizontal distance of the arrow from the archer, measured in metres.

Given that the arrow travels in a vertical plane until it hits the ground,

(a) find the horizontal distance travelled by the arrow, as given by this model.

(3)

(b) With reference to the model, interpret the significance of the constant 1.8 in the formula.

(1)

(c) Write $1.8 + 0.4d - 0.002d^2$ in the form

$$A - B(d - C)^2$$

where A, B and C are constants to be found.

(3)

It is decided that the model should be adapted for a different archer.

The adapted formula for this archer is

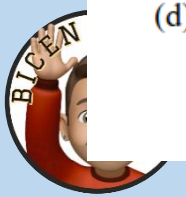
$$H = 2.1 + 0.4d - 0.002d^2, \qquad d \geqslant 0$$

Hence or otherwise, find, for the adapted model

(d) (i) the maximum height of the arrow above the ground.

(ii) the horizontal distance, from the archer, of the arrow when it is at its maximum height.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11(a)	Sets $H = 0 \Rightarrow 1.8 + 0.4d - 0.002d^2 = 0$	M1	3.4
	Solves using an appropriate method, for example $d = \dfrac{-0.4 \pm \sqrt{(0.4)^2 - 4(-0.002)(1.8)}}{2 \times -0.002}$	dM1	1.1b
	Distance = awrt $204\,(\text{m})$ only	A1	2.2a
		(3)	
(b)	States the initial height of the arrow above the ground.	B1	3.4
		(1)	
(c)	$1.8 + 0.4d - 0.002d^2 = -0.002\left(d^2 - 200d\right) + 1.8$	M1	1.1b
	$= -0.002\left((d-100)^2 - 10000\right) + 1.8$	M1	1.1b
	$= 21.8 - 0.002(d-100)^2$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(d)	(i) 22.1 metres	B1ft	3.4
	(ii) 100 metres	B1ft	3.4
		(2)	
			(9 marks)



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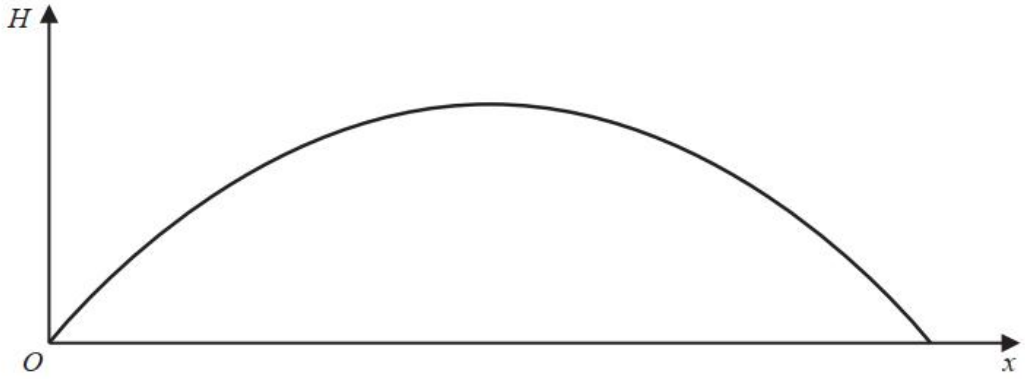


Figure 1

Figure 1 is a graph showing the trajectory of a rugby ball.

The height of the ball above the ground, H metres, has been plotted against the horizontal distance, x metres, measured from the point where the ball was kicked.

The ball travels in a vertical plane.

The ball reaches a maximum height of 12 metres and hits the ground at a point 40 metres from where it was kicked.

(a) Find a quadratic equation linking H with x that models this situation.

(3)

The ball passes over the horizontal bar of a set of rugby posts that is perpendicular to the path of the ball. The bar is 3 metres above the ground.

(b) Use your equation to find the greatest horizontal distance of the bar from O.

(3)

(c) Give one limitation of the model.

(1)



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(a) **Way 3**	$H = ax^2 + bx + c$ (or deduces $H = ax^2 + bx$) **Both** $x = 0, H = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 0 + 0 + c \Rightarrow c = 0$ **and either** $x = 40, H = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 1600a + 40b$ **or** $x = 20, H = 12 \Rightarrow 12 = 400a + 20b$ **or** $\frac{-b}{2a} = 20$ $\{\Rightarrow b = -40a\}$	M1	3.3
	$b = -40a \Rightarrow 12 = 400a + 20(-40a) \Rightarrow a = -0.03$ so $b = -40(-0.03) = 1.2$	dM1	3.1b
	$H = -0.03x^2 + 1.2x$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$\{H = 3 \Rightarrow\}$ $3 = \frac{3}{100}x(40 - x) \Rightarrow x^2 - 40x + 100 = 0$ **or** $\{H = 3 \Rightarrow\}$ $3 = 12 - \frac{3}{100}(x - 20)^2 \Rightarrow (x - 20)^2 = 300$	M1	3.4
	e.g. $x = \frac{40 \pm \sqrt{1600 - 4(1)(100)}}{2(1)}$ or $x = 20 \pm \sqrt{300}$	dM1	1.1b
	$\{$chooses $20 + \sqrt{300} \Rightarrow\}$ greatest distance = awrt 37.3 m	A1	3.2a
		(3)	
(c)	Gives a limitation of the model. Accept e.g. • the ground is horizontal • the ball needs to be kicked from the ground • the ball is modelled as a particle • the horizontal bar needs to be modelled as a line • there is no wind or air resistance on the ball • there is no spin on the ball • no obstacles in the trajectory (or path) of the ball • the trajectory of the ball is a perfect parabola	B1	3.5b
		(1)	
			(7 marks)



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5. $f(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 9 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$

(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)

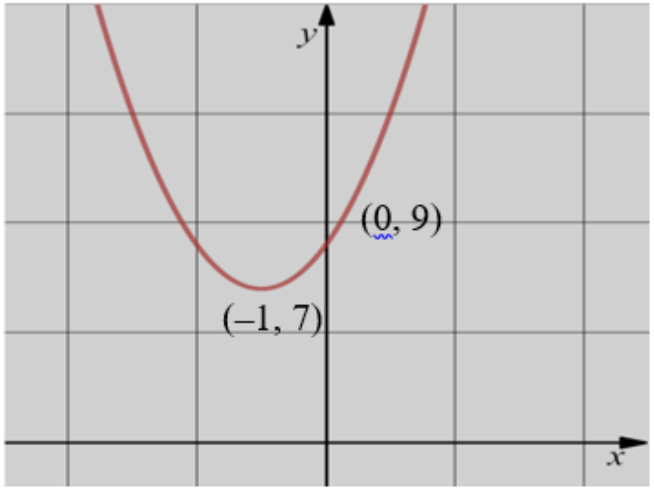


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Question 5 (Total 10 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + b)^2 + c$	B1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$
	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + 1)^2 + c$	M1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$ and $b = 1$
	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + 1)^2 + 7$	A1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$, $b = 1$ and $c = 7$
(b)		B1	This mark is given for a U shaped curve in any position
		B1	This mark is given for a y-intercept shown at (0, 9)
		B1	This mark is given for a minimum shown at (–1, 7)



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2. Given that

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 5 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

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

(2)

The curve with equation $y = f(x)$

- meets the y-axis at the point P
- has a minimum turning point at the point Q

(b) Write down

(i) the coordinates of P

(ii) the coordinates of Q

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2(a)	$f(x)=(x-2)^2 \pm ...$	M1	1.2
	$f(x)=(x-2)^2+1$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)(i)	$P=(0, 5)$	B1	1.1b
(b)(ii)	$Q=(2, 1)$	B1ft	1.1b
		(2)	
			(4 marks)



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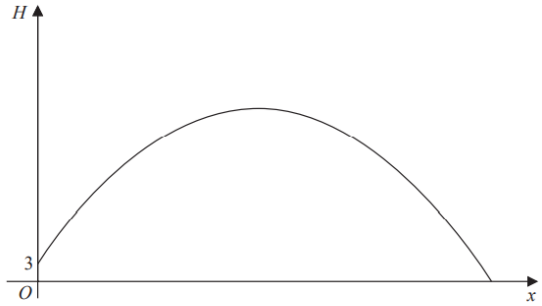


Figure 3

Figure 3 is a graph of the trajectory of a golf ball after the ball has been hit until it first hits the ground.

The vertical height, H metres, of the ball above the ground has been plotted against the horizontal distance travelled, x metres, measured from where the ball was hit.

The ball is modelled as a particle travelling in a vertical plane above horizontal ground.

Given that the ball

- is hit from a point on the top of a platform of vertical height 3 m above the ground
- reaches its maximum vertical height after travelling a horizontal distance of 90 m
- is at a vertical height of 27 m above the ground after travelling a horizontal distance of 120 m

Given also that H is modelled as a **quadratic** function in x

(a) find H in terms of x

(5)

(b) Hence find, according to the model,

(i) the maximum vertical height of the ball above the ground,

(ii) the horizontal distance travelled by the ball, from when it was hit to when it first hits the ground, giving your answer to the nearest metre.

(3)

(c) The possible effects of wind or air resistance are two limitations of the model. Give one other limitation of this model.

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12(a)	$H = ax^2 + bx + c$ and $x = 0,\ H = 3 \Rightarrow H = ax^2 + bx + 3$	M1	3.3
	$H = ax^2 + bx + 3$ and $x = 120, H = 27 \Rightarrow 27 = 14400a + 120b + 3$ **or** $\frac{dH}{dx} = 2ax + b = 0$ when $x = 90 \Rightarrow 180a + b = 0$	M1 A1	3.1b 1.1b
	$H = ax^2 + bx + 3$ and $x = 120, H = 27 \Rightarrow 27 = 14400a + 120b + 3$ **and** $\frac{dH}{dx} = 2ax + b = 0$ when $x = 90 \Rightarrow 180a + b = 0$ $\Rightarrow a = ..., b = ...$	dM1	3.1b
	$H = -\frac{1}{300}x^2 + \frac{3}{5}x + 3$ o.e.	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
(b)(i)	$x = 90 \Rightarrow H\left(= -\frac{1}{300}(90)^2 + \frac{3}{5}(90) + 3\right) = 30\,\text{m}$	B1	3.4
(b)(ii)	$H = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{300}x^2 + \frac{3}{5}x + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow x = ...$	M1	3.4
	$x = (-4.868...,)\ 184.868...$ $\Rightarrow x = 185\,(\text{m})$	A1	3.2a
		(3)	
(c)	Examples must focus on why the model may not be appropriate or give values/situations where the model would break down: E.g. • The ground is unlikely to be horizontal • The ball is not a particle so has dimensions/size • The ball is unlikely to travel in a vertical plane (as it will spin) • H is not likely to be a quadratic function in x	B1	3.5b
		(1)	
			(9 marks)



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Quadratics

5. The height, h metres, of a tree, t years after being planted, is modelled by the equation

$$h^2 = at + b \qquad 0 \leqslant t < 25$$

where a and b are constants.

Given that

- the height of the tree was 2.60 m, exactly 2 years after being planted
- the height of the tree was 5.10 m, exactly 10 years after being planted

(a) find a complete equation for the model, giving the values of a and b to 3 significant figures.

(4)

Given that the height of the tree was 7 m, exactly 20 years after being planted

(b) evaluate the model, giving reasons for your answer.

(2)



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Quadratics

5 (a)	Attempts to use $h^2 = at + b$ with either $t = 2, h = 2.6$ or $t = 10, h = 5.1$	M1
	Correct equations $2a + b = 6.76$, $10a + b = 26.01$	A1
	Solves simultaneously to find values for a and b	dM1
	$h^2 = 2.41t + 1.95$ cao	A1
		(4)
(b)	Substitutes $t = 20$ into their $h^2 = 2.41t + 1.95$ and finds h or h^2 Or substitutes $h = 7$ into their $h^2 = 2.41t + 1.95$ and finds t	M1
	Compares the model with the true values and concludes "good model" with a minimal reason E.g. I Finds $h = 7.08\,(\text{m})$ and states that it is a good model as 7.08 (m) is close to 7 (m) E.g II Finds t =19.5 years and states that the model is accurate as 19.5 (years) $\approx$ 20 (years)	A1
		(2)



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A2 2024 Paper 2

Quadratics

The graph in Figure 3 shows the path of a small ball.

The ball travels in a vertical plane above horizontal ground.

The ball is thrown from the point represented by A and caught at the point represented by B.

The height, H metres, of the ball above the ground has been plotted against the horizontal distance, x metres, measured from the point where the ball was thrown.

With respect to a fixed origin O, the point A has coordinates (0, 2) and the point B has coordinates (20, 0.8), as shown in Figure 3.

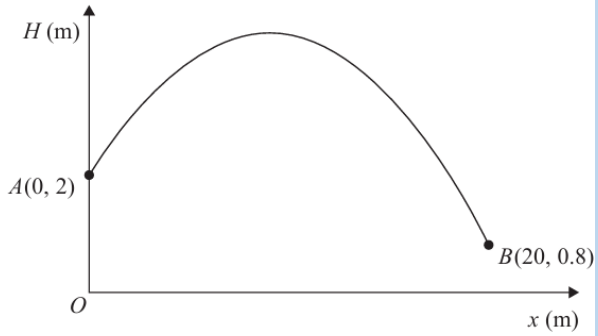


Figure 3

The ball reaches its maximum height when $x = 9$

A quadratic function, linking H with x, is used to model the path of the ball.

(a) Find H in terms of x.

(4)

(b) Give one limitation of the model.

(1)

Chandra is standing directly under the path of the ball at a point 16 m horizontally from O.

Chandra can catch the ball if the ball is less than 2.5 m above the ground.

(c) Use the model to determine if Chandra can catch the ball.

(2)



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Quadratics

9(a) Way 1	$H = \pm ax^2 \pm bx \pm c$ $x = 0, H = 2 \Rightarrow c = 2$ **and** either $x = 20, H = 0.8 \Rightarrow 0.8 = 400a + 20b + 2$ **or** $H = ax^2 + bx + c \Rightarrow \frac{dH}{dx} = 2ax + b$ $x = 9, \frac{dH}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 18a + b = 0$	M1	3.3
	$H = \pm ax^2 \pm bx \pm c$ $x = 0, H = 2 \Rightarrow c = 2$ **and** $x = 20, H = 0.8 \Rightarrow 0.8 = 20^2 a + 20b + 2$ **and** $H = ax^2 + bx + c \Rightarrow \frac{dH}{dx} = 2ax + b$ $x = 9, \frac{dH}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 18a + b = 0$	dM1	3.1b
	$0.8 = 400a + 20b + 2,\ 18a + b = 0 \Rightarrow a = ..., b = ...$	ddM1	1.1b
	$H = -0.03x^2 + 0.54x + 2$	A1	2.2a
		(4)	
(a) Way 2	$x = 9$ at max $\Rightarrow H = A \pm B(x-9)^2$		
	and either $x = 0, H = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = A + 81B$ **or** $x = 20, H = 0.8 \Rightarrow 0.8 = A + 121B$	M1	3.3
	$x = 9$ at max $\Rightarrow H = A + B(x-9)^2$ **and** $x = 0, H = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = A + 81B$ **and** $x = 20, H = 0.8 \Rightarrow 0.8 = A + 121B$	dM1	3.1b
	$2 = A + 81B,\ 0.8 = A + 121B \Rightarrow A = 4.43, B = -0.03$	ddM1	1.1b
	$H = 4.43 - 0.03(x-9)^2$	A1	2.2a
		(4)	

(b)	Examples must focus on why the model may not be appropriate or give situations where the model would break down e.g.: • H is unlikely to be a quadratic function in x • The path is unlikely to be parabolic • Wind may affect the path of the ball • Wind may affect the distance the ball travels • Air resistance has not been considered • The ball is unlikely to travel in a vertical plane (as it may spin) • The ball is not a particle so has dimensions/size • The ground is unlikely to be horizontal • There may be trees (or other hazards) that would affect the path of the ball • The shape of the ball may affect the motion Condone statements (where the link to the model is not completely made) such as • The ball will spin • Ground is not flat • The ball is not a particle Do **not** accept statements that refer to the situation outside the range of the throw e.g. • The model is not valid for all values of x • H will become negative Do **not** accept statements that do not refer to the given model or single word vague answers e.g. • The distances may have been measured incorrectly • The ball is not modelled as a particle • "Friction", "Spin", "Force", "air resistance" • It does not take into account the weight of the ball • It depends how good the thrower is • You cannot throw the ball the same way every time	B1	3.5b
		(1)	
(c)	$x = 16 \Rightarrow H = -0.03(16)^2 + 0.54(16) + 2 = ...$	M1	3.4
	$H = 2.96$ So Chandra would not be able to catch the ball	A1	3.2a
		(2)	



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Simultaneous Equations & Inequalities



7. The curve C has equation

$$y = \frac{k^2}{x} + 1 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R},\ x \neq 0$$

where k is a constant.

(a) Sketch C stating the equation of the horizontal asymptote.

(3)

The line l has equation $y = -2x + 5$

(b) Show that the x coordinate of any point of intersection of l with C is given by a solution of the equation

$$2x^2 - 4x + k^2 = 0$$

(2)

(c) Hence find the exact values of k for which l is a tangent to C.

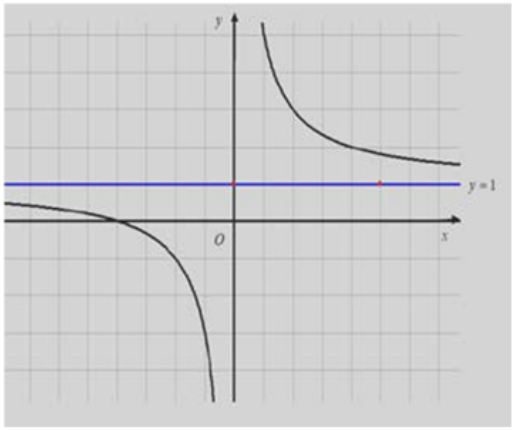
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Question 7 (Total 8 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)		M1	This mark is given for a graph with shape $\frac{1}{x}$ in the first quadrant
		A1	This mark is given for a fully correct sketch
		B1	This mark is given for the asymptote $y = 1$ correctly shown on the sketch
(b)	$\frac{k^2}{x} + 1 = -2x + 5$	M1	This mark is given for deducing the point of intersection
	$k^2 + x = -2x^2 + 5x$ $-2x^2 + 5x - x - k^2 = 0$ $2x^2 - 4x + k^2 = 0$	A1	This mark is given for correct working to show the result required
(c)	$16 = 4 \times 2 \times k^2$ $16 = 8k^2$	M1	This mark is given for deducing that the equation has a single root and setting $b^2 - 4ac = 0$
		A1	This mark is given for correctly finding $b^2 - 4ac = 0$
	$k^2 = \pm\sqrt{2}$	A1	This mark is given for finding the two exact values of k



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1. **In this question you should show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Using algebra, solve the inequality

$$x^2 - x > 20$$

writing your answer in set notation.

(3)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	Finds critical values $x^2 - x > 20 \Rightarrow x^2 - x - 20 > 0 \Rightarrow x = (5, -4)$	M1	1.1b
	Chooses outside region for their values Eg. $x > 5, x < -4$	M1	1.1b
	Presents solution in set notation $\{x : x < -4\} \cup \{x : x > 5\}$ oe	A1	2.5
		(3)	

(3 marks)

Notes

M1: Attempts to find the critical values using an algebraic method. Condone slips but an allowable method should be used and two critical values should be found

M1: Chooses the outside region for their critical values. This may appear in incorrect inequalities such as $5 < x < -4$

A1: Presents in set notation as required $\{x : x < -4\} \cup \{x : x > 5\}$ Accept $\{x < -4 \cup x > 5\}$.

Do not accept $\{x < -4, x > 5\}$

Note: If there is a contradiction of their solution on different lines of working do not penalise intermediate working and mark what appears to be their final answer.



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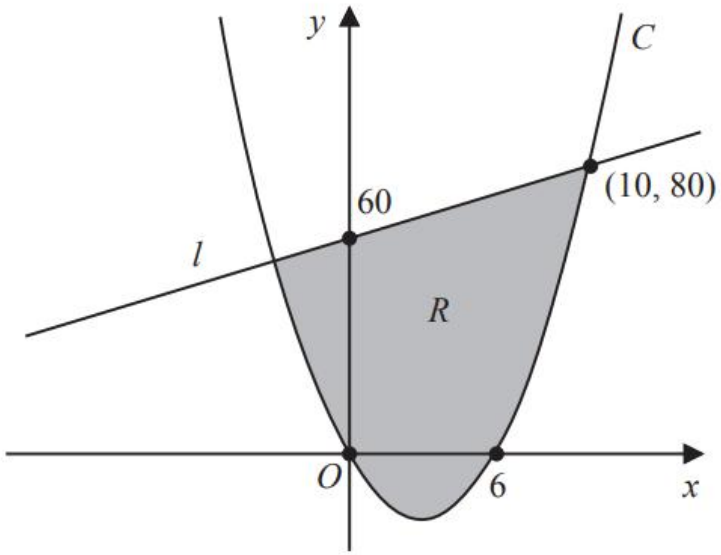


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a sketch of a curve C and a straight line l.

Given that

- C has equation $y = \mathrm{f}(x)$ where $\mathrm{f}(x)$ is a quadratic expression in x
- C cuts the x-axis at 0 and 6
- l cuts the y-axis at 60 and intersects C at the point $(10, 80)$

use inequalities to define the region R shown shaded in Figure 3.

(5)



8	Complete method to find the RHS of an equation for l e.g., Attempts gradient $= \frac{80-60}{10}\{=2\}$ and uses intercept $= 60$	M1	1.1b
	$\{y =\} 2x + 60$	A1	1.1b
	Deduces the RHS of the equation for C is $\{y =\} ax(x-6)$ and attempts to use $(10, 80)$ to find the value of a	M1	3.1a
	Equation of C is $\{y =\} 2x(x-6)$	A1	1.1b
	$2x(x-6) \leqslant y \leqslant 2x + 60$	B1ft	2.5
		(5)	

(5 marks)

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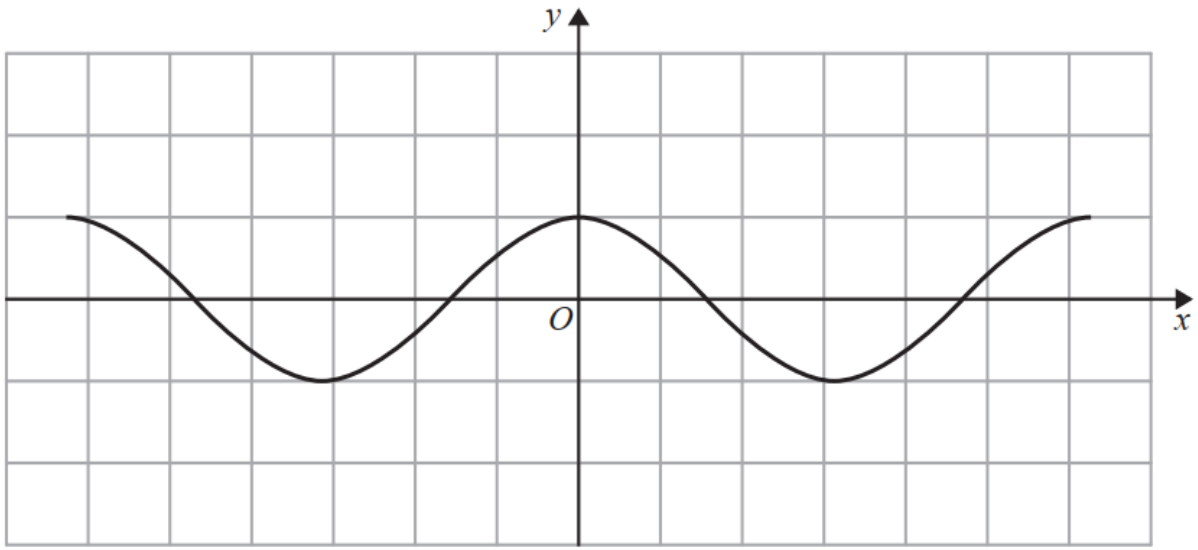


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a plot of part of the curve with equation $y = \cos x$ where x is measured in radians. Diagram 1, on the opposite page, is a copy of Figure 1.

(a) Use Diagram 1 to show why the equation

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

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

(2)

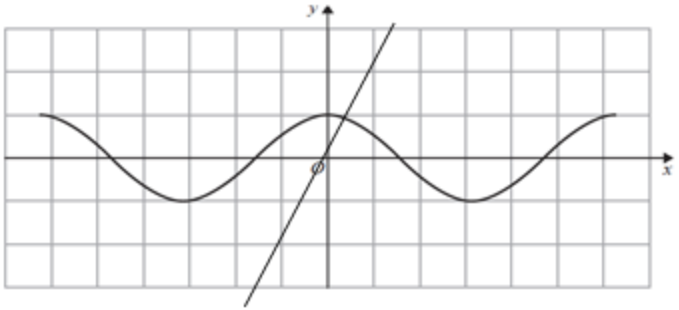


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Question 2 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)		M1	This mark is given for plotting the line $y = 2x + \frac{1}{2}$ on the diagram with a correct gradient and intercept
	Only one intersection means that there is one root	A1	This mark is given for a reason why there is only one real root

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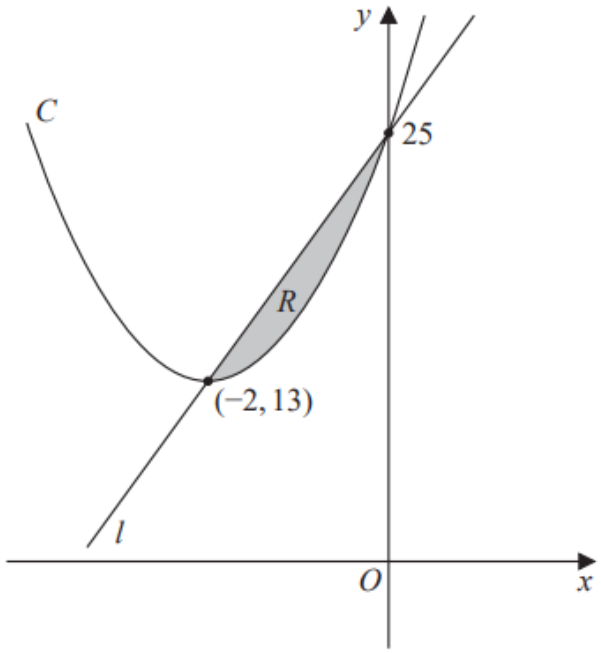


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of a curve C with equation $y = f(x)$ and a straight line l.

The curve C meets l at the points $(-2, 13)$ and $(0, 25)$ as shown.

The shaded region R is bounded by C and l as shown in Figure 1.

Given that

- $f(x)$ is a quadratic function in x
- $(-2, 13)$ is the minimum turning point of $y = f(x)$

use inequalities to define R.

(5)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7	Attempts equation of line Eg Substitutes $(-2,13)$ into $y = mx + 25$ and finds m	M1	1.1b
	Equation of l is $y = 6x + 25$	A1	1.1b
	Attempts equation of C Eg Attempts to use the intercept $(0,25)$ within the equation $y = a(x \pm 2)^2 + 13$, in order to find a	M1	3.1a
	Equation of C is $y = 3(x+2)^2 + 13$ or $y = 3x^2 + 12x + 25$	A1	1.1b
	Region R is defined by $3(x+2)^2 + 13 < y < 6x + 25$ o.e.	B1ft	2.5
		(5)	
			(5 marks)



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13. (a) Factorise completely $x^3 + 10x^2 + 25x$

(2)

(b) Sketch the curve with equation

$$y = x^3 + 10x^2 + 25x$$

showing the coordinates of the points at which the curve cuts or touches the x-axis.

(2)

The point with coordinates $(-3, 0)$ lies on the curve with equation

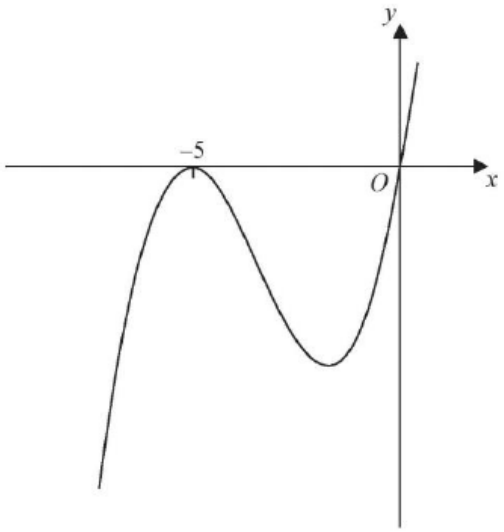
$$y = (x + a)^3 + 10(x + a)^2 + 25(x + a)$$

where a is a constant.

(c) Find the two possible values of a.

(3)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13(a)	$x^3+10x^2+25x=x(x^2+10x+25)$	M1	1.1b
	$=x(x+5)^2$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	 A cubic with correct orientation	M1	1.1b
	Curve passes through the origin (0, 0) and touches at (− 5, 0) (see note below for ft)	A1ft	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	Curve has been translated a to the left	M1	3.1a
	$a=-2$	A1ft	3.2a
	$a=3$	A1ft	1.1b
		(3)	



9. $g(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 - 15x + 50$

(a) Use the factor theorem to show that $(x + 2)$ is a factor of $g(x)$.

(2)

(b) Hence show that $g(x)$ can be written in the form $g(x) = (x + 2)(ax + b)^2$, where a and b are integers to be found.

(4)

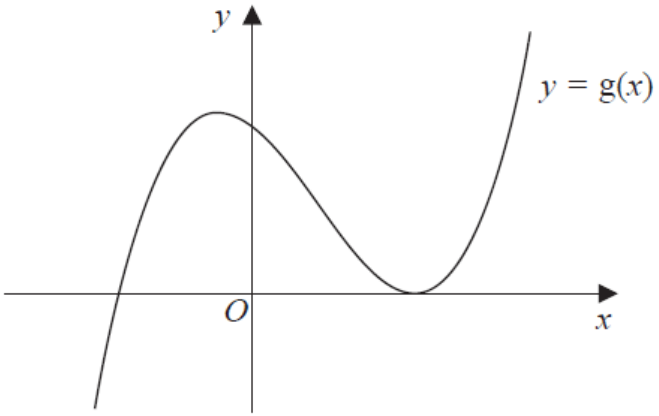


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = g(x)$

(c) Use your answer to part (b), and the sketch, to deduce the values of x for which

(i) $g(x) \leqslant 0$

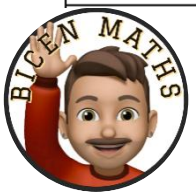
(ii) $g(2x) = 0$

(3)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9(a)	$(g(-2)) = 4\times-8-12\times4-15\times-2+50$	M1	1.1b
	$g(-2)=0 \Rightarrow (x+2)$ is a factor	A1	2.4
		(2)	
(b)	$4x^3-12x^2-15x+50=(x+2)(4x^2-20x+25)$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$=(x+2)(2x-5)^2$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	(i) $x \leqslant -2,\ x=2.5$	M1 A1ft	1.1b 1.1b
	(ii) $x=-1,\ x=1.25$	B1ft	2.2a
		(3)	
			(9 marks)



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11. $f(x) = 2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 48$

(a) Prove that $(x - 4)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

(2)

(b) Hence, using algebra, show that the equation $f(x) = 0$ has only two distinct roots.

(4)

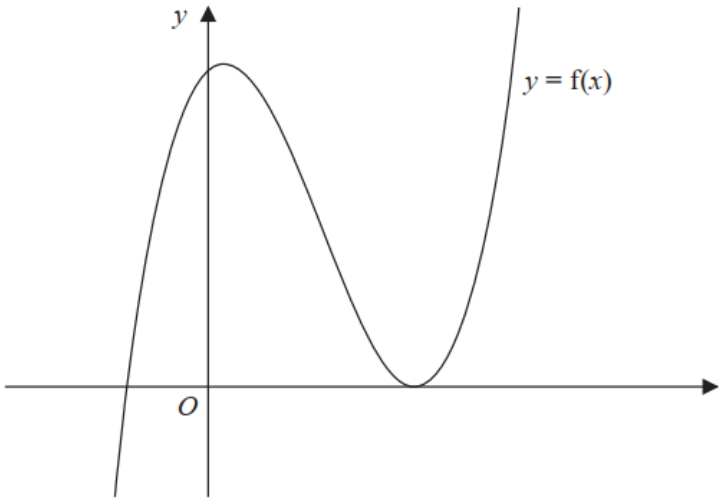


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = f(x)$.

(c) Deduce, giving reasons for your answer, the number of real roots of the equation

$$2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 46 = 0$$

(2)

Given that k is a constant and the curve with equation $y = f(x + k)$ passes through the origin,

(d) find the two possible values of k.

(2)



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Question 11 (Total 10 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$f(4) = (2 \times 4^3) - (13 \times 4^2) + (8 \times 4) + 48$ $= 128 - 208 + 32 + 48$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find f(4)
	$f(4) = 0$ so $(x - 4)$ is a factor	A1	
(b)	$2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 48 =$ $(x - 4)(2x^2 - 5x - 12)$	M1	This mark is given for attempting to factorise the expression ($2x^2$ and -12 seen)
		A1	This mark is given for a fully correct factorisation
	$2x^2 - 5x - 12 = (x - 4)(2x + 3)$	M1	This mark is given for factorising the expression $2x^2 - 5x - 12$
	$f(x) = (x - 4)^2(2x + 3)$ Thus $f(x) =$ only has two roots 4 and $-\frac{3}{2}$	A1	This mark is given for a valid explanation of why the expression only has two roots
(c)	The curve will move two units down	M1	This mark is given for deducing that the curve will be translated by two units
	The curve will cross the axis at three places and so have three roots	A1	This mark is given for deducing that the curve will intersect the x-axis in three places and so the expression will have three roots
(d)	Since $f(x)$ passes through the origin, $f(0) = 0$ so	M1	This mark is given for deducing that $f(0) = 0$ when $f(x + k) = 0$
	$f(x + k) = 0$ when $k = 4$, $-\frac{3}{2}$	A1	This mark is given for the correct two values of k



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Part (c) requires differentiation – leave this if you haven't studied it yet

7. (a) Factorise completely $9x - x^3$

(2)

The curve C has equation

$$y = 9x - x^3$$

(b) Sketch C showing the coordinates of the points at which the curve cuts the x-axis.

(2)

The line l has equation $y = k$ where k is a constant.

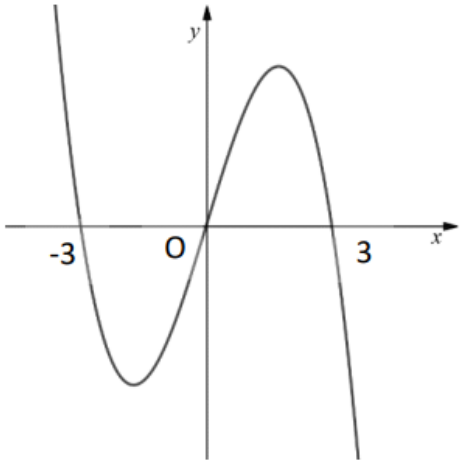
Given that C and l intersect at 3 distinct points,

(c) find the range of values for k, writing your answer in set notation.

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(3)



7(a)	$9x-x^3=x(9-x^2)$		M1	1.1b
	$9x-x^3=x(3-x)(3+x)$ oe		A1	1.1b
			(2)	
(b)		A cubic with correct orientation	B1	1.1b
		Passes though origin, (3, 0) and (–3, 0)	B1	1.1b
			(2)	
(c)	$y=9x-x^3 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx}=9-3x^2=0 \Rightarrow x=(\pm)\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow y=...$		M1	3.1a
	$y=(\pm)6\sqrt{3}$		A1	1.1b
	$\{k \in \mathbb{R} : -6\sqrt{3} < k < 6\sqrt{3}\}$ oe		A1ft	2.5
			(3)	
				(7 marks)



4. (a) Sketch the curve with equation

$$y = \frac{k}{x} \qquad x \neq 0$$

where k is a positive constant.

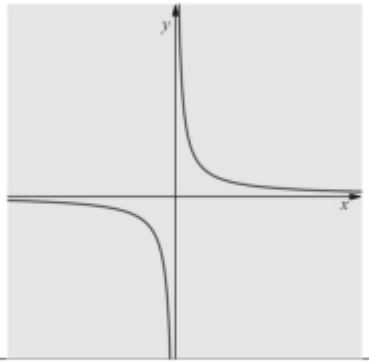
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(b) Hence or otherwise, solve

$$\frac{16}{x} \leqslant 2$$

(3)



4(a)	 Shape in quadrant 1 **or** 3	M1	1.1b
	Shape and Position	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Deduces that $x < 0$	B1	2.2a
	Attempts $\frac{16}{x}...2 \Rightarrow x...\pm\frac{16}{2}$	M1	1.1b
	$x < 0$ or $x \geqslant 8$	A1 cso	2.2a
		(3)	
			(5 marks)

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5. $f(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 9 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$

(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

$$g(x) = 2(x - 2)^2 + 4x - 3 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(ii) Find the range of the function

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

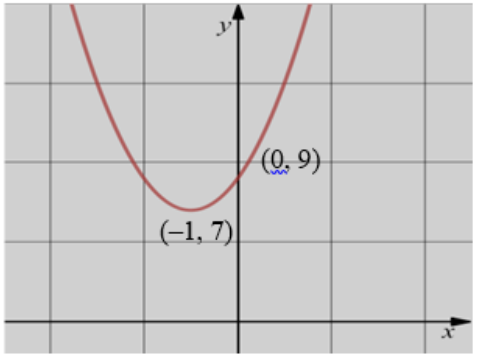
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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + b)^2 + c$	B1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$
	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + 1)^2 + c$	M1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$ and $b = 1$
	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + 1)^2 + 7$	A1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$, $b = 1$ and $c = 7$
(b)		B1	This mark is given for a U shaped curve in any position
		B1	This mark is given for a y-intercept shown at (0, 9)
		B1	This mark is given for a minimum shown at (–1, 7)
(c)(i)	$g(x) = 2(x - 2)^2 + 4(x - 2) + 5$	M1	This mark is given for writing g(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ and comparing to f(x)
	Translation of $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$	A1	This mark is given for deducing the translation of $y = f(x)$ to $y = g(x)$
(c)(ii)	$h(x) = \dfrac{21}{2(x+1)^2 + 7}$ Maximum value $= \dfrac{21}{7}$ (when $x = -1$)	M1	This mark is given for writing h(x) in the form $\dfrac{21}{a(x+b)^2 + c}$ and finding its maximum value
	$0 < h(x) \leq 3$	A1	This mark is given for finding the correct range of the function h(x)

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3. The point $P(3, -2)$ lies on the curve with equation $y = f(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Find the coordinates of the point to which P is mapped when the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ is transformed to the curve with equation

(i) $y = f(x - 2)$

(ii) $y = f(2x)$

(iii) $y = 3f(-x) + 5$

(4)

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3(i)	$(5, -2)$ **or e.g.** $x = 5$, $y = -2$ o.e.	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(ii)	$(1.5, -2)$ **or e.g.** $x = 1.5$, $y = -2$ o.e.	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(iii)	$(-3, \ldots)$ **or** $(\ldots, -1)$ **or** $x = -3$ **or** $y = -1$ o.e.	B1	1.1b
	$(-3, -1)$ **or** $x = -3$ **and** $y = -1$ o.e.	B1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(4 marks)



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1. The line l passes through the points A (3, 1) and B (4, −2).

Find an equation for l.

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1 **Way 1**	Uses $y = mx + c$ with both (3, 1) and (4, −2) and attempt to find m or c	M1	1.1b
	$m = -3$	A1	1.1b
	$c = 10$ so $y = -3x + 10$ o.e.	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
Or **Way 2**	Uses $\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$ with both (3, 1) and (4, −2)	M1	1.1b
	Gradient simplified to −3 (may be implied)	A1	1.1b
	$y = -3x + 10$ o.e.	A1	1.1b
		(3)	

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4. The line l_1 has equation $4y - 3x = 10$

The line l_2 passes through the points $(5, -1)$ and $(-1, 8)$.

Determine, giving full reasons for your answer, whether lines l_1 and l_2 are parallel, perpendicular or neither.

(4)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4	States gradient of $4y-3x=10$ is $\frac{3}{4}$ oe or rewrites as $y=\frac{3}{4}x+...$	B1	1.1b
	Attempts to find gradient of line joining $(5,-1)$ and $(-1,8)$	M1	1.1b
	$=\frac{-1-8}{5-(-1)}=-\frac{3}{2}$	A1	1.1b
	States neither with suitable reasons	A1	2.4
		(4)	
			(4 marks)

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1. The line l_1 has equation $2x + 4y - 3 = 0$

The line l_2 has equation $y = mx + 7$, where m is a constant.

Given that l_1 and l_2 are perpendicular,

(a) find the value of m.

(2)

The lines l_1 and l_2 meet at the point P.

(b) Find the x coordinate of P.

(2)

Question 1 (Total 4 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{4}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to rearrange to find an equation for l_1 in terms of $y =$
	$m = 2$	A1	This mark is given for deducing the gradient of the perpendicular line l_2
(b)	Substituting $y = 2x + 7$ into $2x + 4y - 3 = 0$ gives $2x + 4(2x + 7) - 3 = 0$	M1	This mark is given for a method to substitute to form and solve an equation in a single variable.
	$10x + 25$ $x = -2.5$	A1	This mark is given for solving to find the value of the x-coordinate of the point P.

4. A tree was planted in the ground.
Its height, H metres, was measured t years after planting.

Exactly 3 years after planting, the height of the tree was 2.35 metres.
Exactly 6 years after planting, the height of the tree was 3.28 metres.

Using a linear model,

(a) find an equation linking H with t.

(3)

The height of the tree was approximately 140 cm when it was planted.

(b) Explain whether or not this fact supports the use of the linear model in part (a).

(2)

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Question 4 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$2.35 = 3m + b$ $3.28 = 6m + b$	M1	This mark is given for using the information to create a model of the form $H = mt + b$ where m is the rate of growth and b is the original height of the tree
	$0.93 = 3m$, $m = 0.31$	M1	This mark is given for finding a value for m
	$H = 0.31m$ so $b = 1.42$ $H = 0.31m + 1.42$	A1	This mark is given for finding a value for b
(b)	b represents the original height of the tree	B1	This mark is given for recognising what b represents
	140 cm = 1.4 m, very close to 1.42 m so supports the use of a linear model	B1	This mark is given for a valid statement to show the use of a linear model is justified

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4. In 1997 the average CO_2 emissions of new cars in the UK was 190 g/km.

In 2005 the average CO_2 emissions of new cars in the UK had fallen to 169 g/km.

Given A g/km is the average CO_2 emissions of new cars in the UK n years after 1997 and using a linear model,

(a) form an equation linking A with n.

(3)

In 2016 the average CO_2 emissions of new cars in the UK was 120 g/km.

(b) Comment on the suitability of your model in light of this information.

(3)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4 (a)	Attempts $A = mn + c$ with either $(0,190)$ or $(8,169)$ Or attempts gradient eg $m = \pm\frac{190-169}{8}\left(=-2.625\right)$	M1	3.3
	Full method to find a linear equation linking A with n E.g. Solves $190 = 0n + c$ and $169 = 8n + c$ simultaneously	dM1	3.1b
	$A = -2.625n + 190$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Attempts $A = -2.625 \times 19 + 190 = ...$	M1	3.4
	$A = 140.125$ g km^{-1}	A1	1.1b
	It is predicting a much higher value and so is not suitable	B1ft	3.5a
		(3)	
			(6 marks)

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7. The distance a particular car can travel in a journey starting with a full tank of fuel was investigated.

- From a full tank of fuel, 40 litres remained in the car's fuel tank after the car had travelled 80 km
- From a full tank of fuel, 25 litres remained in the car's fuel tank after the car had travelled 200 km

Using a **linear model**, with V litres being the volume of fuel remaining in the car's fuel tank and d km being the distance the car had travelled,

(a) find an equation linking V with d.

(4)

Given that, on a particular journey

- the fuel tank of the car was initially full
- the car continued until it ran out of fuel

find, according to the model,

(b) (i) the initial volume of fuel that was in the fuel tank of the car,

(ii) the distance that the car travelled on this journey.

(3)

In fact the car travelled 320 km on this journey.

(c) Evaluate the model in light of this information.

(1)

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7 (a)	Uses or implies that $V = ad + b$	B1	3.3
	Uses both $40 = 80a + b$ and $25 = 200a + b$ to get either a or b	M1	3.1b
	Uses both $40 = 80a + b$ and $25 = 200a + b$ to get both a and b	dM1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow V = -\frac{1}{8}d + 50$ o.e.	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)(i)(ii)	States **either** that the initial volume was 50 {litres} **or** that the distance travelled was 400 {km}	B1 ft	3.4
	Attempts to find **both** answers by solving $0 = -\frac{1}{8}d + 50$ **and** $0 = 400 - 8V$	M1	3.4
	States **both** that the initial volume was 50 litres **and** that the distance travelled was 400 km	A1	3.2b
		(3)	
(c)	States, e.g., "Poor model" as 320km is significantly less than 400 km.	B1ft	3.5a
		(1)	

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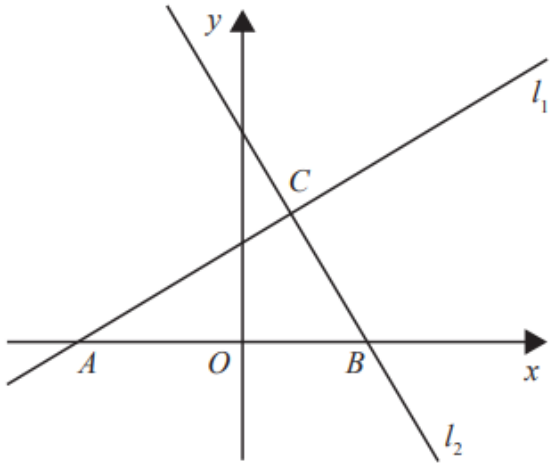


Figure 4

The line l_1 has equation $y = \frac{3}{5}x + 6$

The line l_2 is perpendicular to l_1 and passes through the point $B(8,0)$, as shown in the sketch in Figure 4.

(a) Show that an equation for line l_2 is

$$5x + 3y = 40$$

(3)

Given that

- lines l_1 and l_2 intersect at the point C
- line l_1 crosses the x-axis at the point A

(b) find the exact area of triangle ABC, giving your answer as a fully simplified fraction in the form $\frac{p}{q}$

(5)

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10 (a)	Deduces that the gradient of line l_2 is $-\frac{5}{3}$	B1	1.1b
	Complete attempt to find the equation of line l_2 e.g., $y-0=-\frac{1}{"m_1"}(x-8)$	M1	1.1b
	$5x+3y=40$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	Deduces $A(-10,0)$	B1	2.2a
	Attempts to solve $y=\frac{3}{5}x+6$ and $5x+3y=40$ simultaneously to find the y coordinate of their point of intersection	M1	1.1b
	y coordinate of C is $\frac{135}{17}$ o.e.	A1	1.1b
	Complete attempt at area $ABC=\frac{1}{2}\times(8+"10")\times"\frac{135}{17}"$	dM1	2.1
	$=\frac{1215}{17}$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(8 marks)

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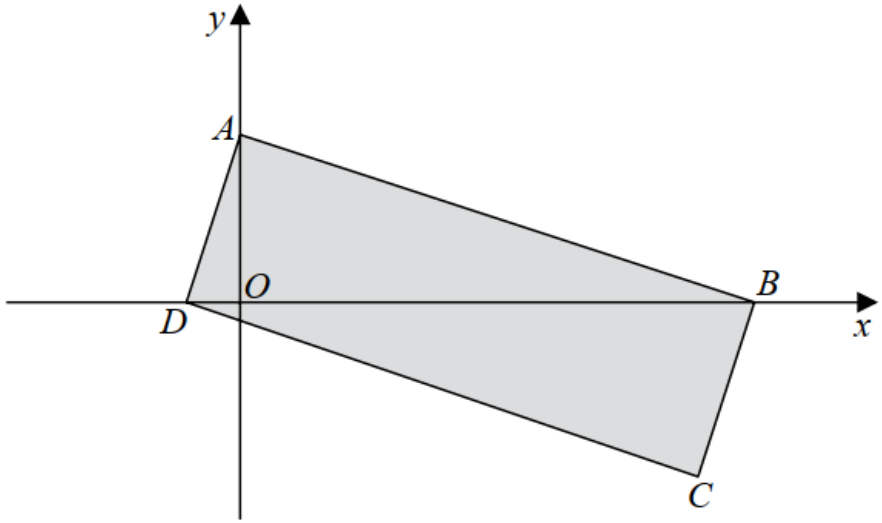


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a rectangle $ABCD$.

The point A lies on the y-axis and the points B and D lie on the x-axis as shown in Figure 1.

Given that the straight line through the points A and B has equation $5y + 2x = 10$

(a) show that the straight line through the points A and D has equation $2y - 5x = 4$

(4)

(b) find the area of the rectangle $ABCD$.

(3)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8 (a)	Gradient $AB = -\frac{2}{5}$	B1	2.1
	y coordinate of A is 2	B1	2.1
	Uses perpendicular gradients $y = +\frac{5}{2}x + c$	M1	2.2a
	$\Rightarrow 2y - 5x = 4$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	Uses Pythagoras' theorem to find AB or AD Either $\sqrt{5^2 + 2^2}$ or $\sqrt{\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 + 2^2}$	M1	3.1a
	Uses area $ABCD = AD \times AB = \sqrt{29} \times \sqrt{\frac{116}{25}}$	M1	1.1b
	area $ABCD = 11.6$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(7 marks)

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7. A small factory makes bars of soap.

On any day, the total cost to the factory, £y, of making x bars of soap is modelled to be the sum of two separate elements:

- a fixed cost
- a cost that is proportional to the number of bars of soap that are made that day

(a) Write down a general equation linking y with x, for this model.

(1)

The bars of soap are sold for £2 each.

On a day when 800 bars of soap are made and sold, the factory makes a profit of £500

On a day when 300 bars of soap are made and sold, the factory makes a loss of £80

Using the above information,

(b) show that $y = 0.84x + 428$

(3)

(c) With reference to the model, interpret the significance of the value 0.84 in the equation.

(1)

Assuming that each bar of soap is sold on the day it is made,

(d) find the least number of bars of soap that must be made on any given day for the factory to make a profit that day.

(2)

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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$y = a + kx$, where a and k are constants	B1	This mark is given for stating a correct general equation
(b)	$500 = 800 \times 2 - (a + 800k)$ $-80 = 300 \times 2 - (a + 300k)$	M1	This mark is given for modelling the profit on the two days when bars of soap are sold for £2
	$a + 800k = 1100$ $a + 300k = 680$	M1	This mark is given for forming a pair of simultaneous equations to find values for a and k
	$500k = 420 \Rightarrow k = \frac{420}{500} = 0.84$ $a + (800 \times 0.84) = 1100$ $a = 1100 - 672 = 428$ Thus $y = 0.84x + 428$	A1	This mark is given for finding the values of a and k to show $y = 0.84x + 428$ as required
(c)	0.84 represents the cost of making one extra bar of soap in £s (i.e. 84p)	B1	This mark is given for a valid interpretation of the significance of 0.84
(d)	For n bars of soap $2n - (428 + 0.84n) > 0$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find the number of bars of soap to be made
	$1.16n - 428 > 0$ $n - \frac{428}{1.16} > 0$ $n = 369$ bars of soap	A1	This mark is given for correctly finding the number of bars of soap to be made

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17. A circle C with centre at $(-2, 6)$ passes through the point $(10, 11)$.

(a) Show that the circle C also passes through the point $(10, 1)$.

(3)

The tangent to the circle C at the point $(10, 11)$ meets the y axis at the point P and the tangent to the circle C at the point $(10, 1)$ meets the y axis at the point Q.

(b) Show that the distance PQ is 58 explaining your method clearly.

(7)

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Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
17 (a)	**Way 1:** Finds circle equation $(x \pm 2)^2 + (y \mp 6)^2 = (10 \pm (-2))^2 + (11 \mp 6)^2$	**Way 2:** Finds distance between $(-2, 6)$ and $(10, 11)$	M1	3.1a
	Checks whether $(10, 1)$ satisfies their circle equation	Finds distance between $(-2, 6)$ and $(10, 1)$	M1	1.1b
	Obtains $(x+2)^2 + (y-6)^2 = 13^2$ and checks that $(10+2)^2 + (1-6)^2 = 13^2$ so states that $(10, 1)$ lies on C *	Concludes that as distance is the same $(10, 1)$ lies on the circle C *	A1*	2.1
			(3)	
(b)	Finds radius gradient $\frac{11-6}{10-(-2)}$ or $\frac{1-6}{10-(-2)}$ (m)		M1	3.1a
	Finds gradient perpendicular to their radius using $-\frac{1}{m}$		M1	1.1b
	Finds (equation and) y intercept of tangent (see note below)		M1	1.1b
	Obtains a correct value for y intercept of their tangent i.e. 35 or –23		A1	1.1b
	Way 1: Deduces gradient of second tangent	**Way 2:** Deduces midpoint of PQ from symmetry $(0, 6)$	M1	1.1b
	Finds (equation and) y intercept of second tangent	Uses this to find other intercept	M1	1.1b
	So obtains distance $PQ = 35 + 23 = 58$*		A1*	1.1b
			(7)	



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14. The circle C has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 10y + 9 = 0$$

(a) Find

(i) the coordinates of the centre of C

(ii) the radius of C

(3)

The line with equation $y = kx$, where k is a constant, cuts C at two distinct points.

(b) Find the range of values for k.

(6)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14 (a)	Attempts to complete the square $(x\pm3)^2+(y\pm5)^2=...$	M1	1.1b
	(i) Centre $(3,-5)$	A1	1.1b
	(ii) Radius 5	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Uses a sketch or otherwise to deduce $k=0$ is a critical value	B1	2.2a
	Substitute $y=kx$ in $x^2+y^2-6x+10y+9=0$	M1	3.1a
	Collects terms to form correct 3TQ $(1+k^2)x^2+(10k-6)x+9=0$	A1	1.1b
	Attempts $b^2-4ac...0$ for their a, b and c leading to values for k $"(10k-6)^2-36(1+k^2)...0"\rightarrow k=...,...$ $\left(0 \text{ and } \frac{15}{8}\right)$	M1	1.1b
	Uses $b^2-4ac>0$ and chooses the outside region (see note) for **their** critical values (Both a and b must have been expressions in k)	dM1	3.1a
	Deduces $k<0, k>\frac{15}{8}$ oe	A1	2.2a
		(6)	
			(9 marks)



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10. A circle C has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 8y - 8 = 0$$

(a) Find

(i) the coordinates of the centre of C,

(ii) the exact radius of C.

(3)

The straight line with equation $x = k$, where k is a constant, is a tangent to C.

(b) Find the possible values for k.

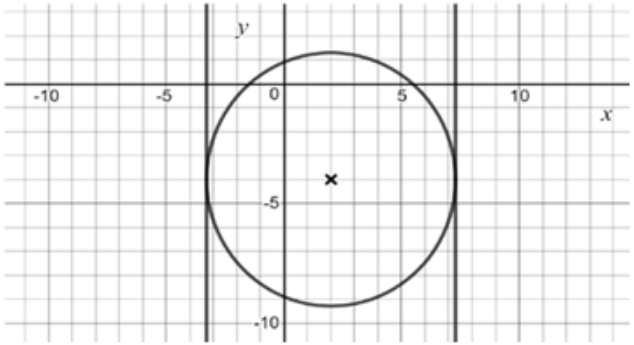
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Question 10 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$(x-2)^2+(y+4)^2-4-16-8=0$	M1	This mark is given for a method to complete the square
	Centre at $x=2$ and $y=-4$, $(2,-4)$	A1	This mark is given for finding the correct coordinates of the centre of the circle
	$(x-2)^2+(y+4)^2-28=0$ Radius $=\sqrt{28}=2\sqrt{7}$	A1	This mark is given for finding the exact radius of the circle
(b)	 Tangent of $x=k$ touches circle at $2+\sqrt{28}$ and $2-\sqrt{28}$	M1	This mark is given for adding or subtracting the length of the radius of the circle from 2
		A1	This mark is given for deducing both values of k



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11. (i) A circle C_1 has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 + 18x - 2y + 30 = 0$$

The line l is the tangent to C_1 at the point $P(-5, 7)$.

Find an equation of l in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a, b and c are integers to be found.

(5)

(ii) A different circle C_2 has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 12y + k = 0$$

where k is a constant.

Given that C_2 lies entirely in the 4th quadrant, find the range of possible values for k.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11. (i)	$x^2+y^2+18x-2y+30=0 \Rightarrow (x+9)^2+(y-1)^2=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	Centre $(-9,1)$	A1	1.1b
	Gradient of line from $P(-5,7)$ to $"(-9,1)" = \frac{7-1}{-5+9} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$	M1	1.1b
	Equation of tangent is $y-7=-\frac{2}{3}(x+5)$	dM1	3.1a
	$3y-21=-2x-10 \Rightarrow 2x+3y-11=0$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
(ii)	$x^2+y^2-8x+12y+k=0 \Rightarrow (x-4)^2+(y+6)^2=52-k$	M1	1.1b
	Lies in Quadrant 4 if radius $<4 \Rightarrow "52-k"<4^2$	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow k>36$	A1	1.1b
	Deduces $52-k>0 \Rightarrow$ Full solution $36<k<52$	A1	3.2a
		(4)	
			(9 marks)



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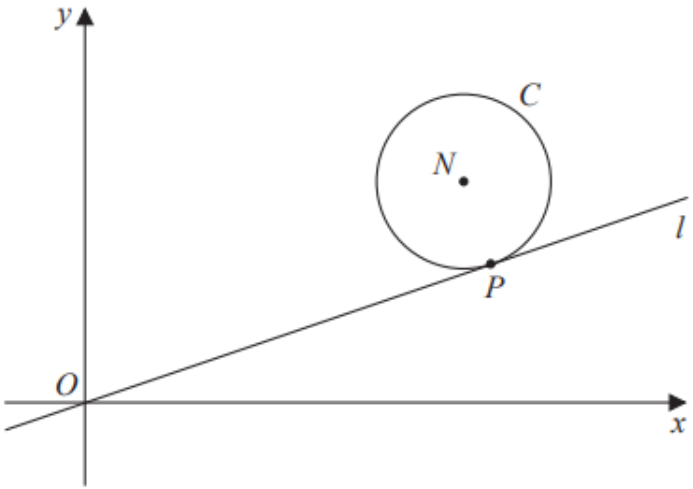


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of a circle C with centre $N(7, 4)$

The line l with equation $y = \frac{1}{3}x$ is a tangent to C at the point P.

Find

(a) the equation of line PN in the form $y = mx + c$, where m and c are constants,

(2)

(b) an equation for C.

(4)

The line with equation $y = \frac{1}{3}x + k$, where k is a non-zero constant, is also a tangent to C.

(c) Find the value of k.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15 (a)	Deduces the line has gradient "-3" and point $(7,4)$ Eg $y-4=-3(x-7)$	M1	2.2a
	$y=-3x+25$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Solves $y=-3x+25$ and $y=\frac{1}{3}x$ simultaneously	M1	3.1a
	$P=\left(\frac{15}{2},\frac{5}{2}\right)$ oe	A1	1.1b
	Length $PN=\sqrt{\left(\frac{15}{2}-7\right)^2+\left(4-\frac{5}{2}\right)^2}=\left(\sqrt{\frac{5}{2}}\right)$	M1	1.1b
	Equation of C is $(x-7)^2+(y-4)^2=\frac{5}{2}$ o.e.	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	Attempts to find where $y=\frac{1}{3}x+k$ meets C using vectors Eg: $\begin{pmatrix}7.5\\2.5\end{pmatrix}+2\times\begin{pmatrix}-0.5\\1.5\end{pmatrix}$	M1	3.1a
	Substitutes their $\left(\frac{13}{2},\frac{11}{2}\right)$ in $y=\frac{1}{3}x+k$ to find k	M1	2.1
	$k=\frac{10}{3}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(9 marks)



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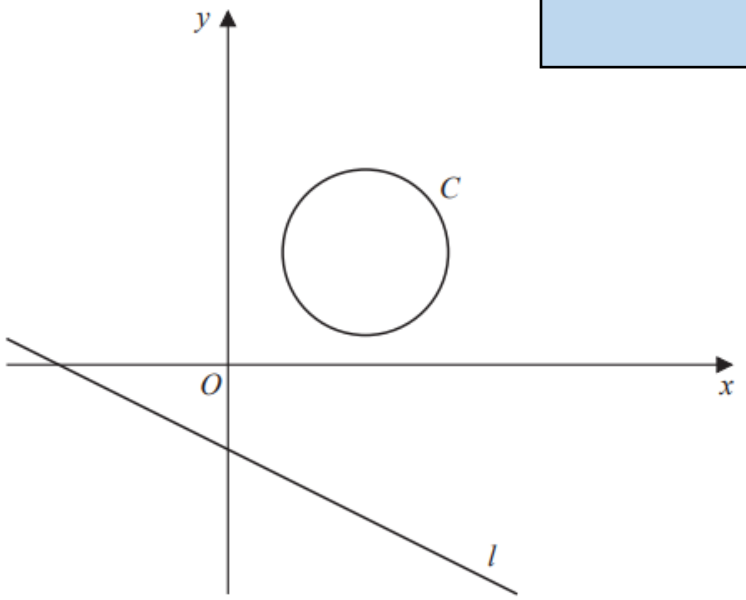


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows the circle C with equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 10x - 8y + 32 = 0$$

and the line l with equation

$$2y + x + 6 = 0$$

(a) Find

(i) the coordinates of the centre of C,

(ii) the radius of C.

(3)

(b) Find the shortest distance between C and l.

(5)

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11(a)	$(x \pm 5)^2 + (y \pm 4)^2$	M1
	(i) Centre is (5, 4)	A1
	(ii) Radius is 3	A1
		(3)
(b)	$2y + x + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}x + ... \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 2$	B1
	$m_N = 2 \Rightarrow y - 4 = 2(x - 5)$ $y - 4 = 2(x - 5),\ 2y + x + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow x = ...,\ y = ...$	M1
	Intersection is at $\left(\frac{6}{5}, -\frac{18}{5}\right)$ oe	A1
	Distance from centre to intersection is $\sqrt{\left(5 - \frac{6}{5}\right)^2 + \left(4 + \frac{18}{5}\right)^2}$ So distance required is $\sqrt{\left("5" - "\frac{6}{5}"\right)^2 + \left("4" + "\frac{18}{5}"\right)^2} - "3"$	dM1
	$= \frac{19\sqrt{5}}{5} - 3$ (or awrt 5.50)	A1
		(5)



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6. The circle C has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 10y + k = 0$$

where k is a constant.

(a) Find the coordinates of the centre of C.

(2)

Given that C does not cut or touch the x-axis,

(b) find the range of possible values for k.

(3)



6 (a)	$x^2+y^2-6x+10y+k=0$		
	$(x-3)^2+(y+5)^2\pm\ldots=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	Centre $(3,-5)$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Deduces that $k=9$ is a critical point	B1ft	2.2a
	Recognises that radius >0 "9"+"25"$-k>0$	M1	3.1a
	$9<k<34$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(5 marks)



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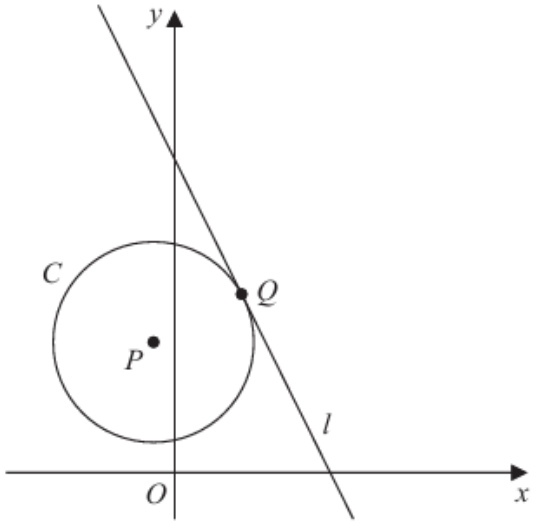


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of the circle C

- the point P $(-1, k + 8)$ is the centre of C
- the point Q $(3, k^2 - 2k)$ lies on C
- k is a positive constant
- the line l is the tangent to C at Q

Given that the gradient of l is -2

(a) show that

$$k^2 - 3k - 10 = 0$$

(4)

(b) Hence find an equation for C

(4)

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10(a)	tangent $= -2 \rightarrow$ normal $= \frac{1}{2}$	B1	2.2a
	$\frac{k^2-2k-k-8}{3--1}$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{1}{2}=\frac{k^2-2k-k-8}{3--1} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}=\frac{k^2}{4}-\frac{2k}{4}-\frac{k}{4}-2$	dM1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow k^2-3k-10=0$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	$k=5$	B1	2.3
	y coordinate of P is 13	B1ft	1.1b
	Attempts $PQ\left(=\sqrt{(3--1)^2+("25-15-8")^2}\right)$ (or PQ^2)	M1	3.1a
	$(x+1)^2+(y-13)^2=20$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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3. A circle C has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 10y = k$$

where k is a constant.

(a) Find the coordinates of the centre of C.

(2)

(b) State the range of possible values for k.

(2)



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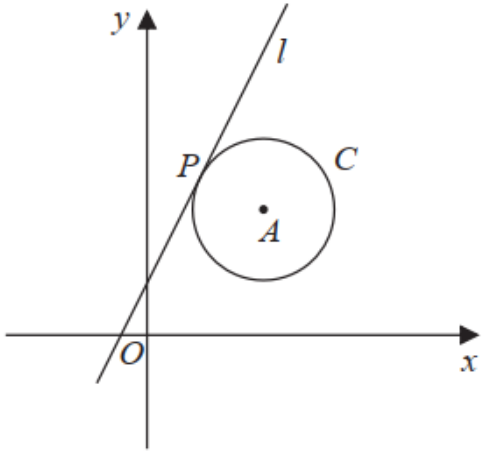
Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3(a)	Attempts $(x-2)^2+(y+5)^2=....$	M1	1.1b
	Centre $(2, -5)$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Sets $k+2^2+5^2>0$	M1	2.2a
	$\Rightarrow k>-29$	A1ft	1.1b
		(2)	
			(4 marks)

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Not to scale

Figure 3

The circle C has centre A with coordinates $(7, 5)$.

The line l, with equation $y = 2x + 1$, is the tangent to C at the point P, as shown in Figure 3.

(a) Show that an equation of the line PA is $2y + x = 17$

(3)

(b) Find an equation for C.

(4)

The line with equation $y = 2x + k$, $k \neq 1$ is also a tangent to C.

(c) Find the value of the constant k.

(3)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6 (a)	Deduces that gradient of PA is $-\frac{1}{2}$	M1	2.2a
	Finding the equation of a line with gradient "$-\frac{1}{2}$" and point $(7,5)$ $y-5=-\frac{1}{2}(x-7)$	M1	1.1b
	Completes proof $2y+x=17$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Solves $2y+x=17$ and $y=2x+1$ simultaneously	M1	2.1
	$P=(3,7)$	A1	1.1b
	Length $PA=\sqrt{(3-7)^2+(7-5)^2}=(\sqrt{20})$	M1	1.1b
	Equation of C is $(x-7)^2+(y-5)^2=20$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	Attempts to find where $y=2x+k$ meets C using $\overrightarrow{OA}+\overrightarrow{PA}$	M1	3.1a
	Substitutes their $(11,3)$ in $y=2x+k$ to find k	M1	2.1
	$k=-19$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(10 marks)



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Circle C_1 has equation $x^2 + y^2 = 100$

Circle C_2 has equation $(x - 15)^2 + y^2 = 40$

The circles meet at points A and B as shown in Figure 3.

(a) Show that angle $AOB = 0.635$ radians to 3 significant figures, where O is the origin.

(4)

The region shown shaded in Figure 3 is bounded by C_1 and C_2

(b) Find the perimeter of the shaded region, giving your answer to one decimal place.

(4)

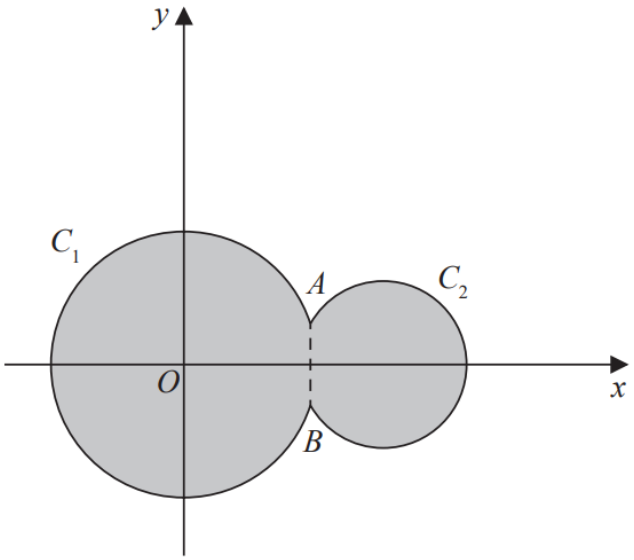


Figure 3

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11 (a)	Solves $x^2+y^2=100$ and $(x-15)^2+y^2=40$ simultaneously to find x or y E.g. $(x-15)^2+100-x^2=40 \Rightarrow x=...$	M1	3.1a
	Either $\Rightarrow -30x+325=40 \Rightarrow x=9.5$ Or $y=\frac{\sqrt{39}}{2}=$ awrt ± 3.12	A1	1.1b
	Attempts to find the angle AOB in circle C_1 Eg Attempts $\cos\alpha=\frac{"9.5"}{10}$ to find α then $\times 2$	M1	3.1a
	Angle $AOB = 2\times\arccos\left(\frac{9.5}{10}\right)=0.635$ rads (3sf) *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	Attempts $10\times(2\pi-0.635)$ $= 56.48$	M1	1.1b
	Attempts to find angle AXB or AXO in circle C_2 (see diagram) E.g. $\cos\beta=\frac{15-"9.5"}{\sqrt{40}}\Rightarrow\beta=...$ (Note AXB =1.03 rads)	M1	3.1a
	Attempts $10\times(2\pi-0.635)+\sqrt{40}\times(2\pi-2\beta)$	dM1	2.1
	$= 89.7$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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Circles

14. A circle C with radius r

- lies only in the 1st quadrant
- touches the x-axis and touches the y-axis

The line l has equation $2x + y = 12$

(a) Show that the x coordinates of the points of intersection of l with C satisfy

$$5x^2 + (2r - 48)x + (r^2 - 24r + 144) = 0$$

(3)

Given also that l is a tangent to C,

(b) find the two possible values of r, giving your answers as fully simplified surds.

(4)



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14 (a)	C is $(x-r)^2+(y-r)^2=r^2$ or $x^2+y^2-2rx-2ry+r^2=0$	B1	2.2a
	$y=12-2x,\ x^2+y^2-2rx-2ry+r^2=0$ $\Rightarrow x^2+(12-2x)^2-2rx-2r(12-2x)+r^2=0$ or	M1	1.1b
	$y=12-2x,\ (x-r)^2+(y-r)^2=r^2$ $\Rightarrow (x-r)^2+(12-2x-r)^2=r^2$		
	$x^2+144-48x+4x^2-2rx-24r+4rx+r^2=0$ $\Rightarrow 5x^2+(2r-48)x+(r^2-24r+144)=0$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$b^2-4ac=0\Rightarrow(2r-48)^2-4\times5\times(r^2-24r+144)=0$	M1	3.1a
	$r^2-18r+36=0$ or any multiple of this equation	A1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow(r-9)^2-81+36=0\Rightarrow r=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$r=9\pm3\sqrt{5}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(7 marks)



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7. The circle C has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 10x + 4y + 11 = 0$$

(a) Find

(i) the coordinates of the centre of C,

(ii) the exact radius of C, giving your answer as a simplified surd.

(4)

The line l has equation $y = 3x + k$ where k is a constant.

Given that l is a tangent to C,

(b) find the possible values of k, giving your answers as simplified surds.

(5)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7(a)(i)	$(x-5)^2+(y+2)^2=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$(5,-2)$	A1	1.1b
(ii)	$r=\sqrt{"5"^2+"-2"^2-11}$	M1	1.1b
	$r=3\sqrt{2}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$y=3x+k \Rightarrow x^2+(3x+k)^2-10x+4(3x+k)+11=0$ $\Rightarrow x^2+9x^2+6kx+k^2-10x+12x+4k+11=0$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow 10x^2+(6k+2)x+k^2+4k+11=0$	A1	1.1b
	$b^2-4ac=0 \Rightarrow (6k+2)^2-4\times10\times(k^2+4k+11)=0$	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow 4k^2+136k+436=0 \Rightarrow k=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$k=-17\pm6\sqrt{5}$	A1	2.2a
		(5)	
			(9 marks)



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3. A circle has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 10x + 16y = 80$$

(a) Find

(i) the coordinates of the centre of the circle,

(ii) the radius of the circle.

(3)

Given that P is the point on the circle that is furthest away from the origin O,

(b) find the exact length OP

(2)



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3 (a)	(i) $x^2+y^2-10x+16y=80 \Rightarrow (x-5)^2+(y+8)^2=\ldots$	M1
	Centre $(5,-8)$	A1
	(ii) Radius 13	A1
		(3)
(b)	Attempts $\sqrt{"5"^2+"8"^2}+"13"$	M1
	$13+\sqrt{89}$ but ft on their centre and radius	A1ft
		(2)

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10. A circle C has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 + 6kx - 2ky + 7 = 0$$

where k is a constant.

(a) Find in terms of k,

(i) the coordinates of the centre of C

(ii) the radius of C

(3)

The line with equation $y = 2x - 1$ intersects C at 2 distinct points.

(b) Find the range of possible values of k.

(6)



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10(a)(i) (ii)	Centre $(-3k, k)$	B1	2.2a
	$(x+3k)^2-9k^2+(y-k)^2-k^2+7=0 \Rightarrow (x+3k)^2+(y-k)^2=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	Radius $\sqrt{10k^2-7}$	A1ft	2.2a
		(3)	
(b)	$x^2+(2x-1)^2+6kx-2k(2x-1)+7=0 \Rightarrow \ldots x^2+(pk+q)x+rk+s(=0)$	M1	1.1a
	$5x^2+(2k-4)x+2k+8\ (=0)$	A1	1.1b
	$(2k-4)^2-4\times5\times(2k+8)=0 \Rightarrow k=\ldots$	dM1	2.1
	Critical values $= 7\pm\sqrt{85}$	A1	1.1b
	$k<"7-\sqrt{85}"$ or $k>"7+\sqrt{85}"$ o.e.	ddM1	3.1a
	$k<7-\sqrt{85}$ or $k>7+\sqrt{85}$ o.e.	A1	2.5
		(6)	
			(9 marks)



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Circles

14. The circle C_1 has equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 14y + 33 = 0$$

(a) Find

(i) the coordinates of the centre of C_1

(ii) the radius of C_1

(3)

A different circle C_2

- has centre with coordinates $(-6, -8)$
- has radius k, where k is a constant

Given that C_1 and C_2 intersect at 2 distinct points,

(b) find the range of values of k, writing your answer in set notation.

(5)



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14(a)(i)	Centre is $(3, -7)$	B1	1.1b
(ii)	$(x-3)^2+(y+7)^2 = 49+9-33 \Rightarrow r^2 = \ldots (25)$	M1	1.1b
	$r = 5$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Distance between centres $= \sqrt{(3+6)^2+(-7+8)^2} = \sqrt{82}$	M1 A1ft	3.1a 1.1b
	"$\sqrt{82}$"−"5" **or** "$\sqrt{82}$"+"5"	dM1	3.1a
	$\sqrt{82}-5$ **and** $\sqrt{82}+5$	A1	2.2a
	$\{k : \sqrt{82}-5 < k\} \cap \{k : k < \sqrt{82}+5\}$ or e.g. $\{k : \sqrt{82}-5 < k < \sqrt{82}+5\}$	A1	2.5
		(5)	
			(8 marks)



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Algebraic Methods – algebraic fractions, polynomial division, factor theorem, proof



4.

$$f(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 2x - 6$$

(a) Use the factor theorem to show that $(x - 3)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

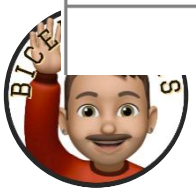
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(b) Hence show that 3 is the only real root of the equation $f(x) = 0$

(4)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4(a)	States or uses $f(+3) = 0$	M1	1.1b
	$4(3)^3 - 12(3)^2 + 2(3) - 6 = 108 - 108 + 6 - 6 = 0$ and so $(x - 3)$ is a factor	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Begins division or factorisation so x $4x^3 - 12x^2 + 2x - 6 = (x - 3)(4x^2 + \ldots)$	M1	2.1
	$4x^3 - 12x^2 + 2x - 6 = (x - 3)(4x^2 + 2)$	A1	1.1b
	Considers the roots of their quadratic function using completion of square or discriminant	M1	2.1
	$(4x^2 + 2) = 0$ has no real roots with a reason (e.g. negative number does not have a real square root, or $4x^2 + 2 > 0$ for all x So $x = 3$ is the only real root of $f(x) = 0$ *	A1*	2.4
		(4)	
			(6 marks)



11. (a) Prove that for all positive values of x and y

$$\sqrt{xy} \leqslant \frac{x + y}{2}$$

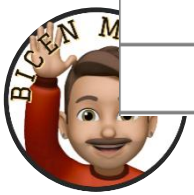
(2)

(b) Prove by counter example that this is not true when x and y are both negative.

(1)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11 (a) Way 1	Since x and y are positive, their square roots are real and so $(\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y})^2 \geq 0$ giving $x-2\sqrt{x}\sqrt{y}+y \geq 0$	M1	2.1
	$\therefore\ 2\sqrt{xy} \leq x+y$ provided x and y are positive and so $\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$ *	A1*	2.2a
		(2)	
Way 2 Longer method	Since $(x-y)^2 \geq 0$ for real values of x and y, $x^2-2xy+y^2 \geq 0$ and so $4xy \leq x^2+2xy+y^2$ i.e. $4xy \leq (x+y)^2$	M1	2.1
	$\therefore\ 2\sqrt{xy} \leq x+y$ provided x and y are positive and so $\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$ *	A1*	2.2a
		(2)	
(b)	Let $x=-3$ and $y=-5$ then LHS $=\sqrt{15}$ and RHS$=-4$ so as $\sqrt{15} > -4$ result does not apply	B1	2.4
		(1)	
			(3 marks)



2. (i) Show that $x^2 - 8x + 17 > 0$ for all real values of x

(3)

(ii) "If I add 3 to a number and square the sum, the result is greater than the square of the original number."

State, giving a reason, if the above statement is always true, sometimes true or never true.

(2)



(ii)	For an explanation that it may not always be true Tests say $x=-5$ $(-5+3)^2=4$ whereas $(-5)^2=25$	M1	2.3
	States sometimes true and gives reasons Eg. when $x=5$ $(5+3)^2=64$ whereas $(5)^2=25$ True When $x=-5$ $(-5+3)^2=4$ whereas $(-5)^2=25$ Not true	A1	2.4
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



9. $g(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 - 15x + 50$

(a) Use the factor theorem to show that $(x + 2)$ is a factor of $g(x)$.

(2)

(b) Hence show that $g(x)$ can be written in the form $g(x) = (x + 2)(ax + b)^2$, where a and b are integers to be found.

(4)

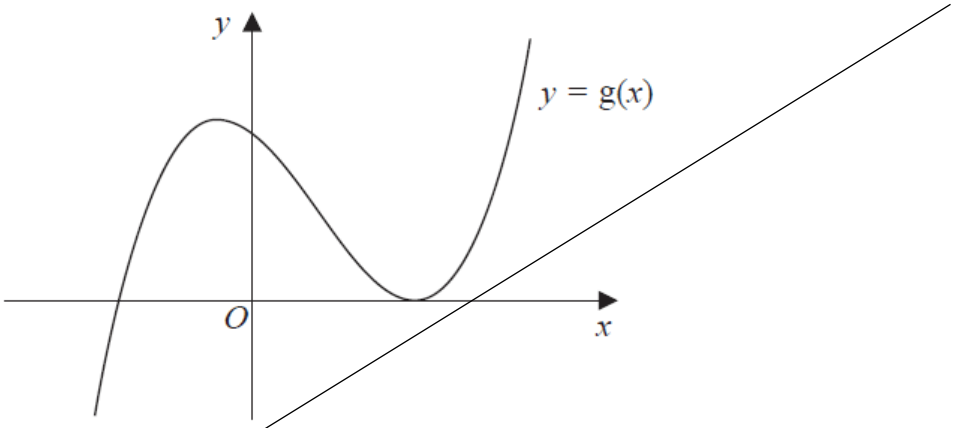


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = g(x)$

(c) Use your answer to part (b), and the sketch, to deduce the values of x for which

(i) $g(x) \leqslant 0$

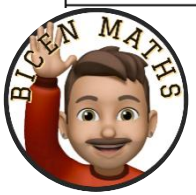
(ii) $g(2x) = 0$

(3)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9(a)	$(g(-2)) = 4\times-8-12\times4-15\times-2+50$	M1	1.1b
	$g(-2)=0 \Rightarrow (x+2)$ is a factor	A1	2.4
		(2)	
(b)	$4x^3-12x^2-15x+50=(x+2)(4x^2-20x+25)$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$=(x+2)(2x-5)^2$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	(i) $x \leqslant -2,\ x=2.5$	M1 A1ft	1.1b 1.1b
	(ii) $x=-1,\ x=1.25$	B1ft	2.2a
		(3)	
			(9 marks)



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11. $f(x) = 2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 48$

(a) Prove that $(x - 4)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

(2)

(b) Hence, using algebra, show that the equation $f(x) = 0$ has only two distinct roots.

(4)

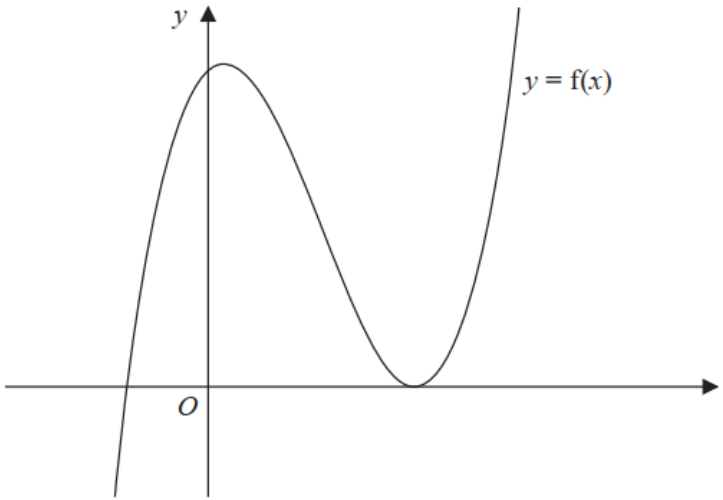


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = f(x)$.

(c) Deduce, giving reasons for your answer, the number of real roots of the equation

$$2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 46 = 0$$

(2)

Given that k is a constant and the curve with equation $y = f(x + k)$ passes through the origin,

(d) find the two possible values of k.

(2)



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Question 11 (Total 10 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$f(4) = (2 \times 4^3) - (13 \times 4^2) + (8 \times 4) + 48$ $= 128 - 208 + 32 + 48$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find f(4)
	$f(4) = 0$ so $(x - 4)$ is a factor	A1	
(b)	$2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 48 =$ $(x - 4)(2x^2 - 5x - 12)$	M1	This mark is given for attempting to factorise the expression ($2x^2$ and -12 seen)
		A1	This mark is given for a fully correct factorisation
	$2x^2 - 5x - 12 = (x - 4)(2x + 3)$	M1	This mark is given for factorising the expression $2x^2 - 5x - 12$
	$f(x) = (x - 4)^2(2x + 3)$ Thus $f(x)$ = only has two roots 4 and $-\frac{3}{2}$	A1	This mark is given for a valid explanation of why the expression only has two roots
(c)	The curve will move two units down	M1	This mark is given for deducing that the curve will be translated by two units
	The curve will cross the axis at three places and so have three roots	A1	This mark is given for deducing that the curve will intersect the x-axis in three places and so the expression will have three roots
(d)	Since $f(x)$ passes through the origin, $f(0) = 0$ so	M1	This mark is given for deducing that $f(0) = 0$ when $f(x + k) = 0$
	$f(x + k) = 0$ when $k = 4, \ -\frac{3}{2}$	A1	This mark is given for the correct two values of k



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15. Given $n \in \mathbb{N}$, prove that $n^3 + 2$ is not divisible by 8

(4)



Question 15 (Total 4 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
	If n is even, $n = 2k$ and $n^3 + 2 = (2k)^3 + 2$ $= 8k^3 + 2$	M1	This mark is given for finding expressions for n and $n^3 + 2$ when n is even
	$8k^3 + 2$ is two more than a multiple of 8 and so not divisible by 8	A1	This mark is given for a correct conclusion following correct working
	If n is odd, $n = 2k + 1$ and $n^3 + 2 = (2k + 1)^3 + 2$ $= 8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 3$	M1	This mark is given for finding expressions for n and $n^3 + 2$ when n is odd
	$8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 3$ is an odd number and so not divisible by 8	A1	This mark is given for a correct conclusion following correct working



10. $g(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 41x - 70$

(a) Use the factor theorem to show that $g(x)$ is divisible by $(x - 5)$.

(2)

(b) Hence, showing all your working, write $g(x)$ as a product of three linear factors.

(4)

The finite region R is bounded by the curve with equation $y = g(x)$ and the x-axis, and lies below the x-axis.

(c) Find, using algebraic integration, the exact value of the area of R.

(4)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10 (a)	$g(5)=2\times5^3+5^2-41\times5-70=...$	M1	1.1a
	$g(5)=0\Rightarrow(x-5)$ is a factor, hence $g(x)$ is divisible by $(x-5)$.	A1	2.4
		(2)	
(b)	$2x^3+x^2-41x-70=(x-5)(2x^2...x\pm14)$	M1	1.1b
	$=(x-5)(2x^2+11x+14)$	A1	1.1b
	Attempts to factorise quadratic factor	dM1	1.1b
	$(g(x))=(x-5)(2x+7)(x+2)$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	$\int 2x^3+x^2-41x-70\,dx=\frac{1}{2}x^4+\frac{1}{3}x^3-\frac{41}{2}x^2-70x$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Deduces the need to use $\int_{-2}^{5} g(x)dx$ $-\frac{1525}{3}-\frac{190}{3}$	M1	2.2a
	Area $=571\frac{2}{3}$	A1	2.1
		(4)	
			(10 marks)



13. (a) Prove that for all positive values of a and b

$$\frac{4a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} \geqslant 4$$

(4)

(b) Prove, by counter example, that this is not true for all values of a and b.

(1)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13 (a)	States $(2a-b)^2 \ldots 0$	M1	2.1
	$4a^2+b^2 \ldots 4ab$	A1	1.1b
	(As $a>0, b>0$) $\quad \frac{4a^2}{ab}+\frac{b^2}{ab} \ldots \frac{4ab}{ab}$	M1	2.2a
	Hence $\quad \frac{4a}{b}+\frac{b}{a} \ldots 4 \quad * \quad$ CSO	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$a=5, b=-1 \Rightarrow \frac{4a}{b}+\frac{b}{a}=-20-\frac{1}{5}$ which is less than 4	B1	2.4
		(1)	
			(5 marks)



10. A student is investigating the following statement about natural numbers.

"$n^3 - n$ is a multiple of 4"

(a) Prove, using algebra, that the statement is true for all odd numbers.

(4)

(b) Use a counterexample to show that the statement is not always true.

(1)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10(a)	Selects a correct strategy. E.g uses an odd number is $2k \pm 1$	B1	3.1a
	Attempts to simplify $(2k \pm 1)^3 - (2k \pm 1) = ...$	M1	2.1
	.....and factorise $8k^3 \pm 12k^2 \pm 4k = 4k(2k^2 \pm 3k \pm 1) =$	dM1	1.1b
	Correct work with statement $4 \times ..$ is a multiple of 4	A1	2.4
		(4)	
(b)	Any counter example with correct statement. Eg. $2^3 - 2 = 6$ which is not a multiple of 4	B1	2.4
		(1)	
			(5 marks)
Alt (a)	Selects a correct strategy. Factorises $k^3 - k = k(k-1)(k+1)$	B1	3.1a
	States that if k is odd then both $k-1$ and $k+1$ are even	M1	2.1
	States that $k-1$ multiplied by $k+1$ is therefore a multiple of 4	dM1	1.1b
	Concludes that $k^3 - k$ is a multiple of 4 as it is odd $\times$ multiple of 4	A1	2.4
		(4)	
Notes:			



2. $f(x) = 2x^3 + 5x^2 + 2x + 15$

(a) Use the factor theorem to show that $(x + 3)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

(2)

(b) Find the constants a, b and c such that

$$f(x) = (x + 3)(ax^2 + bx + c)$$

(2)

(c) Hence show that $f(x) = 0$ has only one real root.

(2)

(d) Write down the real root of the equation $f(x - 5) = 0$

(1)



2(a)	$f(-3) = 2(-3)^3 + 5(-3)^2 + 2(-3) + 15$ $= -54 + 45 - 6 + 15$	M1
	$f(-3) = 0 \Rightarrow (x + 3)$ is a factor	A1
		(2)
(b)	At least 2 of: $a = 2,\ b = -1,\ c = 5$	M1
	All of: $a = 2,\ b = -1,\ c = 5$	A1
		(2)
(c)	$b^2 - 4ac = (-1)^2 - 4(2)(5)$	M1
	$b^2 - 4ac = -39$ which is < 0 so the quadratic has no real roots so $f(x) = 0$ has only 1 real root	A1
		(2)
(d)	$(x =)\ 2$	B1
		(1)



14. (i) A student states

"if x^2 is greater than 9 then x must be greater than 3"

Determine whether or not this statement is true, giving a reason for your answer.

(1)

(ii) Prove that for all positive integers n,

$$n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n$$

is divisible by 6

(3)



14(i)	The statement is **not true** because e.g. when $x = -4$, $x^2 = 16$ (which is > 9 but $x < 3$)	B1
		(1)
(ii)	$n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n = n\left(n^2 + 3n + 2\right) = n\left(n+1\right)\left(n+2\right)$	M1
	$n(n + 1)(n + 2)$ is the product of 3 consecutive integers	A1
	As $n(n + 1)(n + 2)$ is a multiple of 2 **and** a multiple of 3 it must be a multiple of 6 and so $n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n$ is divisible by 6 for all integers n	A1
		(3)



15. **In this question you must show detailed reasoning.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

The curve C_1 has equation $y = 8 - 10x + 6x^2 - x^3$

The curve C_2 has equation $y = x^2 - 12x + 14$

(a) Verify that when $x = 1$ the curves C_1 and C_2 intersect.

(2)

The curves also intersect when $x = k$.

Given that $k < 0$

(b) use algebra to find the exact value of k.

(5)



15 (a)	Attempts both $y = 8-10\times1+6\times1^2-1^3$ and $y = 1^2-12\times1+14$	M1	1.1b
	Achieves $y = 3$ for both equations and gives a minimal conclusion / statement, e.g., $(1, 3)$ lies on both curves so they intersect at $x = 1$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	(Curves intersect when) $x^2-12x+14 = 8-10x+6x^2-x^3$ $\Rightarrow x^3-5x^2-2x+6=0$	M1	1.1b
	For the key step in dividing by $(x-1)$ $x^3-5x^2-2x+6=(x-1)(x^2+px\pm6)$	dM1	3.1a
	$x^3-5x^2-2x+6=(x-1)(x^2-4x-6)$	A1	1.1b
	Solves $x^2-4x-6=0$ $(x-2)^2=10\Rightarrow x=...$	ddM1	1.1b
	$x = 2-\sqrt{10}$ only	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(7 marks)



17. In this question p and q are positive integers with $q > p$

Statement 1: $q^3 - p^3$ is never a multiple of 5

(a) Show, by means of a counter example, that Statement 1 is **not** true.

(1)

Statement 2: When p and q are consecutive **even** integers $q^3 - p^3$ is a multiple of 8

(b) Prove, using algebra, that Statement 2 is true.

(4)



17 (a)	Provides a counter example with a reason. e.g., $6^3 - 1^3 = 215$ which is a multiple of 5	B1	2.4
		(1)	
(b)	States or uses, e.g., $2n$ and $2n+2$ **or** $2n+2$ and $2n+4$	M1	2.1
	Attempts $(2n+2)^3 - (2n)^3 = 8n^3 + 24n^2 + 24n + 8 - 8n^3$ leading to a quadratic.	dM1	1.1b
	$= 24n^2 + 24n + 8$	A1	1.1b
	$24n^2 + 24n + 8 = 8(3n^2 + 3n + 1)$ So $q^3 - p^3$ is a multiple of 8	A1	2.1
		(4)	

(5 marks)



2. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 3ax^2 + bx + 8a$$

where a and b are constants.

Given that $(x - 4)$ is a factor of $f(x)$,

(a) use the factor theorem to show that

$$10a = 32 + b$$

(2)

Given also that $(x - 2)$ is a factor of $f(x)$,

(b) express $f(x)$ in the form

$$f(x) = (2x + k)(x - 4)(x - 2)$$

where k is a constant to be found.

(4)

(c) Hence,

(i) state the number of real roots of the equation $f(x) = 0$

(ii) write down the largest root of the equation $f\left(\frac{1}{3}x\right) = 0$

(2)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2(a)	$\left(f(4)=\right) 2\times4^3-3a\times4^2+4b+8a=0$	M1	1.1b
	$128+4b=40a \Rightarrow 32+b=10a$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$f(2)=2\times2^3-3a\times2^2+2b+8a=0 \Rightarrow 8+b=2a$	M1	1.1b
	Solve simultaneously $\Rightarrow a=...$ or $\Rightarrow b=...$	dM1	2.1
	$a=3$ or $b=-2$ or $k=3$	A1	1.1b
	$\left(f(x)=\right)(2x+3)(x-4)(x-2)$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)(i)	3	B1	1.1b
(ii)	12	B1ft	2.2a
		(2)	
			(8 marks)



5. The curve C_1 has equation

$$y = \frac{6}{x} + 3$$

(a) (i) Sketch C_1 stating the coordinates of any points where the curve cuts the coordinate axes.

(ii) State the equations of any asymptotes to the curve C_1

(3)

The curve C_2 has equation

$$y = 3x^2 - 4x - 10$$

(b) Show that C_1 and C_2 intersect when

$$3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6 = 0$$

(2)

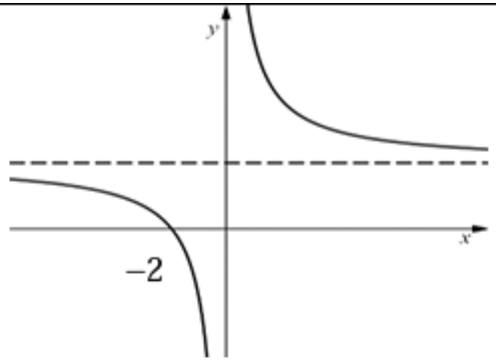
Given that the x coordinate of one of the points of intersection is $-\frac{2}{3}$

(c) use algebra to find the x coordinates of the other points of intersection between C_1 and C_2

(*Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.*)

(4)



5(a)(i)		M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
(ii)	Asymptotes: $y=3, \quad x=0$	B1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	e.g. $\frac{6}{x}+3=3x^2-4x-10 \Rightarrow 6+3x=3x^3-4x^2-10x$	M1	1.1b
	$3x^3-4x^2-13x-6=0 \quad *$	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	e.g. $3x+2\overline{)3x^3-4x^2-13x-6}$ $x^2-2x\pm\ldots$	M1	3.1a
	$x^2-2x-3 \ (=0)$ or $3x^2-6x-9 \ (=0)$	A1	1.1b
	e.g. $(3x+2)(x-3)(x+1)=0 \Rightarrow x=\ldots$	dM1	1.1b
	$x=-1, \quad x=3$	A1cso	1.1b
		(4)	

(9 marks)



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14. Prove, using algebra, that

$$n^2 + 5n$$

is even for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

(4)



14	Sets up the proof by exploring when $n=2k$ or $n=2k+1$ e.g. $(2k)^2+5(2k)=...k^2+...k$ **or** $(2k+1)^2+5(2k+1)=...k^2+...k+...$	M1	1.1b
	e.g. $4k^2+10k$ **or** $4k^2+14k+6$ and shows or gives a reason why the expression is even (see notes)	A1	2.2a
	Explores when $n=2k$ **and** $n=2k+1$ eg $(2k)^2+5(2k)=...k^2+...k$ **and** $(2k+1)^2+5(2k+1)=...k^2+...k+...$	dM1	2.1
	e.g. $4k^2+10k$ **and** $4k^2+14k+6$ and shows or gives a reason why both of the expressions are even (see notes) hence n^2+5n is even for all $n(\in\square)$ (or equivalent)	A1*	2.4
			(4 marks)



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1.

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + ax + a$$

Given that $(x + 2)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, find the value of the constant a.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	Sets $f(-2)=0 \Rightarrow 2\times(-2)^3-5\times(-2)^2+a\times-2+a=0$	M1	3.1a
	Solves linear equation $2a-a=-36 \Rightarrow a=$	dM1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow a=-36$	A1	1.1b
			(3 marks)



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6. Complete the table below. The first one has been done for you.

For each statement you must state if it is always true, sometimes true or never true, giving a reason in each case.

Statement	Always True	Sometimes True	Never True	Reason
The quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0, \quad (a \neq 0)$ has 2 real roots.		✓		It only has 2 real roots when $b^2 - 4ac > 0$. When $b^2 - 4ac = 0$ it has 1 real root and when $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ it has 0 real roots.
(i) When a real value of x is substituted into $x^2 - 6x + 10$ the result is positive. (2)				
(ii) If $ax > b$ then $x > \frac{b}{a}$ (2)				
(iii) The difference between consecutive square numbers is odd. (2)				

(Total for Question 6 is 6 marks)

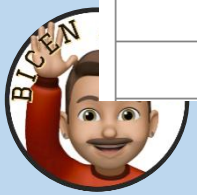


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6(i)	$x^2-6x+10=(x-3)^2+1$	M1	2.1
	Deduces "always true" as $(x-3)^2 \geqslant 0 \Rightarrow (x-3)^2+1 \geqslant 1$ and so is always positive	A1	2.2a
		(2)	
(ii)	For an explanation that it need not (always) be true This could be if $a<0$ then $ax>b \Rightarrow x<\frac{b}{a}$	M1	2.3
	States 'sometimes' and explains if $a>0$ then $ax>b \Rightarrow x>\frac{b}{a}$ if $a<0$ then $ax>b \Rightarrow x<\frac{b}{a}$	A1	2.4
		(2)	
(iii)	Difference $=(n+1)^2-n^2=2n+1$	M1	3.1a
	Deduces "Always true" as $2n+1$ = (even +1) = odd	A1	2.2a
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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6.

$$f(x) = -3x^3 + 8x^2 - 9x + 10, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(a) (i) Calculate $f(2)$

(ii) Write $f(x)$ as a product of two algebraic factors.

(3)

Using the answer to (a)(ii),

(b) prove that there are exactly two real solutions to the equation

$$-3y^6 + 8y^4 - 9y^2 + 10 = 0$$

(2)

(c) deduce the number of real solutions, for $7\pi \leqslant \theta < 10\pi$, to the equation

$$3\tan^3\theta - 8\tan^2\theta + 9\tan\theta - 10 = 0$$

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6	(a) $f(x) = -3x^3 + 8x^2 - 9x + 10, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$		
(a)	(i) $\{f(2) = -24 + 32 - 18 + 10 \Rightarrow\}\ f(2) = 0$	B1	1.1b
	(ii) $\{f(x) =\}\ (x-2)(-3x^2 + 2x - 5)$ or $(2-x)(3x^2 - 2x + 5)$	M1	2.2a
		A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$-3y^6 + 8y^4 - 9y^2 + 10 = 0 \Rightarrow (y^2 - 2)(-3y^4 + 2y^2 - 5) = 0$		
	Gives a partial explanation by • explaining that $-3y^4 + 2y^2 - 5 = 0$ has no {real} solutions with a reason, e.g. $b^2 - 4ac = (2)^2 - 4(-3)(-5) = -56 < 0$ • or stating that $y^2 = 2$ has 2 {real} solutions or $y = \pm\sqrt{2}$ {only}	M1	2.4
	Complete proof that the given equation has exactly two {real} solutions	A1	2.1
		(2)	
(c)	$3\tan^3\theta - 8\tan^2\theta + 9\tan\theta - 10 = 0;\ 7\pi \leq \theta < 10\pi$		
	{Deduces that} there are 3 solutions	B1	2.2a
		(1)	
			(6 marks)



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1. $f(x) = 3x^3 + 2ax^2 - 4x + 5a$

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

(3)



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Question 1 (Total 3 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
	$f(-3) = 3 \times (-3)^2 + 2a \times (-3)^2 - 4 \times -3 + 5a = 0$	M1	This mark is given for a method to set $f(-3) = 0$
	$f(-3) = 23a - 69 = 0$ $23a = 69$	M1	This mark is given for finding an equation to solve for a
	$a = 3$	A1	This mark is given for finding the correct value of a



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10. (i) Prove that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n^2 + 2$ is not divisible by 4

(4)

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

(2)



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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(i)	For even numbers $n = 2m$, $n^2 + 2 = 4m^2 + 2$	M1	This mark is given for showing the case for all even numbers
	This is a multiple of 4 with 2 added, so cannot be divisible by 4	A1	This mark is given for a correct conclusion with a reason why $n^2 + 2$ is not divisible by 4 for all even numbers
	For odd numbers $n = 2m + 1$, $n^2 + 2 = (2m + 1)^2 + 2 = 4m^2 + 4m + 3$ $= 4(m^2 + m) + 3$	M1	This mark is given for showing the case for all odd numbers
	This is a multiple of 4 with 3 added, so cannot be divisible by 4 Hence, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n + 2$ is not divisible by 4	A1	This mark is given for a correct conclusion with a reason why $n^2 + 2$ is not divisible by 4 for all odd numbers and a full concluding statement that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n + 2$ is not divisible by 4



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16. Use algebra to prove that the square of any natural number is **either** a multiple of 3 **or** one more than a multiple of 3

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
16	NB any natural number can be expressed in the form: $3k$, $3k+1$, $3k+2$ or equivalent e.g. $3k-1$, $3k$, $3k+1$		
	Attempts to square **any two** distinct cases of the above	M1	3.1a
	Achieves accurate results and makes a valid comment for **any two** of the possible three cases: E.g. $(3k)^2 = 9k^2 \left(= 3\times 3k^2\right)$ is a multiple of 3	A1 **M1 on EPEN**	1.1b
	$(3k+1)^2 = 9k^2+6k+1 = 3\times(3k^2+2k)+1$ is one more than a multiple of 3 $(3k+2)^2 = 9k^2+12k+4 = 3\times(3k^2+4k+1)+1$ $\left(\text{or } (3k-1)^2 = 9k^2-6k+1 = 3\times(3k^2-2k)+1\right)$ is one more than a multiple of 3		
	Attempts to square in all 3 distinct cases. E.g. attempts to square $3k$, $3k+1$, $3k+2$ or e.g. $3k-1$, $3k$, $3k+1$	M1 **A1 on EPEN**	2.1
	Achieves accurate results for all three cases and gives a minimal conclusion (allow tick, QED etc.)	A1	2.4
		(4)	
			(4 marks)



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1. $f(x) = ax^3 + 10x^2 - 3ax - 4$

Given that $(x - 1)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, find the value of the constant a.

You must make your method clear.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	$f(1)=a(1)^3+10(1)^2-3a(1)-4=0$	M1	3.1a
	$6-2a=0 \Rightarrow a=...$	M1	1.1b
	$a=3$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(3 marks)
Notes			

Main method seen:

M1: Attempts $f(1)=0$ to set up an equation in a It is implied by $a+10-3a-4=0$

Condone a slip but attempting $f(-1)=0$ is M0

M1: Solves a linear equation in a .

Using the main method it is dependent upon having set $f(\pm 1)=0$

It is implied by a solution of $\pm a \pm 10 \pm 3a \pm 4=0$.

Don't be concerned about the mechanics of the solution.

A1: $a=3$ (following correct work)



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2. $f(x) = (x - 4)(x^2 - 3x + k) - 42$ where k is a constant

Given that $(x + 2)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, find the value of k.

(3)



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2	Sets $f(-2)=0 \Rightarrow (-2-4)\left((-2)^2-3\times-2+k\right)-42=0$	M1
	$-6(k+10)=42 \Rightarrow k=...$	M1
	$k=-17$	A1
		(3)



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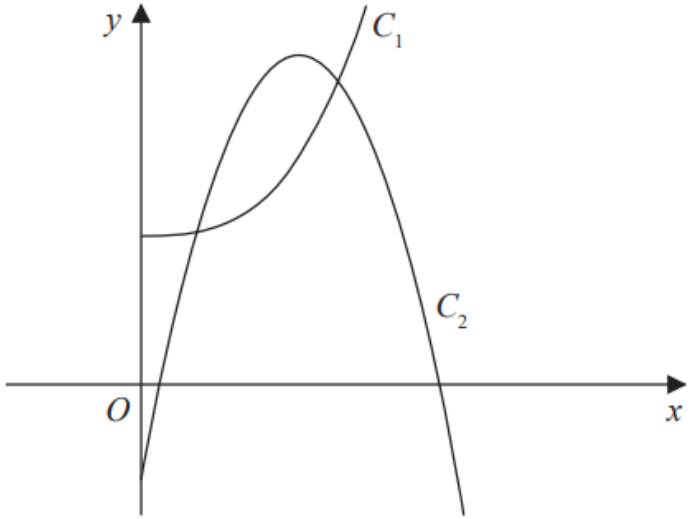


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of part of the curve C_1 with equation

$$y = 2x^3 + 10 \qquad x > 0$$

and part of the curve C_2 with equation

$$y = 42x - 15x^2 - 7 \qquad x > 0$$

(a) Verify that the curves intersect at $x = \frac{1}{2}$

(2)

The curves intersect again at the point P

(b) Using algebra and showing all stages of working, find the exact x coordinate of P

(5)



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11 (a)	Substitutes $x=\frac{1}{2}$ into $y=2x^3+10$ **and** $y=42x-15x^2-7$ and finds the y values for both	M1
	Achieves $\frac{41}{4}$ o.e. for both and makes a valid conclusion. *	A1*
		(2)
(b)	Sets $42x-15x^2-7=2x^3+10 \Rightarrow 2x^3+15x^2-42x+17=0$	M1
	Deduces that $(2x-1)$ is a factor and attempts to divide	dM1
	$2x^3+15x^2-42x+17=(2x-1)\left(x^2+8x-17\right)$	A1
	Solves their $x^2+8x-17=0$ using suitable method	M1
	Deduces $x=-4+\sqrt{33}$ (see note)	A1
		(5)



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A2 2022 Paper 2

Algebraic Methods

11. Prove, using algebra, that

$$n(n^2 + 5)$$

is even for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(4)



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A2 2022 Paper 2

Algebraic Methods

11	$n\left(n^2+5\right)$	
	Attempts even **or** odd numbers Sets $n=2k$ **or** $n=2k\pm1$ oe and attempts $n\left(n^2+5\right)$	M1
	Achieves $2k\left(4k^2+5\right)$ (for $n=2k$) and states "even" **Or** achieves $(2k+1)\left(4k^2+4k+6\right)=2(2k+1)\left(2k^2+2k+3\right)$ (for $n=2k+1$) and states "even" Or e.g. achieves $(2k-1)\left(4k^2-4k+6\right)=2(2k-1)\left(2k^2-2k+3\right)$ (for $n=2k-1$) and states "even"	A1
	Attempts even **and** odd numbers Sets $n=2k$ **and** $n=2k\pm1$ oe and attempts $n\left(n^2+5\right)$	dM1
	Achieves $2k\left(4k^2+5\right)$ (for $n=2k$) and states "even" **and** achieves $(2k\pm1)\left(4k^2\pm4k+6\right)=2(2k\pm1)\left(2k^2\pm2k+3\right)$ (for $n=2k\pm1$) and states "even" Correct work and states even for both WITH a final conclusion showing that true for all $n(\in\mathbb{N})$ or e.g. true for all even and odd numbers.	A1
		(4)



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A2 2023 Paper 1

Algebraic Methods

2. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

$$f(x) = 4x^3 + 5x^2 - 10x + 4a \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

where a is a positive constant.

Given $(x - a)$ is a factor of $f(x)$,

(a) show that

$$a(4a^2 + 5a - 6) = 0$$

(2)

(b) Hence

(i) find the value of a

(ii) use algebra to find the exact solutions of the equation

$$f(x) = 3$$

(4)



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A2 2023 Paper 1

Algebraic Methods

2(a)	$\left(\text{f}(a)=\right)\ 4a^3+5a^2-10a+4a=0 \Rightarrow a(....)=0$	M1	3.1a
	$a(4a^2+5a-6)=0$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)(i)	$a=\frac{3}{4}$	B1	2.2a
(ii)	$4x^3+5x^2-10x+4\times"\frac{3}{4}"=3 \Rightarrow 4x^3+5x^2-10x\ (=0)$	M1	1.1b
	$x=0$	B1	1.1b
	$x=\frac{-5\pm\sqrt{185}}{8}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(6 marks)

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A2 2023 Paper 1

Algebraic Methods

14. Prove, using algebra, that

$$(n + 1)^3 - n^3$$

is odd for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

(4)



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A2 2023 Paper 1

Algebraic Methods

14	When n is even: $(2k+1)^3-(2k)^3=8k^3+12k^2+6k+1-8k^3=6k(2k+1)+1$ $\Rightarrow$ which is odd **or** When n is odd: $(2k+2)^3-(2k+1)^3=8(k^3+3k^2+3k+1)-(8k^3+12k^2+6k+1)=6k(2k+3)+7$ $\Rightarrow$ which is odd	M1 A1	3.1a 2.2a
	When n is even: $(2k+1)^3-(2k)^3=8k^3+12k^2+6k+1-8k^3=6k(2k+1)+1$ $\Rightarrow$ which is odd **and** When n is odd: $(2k+2)^3-(2k+1)^3=8(k^3+3k^2+3k+1)-(8k^3+12k^2+6k+1)=6k(2k+3)+7$ $\Rightarrow$ which is odd	dM1	2.1
	Hence odd for all $n(\in\mathbb{N})$ *	A1*	2.4
			(4 marks)



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A2 2024 Paper 1

Algebraic Methods

1. $$g(x) = 3x^3 - 20x^2 + (k + 17)x + k$$

where k is a constant.

Given that $(x - 3)$ is a factor of $g(x)$, find the value of k.

(3)



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A2 2024 Paper 1

Algebraic Methods

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	$g(3)=3(3)^3-20(3)^2+3(k+17)+k=0$	M1	3.1a
	$4k-48=0\Rightarrow k=...$	M1	1.1b
	$\{k=\}12$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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Binomial Expansion



AS SAMs

Binomial Expansion

7. (a) Find the first 3 terms, in ascending powers of x, of the binomial expansion of $\left(2 - \frac{x}{2}\right)^7$, giving each term in its simplest form.

(4)

(b) Explain how you would use your expansion to give an estimate for the value of 1.995^7

(1)



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AS SAMs

Binomial Expansion

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7(a)	$\left(2-\frac{x}{2}\right)^7 = 2^7 + \binom{7}{1}2^6.\left(-\frac{x}{2}\right) + \binom{7}{2}2^5.\left(-\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 + \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$\left(2-\frac{x}{2}\right)^7 = 128 + \ldots$	B1	1.1b
	$\left(2-\frac{x}{2}\right)^7 = \ldots - 224x + \ldots$	A1	1.1b
	$\left(2-\frac{x}{2}\right)^7 = \ldots + \ldots + 168x^2\ (+\ldots)$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	Solve $\left(2-\frac{x}{2}\right) = 1.995$ so $x = 0.01$ and state that 0.01 would be substituted for x into the expansion	B1	2.4
		(1)	
		(5 m	

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AS 2018

Binomial Expansion

11. (a) Find the first 3 terms, in ascending powers of x, of the binomial expansion of

$$\left(2 - \frac{x}{16}\right)^9$$

giving each term in its simplest form.

(4)

$$f(x) = (a + bx)\left(2 - \frac{x}{16}\right)^9$$, where a and b are constants

Given that the first two terms, in ascending powers of x, in the series expansion of $f(x)$ are 128 and $36x$,

(b) find the value of a,

(2)

(c) find the value of b.

(2)



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AS 2018

Binomial Expansion

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11(a)	$\left(2-\frac{x}{16}\right)^9 = 2^9 + \binom{9}{1}2^8.\left(-\frac{x}{16}\right) + \binom{9}{2}2^7.\left(-\frac{x}{16}\right)^2 + \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$\left(2-\frac{x}{16}\right)^9 = 512 + \ldots$	B1	1.1b
	$\left(2-\frac{x}{16}\right)^9 = \ldots - 144x + \ldots$	A1	1.1b
	$\left(2-\frac{x}{16}\right)^9 = \ldots + \ldots + 18x^2\ (+\ldots)$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	Sets $'512'a = 128 \Rightarrow a = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$(a =)\frac{1}{4}$ oe	A1 ft	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	Sets $'512'b + '-144'a = 36 \Rightarrow b = \ldots$	M1	2.2a
	$(b =)\frac{9}{64}$ oe	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(8 marks)



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AS 2019

Binomial Expansion

8. (a) Find the first 3 terms, in ascending powers of x, of the binomial expansion of

$$\left(2 + \frac{3x}{4}\right)^6$$

giving each term in its simplest form.

(4)

(b) Explain how you could use your expansion to estimate the value of 1.925^6
You do not need to perform the calculation.

(1)



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AS 2019

Binomial Expansion

Question 8 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$2^6 = 64$	B1	This mark is given for finding the first term of the expansion
	$\left(2+\frac{3x}{4}\right)^6 =$ $2^6 + {}^6C_1\ 2^5\left(\frac{3x}{4}\right)^1 + {}^6C_2\ 2^4\left(\frac{3x}{4}\right)^2 + \ldots$	M1	This mark is given for a method to write out the binomial expansion
	$= 64 + (6 \times 32 \times \frac{3x}{4}) + (15 \times 16 \times \frac{9x^2}{16}) + \ldots$	A1	This mark is given for a correct binomial expansion up to the second and third terms
	$= 64 + 144x + 135x^2 + \ldots$	A1	This mark is given for a fully correct binomial expansion
(b)	$2 + \frac{3x}{4} = 1.925$ $\frac{3x}{4} = -0.075$ so $x = -0.1$ So find the value of $64 + 144x + 135x^2 + \ldots$ with $x = -0.1$	B1	This mark is given for a correct explanation of how the expansion could be used to find an estimate for 1.925^6



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

$$(1 + kx)^{10}$$

where k is a non-zero constant. Write each coefficient as simply as possible.

(3)

Given that in the expansion of $(1 + kx)^{10}$ the coefficient x^3 is 3 times the coefficient of x,

(b) find the possible values of k.

(3)



AS 2020

Binomial Expansion

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6 (a)	$(1+kx)^{10} = 1+\binom{10}{1}(kx)^1+\binom{10}{2}(kx)^2+\binom{10}{3}(kx)^3\ldots$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$=1+10kx+45k^2x^2+120k^3x^3\ldots$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Sets $120k^3 = 3\times 10k$	B1	1.2
	$4k^2 = 1 \Rightarrow k = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$k = \pm\frac{1}{2}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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8. $g(x) = (2 + ax)^8$ where a is a constant

Given that one of the terms in the binomial expansion of $g(x)$ is $3402x^5$

(a) find the value of a.

(4)

Using this value of a,

(b) find the constant term in the expansion of

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{x^4}\right)(2 + ax)^8$$

(3)



Binomial Expansion

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8 (a)	$(2+ax)^8$ Attempts the term in $x^5 = {}^8C_5 2^3 (ax)^5 = 448a^5x^5$	M1 A1	1.1a 1.1b
	Sets $448a^5 = 3402 \Rightarrow a^5 = \frac{243}{32}$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow a = \frac{3}{2}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	Attempts either term. So allow for 2^8 or ${}^8C_4 2^4 a^4$	M1	1.1b
	Attempts the sum of both terms $2^8 + {}^8C_4 2^4 a^4$	dM1	2.1
	$= 256 + 5670 = 5926$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(7 marks)



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

$$\left(3 - \frac{2x}{9}\right)^8$$

giving each term in simplest form.

(4)

$$f(x) = \left(\frac{x-1}{2x}\right)\left(3 - \frac{2x}{9}\right)^8$$

(b) Find the coefficient of x^2 in the series expansion of $f(x)$, giving your answer as a simplified fraction.

(2)



AS 2022

Binomial Expansion

6(a)	3^8 or 6561 as the constant term	B1
	$\left(3-\frac{2x}{9}\right)^8 = \ldots + {}^8C_1(3)^7\left(-\frac{2x}{9}\right) + {}^8C_2(3)^6\left(-\frac{2x}{9}\right)^2 + {}^8C_3(3)^5\left(-\frac{2x}{9}\right)^3 + \ldots$ $= \ldots + 8\times(3)^7\left(-\frac{2x}{9}\right) + 28\times(3)^6\left(-\frac{2x}{9}\right)^2 + 56(3)^5\left(-\frac{2x}{9}\right)^3$	M1 A1
	$= 6561 - 3888x + 1008x^2 - \frac{448}{3}x^3 + \ldots$	A1
		(4)
(b)	Coefficient of x^2 is $\frac{1}{2}\times"1008" - \frac{1}{2}\times"-\frac{448}{3}"$	M1
	$= \frac{1736}{3}$ (or $578\frac{2}{3}$)	A1
		(2)



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14. Find, in simplest form, the coefficient of x^5 in the expansion of

$$\left(5 + 8x^2\right)\left(3 - \frac{1}{2}x\right)^6$$

(5)



Binomial Expansion

14	Attempts the term in x^3 or the term in x^5 of $\left(3-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^6$ Look for ${}^6C_3 3^3\left(-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^3$ or ${}^6C_5 3^1\left(-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^5$	M1	3.1a
	Correct term in x^3 or correct term in x^5 of $\left(3-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^6$ $-\frac{135}{2}x^3$ **or** $-\frac{9}{16}x^5$	A1	1.1b
	Attempts one of the required terms in x^5 of $\left(5+8x^2\right)\left(3-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^6$ Either $5\times {}^6C_5 3^1\left(-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^5$ **or** $8x^2\times {}^6C_3 3^3\left(-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^3$	M1	1.1b
	Attempts the sum of $5\times {}^6C_5 3^1\left(-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^5$ and $8x^2\times {}^6C_3 3^3\left(-\frac{1}{2}x\right)^3$	dM1	2.1
	Coefficient of $x^5 = -\frac{45}{16}-540=-\frac{8685}{16}$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	

(5 marks)



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6. The binomial expansion of

$$(1 + ax)^{12}$$

up to and including the term in x^2 is

$$1 - \frac{15}{2}x + kx^2$$

where a and k are constants.

(a) Show that $a = -\frac{5}{8}$

(2)

(b) Hence find the value of k

(2)

Using the expansion and making your method clear,

(c) find an estimate for the value of $\left(\frac{17}{16}\right)^{12}$, giving your answer to 4 decimal places.

(2)



Binomial Expansion

6(a)	e.g. ${}^{12}C_1 \times a = -\frac{15}{2}$	M1	1.1b
	$12a = -\frac{15}{2} \Rightarrow a = -\frac{5}{8}$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	${}^{12}C_2 \times a^2 = k \Rightarrow k = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$k = \frac{825}{32}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	$1 - \frac{5}{8}x = \frac{17}{16} \Rightarrow x\,(= -0.1) \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{15}{2} \times ("-0.1") + "\frac{825}{32}" \times ("-0.1")^2$	M1	3.1a
	= awrt 2.0078	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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A2 2020 Paper 2

Binomial Expansion

4. In the binomial expansion of

$$(a + 2x)^7 \qquad \text{where } a \text{ is a constant}$$

the coefficient of x^4 is 15 120

Find the value of a.

(3)



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Binomial Expansion

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4	${}^{7}\mathrm{C}_{4}a^{3}(2x)^{4}$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{7!}{4!3!}a^{3}\times 2^{4}=15120\Rightarrow a=\ldots$	dM1	2.1
	$a=3$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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Trigonometry – Sine and Cosine Rules



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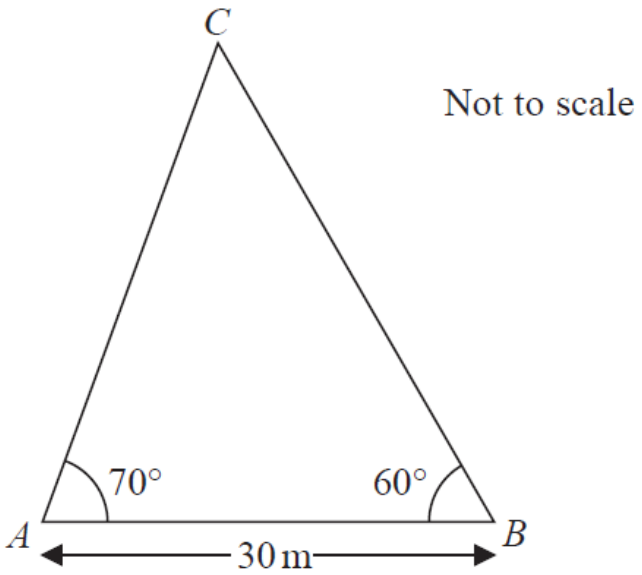


Figure 1

A triangular lawn is modelled by the triangle ABC, shown in Figure 1. The length AB is to be 30 m long.

Given that angle $BAC = 70°$ and angle $ABC = 60°$,

(a) calculate the area of the lawn to 3 significant figures.

(4)

(b) Why is your answer unlikely to be accurate to the nearest square metre?

(1)

Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
8(a)	**Way 1** Finds third angle of triangle and uses or states $\frac{x}{\sin 60°} = \frac{30}{\sin "50°"}$	**Way 2** Finds third angle of triangle and uses or states $\frac{y}{\sin 70°} = \frac{30}{\sin "50°"}$	M1	2.1
	So $x = \frac{30\sin 60°}{\sin 50°}$ $(= 33.9)$	So $y = \frac{30\sin 70°}{\sin 50°}$ $(= 36.8)$	A1	1.1b
	Area $= \frac{1}{2} \times 30 \times x \times \sin 70°$ or $\frac{1}{2} \times 30 \times y \times \sin 60$		M1	3.1a
	$= 478$ m^2		A1ft	1.1b
			(4)	
(b)	Plausible reason e.g. Because the angles and the side length are not given to four significant figures Or e.g. The lawn may not be flat		B1	3.2b
			(1)	
				(5 marks)



7. In a triangle ABC, side AB has length 10 cm, side AC has length 5 cm, and angle $BAC = \theta$ where θ is measured in degrees. The area of triangle ABC is 15 cm^2

(a) Find the two possible values of $\cos\theta$

(4)

Given that BC is the longest side of the triangle,

(b) find the exact length of BC.

(2)



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Trigonometry - Rules

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7 (a)	Uses $15 = \frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 10 \times \sin\theta$	M1	1.1b
	$\sin\theta = \frac{3}{5}$ oe	A1	1.1b
	Uses $\cos^2\theta = 1 - \sin^2\theta$	M1	2.1
	$\cos\theta = \pm\frac{4}{5}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	Uses $BC^2 = 10^2 + 5^2 - 2 \times 10 \times 5 \times "-\frac{4}{5}"$	M1	3.1a
	$BC = \sqrt{205}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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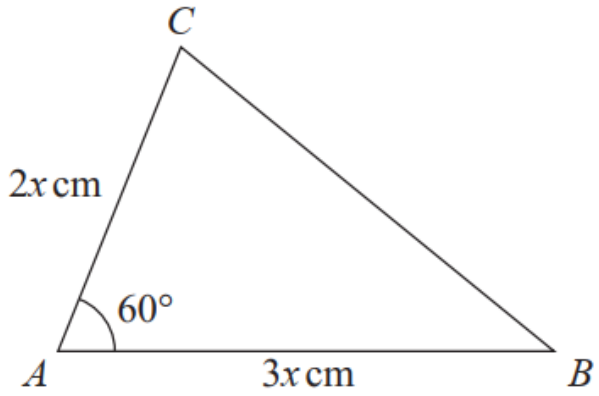


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of a triangle ABC with $AB = 3x$ cm, $AC = 2x$ cm and angle $CAB = 60°$

Given that the area of triangle ABC is $18\sqrt{3}$ cm^2

(a) show that $x = 2\sqrt{3}$

(3)

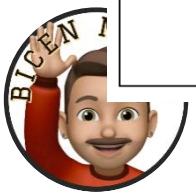
(b) Hence find the exact length of BC, giving your answer as a simplified surd.

(3)



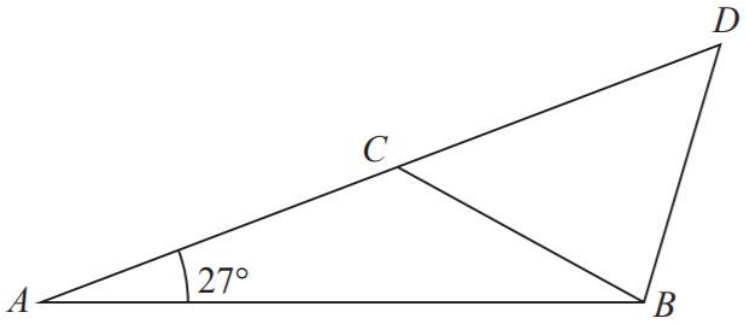
Question 6 (Total 6 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$18\sqrt{3} = \frac{1}{2} \times 2x \times 3x \times \sin 60°$	M1	This mark is given for use of the formula $A = \frac{1}{2}ab \sin C$ for the area of the triangle
	$18\sqrt{3} = 3x^2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ $x^2 = 12$	M1	This mark is given for using a value of $\sin 60°$ to find a value for x^2
	$x = \sqrt{12}$ $= \sqrt{(4 \times 3)}$ $= 2\sqrt{3}$	A1	This mark is given for a full solution to show that $x = 2\sqrt{3}$
(b)	$BC^2 =$ $(6\sqrt{3})^2 + (4\sqrt{3})^2 - 2 \times 6\sqrt{3} \times 4\sqrt{3} \times \cos 60°$	M1	This mark is given for using the cosine rule to start to find the length BC
	$BC^2 = 84$	A1	This mark is given for finding a value for BC^2
	$BC = 2\sqrt{21}$	A1	This mark is given for a correct answer presented as a simplified surd



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Not to scale

Figure 1

Figure 1 shows the design for a structure used to support a roof.

The structure consists of four steel beams, AB, BD, BC and AD.

Given $AB = 12\,\text{m}$, $BC = BD = 7\text{m}$ and angle $BAC = 27°$

(a) find, to one decimal place, the size of angle ACB.

(3)

The steel beams can only be bought in whole metre lengths.

(b) Find the minimum length of steel that needs to be bought to make the complete structure.

(3)



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Trigonometry - Rules

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5 (a)	States $\frac{\sin\theta}{12}=\frac{\sin 27}{7}$	M1	1.1b
	Finds $\theta =$ awrt $51°$ or awrt $129°$	A1	1.1b
	$=$ awrt $128.9°$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Attempts to find part or all of AD Eg $AD^2=7^2+12^2-2\times12\times7\cos101.9=(AD=15.09)$ Eg $(AC)^2=7^2+12^2-2\times12\times7\cos(180-"128.9"-27)$ Eg $12\cos27$ or $7\cos"51"$	M1	1.1b
	Full method for the total length $=12+7+7+"15.09"=$	dM1	3.1a
	$=42$ m	A1	3.2a
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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7. A parallelogram $PQRS$ has area $50\,\text{cm}^2$

Given

- PQ has length $14\,\text{cm}$
- QR has length $7\,\text{cm}$
- angle SPQ is obtuse

find

(a) the size of angle SPQ, in degrees, to 2 decimal places,

(3)

(b) the length of the diagonal SQ, in cm, to one decimal place.

(2)



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Trigonometry - Rules

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7 (a)	Sets $50 = 7 \times 14 \sin(SPQ)$ oe	B1	1.2
	Finds $180° - \arcsin\left("\frac{50}{98}"\right)$	M1	1.1b
	$= 149.32°$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Method of finding SQ $SQ^2 = 14^2 + 7^2 - 2 \times 14 \times 7 \cos"149.32"$	M1	1.1b
	$= 20.3$ cm	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(5 marks)
Alt(a)	States or uses $14h = 50$ or $7h_1 = 50$	B1	1.2
	Full method to find obtuse $\angle SPQ$. In this case it is $90° + \arccos\left(\frac{h}{7}\right)$ or $90° + \arccos\left(\frac{h_1}{14}\right)$	M1	1.1b
	awrt $149.32°$	A1	1.1b



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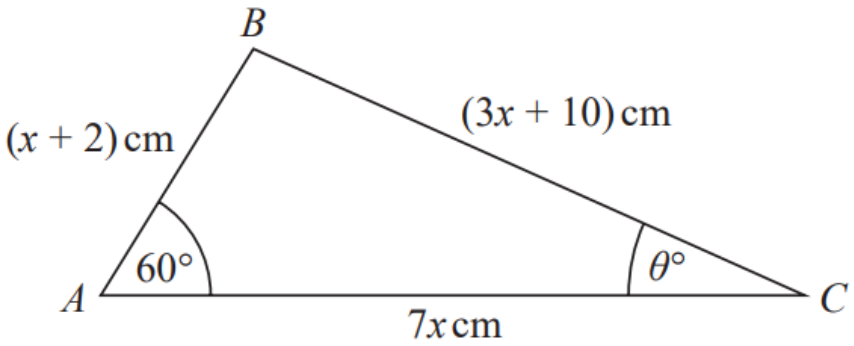


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of triangle ABC with $AB = (x + 2)$ cm, $BC = (3x + 10)$ cm, $AC = 7x$ cm, angle $BAC = 60°$ and angle $ACB = \theta°$

(a) (i) Show that $17x^2 - 35x - 48 = 0$

(3)

(ii) Hence find the value of x.

(1)

(b) Hence find the value of θ giving your answer to one decimal place.

(2)



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Trigonometry - Rules

4(a)(i)	$(3x+10)^2 = (x+2)^2 + (7x)^2 - 2(x+2)(7x)\cos 60°$ oe	M1
	Uses cos 60° = ½, expands the brackets and proceeds to a 3 term quadratic equation	dM1
	$17x^2 - 35x - 48 = 0$ *	A1*
		(3)
(ii)	$x = 3$	B1
		(1)
(b)	$\frac{5}{\sin ACB} = \frac{19}{\sin 60°} \Rightarrow \sin ACB = \ldots \left(\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{38}\right)$ or e.g. $5^2 = 21^2 + 19^2 - 2\times 19\times 21\cos ACB \Rightarrow \cos ACB = \ldots \left(\frac{37}{38}\right)$	M1
	θ = awrt 13.2	A1
		(2)



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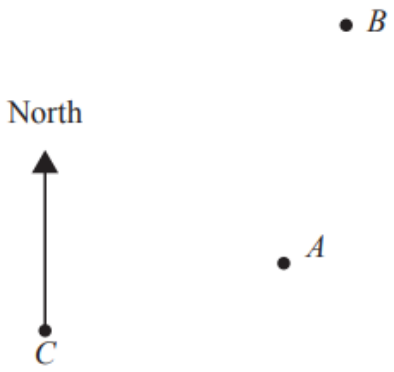


Figure 1

Figure 1 is a sketch showing the position of three phone masts, A, B and C.

The masts are identical and their bases are assumed to lie in the same horizontal plane.

From mast C

- mast A is 8.2 km away on a bearing of 072°
- mast B is 15.6 km away on a bearing of 039°

(a) Find the distance between masts A and B, giving your answer in km to one decimal place.

(3)

An engineer needs to travel from mast A to mast B.

(b) Give a reason why the answer to part (a) is unlikely to be an accurate value for the distance the engineer travels.

(1)

3 (a)	Angle $ACB = 33°$	B1	1.1b
	Attempts $\left\{AB^2 = \right\} 8.2^2 + 15.6^2 - 2\times 8.2\times 15.6\cos 33°$	M1	1.1b
	Distance = awrt 9.8 {km}	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	• Explains that the road is not likely to be straight {and therefore the distance will be greater}. • Explains that there are likely to be objects in the way {that they must go around and therefore the distance travelled will be greater}. • The {bases of the} masts are not likely to lie in the same {horizontal} plane {and so the distance will be greater}.	B1	3.2b
		(1)	

(4 marks)



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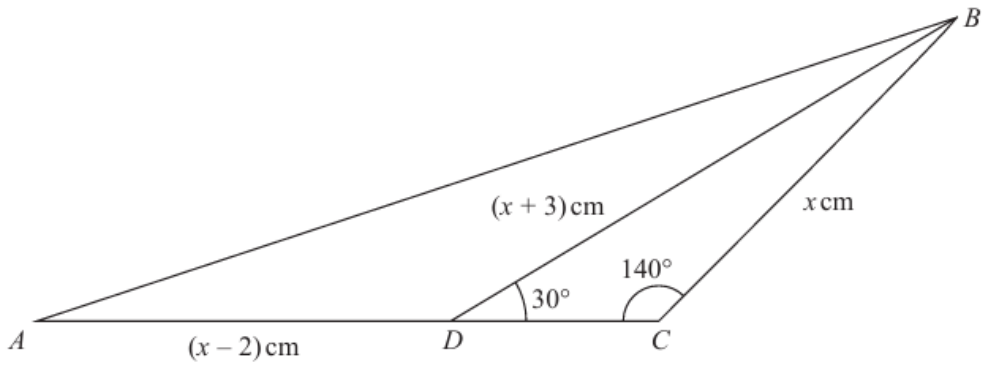


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of triangle ABD and triangle BCD

Given that

- ADC is a straight line
- $BD = (x + 3)$ cm
- $BC = x$ cm
- angle $BDC = 30°$
- angle $BCD = 140°$

(a) show that $x = 10.5$ correct to 3 significant figures.

(3)

Given also that $AD = (x – 2)$ cm

(b) find the length of AB, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(2)



4(a)	$\frac{x}{\sin 30°} = \frac{x+3}{\sin 140°}$	M1	1.1b
	$2x\sin 140 - x = 3$	dM1	3.1a
	$x = 10.5$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$AB^2 = 8.5^2 + 13.5^2 - 2\times 8.5\times 13.5\times \cos"150"$ $\Rightarrow AB = ...$	M1	3.1a
	$AB =$ awrt 21.3 (cm)	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



Trigonometry – Identities and Equations



9. Solve, for $360° \leqslant x < 540°$,

$$12\sin^2 x + 7\cos x - 13 = 0$$

Give your answers to one decimal place.

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(5)



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Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9	Uses $\sin^2 x = 1 - \cos^2 x \Rightarrow 12(1-\cos^2 x) + 7\cos x - 13 = 0$	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow 12\cos^2 x - 7\cos x + 1 = 0$	A1	1.1b
	Uses solution of quadratic to give $\cos x =$	M1	1.1b
	Uses inverse cosine on their values, giving two correct follow through values (see note)	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x =$ 430.5°, 435.5°	A1	1.1b
			(5 marks)



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Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

12. (a) Show that the equation

$$4\cos\theta - 1 = 2\sin\theta\tan\theta$$

can be written in the form

$$6\cos^2\theta - \cos\theta - 2 = 0$$

(4)

(b) Hence solve, for $0 \leqslant x < 90°$

$$4\cos 3x - 1 = 2\sin 3x\tan 3x$$

giving your answers, where appropriate, to one decimal place.
(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(4)



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AS 2018

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12 (a)	$4\cos\theta - 1 = 2\sin\theta \tan\theta \Rightarrow 4\cos\theta - 1 = 2\sin\theta \times \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$	M1	1.2
	$\Rightarrow 4\cos^2\theta - \cos\theta = 2\sin^2\theta$ oe	A1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 4\cos^2\theta - \cos\theta = 2\left(1 - \cos^2\theta\right)$	M1	1.1b
	$6\cos^2\theta - \cos\theta - 2 = 0$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	For attempting to solve given quadratic	M1	1.1b
	$(\cos 3x) = \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{2}$	B1	1.1b
	$x = \frac{1}{3}\arccos\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$ or $\frac{1}{3}\arccos\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$	M1	1.1b
	$x = 40°, 80°$, awrt $16.1°$	A1	2.2a
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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12. (a) Show that

$$\frac{10\sin^2\theta - 7\cos\theta + 2}{3 + 2\cos\theta} \equiv 4 - 5\cos\theta$$

(4)

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve, for $0 \leqslant x < 360°$, the equation

$$\frac{10\sin^2 x - 7\cos x + 2}{3 + 2\cos x} = 4 + 3\sin x$$

(3)



AS 2019

Question 12 (Total 7 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see		
(a)	$\dfrac{10\sin^2\theta - 7\cos\theta + 2}{3 + 2\cos\theta}$ $\equiv \dfrac{10(1-\cos^2\theta) - 7\cos\theta + 2}{3 + 2\cos\theta}$	M1	This mark is given for using the identity $\sin\theta = 1 - \cos^2\theta$ in the fraction
	$\equiv \dfrac{12 - 7\cos\theta - 10\cos^2\theta}{3 + 2\cos\theta}$	A1	This mark is given for finding a simplified expression in terms of cos θ only
	$\equiv \dfrac{(3 + 2\cos\theta)(4 - 5\cos\theta)}{3 + 2\cos\theta}$	M1	This mark is given for factorising the numerator of the expression
	$\equiv 4 - 5\cos\theta$	A1	This mark is given for a fully correct proof with correct notation and no errors.
(b)	$4 - 5\cos x = 4 + 3\sin x$ $\tan x = -\dfrac{5}{3}$	M1	This mark is given for substituting for the fraction and rearranging the equation, using $\dfrac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \tan x$
	$x = 121°$	A1	This mark is given for one correct value of x
	$x = 301°$	A1	This mark is given for the other correct value of x

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AS 2020

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

Figure 3 shows part of the curve with equation $y = 3\cos x°$.

The point $P(c, d)$ is a minimum point on the curve with c being the smallest negative value of x at which a minimum occurs.

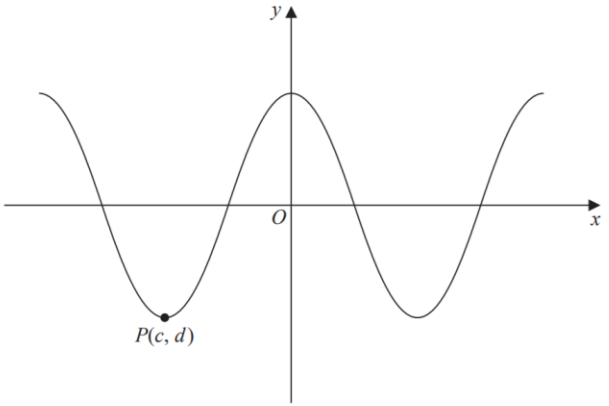


Figure 3

(a) State the value of c and the value of d.

(1)

(b) State the coordinates of the point to which P is mapped by the transformation which transforms the curve with equation $y = 3\cos x°$ to the curve with equation

(i) $y = 3\cos\left(\frac{x°}{4}\right)$

(ii) $y = 3\cos(x - 36)°$

(2)

(c) Solve, for $450° \leqslant \theta < 720°$,

$$3\cos\theta = 8\tan\theta$$

giving your solution to one decimal place.

In part (c) you must show all stages of your working.

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(5)



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AS 2020

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9 (a)	$(-180°, -3)$	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	(i) $(-720°, -3)$	B1ft	2.2a
	(ii) $(-144°, -3)$	B1 ft	2.2a
		(2)	
(c)	Attempts to use both $\tan\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$, $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$ and solves a quadratic equation in $\sin\theta$ to find at least one value of θ	M1	3.1a
	$3\cos\theta = 8\tan\theta \Rightarrow 3\cos^2\theta = 8\sin\theta$	B1	1.1b
	$3\sin^2\theta + 8\sin\theta - 3 = 0$ $(3\sin\theta - 1)(\sin\theta + 3) = 0$	M1	1.1b
	$\sin\theta = \frac{1}{3}$	A1	2.2a
	awrt $520.5°$ only	A1	2.1
		(5)	
			(8 marks)



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12. **In this question you should show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(i) Solve, for $0 < \theta \leqslant 450°$, the equation

$$5\cos^2\theta = 6\sin\theta$$

giving your answers to one decimal place.

(5)



12 (i)	Uses $\cos^2\theta = 1-\sin^2\theta$ $5\cos^2\theta = 6\sin\theta \Rightarrow 5\sin^2\theta + 6\sin\theta - 5 = 0$	M1 A1	1.2 1.1b
	$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \dfrac{-3+\sqrt{34}}{5} \Rightarrow \theta = ...$	dM1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow \theta = 34.5°, 145.5°, 394.5°$	A1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
		(5)	



(ii) (a) A student's attempt to solve the question

"Solve, for $-90° < x < 90°$, the equation $3\tan x - 5\sin x = 0$"

is set out below.

$$3\tan x - 5\sin x = 0$$

$$3\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} - 5\sin x = 0$$

$$3\sin x - 5\sin x\cos x = 0$$

$$3 - 5\cos x = 0$$

$$\cos x = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$x = 53.1°$$

Identify two errors or omissions made by this student, giving a brief explanation of each.

(2)

The first four positive solutions, in order of size, of the equation

$$\cos(5\alpha + 40°) = \frac{3}{5}$$

are α_1, α_2, α_3 and α_4

(b) Find, to the nearest degree, the value of α_4

(2)



(ii) (a)	One of • They cancel by $\sin x$ (and hence they miss the solution $\sin x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$) • They do not find all the solutions of $\cos x = \frac{3}{5}$ (in the given range) or they missed the solution $x = -53.1°$	B1	2.3
	Both of the above	B1	2.3
		(2)	
(ii) (b)	Sets $5\alpha + 40° = 720° - 53.1°$	M1	3.1a
	$\alpha = 125°$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	



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Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

13. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Show that

$$\frac{1}{\cos\theta} + \tan\theta \equiv \frac{\cos\theta}{1-\sin\theta} \qquad \theta \neq (2n+1)90° \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(3)

Given that $\cos 2x \neq 0$

(b) solve for $0 < x < 90°$

$$\frac{1}{\cos 2x} + \tan 2x = 3\cos 2x$$

giving your answers to one decimal place.

(5)



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Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

13(a)	$\frac{1}{\cos\theta}+\tan\theta=\frac{1+\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$ or $\frac{(1+\sin\theta)\cos\theta}{\cos^2\theta}$		M1
	$=\frac{1+\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}\times\frac{1-\sin\theta}{1-\sin\theta}=\frac{1-\sin^2\theta}{\cos\theta(1-\sin\theta)}=\frac{\cos^2\theta}{\cos\theta(1-\sin\theta)}$ or $\frac{(1+\sin\theta)\cos\theta}{\cos^2\theta}=\frac{(1+\sin\theta)\cos\theta}{1-\sin^2\theta}=\frac{(1+\sin\theta)\cos\theta}{(1+\sin\theta)(1-\sin\theta)}$		dM1
	$=\frac{\cos\theta}{1-\sin\theta}$*		A1*
			(3)
(b)	$\frac{1}{\cos 2x}+\tan 2x=3\cos 2x$ $\Rightarrow 1+\sin 2x=3\cos^2 2x=3(1-\sin^2 2x)$	$\frac{\cos 2x}{1-\sin 2x}=3\cos 2x$ $\Rightarrow \cos 2x=3\cos 2x(1-\sin 2x)$	M1
	$\Rightarrow 3\sin^2 2x+\sin 2x-2=0$	$\Rightarrow \cos 2x(2-3\sin 2x)=0$	A1
	$\sin 2x=\frac{2}{3},\ (-1)\Rightarrow 2x=\ldots\Rightarrow x=\ldots$		M1
	$x=20.9°,\ 69.1°$		A1 A1
			(5)



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12. **In this question you must show detailed reasoning.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Show that the equation

$$4\tan x = 5\cos x$$

can be written as

$$5\sin^2 x + 4\sin x - 5 = 0$$

(3)

(b) Hence solve, for $0 < x \leqslant 360°$

$$4\tan x = 5\cos x$$

giving your answers to one decimal place.

(4)

(c) Hence find the **number of solutions** of the equation

$$4\tan 3x = 5\cos 3x$$

in the interval $0 < x \leqslant 1800°$, explaining briefly the reason for your answer.

(2)



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Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

12(a)	States or uses $\tan x = \dfrac{\sin x}{\cos x}$	B1	1.2
	$4\sin x = 5\cos^2 x \Rightarrow 4\sin x = 5\left(1-\sin^2 x\right)$	M1	1.1b
	$5\sin^2 x + 4\sin x - 5 = 0$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	Attempts to solve $5\sin^2 x+4\sin x-5=0 \Rightarrow \sin x = ...$	M1	1.1b
	$\sin x = \dfrac{-2 \pm \sqrt{29}}{5}$ $\left(\sin x = \text{awrt } 0.677\right)$	A1	1.1b
	Takes $\sin^{-1}$ leading to at least one answer in the range	dM1	1.1b
	$x = \text{awrt } 42.6\{°\}$ and $x = \text{awrt } 137.4\{°\}$ only	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	$15 \times "2" = 30$ following through on their "2"	B1ft	2.2a
	Explains either "mathematically" by stating $3 \times 5 \times$ their number in range 0 to 360° or 'in words" e.g., stating $3 \times$"2" values every 360° and 5 lots of 360°	B1ft	2.4
		(2)	

(9 marks)



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13. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Show that the equation

$$\sin\theta(7\sin\theta - 4\cos\theta) = 4$$

can be written as

$$3\tan^2\theta - 4\tan\theta - 4 = 0$$

(4)

(b) Hence solve, for $0 < x < 360°$

$$\sin x(7\sin x - 4\cos x) = 4$$

giving your answers to one decimal place.

(4)

(c) Hence find the smallest solution of the equation

$$\sin 4\alpha(7\sin 4\alpha - 4\cos 4\alpha) = 4$$

in the range $720° < \alpha < 1080°$, giving your answer to one decimal place.

(1)



13(a)	$7\sin^2\theta - 4\sin\theta\cos\theta = 4$ $\Rightarrow 7\tan^2\theta - 4\tan\theta = \dfrac{4}{\cos^2\theta}$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 3\tan^2\theta - 4\tan\theta + \dfrac{4\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta} - \dfrac{4}{\cos^2\theta} = 0$	dM1	1.1b
	$\dfrac{4\sin^2\theta - 4}{\cos^2\theta} = -4\dfrac{\cos^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta} = -4 \Rightarrow 3\tan^2\theta - 4\tan\theta - 4 = 0$ *	ddM1 A1*	2.1 1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	Roots: $-\dfrac{2}{3}$, 2	B1	1.1b
	$\tan^{-1}\left("-\dfrac{2}{3}"\right) = \ldots$ or $\tan^{-1}("2") = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	Two of awrt 63, awrt 146, awrt 243, awrt 326	A1	1.1b
	All four of awrt 63.4, awrt 146.3, awrt 243.4, awrt 326.3	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	awrt 735.9	B1	2.2a
		(1)	

(9 marks)



A2 SAMs Paper 2

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

2. Some A level students were given the following question.

Solve, for $-90° < \theta < 90°$, the equation

$$\cos \theta = 2 \sin \theta$$

The attempts of two of the students are shown below.

Student *A*

$\cos \theta = 2 \sin \theta$

$\tan \theta = 2$

$\theta = 63.4°$

Student *B*

$\cos \theta = 2 \sin \theta$

$\cos^2 \theta = 4 \sin^2 \theta$

$1 - \sin^2 \theta = 4\sin^2 \theta$

$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{5}$

$\sin \theta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$

$\theta = \pm 26.6°$

(a) Identify an error made by student *A*.

(1)

Student *B* gives $\theta = -26.6°$ as one of the answers to $\cos \theta = 2 \sin \theta$.

(b) (i) Explain why this answer is incorrect.

(ii) Explain how this incorrect answer arose.

(2)



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A2 SAMs Paper 2

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2(a)	Identifies an error for student A: They use $\frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} = \tan\theta$ It should be $\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = \tan\theta$	B1	2.3
		(1)	
(b)	(i) Shows $\cos(-26.6°) \neq 2\sin(-26.6°)$, so cannot be a solution	B1	2.4
	(ii) Explains that the incorrect answer was introduced by squaring	B1	2.4
		(2)	
			(3 marks)



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A2 SAMs Paper 2

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

12. (a) Solve, for $-180° \leqslant x < 180°$, the equation

$$3\sin^2 x + \sin x + 8 = 9\cos^2 x$$

giving your answers to 2 decimal places.

(6)

(b) Hence find the smallest positive solution of the equation

$$3\sin^2(2\theta - 30°) + \sin(2\theta - 30°) + 8 = 9\cos^2(2\theta - 30°)$$

giving your answer to 2 decimal places.

(2)



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A2 SAMs Paper 2

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12(a)	Uses $\cos^2 x = 1-\sin^2 x \Rightarrow 3\sin^2 x+\sin x+8=9\left(1-\sin^2 x\right)$	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow 12\sin^2 x+\sin x-1=0$	A1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow \left(4\sin x-1\right)\left(3\sin x+1\right)=0$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow \sin x=\frac{1}{4},-\frac{1}{3}$	A1	1.1b
	Uses arcsin to obtain two correct values	M1	1.1b
	All four of $x=14.48°, 165.52°, -19.47°, -160.53°$	A1	1.1b
		(6)	
(b)	Attempts $2\theta-30°=-19.47°$	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow \theta=5.26°$	A1ft	1.1b
		(2)	
			(8 marks)



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A2 2018 Paper 1

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

8. The depth of water, D metres, in a harbour on a particular day is modelled by the formula

$$D = 5 + 2\sin(30t)° \qquad 0 \leqslant t < 24$$

where t is the number of hours after midnight.

A boat enters the harbour at 6:30 am and it takes 2 hours to load its cargo.
The boat requires the depth of water to be at least 3.8 metres before it can leave the harbour.

(a) Find the depth of the water in the harbour when the boat enters the harbour.

(1)

(b) Find, to the nearest minute, the earliest time the boat can leave the harbour.
(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(4)



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A2 2018 Paper 1

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8 (a)	$D = 5 + 2\sin(30 \times 6.5)° = \text{awrt } 4.48\,\text{m}$ with units	B1	3.4
		(1)	
(b)	$3.8 = 5 + 2\sin(30t)° \Rightarrow \sin(30t)° = -0.6$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$t = 10.77$	dM1	3.1a
	10:46 a.m. or 10:47 a.m.	A1	3.2a
		(4)	
			(5 marks)



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A2 2023 Paper 1

Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

13. On a roller coaster ride, passengers travel in carriages around a track.

On the ride, carriages complete multiple circuits of the track such that

- the maximum vertical height of a carriage above the ground is 60 m
- a carriage starts a circuit at a vertical height of 2 m above the ground
- the ground is horizontal

The vertical height, H m, of a carriage above the ground, t seconds after the carriage starts the first circuit, is modelled by the equation

$$H = a - b(t - 20)^2$$

where a and b are positive constants.

(a) Find a complete equation for the model.

(3)

(b) Use the model to determine the height of the carriage above the ground when $t = 40$

(1)

In an alternative model, the vertical height, H m, of a carriage above the ground, t seconds after the carriage starts the first circuit, is given by

$$H = 29\cos(9t + \alpha)° + \beta \qquad 0 \leqslant \alpha < 360°$$

where α and β are constants.

(c) Find a complete equation for the alternative model.

(2)

Given that the carriage moves continuously for 2 minutes,

(d) give a reason why the alternative model would be more appropriate.

(1)



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Trigonometry – Identities and Equations

13(a)	$a = 60$	B1	3.1b
	$2 = "60" - b(-20)^2 \Rightarrow b = ...$	M1	3.4
	$H = 60 - 0.145(t - 20)^2$	A1	3.3
		(3)	
(b)	Height = 2 m	B1	3.4
		(1)	
(c)	$\alpha = 180$ or $\beta = 31$	M1	3.4
	$H = 29\cos(9t + 180)° + 31$	A1	3.3
		(2)	
(d)	e.g. "The model allows for more than one circuit"	B1	3.5a
		(1)	
			(7 marks)



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Vectors



3. Given that the point A has position vector $3\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j}$ and the point B has position vector $8\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$,

(a) find the vector $\overrightarrow{AB}$

(2)

(b) Find $|\overrightarrow{AB}|$. Give your answer as a simplified surd.

(2)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3(a)	Attempts $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA}$ or similar	M1	1.1b
	$\overrightarrow{AB} = 5\mathbf{i} + 10\mathbf{j}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Finds length using 'Pythagoras' $\lvert AB \rvert = \sqrt{(5)^2 + (10)^2}$	M1	1.1b
	$\lvert AB \rvert = 5\sqrt{5}$	A1ft	1.1b
		(2)	
			(4 marks)



3. Given that the point A has position vector $4\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j}$ and the point B has position vector $-5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}$,

(a) find the vector $\overrightarrow{AB}$,

(2)

(b) find $|\overrightarrow{AB}|$.

Give your answer as a simplified surd.

(2)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3(a)	Attempts $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA}$ or similar	M1	1.1b
	$\overrightarrow{AB} = -9\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Finds length using 'Pythagoras' $\lvert AB \rvert = \sqrt{(-9)^2 + (3)^2}$	M1	1.1b
	$\lvert AB \rvert = 3\sqrt{10}$	A1ft	1.1b
		(2)	
			(4 marks)



16. (i) Two non-zero vectors, $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$, are such that

$$|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}| = |\mathbf{a}| + |\mathbf{b}|$$

Explain, geometrically, the significance of this statement.

(1)

(ii) Two different vectors, $\mathbf{m}$ and $\mathbf{n}$, are such that $|\mathbf{m}| = 3$ and $|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{n}| = 6$
The angle between vector $\mathbf{m}$ and vector $\mathbf{n}$ is 30°

Find the angle between vector $\mathbf{m}$ and vector $\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{n}$, giving your answer, in degrees, to one decimal place.

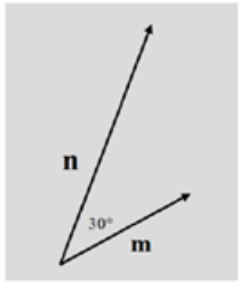
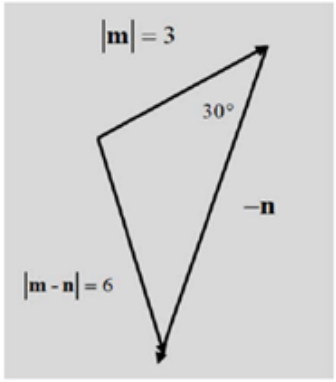
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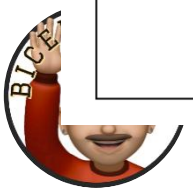


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Vectors

Question 16 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(i)	**a** and **b** lie in the same direction	B1	This mark is given for a valid explanation
(ii)	 	M1	This mark is given for showing the vector problem graphically (may be implied)
	$\frac{\sin 30°}{6} = \frac{\sin \theta}{3}$ $\sin \theta = \frac{1.5}{6} = \frac{1}{4}$	M1	This mark is given for using the sine rule as a method to find the angle between $-\mathbf{n}$ and $\mathbf{n} - \mathbf{m}$
	$\theta = 14.5°$	A1	This mark is given for finding the the angle between $-\mathbf{n}$ and $\mathbf{n} - \mathbf{m}$
	Angle between **m** and **m** – **n** $= (180 - 30 - 14.5) = 135.5°$	A1	This mark is given for the angle between vector **m** and vector **m** – **n**



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2. [*In this question the unit vectors* **i** *and* **j** *are due east and due north respectively.*]

A coastguard station O monitors the movements of a small boat.

At 10:00 the boat is at the point $(4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j})$ km relative to O.

At 12:45 the boat is at the point $(-3\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j})$ km relative to O.

The motion of the boat is modelled as that of a particle moving in a straight line at constant speed.

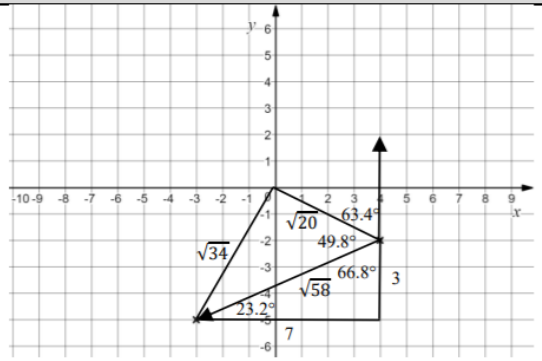
(a) Calculate the bearing on which the boat is moving, giving your answer in degrees to one decimal place.

(3)

(b) Calculate the speed of the boat, giving your answer in km h^{-1}

(3)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2(a)			
	Attempts to find an "allowable" angle Eg $\tan\theta = \frac{7}{3}$	M1	1.1b
	A full attempt to find the bearing Eg $180° + "67°"$	dM1	3.1b
	Bearing = awrt 246.8°	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Attempts to find the distance travelled = $\sqrt{(4--3)^2+(-2+5)^2} = (\sqrt{58})$	M1	1.1b
	Attempts to find the speed = $\frac{\sqrt{58}}{2.75}$	dM1	3.1b
	= awrt 2.77 km h^{-1}	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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4. [*In this question the unit vectors* **i** *and* **j** *are due east and due north respectively.*]

A stone slides horizontally across ice.

Initially the stone is at the point $A(-24\mathbf{i} - 10\mathbf{j})$ m relative to a fixed point O.

After 4 seconds the stone is at the point $B(12\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j})$ m relative to the fixed point O.

The motion of the stone is modelled as that of a particle moving in a straight line at constant speed.

Using the model,

(a) prove that the stone passes through O,

(2)

(b) calculate the speed of the stone.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4(a)	Attempts to compare the two position vectors. Allow an attempt using two of $\overrightarrow{AO}, \overrightarrow{OB}$ or $\overrightarrow{AB}$ E.g. $(-24\mathbf{i}-10\mathbf{j})=-2\times(12\mathbf{i}+5\mathbf{j})$	M1	1.1b
	Explains that as $\overrightarrow{AO}$ is parallel to $\overrightarrow{OB}$ (and the stone is travelling in a straight line) the stone passes through the point O.	A1	
		(2)	
(b)	Attempts distance $AB=\sqrt{(12+24)^2+(10+5)^2}$	M1	
	Attempts speed $=\dfrac{\sqrt{(12+24)^2+(10+5)^2}}{4}$	dM1	
	Speed $=$ 9.75 ms^{-1}	A1	
		(3)	
			(5
Alt(a)	Attempts to find the equation of the line which passes through A and B E.g. $y-5=\dfrac{5+10}{12+24}(x-12)$ $\quad(y=\dfrac{5}{12}x)$	M1	
	Shows that when $x=0,\ y=0$ and concludes the stone passes through the point O.	A1	

Notes

(a)

M1: Attempts to compare the two position vectors. Allow an attempt using two of $\overrightarrow{AO}, \overrightarrow{OB}$ or $\overrightarrow{AB}$ either way around.
E.g. States that $(-24\mathbf{i}-10\mathbf{j})=-2\times(12\mathbf{i}+5\mathbf{j})$
Alternatively, allow an attempt finding the gradient using any two of AO, OB or AB

Alternatively attempts to find the equation of the line through A and B proceeding as far as $y=...x$ Condone sign slips.

A1: States that as $\overrightarrow{AO}$ is parallel to $\overrightarrow{OB}$ or as AO is parallel to OB (and the stone is travelling in a straight line) the stone passes through the point O. Alternatively, shows that the point $(0,0)$ is on the line and concludes (the stone) passes through the point O.

(b)

M1: Attempts to find the distance AB using a correct method.
Condone slips but expect to see an attempt at $\sqrt{a^2+b^2}$ where a or b is correct

dM1: Dependent upon the previous mark. Look for an attempt at $\dfrac{\text{distance } AB}{4}$

A1: 9.75 ms^{-1} Requires units



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3. The triangle PQR is such that $\overrightarrow{PQ} = 3\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j}$ and $\overrightarrow{PR} = 13\mathbf{i} - 15\mathbf{j}$

(a) Find $\overrightarrow{QR}$

(2)

(b) Hence find $|\overrightarrow{QR}|$ giving your answer as a simplified surd.

(2)

The point S lies on the line segment QR so that $QS : SR = 3 : 2$

(c) Find $\overrightarrow{PS}$

(2)



3(a)	$\overrightarrow{QR} = \overrightarrow{PR} - \overrightarrow{PQ} = 13\mathbf{i} - 15\mathbf{j} - (3\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j})$	M1
	$= 10\mathbf{i} - 20\mathbf{j}$	A1
		(2)
(b)	$\left\lvert \overrightarrow{QR} \right\rvert = \sqrt{"10"^2 + "(-20)"^2}$	M1
	$= 10\sqrt{5}$	A1ft
		(2)
(c)	$\overrightarrow{PS} = \overrightarrow{PQ} + \frac{3}{5}\overrightarrow{QR} = 3\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} + \frac{3}{5}("10\mathbf{i} - 20\mathbf{j}") = \ldots$ or $\overrightarrow{PS} = \overrightarrow{PR} + \frac{2}{5}\overrightarrow{RQ} = 13\mathbf{i} - 15\mathbf{j} + \frac{2}{5}("-10\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j}") = \ldots$	M1
	$= 9\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j}$	A1
		(2)



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13. Relative to a fixed origin O

- point A has position vector $10\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$
- point B has position vector $-8\mathbf{i} + 9\mathbf{j}$
- point C has position vector $-2\mathbf{i} + p\mathbf{j}$ where p is a constant

(a) Find $\overrightarrow{AB}$

(2)

(b) Find $\left|\overrightarrow{AB}\right|$ giving your answer as a fully simplified surd.

(2)

Given that points A, B and C lie on a straight line,

(c) (i) find the value of p,

(ii) state the ratio of the area of triangle AOC to the area of triangle AOB.

(3)



13 (a)	$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA} = (-8\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}) - (10\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j})$	M1	1.1b
	$= -18\mathbf{i}+12\mathbf{j}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$\left\|\overrightarrow{AB}\right\| = \sqrt{"18"^2+"12"^2}\ \{=\sqrt{468}\}$	M1	1.1b
	$= 6\sqrt{13}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	For the key step in using the fact that BCA forms a straight line in an attempt to find "p" $\overrightarrow{AB} = \lambda\overrightarrow{BC} \Rightarrow -18\mathbf{i}+12\mathbf{j} = 6\lambda\mathbf{i}+\lambda(p-9)\mathbf{j}$ with components equated leading to a value for λ and to $p =$ …	M1	2.1
	(i) $p = 5$	A1	1.1b
	(ii) ratio = 2: 3	B1 (A1 on EPEN)	2.2a
		(3)	

(7 marks)



3. Relative to a fixed origin O,

- point P has position vector $9\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}$
- point Q has position vector $3\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j}$

(a) Find $\overrightarrow{PQ}$

(2)

Given that R is the point such that $\overrightarrow{QR} = 9\mathbf{i} + 18\mathbf{j}$

(b) show that angle $PQR = 90°$

(2)

Given also that S is the point such that $\overrightarrow{PS} = 3\overrightarrow{QR}$

(c) find the exact area of $PQRS$

(4)



3(a)	$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (3-9)\mathbf{i} + (-5+8)\mathbf{j}$	M1	1.1a
	$= -6\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Gradient of $PQ = \frac{-5--8}{3-9}\left(=-\frac{1}{2}\right)$ and Gradient of $QR = \frac{18}{9}(=2)$ or $\left\|\overrightarrow{PQ}\right\| = \sqrt{"(-6)^{2}+"3^{2}}$ $\left(=3\sqrt{5}\right)$ and $\left\|\overrightarrow{QR}\right\| = \sqrt{9^{2}+18^{2}}$ $(=9\sqrt{5})$ and $\left\|\overrightarrow{PR}\right\| = \sqrt{"3^{2}+"21^{2}}$ $(=15\sqrt{2})$	M1	3.1a
	e.g. shows that $-\frac{1}{2}\times 2 = -1$ and deduces angle $PQR = 90°$ * or e.g. shows $\left\|\overrightarrow{PQ}\right\|^{2} + \left\|\overrightarrow{QR}\right\|^{2} = \left\|\overrightarrow{PR}\right\|^{2}$ and deduces angle $PQR = 90°$ *	A1*	2.4
		(2)	
(c)	Attempts to find the length PQ and at least one of QR or PS using Pythagoras' Theorem correctly e.g. $\left\|\overrightarrow{PQ}\right\| = \sqrt{"(-6)^{2}+"3^{2}}$ **and** **either** $\left\|\overrightarrow{QR}\right\| = \sqrt{9^{2}+18^{2}}$ **or** $\left\|\overrightarrow{PS}\right\| = \sqrt{"27^{2}+"54^{2}}$	M1	2.1
	$\left\|\overrightarrow{PQ}\right\| = "\sqrt{45}"$ $\left(=3\sqrt{5}\right)$ **and** **either** $\left\|\overrightarrow{QR}\right\| = \sqrt{405}$ $\left(=9\sqrt{5}\right)$ **or** $\left\|\overrightarrow{PS}\right\| = 27\sqrt{5}$	A1ft	1.1b
	e.g. Area $= \frac{1}{2}\times\left("9\sqrt{5}"+"27\sqrt{5}"\right)\times"\sqrt{45}"$ or $\frac{1}{2}\times 4\times"9\sqrt{5}"\times"3\sqrt{5}"$	dM1	3.1a
	$= 270$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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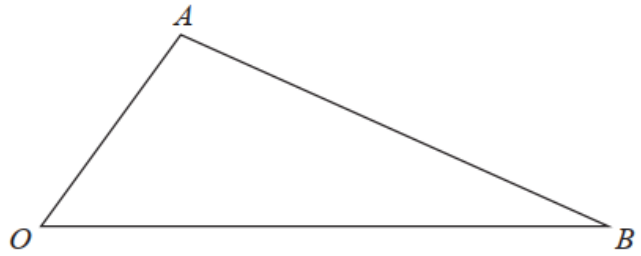


Figure 7

Figure 7 shows a sketch of triangle OAB.

The point C is such that $\overrightarrow{OC} = 2\overrightarrow{OA}$.

The point M is the midpoint of AB.

The straight line through C and M cuts OB at the point N.

Given $\overrightarrow{OA} = \mathbf{a}$ and $\overrightarrow{OB} = \mathbf{b}$

(a) Find $\overrightarrow{CM}$ in terms of $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$

(2)

(b) Show that $\overrightarrow{ON} = \left(2 - \frac{3}{2}\lambda\right)\mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}\lambda\mathbf{b}$, where λ is a scalar constant.

(2)

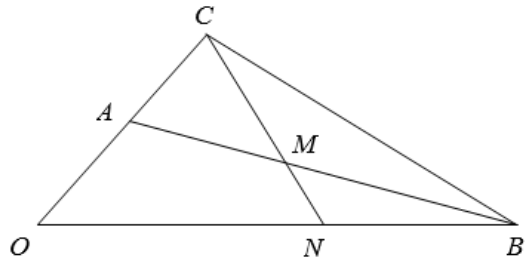
(c) Hence prove that $ON : NB = 2 : 1$

(2)

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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
			
(a)	$\overrightarrow{CM} = \overrightarrow{CA} + \overrightarrow{AM} = \overrightarrow{CA} + \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{AB}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find an expression for $\overrightarrow{CM}$
	$\overrightarrow{CM} = -\mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}) = -\frac{3}{2}\mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}$	A1	This mark is given for a correct expression for $\overrightarrow{CM}$ in terms of **a** and **b**
(b)	$\overrightarrow{ON} = \overrightarrow{OC} + \overrightarrow{CN} = \overrightarrow{OC} + \lambda\overrightarrow{CM}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find an expression for $\overrightarrow{ON}$
	$\overrightarrow{ON} = 2\mathbf{a} + \lambda\left(-\frac{3}{2}\mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}\right)$ $= \left(2 - \frac{3}{2}\lambda\right)\mathbf{a} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\lambda\right)\mathbf{b}$	A1	This mark is given for a correct expression for $\overrightarrow{ON}$ in terms of **a** and **b**
(c)	$\left(2 - \frac{3}{2}\lambda\right) = 0$ so $\lambda = \frac{4}{3}$	M1	This mark is given for deducing that the coefficient of **a** = 0 and finding a value for λ
	$\overrightarrow{ON} = 0 \times \mathbf{a} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{b}$ Hence $ON:NB = \frac{2}{3} : \frac{1}{3} = 2:1$	A1	This mark is given for finding $\overrightarrow{ON}$ and giving a valid conclusion

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2. Relative to a fixed origin, points P, Q and R have position vectors $\mathbf{p}$, $\mathbf{q}$ and $\mathbf{r}$ respectively.

Given that

- P, Q and R lie on a straight line
- Q lies one third of the way from P to R

show that

$$\mathbf{q} = \frac{1}{3}(\mathbf{r} + 2\mathbf{p})$$

(3)

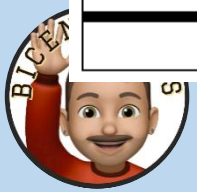


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Question Number	Scheme	Marks	AO's
2	Attempts any one of $\left(\pm\overrightarrow{PQ}=\right)\pm(\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{p}),\ \left(\pm\overrightarrow{PR}=\right)\pm(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{p}),\ \left(\pm\overrightarrow{QR}=\right)\pm(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{q})$ Or e.g. $\left(\pm\overrightarrow{PQ}=\right)\pm\left(\overrightarrow{OQ}-\overrightarrow{OP}\right),\ \left(\pm\overrightarrow{PR}=\right)\pm\left(\overrightarrow{OR}-\overrightarrow{OP}\right),\ \left(\pm\overrightarrow{QR}=\right)\pm\left(\overrightarrow{OR}-\overrightarrow{OQ}\right)$	M1	1.1b
	Attempts e.g. $\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{q}=2(\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{p})$ $\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{p}=3(\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{p})$ $\frac{2}{3}(\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{p})=\frac{1}{3}(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{q})$ $\mathbf{q}=\mathbf{p}+\frac{1}{3}(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{p})$ $\mathbf{q}=\mathbf{r}+\frac{2}{3}(\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{r})$	dM1	3.1a
	E.g. $\Rightarrow \mathbf{r}-\mathbf{q}=2\mathbf{q}-2\mathbf{p}\Rightarrow 2\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{r}=3\mathbf{q}\Rightarrow \mathbf{q}=\frac{1}{3}(\mathbf{r}+2\mathbf{p})*$	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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6. Relative to a fixed origin O,

- A is the point with position vector $12\mathbf{i}$
- B is the point with position vector $16\mathbf{j}$
- C is the point with position vector $(50\mathbf{i} + 136\mathbf{j})$
- D is the point with position vector $(22\mathbf{i} + 24\mathbf{j})$

(a) Show that AD is parallel to BC.

(2)

Points A, B, C and D are used to model the vertices of a running track in the shape of a quadrilateral.

Runners complete one lap by running along all four sides of the track.

The lengths of the sides are measured in metres.

Given that a particular runner takes exactly 5 minutes to complete 2 laps,

(b) calculate the average speed of this runner, giving the answer in kilometres per hour.

(4)



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6(a)	$\overrightarrow{AD} = 10\mathbf{i} + 24\mathbf{j}$ and $\overrightarrow{BC} = 50\mathbf{i} + 120\mathbf{j}$	**M1**	1.1b
	$\overrightarrow{AD} = \frac{1}{5}\overrightarrow{BC}$ therefore AD is parallel to BC *	**A1*cso**	2.2a
		(2)	
(b)	Attempt to find at least two lengths between AB, BC, CD and AD $\left\|\overrightarrow{BC}\right\| = \sqrt{50^2 + 120^2} = 130, \quad \left\|\overrightarrow{DA}\right\| = \sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} = 26$	**M1**	1.1b
	$\left\|\overrightarrow{AB}\right\| = \sqrt{12^2 + 16^2} = 20, \quad \left\|\overrightarrow{CD}\right\| = \sqrt{28^2 + 112^2} = 28\sqrt{17}$ (awrt 115 m)	**A1**	1.1b
	Average speed $= \dfrac{2\left(26+130+20+28\sqrt{17}\right)/1000}{5/60}$	**dM1**	3.1b
	awrt $= 6.99$ (km/h)	**A1**	3.2a
		(4)	
			(6 marks)



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Differentiation



2. The curve C has equation

$$y = 2x^2 - 12x + 16$$

Find the gradient of the curve at the point P (5, 6).

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(4)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2	Attempt to differentiate	M1	1.1a
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x - 12$	A1	1.1b
	Substitutes $x = 5 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 8$	A1ft	1.1b
			(4 marks)



6. Prove, from first principles, that the derivative of $3x^2$ is $6x$.

(4)



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Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6	Considers $\dfrac{3(x+h)^2-3x^2}{h}$	B1	2.1
	Expands $3(x+h)^2 = 3x^2+6xh+3h^2$	M1	1.1b
	So gradient $= \dfrac{6xh+3h^2}{h} = 6x+3h$ or $\dfrac{6x\delta x+3(\delta x)^2}{\delta x} = 6x+3\delta x$	A1	1.1b
	States as $h \to 0$, gradient $\to 6x$ so in the limit derivative $= 6x$ *	A1*	2.5
			(4 marks)



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15.

Diagram not drawn to scale

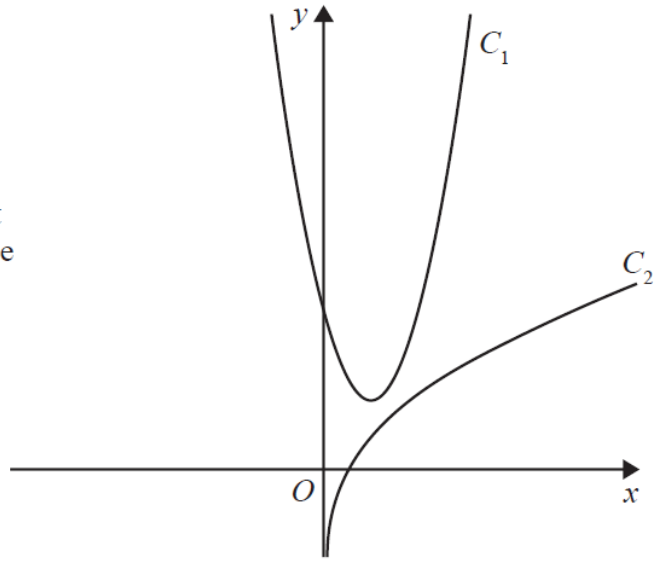


Figure 3

The curve C_1, shown in Figure 3, has equation $y = 4x^2 - 6x + 4$.

The point $P\left(\frac{1}{2}, 2\right)$ lies on C_1

The curve C_2, also shown in Figure 3, has equation $y = \frac{1}{2}x + \ln(2x)$.

The normal to C_1 at the point P meets C_2 at the point Q.

Find the exact coordinates of Q.

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(8)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15	Finds $\frac{dy}{dx} = 8x - 6$	M1	3.1a
	Gradient of curve at P is -2	M1	1.1b
	Normal gradient is $-\frac{1}{m} = \frac{1}{2}$	M1	1.1b
	So equation of normal is $(y-2) = \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)$ or $4y = 2x+7$	A1	1.1b
	Eliminates y between $y = \frac{1}{2}x + \ln(2x)$ and their normal equation to give an equation in x	M1	3.1a
	Solves their $\ln 2x = \frac{7}{4}$ so $x = \frac{1}{2}e^{\frac{7}{4}}$	M1	1.1b
	Substitutes to give value for y	M1	1.1b
	Point Q is $\left(\frac{1}{2}e^{\frac{7}{4}}, \frac{1}{4}e^{\frac{7}{4}} + \frac{7}{4}\right)$	A1	1.1b
			(8 marks)



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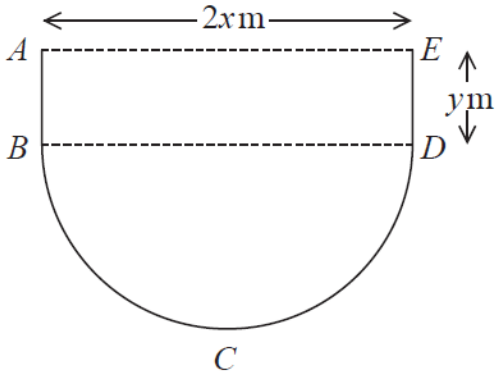


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows the plan view of the design for a swimming pool.

The shape of this pool $ABCDEA$ consists of a rectangular section $ABDE$ joined to a semicircular section BCD as shown in Figure 4.

Given that $AE = 2x$ metres, $ED = y$ metres and the area of the pool is $250\,\text{m}^2$,

(a) show that the perimeter, P metres, of the pool is given by

$$P = 2x + \frac{250}{x} + \frac{\pi x}{2}$$

(4)

(b) Explain why $0 < x < \sqrt{\frac{500}{\pi}}$

(2)

(c) Find the minimum perimeter of the pool, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(4)



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Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
16(a)	Sets $2xy+\frac{\pi x^2}{2}=250$	B1	2.1
	Obtain $y=\frac{250-\frac{\pi x^2}{2}}{2x}$ and substitute into P	M1	1.1b
	Use $P=2x+2y+\pi x$ with their y substituted	M1	2.1
	$P=2x+\frac{250}{x}-\frac{\pi x^2}{2x}+\pi x=2x+\frac{250}{x}+\frac{\pi x}{2}$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$x>0$ and $y>0$ (distance) $\Rightarrow \frac{250-\frac{\pi x^2}{2}}{2x}>0$ or $250-\frac{\pi x^2}{2}>0$ o.e.	M1	2.4
	As x and y are distances they are positive so $0<x<\sqrt{\frac{500}{\pi}}$ *	A1*	3.2a
		(2)	
(c)	Differentiates P with negative index correct in $\frac{dP}{dx}$; $x^{-1}\rightarrow x^{-2}$	M1	3.4
	$\frac{dP}{dx}=2-\frac{250}{x^2}+\frac{\pi}{2}$	A1	1.1b
	Sets $\frac{dP}{dx}=0$ and proceeds to $x=$	M1	1.1b
	Substitutes their x into $P=2x+\frac{250}{x}+\frac{\pi x}{2}$ to give perimeter = 59.8 M	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
		(10 marks)	



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8. A lorry is driven between London and Newcastle.

In a simple model, the cost of the journey £C when the lorry is driven at a steady speed of v kilometres per hour is

$$C = \frac{1500}{v} + \frac{2v}{11} + 60$$

(a) Find, according to this model,

(i) the value of v that minimises the cost of the journey,

(ii) the minimum cost of the journey.
(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(6)

(b) Prove by using $\frac{d^2C}{dv^2}$ that the cost is minimised at the speed found in (a)(i).

(2)

(c) State one limitation of this model.

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8 (a)(i)	$C = \frac{1500}{v} + \frac{2v}{11} + 60 \Rightarrow \frac{dC}{dv} = -\frac{1500}{v^2} + \frac{2}{11}$	M1 A1	3.1b 1.1b
	Sets $\frac{dC}{dv} = 0 \Rightarrow v^2 = 8250$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{8250} \Rightarrow v = 90.8\ (\text{km h}^{-1})$	A1	1.1b
(ii)	For substituting their $v = 90.8$ in $C = \frac{1500}{v} + \frac{2v}{11} + 60$	M1	3.4
	Minimum cost =awrt (£) 93	A1 ft	1.1b
		(6)	
(b)	Finds $\frac{d^2C}{dv^2} = +\frac{3000}{v^3}$ at $v = 90.8$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{d^2C}{dv^2} = (+0.004) > 0$ hence minimum (cost)	A1 ft	2.4
		(2)	
(c)	It would be impossible to drive at this speed over the whole journey	B1	3.5b
		(1)	
			(9 marks)



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10. Prove, from first principles, that the derivative of x^3 is $3x^2$

(4)



AS 2018

Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10	Considers $\dfrac{(x+h)^3-x^3}{h}$	B1	2.1
	Expands $(x+h)^3 = x^3+3x^2h+3xh^2+h^3$	M1	1.1b
	so gradient (of chord) $= \dfrac{3x^2h+3xh^2+h^3}{h} = 3x^2+3xh+h^2$	A1	1.1b
	States as $h \to 0$, $3x^2+3xh+h^2 \to 3x^2$ so derivative $= 3x^2$ *	A1*	2.5
			(4 marks)



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5. A curve has equation

$$y = 3x^2 + \frac{24}{x} + 2 \qquad x > 0$$

(a) Find, in simplest form, $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(3)

(b) Hence find the exact range of values of x for which the curve is increasing.

(2)



AS 2019

Differentiation

Question 5 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)		M1	This mark is given for recognising that x^n becomes x^{n-1} when differentiating
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x - \frac{24}{x^2}$	A1	This mark is given for one of the two terms $6x$ or $-\frac{24}{x^2}$ given correctly
		A1	This mark is given for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ given fully correct
(b)	$6x - \frac{24}{x^2} > 0$	M1	This mark is given for setting $\frac{dy}{dx}$ greater than 0 (allow ≥)
	$6x^3 - 24 > 0$ $x^3 - 4 > 0$ $x > \sqrt[3]{4}$	A1	This mark is given for the exact range of values of x for which the curve is increasing (allow ≥)



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1. A curve has equation

$$y = 2x^3 - 4x + 5$$

Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at the point $P(2, 13)$.

Write your answer in the form $y = mx + c$, where m and c are integers to be found.

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(5)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	Attempts to differentiate $x^n \rightarrow x^{n-1}$ seen once	M1	1.1b
	$y = 2x^3 - 4x + 5 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2 - 4$	A1	1.1b
	For substituting $x = 2$ into their $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2 - 4$	dM1	1.1b
	For a correct method of finding a tangent at $P(2,13)$. Score for $y - 13 = "20"(x - 2)$	ddM1	1.1b
	$y = 20x - 27$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(5 marks)



14. A curve has equation $y = g(x)$.

Given that

- $g(x)$ is a cubic expression in which the coefficient of x^3 is equal to the coefficient of x
- the curve with equation $y = g(x)$ passes through the origin
- the curve with equation $y = g(x)$ has a stationary point at $(2, 9)$

(a) find $g(x)$,

(7)

(b) prove that the stationary point at $(2, 9)$ is a maximum.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14 (a)	Deduces $g(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + ax$	B1	2.2a
	Uses $(2,9) \Rightarrow 9 = 8a + 4b + 2a$ $\Rightarrow 10a + 4b = 9$	M1 A1	2.1 1.1b
	Uses $g'(2) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 12a + 4b + a$ $\Rightarrow 13a + 4b = 0$	M1 A1	2.1 1.1b
	Solves simultaneously $\Rightarrow a, b$	dM1	1.1b
	$g(x) = -3x^3 + \frac{39}{4}x^2 - 3x$	A1	1.1b
		(7)	
(b)	Attempts $g''(x) = -18x + \frac{39}{2}$ and substitutes $x = 2$	M1	1.1b
	$g''(2) = -\frac{33}{2} < 0$ hence maximum	A1	2.4
		(2)	
			(9 marks)



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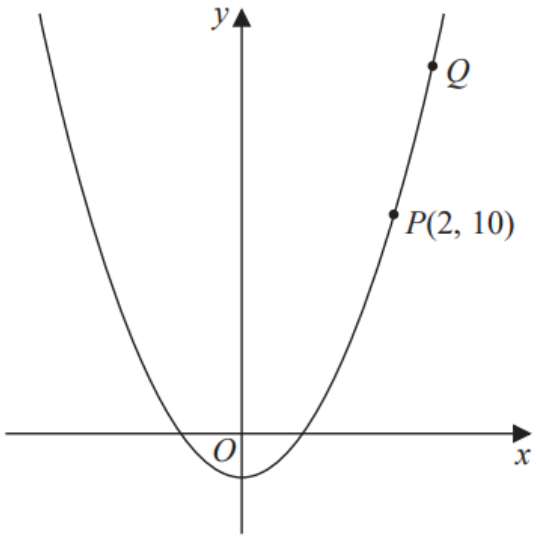


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows part of the curve with equation $y = 3x^2 - 2$

The point $P(2, 10)$ lies on the curve.

(a) Find the gradient of the tangent to the curve at P.

(2)

The point Q with x coordinate $2 + h$ also lies on the curve.

(b) Find the gradient of the line PQ, giving your answer in terms of h in simplest form.

(3)

(c) Explain briefly the relationship between part (b) and the answer to part (a).

(1)

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AS 2021

Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5(a)	Attempts to find the value of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at $x = 2$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x \Rightarrow$ gradient of tangent at P is 12	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Gradient $PQ = \frac{3(2+h)^2 - 2 - 10}{(2+h) - 2}$ oe	B1	1.1b
	$= \frac{3(2+h)^2 - 12}{(2+h) - 2} = \frac{12h + 3h^2}{h}$	M1	1.1b
	$= 12 + 3h$	A1	2.1
		(3)	
(c)	Explains that as $h \to 0$, $12 + 3h \to 12$ and states that the gradient of the chord tends to the gradient of (the tangent to) the curve	B1	2.4
		(1)	
			(6 marks)



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AS 2021

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***Note**: this question tests many skills from several different chapters, not just differentiation*

16. The curve C has equation $y = f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = ax^3 + 15x^2 - 39x + b$$

and a and b are constants.

Given

- the point (2, 10) lies on C
- the gradient of the curve at (2, 10) is –3

(a) (i) show that the value of a is –2

(ii) find the value of b.

(4)

(b) Hence show that C has no stationary points.

(3)

(c) Write $f(x)$ in the form $(x - 4)Q(x)$ where $Q(x)$ is a quadratic expression to be found.

(2)

(d) Hence deduce the coordinates of the points of intersection of the curve with equation

$$y = f(0.2x)$$

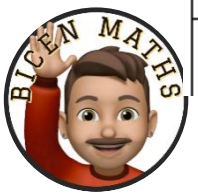
and the coordinate axes.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
16 (a) (i)	Uses $\frac{dy}{dx} = -3$ at $x = 2 \Rightarrow 12a + 60 - 39 = -3$	M1	1.1b
	Solves a correct equation and shows one correct intermediate step $12a + 60 - 39 = -3 \Rightarrow 12a = -24 \Rightarrow a = -2$ *	A1*	2.1
(a) (ii)	Uses the fact that $(2,10)$ lies on C $\quad 10 = 8a + 60 - 78 + b$	M1	3.1a
	Subs $a = -2$ into $10 = 8a + 60 - 78 + b \Rightarrow b = 44$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$f(x) = -2x^3 + 15x^2 - 39x + 44 \Rightarrow f'(x) = -6x^2 + 30x - 39$	B1	1.1b
	Attempts to show that $-6x^2 + 30x - 39$ has no roots Eg. calculates $b^2 - 4ac = 30^2 - 4 \times -6 \times -39 = -36$	M1	3.1a
	States that as $f'(x) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ hence $f(x)$ has no turning points *	A1*	2.4
		(3)	
(c)	$-2x^3 + 15x^2 - 39x + 44 \equiv (x-4)(-2x^2 + 7x - 11)$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
		(2)	
(d)	Deduces either intercept. $(0,44)$ or $(20,0)$	B1 ft	1.1b
	Deduces both intercepts $(0,44)$ and $(20,0)$	B1 ft	2.2a
		(2)	
			(11 marks)



12. A company makes drinks containers out of metal.

The containers are modelled as closed cylinders with base radius r cm and height h cm and the capacity of each container is 355 cm^3

The metal used

- for the circular base and the curved side costs 0.04 pence/cm^2
- for the circular top costs 0.09 pence/cm^2

Both metals used are of negligible thickness.

(a) Show that the total cost, C pence, of the metal for one container is given by

$$C = 0.13\pi r^2 + \frac{28.4}{r}$$

(4)

(b) Use calculus to find the value of r for which C is a minimum, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(4)

(c) Using $\frac{d^2C}{dr^2}$ prove that the cost is minimised for the value of r found in part (b).

(2)

(d) Hence find the minimum value of C, giving your answer to the nearest integer.

(2)



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12(a)	$V = \pi r^2 h = 355 \Rightarrow h = \dfrac{355}{\pi r^2}$ $\left(\text{or } rh = \dfrac{355}{\pi r} \text{ or } \pi rh = \dfrac{355}{r}\right)$	B1
	$C = 0.04\left(\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh\right) + 0.09\left(\pi r^2\right)$	M1
	$C = 0.13\pi r^2 + 0.08\pi rh = 0.13\pi r^2 + 0.08\pi r\left(\dfrac{355}{\pi r^2}\right)$	dM1
	$C = 0.13\pi r^2 + \dfrac{28.4}{r}$*	A1*
		(4)
(b)	$\dfrac{dC}{dr} = 0.26\pi r - \dfrac{28.4}{r^2}$	M1 A1
	$\dfrac{dC}{dr} = 0 \Rightarrow r^3 = \dfrac{28.4}{0.26\pi} \Rightarrow r = \ldots$	M1
	$r = \sqrt[3]{\dfrac{1420}{13\pi}} = 3.26\ldots$	A1
		(4)
(c)	$\left(\dfrac{d^2C}{dr^2} =\right) \ 0.26\pi + \dfrac{56.8}{r^3} = 0.26\pi + \dfrac{56.8}{"3.26"^3}$	M1
	$\left(\dfrac{d^2C}{dr^2} =\right) \ (2.45..) > 0$ Hence minimum (cost)	A1
		(2)
(d)	$C = 0.13\pi("3.26")^2 + \dfrac{28.4}{"3.26"}$	M1
	$(C =) 13$	A1
		(2)



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1. A curve has equation

$$y = \frac{2}{3}x^3 - \frac{7}{2}x^2 - 4x + 5$$

(a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ writing your answer in simplest form.

(2)

(b) Hence find the range of values of x for which y is decreasing.

(4)



1 (a)	$\left\{\frac{dy}{dx}=\right\}2x^2-7x-4$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Attempts to solve $\left\{\frac{dy}{dx}=\right\}2x^2-7x-4\ldots0$ e.g., $(2x+1)(x-4)=0$ leading to $x=\ldots$ and $x=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	Correct critical values $x=-\frac{1}{2},4$	A1	1.1b
	Chooses inside region for their critical values	dM1	1.1b
	Accept either $-\frac{1}{2}<x<4$ **or** $-\frac{1}{2}\leqslant x\leqslant 4$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	

(6 marks)



Figure 5 shows the plan view of the design for a swimming pool.

The pool is modelled as a quarter of a circle joined to two equal sized rectangles as shown.

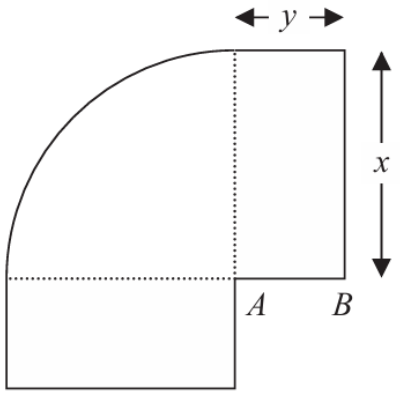


Figure 5

Given that

- the quarter circle has radius x metres
- the rectangles each have length x metres and width y metres
- the total surface area of the swimming pool is $100\,\text{m}^2$

(a) show that, according to the model, the perimeter P metres of the swimming pool is given by

$$P = 2x + \frac{200}{x}$$

(5)

(b) Use calculus to find the value of x for which P has a stationary value.

(4)

(c) Prove, by further calculus, that this value of x gives a minimum value for P

(2)

Access to the pool is by side AB shown in Figure 5.

Given that AB must be at least one metre,

(d) determine, according to the model, whether the swimming pool with the minimum perimeter would be suitable.

(2)



12(a)	(Surface area $=$) $2xy+\frac{\pi x^2}{4}$	B1	1.1b
	$2xy+\frac{\pi x^2}{4}=100 \Rightarrow y=\frac{400-\pi x^2}{8x}=\frac{50}{x}-\frac{\pi x}{8}$	M1	3.4
	$(P=)\ 2x+4y+\frac{2\pi x}{4}$	B1	1.1b
	$(P=)\ 2x+4\left(\frac{400-\pi x^2}{8x}\right)+\frac{2\pi x}{4}$	M1	3.4
	$P=2x+\frac{200}{x}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(5)	
(b)	$\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}P}{\mathrm{d}x}=\right)\ 2-200x^{-2}$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$2-200x^{-2}=0 \Rightarrow x=\ldots$	dM1	3.1b
	$x=10$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	$\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}^2P}{\mathrm{d}x^2}=\right)\text{"400"}\,x^{-3} \Rightarrow \text{"400"}\times 10^{-3}>0$	M1	1.1b
	e.g. $\frac{\mathrm{d}^2P}{\mathrm{d}x^2}(=0.4)>0$ hence minimum (perimeter)	A1	2.4
		(2)	
(d)	e.g. $y=\frac{400-\pi\times\text{"10"}^2}{8\times\text{"10"}}$	M1	3.4
	e.g. $y=1.07$ (m) so yes this would be suitable	A1	2.2a
		(2)	
		(13 marks)	



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A2 SAMs Paper 1

Differentiation

1. The curve C has equation

$$y = 3x^4 - 8x^3 - 3$$

(a) Find (i) $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(ii) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$

(3)

(b) Verify that C has a stationary point when $x = 2$

(2)

(c) Determine the nature of this stationary point, giving a reason for your answer.

(2)

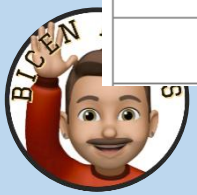


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Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1(a)	(i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 12x^3 - 24x^2$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	(ii) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 36x^2 - 48x$	A1ft	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Substitutes $x = 2$ into their $\frac{dy}{dx} = 12\times2^3 - 24\times2^2$	M1	1.1b
	Shows $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ and states "hence there is a stationary point"	A1	2.1
		(2)	
(c)	Substitutes $x = 2$ into their $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 36\times2^2 - 48\times2$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 48 > 0$ and states "hence the stationary point is a minimum"	A1ft	2.2a
		(2)	
			(7 marks)



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14. A company decides to manufacture a soft drinks can with a capacity of 500 ml.

The company models the can in the shape of a right circular cylinder with radius r cm and height h cm.

In the model they assume that the can is made from a metal of negligible thickness.

(a) Prove that the total surface area, S cm^2, of the can is given by

$$S = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{1000}{r}$$

(3)

Given that r can vary,

(b) find the dimensions of a can that has minimum surface area.

(5)

(c) With reference to the shape of the can, suggest a reason why the company may choose not to manufacture a can with minimum surface area.

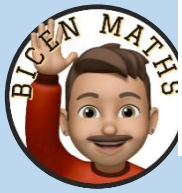
(1)



A2 SAMs Paper 2

Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14(a)	Sets $500 = \pi r^2 h$	B1	2.1
	Substitute $h = \frac{500}{\pi r^2}$ into $S = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r h = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r \times \frac{500}{\pi r^2}$	M1	2.1
	Simplifies to reach given answer $S = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{1000}{r}$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Differentiates S with both indices correct in $\frac{dS}{dr}$	M1	3.4
	$\frac{dS}{dr} = 4\pi r - \frac{1000}{r^2}$	A1	1.1b
	Sets $\frac{dS}{dr} = 0$ and proceeds to $r^3 = k, k$ is a constant	M1	2.1
	Radius $= 4.30\,\text{cm}$	A1	1.1b
	Substitutes their $r = 4.30$ into $h = \frac{500}{\pi r^2} \Rightarrow$ Height $= 8.60\,\text{cm}$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
(c)	States a valid reason such as • The radius is too big for the size of our hands • If $r = 4.3\,\text{cm}$ and $h = 8.6\,\text{cm}$ the can is square in profile. All drinks cans are taller than they are wide • The radius is too big for us to drink from • They have different dimensions to other drinks cans and would be difficult to stack on shelves with other drinks cans	B1	3.2a
		(1)	
			9 marks



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A2 2018 Paper 1

Differentiation

2. A curve C has equation

$$y = x^2 - 2x - 24\sqrt{x}, \qquad x > 0$$

(a) Find (i) $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$

(ii) $\dfrac{d^2y}{dx^2}$

(3)

(b) Verify that C has a stationary point when $x = 4$

(2)

(c) Determine the nature of this stationary point, giving a reason for your answer.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2(a)	(i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x - 2 - 12x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	(ii) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 + 6x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	B1ft	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Substitutes $x = 4$ into their $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2\times4 - 2 - 12\times4^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	Shows $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ and states "hence there is a stationary point" oe	A1	2.1
		(2)	
(c)	Substitutes $x = 4$ into their $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 + 6\times4^{-\frac{3}{2}} = (2.75)$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2.75 > 0$ and states "hence minimum"	A1ft	2.2a
		(2)	
			(7 marks)



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A2 2018 Paper 2

Differentiation

[A sphere of radius r has volume $\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ and surface area $4\pi r^2$]

A manufacturer produces a storage tank.

The tank is modelled in the shape of a hollow circular cylinder closed at one end with a hemispherical shell at the other end as shown in Figure 9.

The walls of the tank are assumed to have negligible thickness.

The cylinder has radius r metres and height h metres and the hemisphere has radius r metres.

The volume of the tank is $6\,m^3$.

(a) Show that, according to the model, the surface area of the tank, in m^2, is given by

$$\frac{12}{r} + \frac{5}{3}\pi r^2$$

(4)

The manufacturer needs to minimise the surface area of the tank.

(b) Use calculus to find the radius of the tank for which the surface area is a minimum.

(4)

(c) Calculate the minimum surface area of the tank, giving your answer to the nearest integer.

(2)

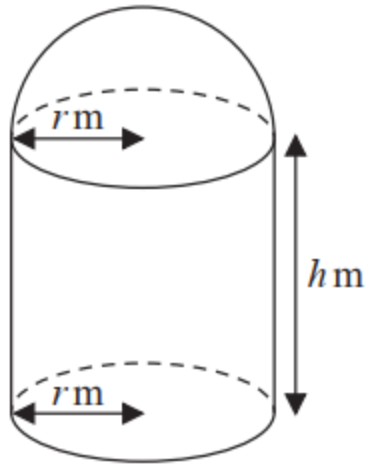


Figure 9



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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$6 = \pi r^2 h + \frac{2}{3}\pi r^3$	B1	This mark is given for a method to find the volume of the cylinder and the semi-hemisphere
	$A = 3\pi r^2 + 2\pi\left(\frac{6 - \frac{2}{3}\pi r^3}{\pi r}\right)$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find the surface area of the tank
		A1	This mark is given for finding an expression for the surface area of the tank
	$A = 3\pi r^2 + \frac{12}{r} - \frac{4\pi r^2}{3} = \frac{12}{r} + \frac{5\pi r^2}{3}$	A1	This mark is given for a fully correct proof to show the surface area of the tank as required
(b)	$A = \frac{12}{r} + \frac{5\pi r^2}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dr} = -\frac{12}{r^2} + \frac{10\pi r}{3}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to differentiate to find r
		A1	This mark is given for accurately differentiating to find r
	When $\frac{dA}{dr} = 0$, $-\frac{12}{r^2} + \frac{10\pi r}{3} = 0$ $r^3 = \frac{18}{5\pi}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to set $\frac{dA}{dr} = 0$ to find a value for r
	$r = 1.046$	A1	This mark is given for finding the radius for which the surface area is a minimum
(c)	$A = \frac{12}{1.046} + \frac{5\pi(1.046)^2}{3}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to substitute a value for r
	$A = 17\ \text{m}^2$	A1	This mark is given for correctly finding the minimum surface area of the tank (to the nearest integer)



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Differentiation

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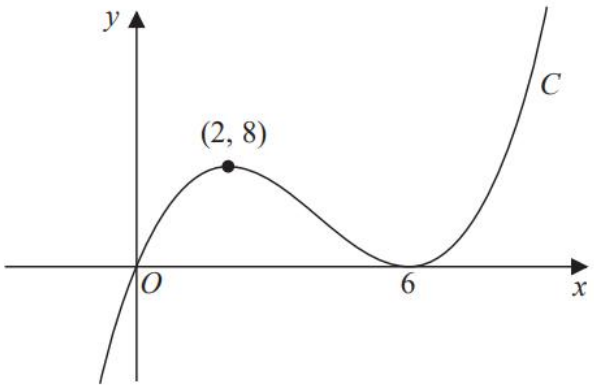


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of a curve C with equation $y = f(x)$ where $f(x)$ is a cubic expression in x.

The curve

- passes through the origin
- has a maximum turning point at $(2, 8)$
- has a minimum turning point at $(6, 0)$

(a) Write down the set of values of x for which

$$f'(x) < 0$$

(1)

The line with equation $y = k$, where k is a constant, intersects C at only one point.

(b) Find the set of values of k, giving your answer in set notation.

(2)

(c) Find the equation of C. You may leave your answer in factorised form.

(3)

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Differentiation

6 (a)	$2 < x < 6$	B1
		(1)
(b)	States either $k > 8$ or $k < 0$	M1
	States e.g. $\{k : k > 8\} \cup \{k : k < 0\}$	A1
		(2)
(c)	**Please see notes for alternatives**	
	States $y = ax(x-6)^2$ or $f(x) = ax(x-6)^2$	M1
	Substitutes $(2,8)$ into $y = ax(x-6)^2$ and attempts to find a	dM1
	$y = \frac{1}{4}x(x-6)^2$ or $f(x) = \frac{1}{4}x(x-6)^2$ o.e	A1
		(3)

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Differentiation

A company makes toys for children.

Figure 5 shows the design for a solid toy that looks like a piece of cheese.

The toy is modelled so that

- face ABC is a sector of a circle with radius r cm and centre A
- angle $BAC = 0.8$ radians
- faces ABC and DEF are congruent
- edges AD, CF and BE are perpendicular to faces ABC and DEF
- edges AD, CF and BE have length h cm

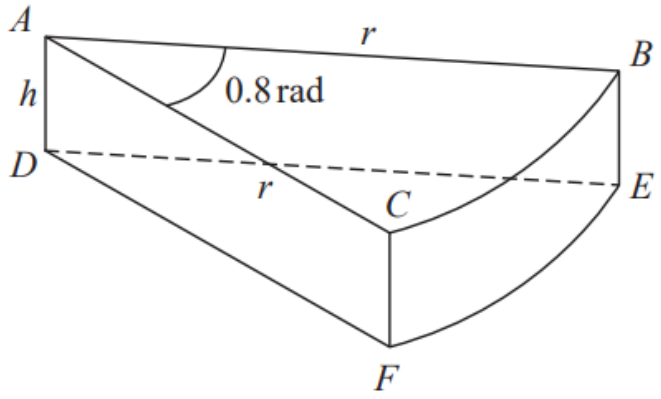


Figure 5

Given that the volume of the toy is 240 cm^3

(a) show that the surface area of the toy, S cm^2, is given by

$$S = 0.8r^2 + \frac{1680}{r}$$

making your method clear.

(4)

Using algebraic differentiation,

(b) find the value of r for which S has a stationary point.

(4)

(c) Prove, by further differentiation, that this value of r gives the minimum surface area of the toy.

(2)

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Differentiation

15 (a)	Sets up an allowable equation using volume $= 240$ E.g. $\frac{1}{2}r^2 \times 0.8h = 240 \Rightarrow h = \frac{600}{r^2}$ o.e.	M1 A1
	Attempts to substitute their $h = \frac{600}{r^2}$ into $(S =)\frac{1}{2}r^2 \times 0.8 + \frac{1}{2}r^2 \times 0.8 + 2rh + 0.8rh$	dM1
	$S = 0.8r^2 + 2.8rh = 0.8r^2 + 2.8 \times \frac{600}{r} = 0.8r^2 + \frac{1680}{r}$ *	A1*
		(4)
(b)	$\left(\frac{dS}{dr}\right) = 1.6r - \frac{1680}{r^2}$	M1 A1
	Sets $\frac{dS}{dr} = 0 \Rightarrow r^3 = 1050$ $r =$ awrt 10.2	dM1 A1
		(4)
(c)	Attempts to substitute their positive r into $\left(\frac{d^2S}{dr^2}\right) = 1.6 + \frac{3360}{r^3}$ and considers its value or sign	M1
	E.g. Correct $\frac{d^2S}{dr^2} = 1.6 + \frac{3360}{r^3}$ with $\frac{d^2S}{dr^2}_{r=10.2} = 5 > 0$ proving a minimum value of S	A1
		(2)



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A2 2024 Paper 1

Differentiation

4. Given that $y = x^2$, use differentiation from first principles to show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$

(3)



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A2 2024 Paper 1

Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4	$\dfrac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{h} = \dfrac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - x^2}{h}$	M1	2.1
	$= \dfrac{2xh + h^2}{h}$	A1	1.1b
	$\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \lim\limits_{h \to 0} \dfrac{2xh + h^2}{h} = \lim\limits_{h \to 0} (2x + h) = 2x^*$	A1*	2.5
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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A2 2024 Paper 2

Differentiation

1. $y = 4x^3 - 7x^2 + 5x - 10$

(a) Find in simplest form

(i) $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(ii) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$

(3)

(b) Hence find the exact value of x when $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$

(2)



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A2 2024 Paper 2

Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1(a)(i)	$y = 4x^3 - 7x^2 + 5x - 10 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{dy}{dx} =\right) 12x^2 - 14x + 5$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
(ii)	$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} =\right) 24x - 14$	A1ft	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$24x - 14 = 0 \Rightarrow x = ...$	M1	1.1b
	$x = \frac{7}{12}$ oe e.g. $x = \frac{14}{24}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



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5. Given that

$$f(x) = 2x + 3 + \frac{12}{x^2}, \quad x > 0$$

show that $\int_1^{2\sqrt{2}} f(x)dx = 16 + 3\sqrt{2}$

(5)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5	$f(x) = 2x + 3 + 12x^{-2}$	B1	1.1b
	Attempts to integrate	M1	1.1a
	$\int\left(+2x+3+\frac{12}{x^2}\right)dx = x^2+3x-\frac{12}{x}$	A1	1.1b
	$\left((2\sqrt{2})^2+3(2\sqrt{2})-\frac{12(\sqrt{2})}{2\times 2}\right)-(-8)$	M1	1.1b
	$=16+3\sqrt{2}$ *	A1*	1.1b
			(5 marks)



1. Find

$$\int \left(\frac{2}{3}x^3 - 6\sqrt{x} + 1 \right) \mathrm{d}x$$

giving your answer in its simplest form.

(4)



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Integration

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	$\int\left(\frac{2}{3}x^3-6\sqrt{x}+1\right)\mathrm{d}x$		
	Attempts to integrate awarded for any correct power	M1	1.1a
	$\int\left(\frac{2}{3}x^3-6\sqrt{x}+1\right)\mathrm{d}x=\frac{2}{3}\times\frac{x^4}{4}+\ldots+x$	A1	1.1b
	$=\ldots-6\frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}}+\ldots.$	A1	1.1b
	$=\frac{1}{6}x^4-4x^{\frac{3}{2}}+x+c$	A1	1.1b

(4 marks)



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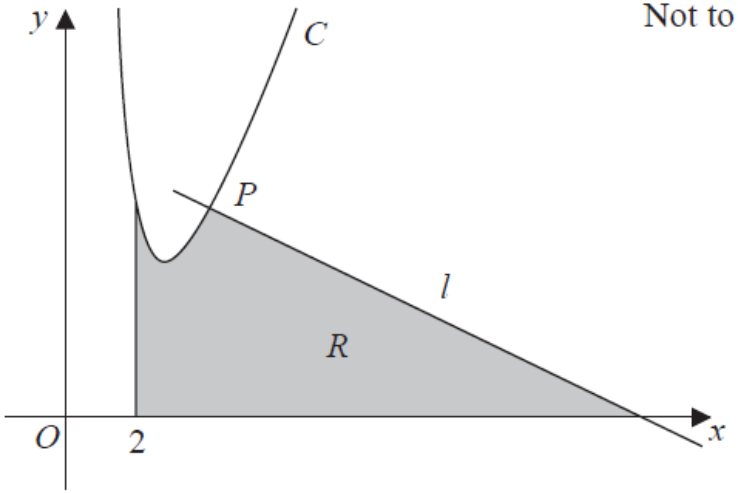


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of part of the curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{32}{x^2} + 3x - 8, \qquad x > 0$$

The point P (4, 6) lies on C.
The line l is the normal to C at the point P.

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 4, is bounded by the line l, the curve C, the line with equation $x = 2$ and the x-axis.

Show that the area of R is 46
(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(10)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15.	For the complete strategy of finding where the normal cuts the x-axis. Key points that must be seen are • Attempt at differentiation • Attempt at using a changed gradient to find equation of normal • Correct attempt to find where normal cuts the x - axis	M1	3.1a
	$y=\frac{32}{x^2}+3x-8 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx}=-\frac{64}{x^3}+3$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	For a correct method of attempting to find Either the equation of the normal: this requires substituting $x=4$ in their $\frac{dy}{dx}=-\frac{64}{x^3}+3=(2)$, then using the perpendicular gradient rule to find the equation of normal $y-6="-\frac{1}{2}"(x-4)$ Or where the equation of the normal at (4,6) cuts the x - axis. As above but may not see equation of normal. Eg $0-6="-\frac{1}{2}"(x-4) \Rightarrow x=...$ or an attempt using just gradients $"-\frac{1}{2}"=\frac{6}{a-4} \Rightarrow a=...$	dM1	
	Normal cuts the x-axis at $x=16$	A1	

For the complete strategy of finding the values of the two key areas. Points that must be seen are • There must be an attempt to find the area under the curve by integrating between 2 and 4 • There must be an attempt to find the area of a triangle using $\frac{1}{2}\times('16'-4)\times 6$ or $\int_4^{"16"}"\left(-\frac{1}{2}x+8\right)"dx$ The "16" cannot have just been made up.	M
$\int \frac{32}{x^2}+3x-8\,dx=-\frac{32}{x}+\frac{3}{2}x^2-8x$	M A
Area under curve $=\left[-\frac{32}{x}+\frac{3}{2}x^2-8x\right]_2^4=(-16)-(-26)=(10)$	dM
Total area $=10+36=46$ *	A1
	(10



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3. (a) Given that k is a constant, find

$$\int \left(\frac{4}{x^3} + kx \right) \mathrm{d}x$$

simplifying your answer.

(3)

(b) Hence find the value of k such that

$$\int_{0.5}^{2} \left(\frac{4}{x^3} + kx \right) \mathrm{d}x = 8$$

(3)



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Question 3 (Total 6 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$\int 4x^{-3} + kx \ \mathrm{d}x = -2x^{-2} + \frac{1}{2}kx$	M1	This mark is given for recognising that x^n becomes x^{n+1} when integrating
		A1	This mark is given for two correctly integrated terms (without c)
	$-\frac{2}{x^2} + \frac{kx^2}{2} + c$	A1	This mark is given for a full answer with a constant (in any correct form)
(b)	$\left[-\frac{2}{x^2} + \frac{k}{2}x^2\right]_{0.5}^{2} =$ $\left(-\frac{2}{2^2} + \frac{4k}{2}\right) - \left(-\frac{2}{0.5^2} + \frac{0.5^2 k}{2}\right) = 8$	M1	This mark is given for substituting the limits 2 and 0.5 and setting equal to 8
	$\left(-\frac{1}{2} + 2k\right) - \left(-8 + \frac{k}{8}\right) = 8$ $7.5 + \frac{15}{8}k = 8$	M1	This mark is given for a method to solve a linear equation in k
	$k = \frac{4}{15}$	A1	This mark is given for finding a correct value for k



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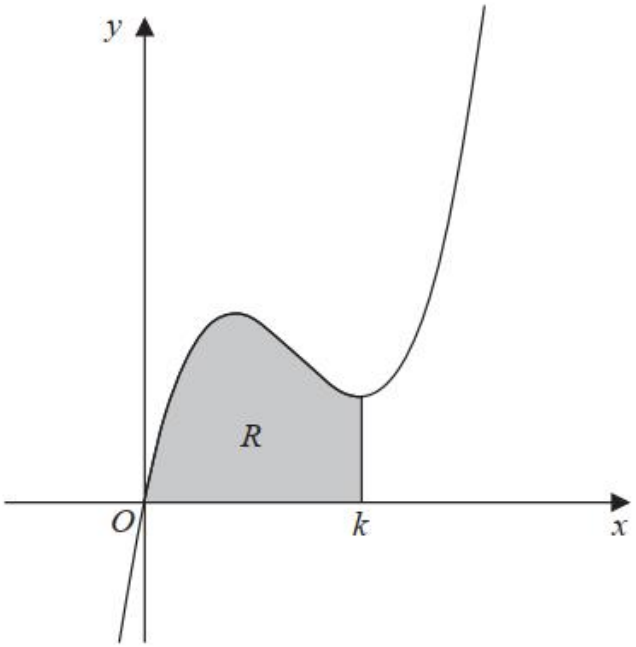


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation

$$y = 2x^3 - 17x^2 + 40x$$

The curve has a minimum turning point at $x = k$.

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

Show that the area of R is $\frac{256}{3}$

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

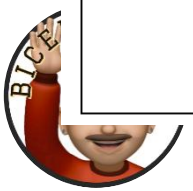
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Question 13 (Total 7 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2 - 34x + 40$	B1	This mark is given for the equation correctly differentiated
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ when $6x^2 - 34x + 40 = 0$	M1	This mark is given for setting the equation equal to zero
	$2(3x - 5)(x - 4) = 0$	M1	This mark is given for factorising the expression
	$(x = \frac{5}{3}), x = 4,$	A1	This mark is given for finding two solutions and choosing $x = 4$ as the upper limit of the integral
	$R = \int_0^4 2x^3 - 17x^2 + 40x \ dx$ $= \left[\frac{1}{2}x^4 - \frac{17}{3}x^3 + 20x^2\right]_0^4$	B1	This mark is given for integrating the expression from 0 to 4
	$R = (\frac{1}{2} \times 4^4) - (\frac{17}{3} \times 4^3) + (20 \times 4^2)$	M1	This mark is given for a calculation for find the area
	$R = 127 - \frac{1088}{3} + 320 = \frac{256}{3}$	A1	This mark is given for a full proof with correct notation and no errors



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7. Given that k is a positive constant and $\int_1^k \left(\frac{5}{2\sqrt{x}} + 3 \right) \mathrm{d}x = 4$

(a) show that $3k + 5\sqrt{k} - 12 = 0$

(4)

(b) Hence, using algebra, find any values of k such that

$$\int_1^k \left(\frac{5}{2\sqrt{x}} + 3 \right) \mathrm{d}x = 4$$

(4)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7 (a)	$x^n \to x^{n+1}$	M1	1.1b
	$\int \left(\frac{5}{2\sqrt{x}}+3\right)\mathrm{d}x = 5\sqrt{x}+3x$	A1	1.1b
	$\left[5\sqrt{x}+3x\right]_1^k = 4 \Rightarrow 5\sqrt{k}+3k-8=4$	dM1	1.1b
	$3k+5\sqrt{k}-12=0$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	$3k+5\sqrt{k}-12=0 \Rightarrow \left(3\sqrt{k}-4\right)\left(\sqrt{k}+3\right)=0$	M1	3.1a
	$\sqrt{k}=\frac{4}{3},(-3)$	A1	1.1b
	$\sqrt{k}=\ldots \Rightarrow k=\ldots$ oe	dM1	1.1b
	$k=\frac{16}{9}$, ~~9~~	A1	2.3
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



3. Find

$$\int \frac{3x^4 - 4}{2x^3} \, dx$$

writing your answer in simplest form.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3	$\int \frac{3x^4-4}{2x^3}\,dx = \int \frac{3}{2}x - 2x^{-3}\,dx$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$= \frac{3}{2}\times\frac{x^2}{2} - 2\times\frac{x^{-2}}{-2}\quad (+c)$	dM1	3.1a
	$= \frac{3}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + c$ o.e	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(4 marks)

Notes:

(i)

M1: Attempts to divide to form a sum of terms. Implied by two terms with one correct index.

$\int \frac{3x^4}{2x^3} - \frac{4}{2x^3}\,dx$ scores this mark.

A1: $\int \frac{3}{2}x - 2x^{-3}\,dx$ o.e such as $\frac{1}{2}\int \left(3x - 4x^{-3}\right)dx$. The indices must have been processed on both terms. Condone spurious notation or lack of the integral sign for this mark.

dM1: For the full strategy to integrate the expression. It requires two terms with one correct index.

Look for $= ax^p + bx^q$ where $p = 2$ or $q = -2$

A1: Correct answer $\frac{3}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + c$ o.e. such as $\frac{3}{4}x^2 + x^{-2} + c$



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9. Find the value of the constant k, $0 < k < 9$, such that

$$\int_k^9 \frac{6}{\sqrt{x}}\,\mathrm{d}x = 20$$

(4)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9	$\int_k^9 \frac{6}{\sqrt{x}}\,dx = \left[ax^{\frac{1}{2}}\right]_k^9 = 20 \Rightarrow 36-12\sqrt{k} = 20$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Correct method of solving Eg. $36-12\sqrt{k} = 20 \Rightarrow k =$	dM1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow k = \frac{16}{9}$ oe	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(4 marks)

Notes:

M1: For setting $\left[ax^{\frac{1}{2}}\right]_k^9 = 20$

A1: A correct equation involving p Eg. $36-12\sqrt{k} = 20$

dM1: For a whole strategy to find k. In the scheme it is awarded for setting $\left[ax^{\frac{1}{2}}\right]_k^9 = 20$, using both

limits and proceeding using correct index work to find k. It cannot be scored if $k^{\frac{1}{2}} < 0$

A1: $k = \frac{16}{9}$



14. A curve C has equation $y = f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = -3x^2 + 12x + 8$$

(a) Write $f(x)$ in the form

$$a(x + b)^2 + c$$

where a, b and c are constants to be found.

(3)

The curve C has a maximum turning point at M.

(b) Find the coordinates of M.

(2)

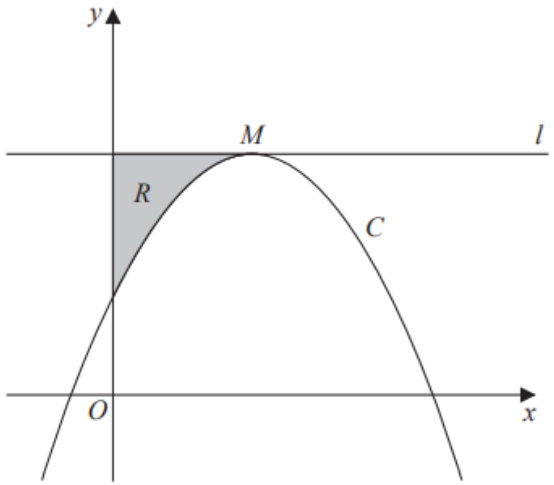


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a sketch of the curve C.

The line l passes through M and is parallel to the x-axis.

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 3, is bounded by C, l and the y-axis.

(c) Using algebraic integration, find the area of R.

(5)



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Integration

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14 (a)	$f(x) = -3x^2 + 12x + 8 = -3(x \pm 2)^2 + \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$= -3(x-2)^2 + \ldots$	A1	1.1b
	$= -3(x-2)^2 + 20$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Coordinates of $M = (2, 20)$	B1ft B1ft	1.1b 2.2a
		(2)	
(c)	$\int -3x^2 + 12x + 8 \, dx = -x^3 + 6x^2 + 8x$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Method to find $R =$ their $2 \times 20 - \int_0^2 \left(-3x^2 + 12x + 8\right) dx$	M1	3.1a
	$R = 40 - \left[-2^3 + 24 + 16\right]$	dM1	1.1b
	$= 8$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(10 marks)



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1. Find

$$\int \left(8x^3 - \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} + 5 \right) \mathrm{d}x$$

giving your answer in simplest form.

(4)



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Integration

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	$x^n \rightarrow x^{n+1}$	M1	1.1b
	$\int \left(8x^3 - \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} + 5\right) dx = \frac{8x^4}{4} \ldots + 5x$	A1	1.1b
	$= \ldots - 2 \times \frac{3}{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \ldots$	A1	1.1b
	$= 2x^4 - 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 5x + c$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(4 marks)



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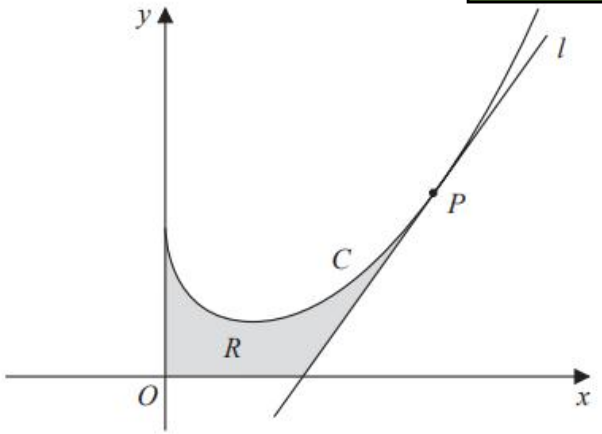


Figure 2

In this question you must show all stages of your working.

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{1}{3}x^2 - 2\sqrt{x} + 3 \qquad x \geqslant 0$$

The point P lies on C and has x coordinate 4

The line l is the tangent to C at P.

(a) Show that l has equation

$$13x - 6y - 26 = 0$$

(5)

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 2, is bounded by the y-axis, the curve C, the line l and the x-axis.

(b) Find the exact area of R.

(5)

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10(a)	$y=\frac{1}{3}x^2-2\sqrt{x}+3 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{2}{3}x-x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	M1 A1
	$x=4 \Rightarrow y=\frac{13}{3}$	B1
	$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=4}=\frac{2}{3}\times 4-4^{-\frac{1}{2}}\left(=\frac{13}{6}\right) \quad \therefore y-\frac{13}{3}=\frac{13}{6}(x-4)$	M1
	$13x-6y-26=0^*$	A1*
		(5)
(b)	$\int\left(\frac{x^2}{3}-2\sqrt{x}+3\right)dx=\frac{x^3}{9}-\frac{4}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}}+3x(+c)$	M1 A1
	$y=0 \Rightarrow x=2$	B1
	Area of R is $\left[\frac{x^3}{9}-\frac{4}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}}+3x\right]_0^4-\frac{1}{2}\times(4-"2")\times"\frac{13}{3}"=\frac{76}{9}-\frac{13}{3}$	M1
	$=\frac{37}{9}$	A1
		(5)



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5. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

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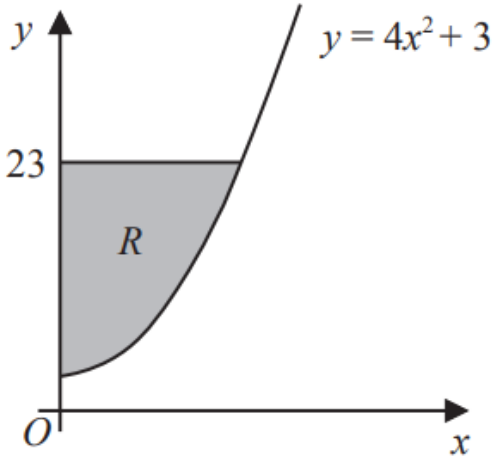


Figure 2

The finite region R, shown shaded in Figure 2, is bounded by the curve with equation $y = 4x^2 + 3$, the y-axis and the line with equation $y = 23$

Show that the exact area of R is $k\sqrt{5}$ where k is a rational constant to be found.

(5)



5	States or uses the upper limit is $\sqrt{5}$	B1	1.1b
	$\int 4x^2 + 3 \, dx = \frac{4}{3}x^3 + 3x$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Full method of finding the area of R e.g. $23\sqrt{5} - \left[\frac{4}{3}x^3 + 3x\right]_0^{\sqrt{5}} = \ldots$ e.g. $\left[20x - \frac{4}{3}x^3\right]_0^{\sqrt{5}} = \ldots$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow$ Area $R = \frac{40}{3}\sqrt{5}$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	

(5 marks)

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16. A curve has equation $y = f(x),\ x \geqslant 0$

Given that

- $f'(x) = 4x + a\sqrt{x} + b$, where a and b are constants
- the curve has a stationary point at $(4,3)$
- the curve meets the y-axis at -5

find $f(x)$, giving your answer in simplest form.

(6)



16	Sets $f'(4) = 0 \Rightarrow 16 + 2a + b = 0$	M1	2.1
	Integrates $f'(x) = 4x + a\sqrt{x} + b \Rightarrow \{f(x) =\} 2x^2 + \frac{2}{3}ax^{\frac{3}{2}} + bx \ \{+c\}$	M1 A1ft	1.1b 1.1b
	Deduces that $c = -5$	B1	2.2a
	Full and complete method using the given information $f'(4) = 0$ and $f(4) = 3$ in order to find values for a and b Note: $a = -15$ and $b = 14$	ddM1	3.1a
	$\{f(x) =\} 2x^2 - 10x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 14x - 5$	A1	1.1b
		(6)	
			(6 marks)



1. Find

$$\int \frac{2\sqrt{x} - 3}{x^2} \, dx$$

giving your answer in simplest form.

(4)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	$\frac{2\sqrt{x}}{x^2} \to \ldots x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$ or $\frac{-3}{x^2} \to \ldots x^{-2}$	M1	1.1b
	$\int \frac{2\sqrt{x}-3}{x^2}\,dx = \int 2x^{-\frac{3}{2}} - 3x^{-2}\,dx$	A1	1.1b
	$\ldots x^{-\frac{3}{2}} \to \ldots x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ or $\ldots x^{-2} \to \ldots x^{-1}$	dM1	1.1b
	$\int 2x^{-\frac{3}{2}} - 3x^{-2}\,dx = -4x^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 3x^{-1} + c$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(4 marks)

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Integration

In this question you must show all stages of your working.

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Figure 3 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation

$$y = x^3 - 14x + 23$$

The line l is the tangent to C at the point A, also shown in Figure 3.

Given that l has equation $y = -2x + 7$

(a) show, using calculus, that the x coordinate of A is 2

(3)

The line l cuts C again at the point B.

(b) Verify that the x coordinate of B is -4

(2)

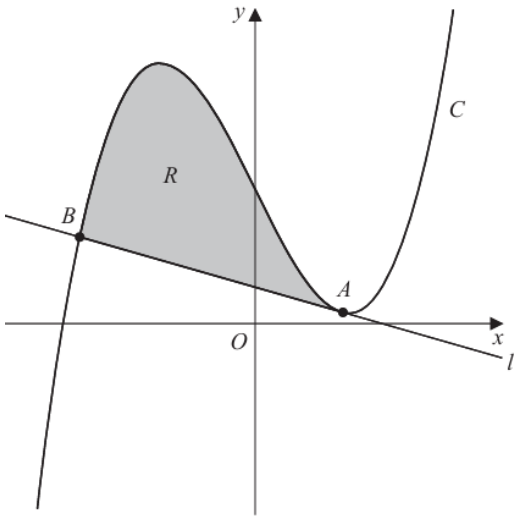


Figure 3

The finite region, R, shown shaded in Figure 3, is bounded by C and l.

Using algebraic integration,

(c) show that the area of R is 108

(5)



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8(a)	$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}=\right) 3x^2-14=-2$ or $\frac{d}{dx}(\pm(\text{curve-line}))=\pm(3x^2-12)=0$	M1	3.1a
	e.g. $3x^2-14=-2\Rightarrow 3x^2=12\Rightarrow x=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$x=2$ only *	A1*	2.2a
		(3)	
(b)	e.g. Substitutes $x=-4$ into $y=x^3-14x+23$ and $y=-2x+7$	M1	1.1b
	Correct solution + conclusion * (see notes)	A1*	2.4
		(2)	
(c)	$\int\left(x^3-14x+23\right)dx=\frac{x^4}{4}-7x^2+23x\ \ (+c)$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$=\left(\frac{2^4}{4}-7\times2^2+23\times2\right)-\left(\frac{(-4)^4}{4}-7(-4)^2+23(-4)\right)$	dM1	1.1b
	$\text{Area}=\int_{-4}^{2}\left(x^3-14x+23\right)dx-\frac{1}{2}\times(15+3)\times(2--4)$ $=\left(\frac{2^4}{4}-7\times2^2+23\times2\right)-\left(\frac{(-4)^4}{4}-7(-4)^2+23(-4)\right)-54$	dM1	3.1a
	Area $=108$ *	A1*	2.1
		(5)	
Alt(c)	$\int\left(x^3-14x+23\right)-(-2x+7)\ dx=\int\left(x^3-12x+16\right)dx$	M1	3.1a
	$=\frac{x^4}{4}-6x^2+16x\ \ (+c)$	A1	1.1b
	$\text{Area}=\left(\frac{2^4}{4}-6\times2^2+16\times2\right)-\left(\frac{(-4)^4}{4}-6(-4)^2+16(-4)\right)$	dM1 dM1	1.1b 1.1b
	Area $=108$ *	A1*	2.1
		(10 marks)	



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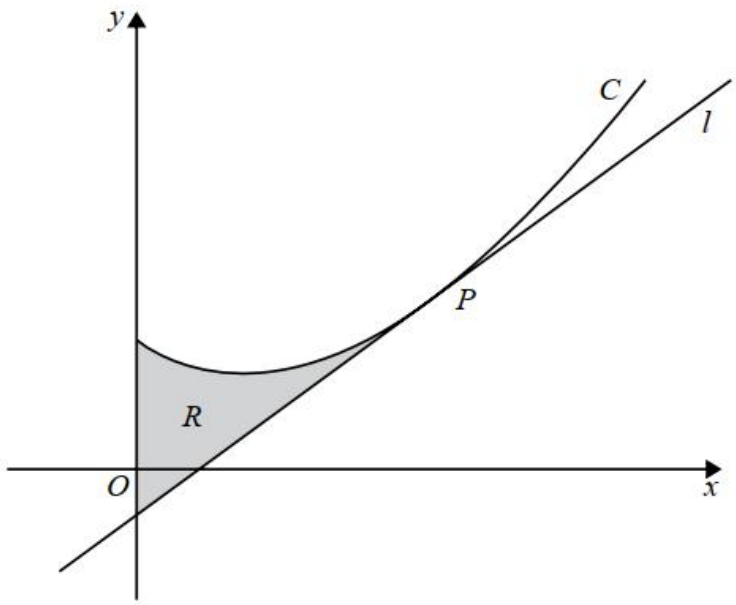


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation

$$y = 5x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 9x + 11, x \geqslant 0$$

The point P with coordinates (4, 15) lies on C.

The line l is the tangent to C at the point P.

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 4, is bounded by the curve C, the line l and the y-axis.

Show that the area of R is 24, making your method clear.

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(10)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{15}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 9$	M1 A1	3.1a 1.1b
	Substitutes $x = 4 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 6$	M1	2.1
	Uses (4, 15) and gradient $\Rightarrow y - 15 = 6(x - 4)$	M1	2.1
	Equation of l is $y = 6x - 9$	A1	1.1b
	Area $R = \int_0^4 \left(5x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 9x + 11\right) - (6x - 9)\,dx$	M1	3.1a
	$= \left[2x^{\frac{5}{2}} - \frac{15}{2}x^2 + 20x\,(+c)\right]_0^4$	A1	1.1b
	Uses both limits of 4 and 0 $\left[2x^{\frac{5}{2}} - \frac{15}{2}x^2 + 20x\right]_0^4 = 2\times 4^{\frac{5}{2}} - \frac{15}{2}\times 4^2 + 20\times 4 - 0$	M1	2.1
	Area of $R = 24$ *	A1*	1.1b
	Correct notation with good explanations	A1	2.5
		(10)	
			(10 marks)



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Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = x(x + 2)(x - 4)$.

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

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

(4)

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)

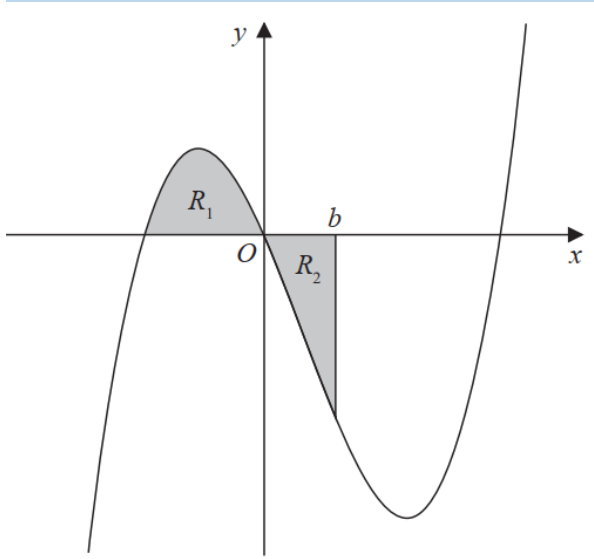
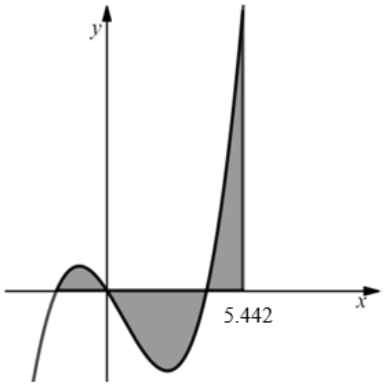


Figure 2

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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$y = x(x+2)(x-4) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 8x$	B1	This mark is given for expanding brackets as a first step to a solution
	$\int_{-2}^{0} x^3 - 2x^2 - 8x \ \mathrm{d}x$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find the exact are of R_1
	$= \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{2}{3}x^3 - 4x^2\right]_{-2}^{0}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to evaluate the integral
	$= 0 - (4 - \frac{-16}{3} - 16) = \frac{20}{3}$	A1	This mark is given for a full method to show the exact value of R_1
(b)	$\frac{1}{4}b^4 - \frac{2}{3}b^3 - 4b^2 = -\frac{20}{3}$	M1	This mark is given for deducing the area of $R_2 = -\frac{20}{3}$
	$3b^4 - 8b^3 - 48b^2 + 80 = 0$	A1	This mark is given for rearranging the equation to a quartic
	$(b+2)^2(3b^2 - 20b + 20)$ $= (b^2 + 4b + 4)(3b^2 - 20b + 20)$	M1	This mark is given for expanding the equation given
	$= 3b^4 - 8b^3 - 48b^2 + 80 = 0$ The two equations are the same, so verified	A1	This mark is for showing, and stating, that the equations are the same
(c)		B1	This mark is given for a sketch of the curve with $b = 5.442$ shown
	Between $x = -2$ and $b = 5.442$, the area above the x-axis is the same as the area below the x-axis	B1	This mark is given for a valid explanation of the significance of the root 5.442



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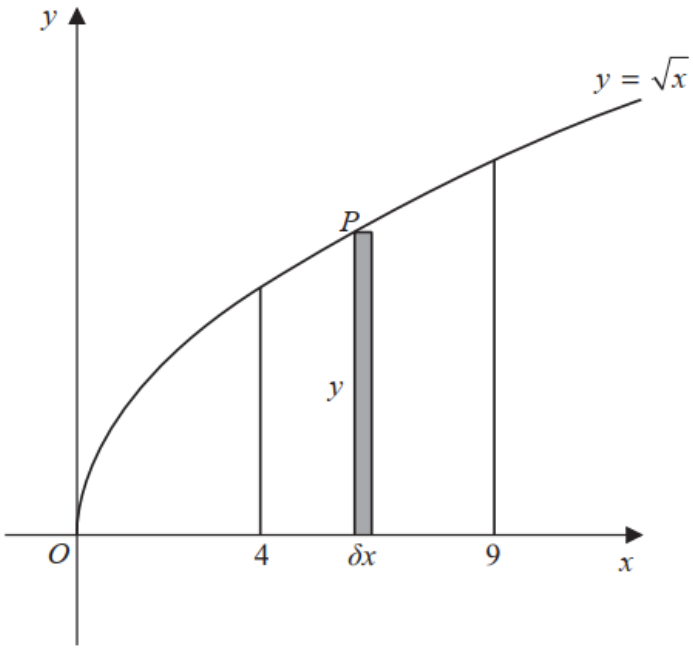


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a sketch of the curve with equation $y = \sqrt{x}$

The point $P(x, y)$ lies on the curve.

The rectangle, shown shaded on Figure 3, has height y and width δx.

Calculate

$$\lim_{\delta x \to 0} \sum_{x=4}^{9} \sqrt{x}\, \delta x$$

(3)



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Question 5 (Total 3 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
	$\lim_{\delta x \to 0} \sum_{x=4}^{9} \sqrt{x}\,\delta x = \int_{4}^{9} \sqrt{x}\ \mathrm{d}x$	B1	This mark is given for writing the expression for a sum as an integral
	$\left[\frac{2}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}}\right]_{4}^{9} = \frac{2}{3} \times 9^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{2}{3} \times 4^{\frac{3}{2}}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to evaluate the integral
	$= \frac{38}{3}$	A1	This mark is given for a correct evaluation of the integral

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8. A curve C has equation $y = f(x)$

Given that

- $f'(x) = 6x^2 + ax - 23$ where a is a constant
- the y intercept of C is -12
- $(x + 4)$ is a factor of $f(x)$

find, in simplest form, $f(x)$

(6)



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8	$f'(x) = 6x^2 + ax - 23 \Rightarrow f(x) = 2x^3 + \frac{1}{2}ax^2 - 23x + c$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$"c" = -12$	B1	2.2a
	$f(-4) = 0 \Rightarrow 2\times(-4)^3 + \frac{1}{2}a(-4)^2 - 23(-4) - 12 = 0$	dM1	3.1a
	$a = \ldots$ (6)	dM1	1.1b
	$(f(x) =) 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 23x - 12$ Or Equivalent e.g. $(f(x) =)(x+4)(2x^2 - 5x - 3)$ $(f(x) =)(x+4)(2x+1)(x-3)$	A1cso	2.1
		(6)	
			(6 marks)

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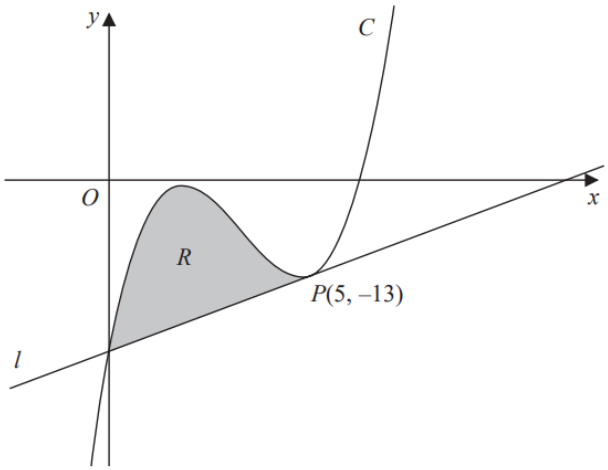


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve C with equation

$$y = x^3 - 10x^2 + 27x - 23$$

The point $P(5, -13)$ lies on C

The line l is the tangent to C at P

(a) Use differentiation to find the equation of l, giving your answer in the form $y = mx + c$ where m and c are integers to be found.

(4)

(b) Hence verify that l meets C again on the y-axis.

(1)

The finite region R, shown shaded in Figure 2, is bounded by the curve C and the line l.

(c) Use algebraic integration to find the exact area of R.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7(a)	$y = x^3 - 10x^2 + 27x - 23 \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 20x + 27$	B1	1.1b
	$\left(\dfrac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=5} = 3\times5^2 - 20\times5 + 27 (= 2)$	M1	1.1b
	$y + 13 = 2(x - 5)$	M1	2.1
	$y = 2x - 23$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	Both C and l pass through $(0, -23)$ and so C meets l again on the y-axis	B1	2.2a
		(1)	
(c)	$\pm\int \left(x^3 - 10x^2 + 27x - 23 - (2x - 23)\right) dx$ $= \pm\left(\dfrac{x^4}{4} - \dfrac{10}{3}x^3 + \dfrac{25}{2}x^2\right)$	M1 A1ft	1.1b 1.1b
	$\left[\dfrac{x^4}{4} - \dfrac{10}{3}x^3 + \dfrac{25}{2}x^2\right]_0^5$ $= \left(\dfrac{625}{4} - \dfrac{1250}{3} + \dfrac{625}{2}\right)(-0)$	dM1	2.1
	$= \dfrac{625}{12}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	



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Integration

8. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

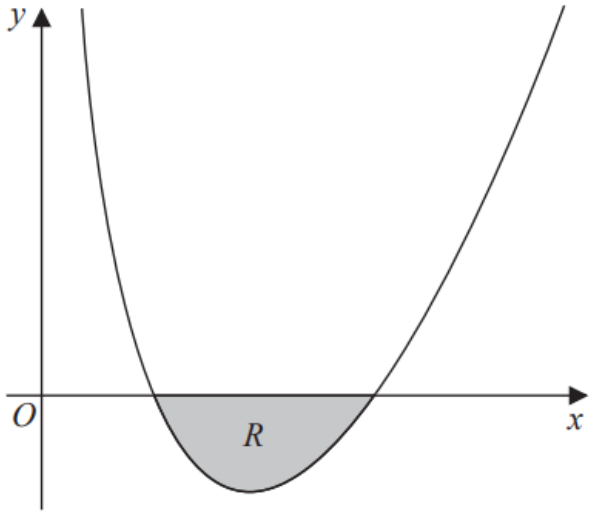


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a sketch of part of a curve with equation

$$y = \frac{(x-2)(x-4)}{4\sqrt{x}} \qquad x > 0$$

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 3, is bounded by the curve and the x-axis.

Find the exact area of R, writing your answer in the form $a\sqrt{2} + b$, where a and b are constants to be found.

(6)



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8	$y=\dfrac{(x-2)(x-4)}{4\sqrt{x}}=\dfrac{x^2-6x+8}{4\sqrt{x}}=\dfrac{1}{4}x^{\frac{3}{2}}-\dfrac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}}+2x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	M1 A1
	$\int \dfrac{1}{4}x^{\frac{3}{2}}-\dfrac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}}+2x^{-\frac{1}{2}}\,dx=\dfrac{1}{10}x^{\frac{5}{2}}-x^{\frac{3}{2}}+4x^{\frac{1}{2}}(+c)$	dM1 A1
	Deduces limits of integral are 2 and 4 and applies to their $\dfrac{1}{10}x^{\frac{5}{2}}-x^{\frac{3}{2}}+4x^{\frac{1}{2}}$	M1
	$\left(\dfrac{32}{10}-8+8\right)-\left(\dfrac{2}{5}\sqrt{2}-2\sqrt{2}+4\sqrt{2}\right)=\dfrac{16}{5}-\dfrac{12}{5}\sqrt{2}$ Area $R=\dfrac{12}{5}\sqrt{2}-\dfrac{16}{5}$ $\left(\text{or } \dfrac{16}{5}-\dfrac{12}{5}\sqrt{2}\right)$	A1
		(6)



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1. Find

$$\int \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}(2x-5)}{3}\,dx$$

writing each term in simplest form.

(4)



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1	$x^{\frac{1}{2}}(2x-5)=...x^{\frac{3}{2}}+...x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ or $\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}(2x-5)}{3}=\frac{...x^{\frac{3}{2}}+...x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{3}$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{3}-\frac{5x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{3}$	A1	1.1b
	$\int \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{3}-\frac{5x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{3}\,dx=...x^{\frac{5}{2}}\pm...x^{\frac{3}{2}}\ (+c)$	dM1	1.1b
	$\frac{4}{15}x^{\frac{5}{2}}-\frac{10}{9}x^{\frac{3}{2}}+c$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(4 marks)



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5. The curve C has equation $y = f(x)$

The curve

- passes through the point $P(3, -10)$
- has a turning point at P

Given that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 5x + k$$

where k is a constant,

(a) show that $k = 12$

(2)

(b) Hence find the coordinates of the point where C crosses the y-axis.

(3)



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5(a)	$2(3)^3-9(3)^2+5(3)+k=0\Rightarrow k=\ldots$	**M1**	1.1b
	$54-81+15+k=0\Rightarrow k=12^*$ or $-12+k=0\Rightarrow k=12^*$	**A1***	1.1b
		(2)	
	(a) Alternative by verification:		
	$2(3)^3-9(3)^2+5(3)+12=0$	**M1**	1.1b
	$54-81+15+12=0$ Hence $k=12^*$	**A1***	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$\int\left(2x^3-9x^2+5x+12\right)\mathrm{d}x\ldots x^4\pm\ldots x^3\pm\ldots x^2\pm\ldots x\pm\ldots$	**M1**	3.1a
	$\frac{1}{2}(3)^4-3(3)^3+\frac{5}{2}(3)^2+12(3)+c=-10\Rightarrow c=\ldots$	**dM1**	1.1b
	$(0,\ -28)$	**A1**	2.2a
		(3)	
			(5 marks)



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Integration

In this question you must show all stages of your working.

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Figure 3 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation

$$y = 8x - x^{\frac{5}{2}} \qquad x \geqslant 0$$

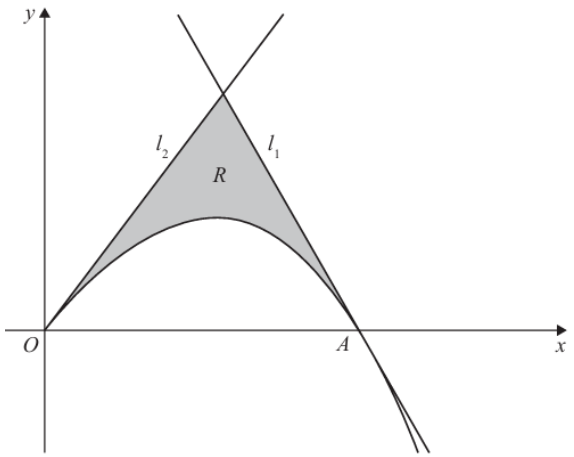


Figure 3

The curve crosses the x-axis at the point A.

(a) Verify that the x coordinate of A is 4

(1)

The line l_1 is the tangent to the curve at A.

(b) Use calculus to show that an equation of line l_1 is

$$12x + y = 48$$

(3)

The line l_2 has equation $y = 8x$

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 3, is bounded by the curve, the line l_1 and the line l_2

(c) Use algebraic integration to find the exact area of R.

(5)

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10(a)	$8(4)-4^{\frac{5}{2}}=32-32=0$	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	$8-\frac{5}{2}x^{\frac{3}{2}}$	B1	1.1b
	$x=4\Rightarrow\left\{\frac{dy}{dx}=\right\}8-\frac{5}{2}\times 8=-12$ $\Rightarrow y\{-0\}="-12"(x-4)$	M1	1.1b
	$12x+y=48$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(3)	
(c)	Attempts to find one of the coordinates of the point of intersection $y=8x,\ 12x+y=48\Rightarrow y=19.2$ (or $x=2.4$)	M1	1.1b
	Triangle area is $\frac{1}{2}\times 4\times "19.2"\left(=38.4 \text{ or } \frac{192}{5}\right)$ or $\int_0^{"2.4"}8x\,dx+\int_{"2.4"}^{4}"(48-12x)"\,dx$	dM1	3.1a
	$\int\left(8x-x^{\frac{5}{2}}\right)dx=4x^2-\frac{2}{7}x^{\frac{7}{2}}$	B1	1.1b
	$A=38.4-\left[\text{"}4x^2-\frac{2}{7}x^{\frac{7}{2}}\text{"}\right]_0^4=38.4-64+\frac{256}{7}$	ddM1	3.1a
	$=\frac{384}{35}$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(9 marks)



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Exponentials and Logarithms



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Exponentials and Logs

14.

A town's population, P, is modelled by the equation $P = ab^t$, where a and b are constants and t is the number of years since the population was first recorded.

The line l shown in Figure 2 illustrates the linear relationship between t and $\log_{10} P$ for the population over a period of 100 years.

The line l meets the vertical axis at (0, 5) as shown. The gradient of l is $\frac{1}{200}$.

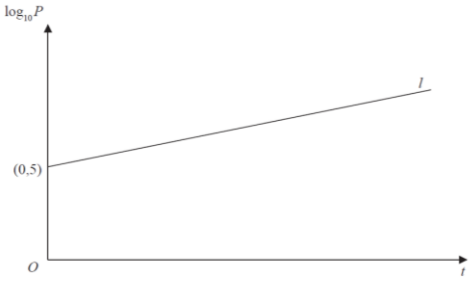


Figure 2

(a) Write down an equation for l.

(2)

(b) Find the value of a and the value of b.

(4)

(c) With reference to the model interpret

(i) the value of the constant a,

(ii) the value of the constant b.

(2)

(d) Find

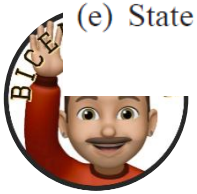
(i) the population predicted by the model when $t = 100$, giving your answer to the nearest hundred thousand,

(ii) the number of years it takes the population to reach 200 000, according to the model.

(3)

(e) State two reasons why this may not be a realistic population model.

(2)



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Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
14(a)	$\log_{10} P = mt + c$		M1	1.1b
	$\log_{10} P = \frac{1}{200}t + 5$		A1	1.1b
			(2)	
(b)	**Way 1:** As $P = ab^t$ then $\log_{10} P = t\log_{10} b + \log_{10} a$	**Way 2:** As $\log_{10} P = \frac{t}{200} + 5$ then $P = 10^{\left(\frac{t}{200}+5\right)} = 10^5 10^{\left(\frac{t}{200}\right)}$	M1	2.1
	$\log_{10} b = \frac{1}{200}$ or $\log_{10} a = 5$	$a = 10^5$ or $b = 10^{\left(\frac{1}{200}\right)}$	M1	1.1b
	So a = 100 000 **or** b = 1.0116		A1	1.1b
	Both a = 100 000 **and** b = 1.0116 (awrt 1.01)		A1	1.1b
			(4)	
(c)(i)	The initial population		B1	3.4
(c)(ii)	The proportional increase of population each year		B1	3.4
(d)(i)	300000 to nearest hundred thousand		B1	3.4
(d)(ii)	Uses $200000 = ab^t$ with their values of a and b or $\log_{10} 200000 = \frac{1}{200}t + 5$ and rearranges to give t =		M1	3.4
	60.2 years to 3sf		A1ft	1.1b
			(3)	
(e)	Any two valid reasons- e.g. • 100 years is a long time and population may be affected by wars and disease			



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5. A student's attempt to solve the equation $2\log_2 x - \log_2 \sqrt{x} = 3$ is shown below.

$2\log_2 x - \log_2 \sqrt{x} = 3$

$2\log_2 \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{x}}\right) = 3$ using the subtraction law for logs

$2\log_2 \left(\sqrt{x}\right) = 3$ simplifying

$\log_2 x = 3$ using the power law for logs

$x = 3^2 = 9$ using the definition of a log

(a) Identify two errors made by this student, giving a brief explanation of each.

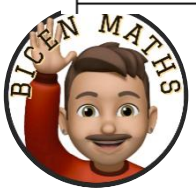
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(b) Write out the correct solution.

(3)



Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
5 (a)	Identifies one of the two errors "You cannot use the subtraction law without dealing with the 2 first" " They undo the logs incorrectly. It should be $x = 2^3 = 8$ "		B1	2.3
	Identifies both errors. See above.		B1	2.3
			(2)	
(b)	$\log_2\left(\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x}}\right) = 3$	$\frac{3}{2}\log_2(x) = 3$	M1	1.1b
	$x^{\frac{3}{2}} = 2^3$ or $\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x}} = 2^3$	$x = 2^2$	M1	1.1b
	$x = \left(2^3\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} = 4$	$x = 4$	A1	1.1b
			(3)	
				(5 marks)



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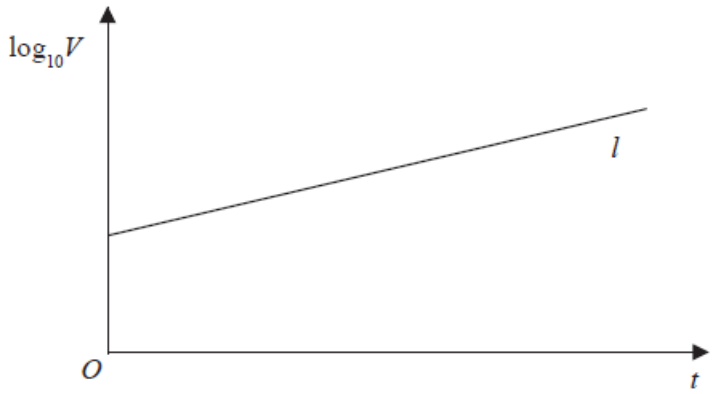


Figure 3

The value of a rare painting, £V, is modelled by the equation $V = pq^t$, where p and q are constants and t is the number of years since the value of the painting was first recorded on 1st January 1980.

The line l shown in Figure 3 illustrates the linear relationship between t and $\log_{10} V$ since 1st January 1980.

The equation of line l is $\log_{10} V = 0.05t + 4.8$

(a) Find, to 4 significant figures, the value of p and the value of q.

(4)

(b) With reference to the model interpret

(i) the value of the constant p,

(ii) the value of the constant q.

(2)

(c) Find the value of the painting, as predicted by the model, on 1st January 2010, giving your answer to the nearest hundred thousand pounds.

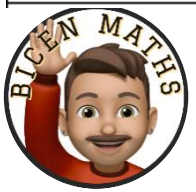
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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13(a)	For a correct equation in p or q $\quad p=10^{4.8}$ or $q=10^{0.05}$	M1	1.1b
	For $p=$ awrt 63100 or $q=$ awrt 1.122	A1	1.1b
	For correct equations in p and q $\quad p=10^{4.8}$ and $q=10^{0.05}$	dM1	3.1a
	For $p=$ awrt 63100 and $q=$ awrt 1.122	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	(i) The value of the painting on 1st January 1980	B1	3.4
	(ii) The proportional increase in value each year	B1	3.4
		(2)	
(c)	Uses $V=63100\times1.122^{30}$ or $\log V=0.05\times30+4.8$ leading to $V=$	M1	3.4
	$=$ awrt $(£)2000000$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(8 marks)



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14. The value of a car, £V, can be modelled by the equation

$$V = 15\,700e^{-0.25t} + 2300 \qquad t \in \mathbb{R},\ t \geqslant 0$$

where the age of the car is t years.

Using the model,

(a) find the initial value of the car.

(1)

Given the model predicts that the value of the car is decreasing at a rate of £500 per year at the instant when $t = T$,

(b) (i) show that

$$3925e^{-0.25T} = 500$$

(ii) Hence find the age of the car at this instant, giving your answer in years and months to the nearest month.

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(6)

The model predicts that the value of the car approaches, but does not fall below, £A.

(c) State the value of A.

(1)

(d) State a limitation of this model.

(1)



AS 2019

Question 14 (Total 9 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$(15\,700 \times e^0) + 2300 = 18\,000$	B1	This mark is given for a correct value for the initial value of the car
(b)(i)	$\frac{dV}{dt} = (-0.25 \times 15\,700)\, e^{-0.25t}$ $= -3925e^{-0.25t}$	M1	This mark is given for making the link between gradient and rate of change and finding $\frac{dV}{dt} = ke^{-0.25t}$
		A1	This mark is given for a fully correct expression for $\frac{dV}{dt}$
	$-3925e^{-0.25T} = -500$ thus $3925e^{-0.25T} = 500$	A1	This mark is given fully correct working to show that $3925e^{-0.25T} = 500$
(b)(ii)	$e^{-0.25T} = \frac{500}{3925}$ $-0.25T = \ln \frac{500}{3925}$	M1	This mark is given for the start of a method to find the age of the car using logarithms
	$T = \frac{\ln 0.127\ldots}{-0.25} = \frac{-2.0605\ldots}{-0.25} = 8.24\ldots$	A1	This mark is given for rearranging and solving for T
	8 years and 3 months	A1	This mark is given for finding the answer in years and months to the nearest month
(c)	£2300	B1	This mark is given for deducing from the original equation that as $e^{-0.25t}$ tends to zero, V tends to 2300
(d)	Other factors can affect the price such as mileage or condition The price may rise as the car becomes rare	B1	This mark is given for any valid limitation to the model stated



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8. The temperature, θ°C, of a cup of tea t minutes after it was placed on a table in a room, is modelled by the equation

$$\theta = 18 + 65e^{-\frac{t}{8}} \qquad t \geqslant 0$$

Find, according to the model,

(a) the temperature of the cup of tea when it was placed on the table,

(1)

(b) the value of t, to one decimal place, when the temperature of the cup of tea was 35 °C.

(3)

(c) Explain why, according to this model, the temperature of the cup of tea could not fall to 15 °C.

(1)

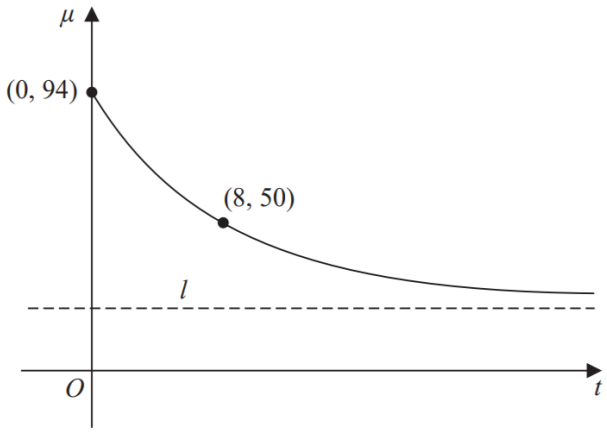


Figure 2

The temperature, μ°C, of a second cup of tea t minutes after it was placed on a table in a different room, is modelled by the equation

$$\mu = A + Be^{-\frac{t}{8}} \qquad t \geqslant 0$$

where A and B are constants.

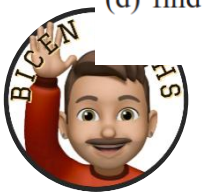
Figure 2 shows a sketch of μ against t with two data points that lie on the curve.

The line l, also shown on Figure 2, is the asymptote to the curve.

Using the equation of this model and the information given in Figure 2

(d) find an equation for the asymptote l.

(4)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8 (a)	Temperature = 83°C	B1	3.4
		(1)	
(b)	$18+65e^{-\frac{t}{8}}=35 \Rightarrow 65e^{-\frac{t}{8}}=17$	M1	1.1b
	$t=-8\ln\left(\frac{17}{65}\right)$ | $\ln 65-\frac{t}{8}=\ln 17 \Rightarrow t=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$t=10.7$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(c)	States a suitable reason • As $t\to\infty, \theta\to 18$ from above. • The minimum temperature is 18°C	B1	2.4
		(1)	
(d)	$A+B=94$ or $A+Be^{-1}=50$	M1	3.4
	$A+B=94$ and $A+Be^{-1}=50$	A1	1.1b
	Full method to find at least a value for A	dM1	2.1
	Deduces $\mu=\frac{50e-94}{e-1}$ or accept $\mu=$ awrt 24.4	A1	2.2a
		(4)	
			(9 marks)



12. An advertising agency is monitoring the number of views of an online advert.

The equation

$$\log_{10} V = 0.072t + 2.379 \qquad 1 \leqslant t \leqslant 30,\ t \in \mathbb{N}$$

is used to model the total number of views of the advert, V, in the first t days after the advert went live.

(a) Show that $V = ab^t$ where a and b are constants to be found.

Give the value of a to the nearest whole number and give the value of b to 3 significant figures.

(4)

(b) Interpret, with reference to the model, the value of ab.

(1)

Using this model, calculate

(c) the total number of views of the advert in the first 20 days after the advert went live. Give your answer to 2 significant figures.

(2)



Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
12 (a)	$\log_{10} V = 0.072t + 2.379$ $\Rightarrow V = 10^{0.072t+2.379}$ $\Rightarrow V = 10^{0.072t} \times 10^{2.379}$	$V = ab^t$ $\Rightarrow \log_{10} V = \log_{10} a + \log_{10} b^t$ $\Rightarrow \log_{10} V = \log_{10} a + t \log_{10} b$	B1	2.1
	States either $a = 10^{2.379}$ or $b = 10^{0.072}$	States either $\log_{10} a = 2.379$ or $\log_{10} b = 0.072$	M1	1.1b
	$a = 239$ or $b = 1.18$	$a = 239$ or $b = 1.18$	A1	1.1b
	Either $V = 239 \times 1.18^t$ or imply by $a = 239, b = 1.18$		A1	1.1b
			(4)	
(b)	The value of ab is the (total) number of views of the advert **1 day after** it went live.		B1	3.4
			(1)	
(c)	Substitutes $t = 20$ in either equation and finds V Eg $V = 239 \times 1.18^{20}$		M1	3.4
	Awrt 6500 or 6600		A1	1.1b
			(2)	
				(7 marks)



11. The owners of a nature reserve decided to increase the area of the reserve covered by trees.

Tree planting started on 1st January 2005.

The area of the nature reserve covered by trees, A km^2, is modelled by the equation

$$A = 80 - 45e^{ct}$$

where c is a constant and t is the number of years after 1st January 2005.

Using the model,

(a) find the area of the nature reserve that was covered by trees just before tree planting started.

(1)

On 1st January 2019 an area of 60 km^2 of the nature reserve was covered by trees.

(b) Use this information to find a complete equation for the model, giving your value of c to 3 significant figures.

(4)

On 1st January 2020, the owners of the nature reserve announced a long-term plan to have 100 km^2 of the nature reserve covered by trees.

(c) State a reason why the model is not appropriate for this plan.

(1)



Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11 (a)	$35\,(\text{km}^2)$	B1	3.4
		(1)	
(b)	Sets their $60 = 80 - 45e^{14c} \Rightarrow 45e^{14c} = 20$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$\Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{14}\ln\left(\frac{20}{45}\right) = \cdots -0.0579$	dM1	3.1b
	$A = 80 - 45e^{-0.0579t}$	A1	3.3
		(4)	
(c)	Gives a suitable answer • The maximum area covered by trees is only 80km^2 • The "80" would need to be "100" • Substitutes 100 into the equation of the model and shows that the formula fails with a reason eg. you cannot take a log of a negative number	B1	3.5b
		(1)	
			(6 marks)



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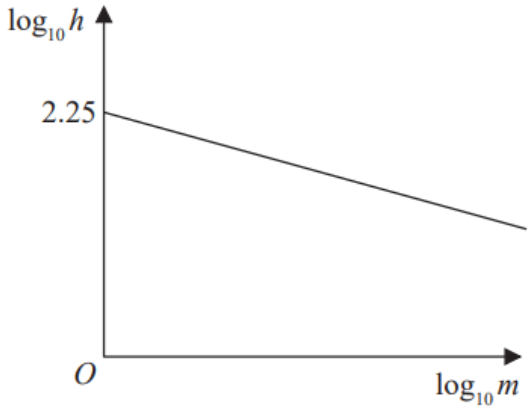


Figure 2

The resting heart rate, h, of a mammal, measured in beats per minute, is modelled by the equation

$$h = pm^q$$

where p and q are constants and m is the mass of the mammal measured in kg.

Figure 2 illustrates the linear relationship between $\log_{10} h$ and $\log_{10} m$

The line meets the vertical $\log_{10} h$ axis at 2.25 and has a gradient of -0.235

(a) Find, to 3 significant figures, the value of p and the value of q.

(3)

A particular mammal has a mass of 5 kg and a resting heart rate of 119 beats per minute.

(b) Comment on the suitability of the model for this mammal.

(3)

(c) With reference to the model, interpret the value of the constant p.

(1)

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Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
13 (a)	$\log_{10} h = 2.25 - 0.235\log_{10} m$ $\Rightarrow h = 10^{2.25-0.235\log_{10} m}$ $\Rightarrow h = 10^{2.25} \times m^{-0.235}$	$h = pm^q$ $\Rightarrow \log_{10} h = \log_{10} p + \log_{10} m^q$ $\Rightarrow \log_{10} h = \log_{10} p + q\log_{10} m$	M1	1.1b
	Either one of $p = 10^{2.25}$ $q = -0.235$	Or either one of $\log_{10} p = 2.25$ $q = -0.235$	A1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow p = 178$ and $q = -0.235$		A1	2.2a
			(3)	
(b)	$h = "178" \times 5^{"-0.235"}$	$\log_{10} h = "2.25" - "0.235"\log_{10} 5$	M1	3.1b
	$h = 122$	$h = 122$	A1	1.1b
	Reasonably accurate (to 2 sf) so suitable		A1ft	3.2b
			(3)	
(c)	"p" would be the (resting) heart rate (in bpm) of a mammal with a mass of 1 kg		B1	3.4
			(1)	
				(7 marks)



5. The mass, A kg, of algae in a small pond, is modelled by the equation

$$A = pq^t$$

where p and q are constants and t is the number of weeks after the mass of algae was first recorded.

Data recorded indicates that there is a linear relationship between t and $\log_{10} A$ given by the equation

$$\log_{10} A = 0.03t + 0.5$$

(a) Use this relationship to find a complete equation for the model in the form

$$A = pq^t$$

giving the value of p and the value of q each to 4 significant figures.

(4)

(b) With reference to the model, interpret

(i) the value of the constant p,

(ii) the value of the constant q.

(2)

(c) Find, according to the model,

(i) the mass of algae in the pond when $t = 8$, giving your answer to the nearest 0.5 kg,

(ii) the number of weeks it takes for the mass of algae in the pond to reach 4 kg.

(3)

(d) State one reason why this may not be a realistic model in the long term.

(1)



5(a)	$p = 10^{0.5}$ (or $\log_{10} p = 0.5$) or $q = 10^{0.03}$ (or $\log_{10} q = 0.03$)	M1
	$p =$ awrt 3.162 or $q =$ awrt 1.072	A1
	$p = 10^{0.5}$ (or $\log_{10} p = 0.5$) and $q = 10^{0.03}$ (or $\log_{10} q = 0.03$)	dM1
	$A = 3.162 \times 1.072^t$	A1
		(4)
(b)(i)	The initial mass (in kg) of algae (in the pond).	B1
(b)(ii)	The ratio of algae from one week to the next.	B1
		(2)
(c)(i)	5.5 kg	B1
(c)(ii)	$4 = "3.162" \times "1.072"^t$ or $\log_{10} 4 = 0.03t + 0.5$	M1
	awrt 3.4 (weeks)	A1
		(3)
(d)	• The model predicts unlimited growth. • The weather may affect the rate of growth	B1
		(1)



8. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

The air pressure, P kg/cm^2, inside a car tyre, t minutes from the instant when the tyre developed a puncture is given by the equation

$$P = k + 1.4e^{-0.5t} \qquad t \in \mathbb{R} \qquad t \geqslant 0$$

where k is a constant.

Given that the initial air pressure inside the tyre was 2.2 kg/cm^2

(a) state the value of k.

(1)

From the instant when the tyre developed the puncture,

(b) find the time taken for the air pressure to fall to 1 kg/cm^2
Give your answer in minutes to one decimal place.

(3)

(c) Find the rate at which the air pressure in the tyre is decreasing exactly 2 minutes from the instant when the tyre developed the puncture.
Give your answer in kg/cm^2 per minute to 3 significant figures.

(2)



8(a)	$(k =)\ 0.8$	B1
		(1)
(b)	$1 = 0.8 + 1.4e^{-0.5t} \Rightarrow 1.4e^{-0.5t} = 0.2$	M1
	$-0.5t = \ln\left(\frac{0.2}{1.4}\right) \Rightarrow t = ...$	M1
	awrt 3.9 minutes	A1
		(3)
(c)	$\left(\frac{dP}{dt} =\right) -0.7e^{-0.5t}$ $\left(\frac{dP}{dt}\right)_{t=2} = -0.7e^{-0.5\times 2}$	M1
	= awrt 0.258 (kg/cm^2 per minute)	A1
		(2)



9. (a) Given that $p = \log_3 x$, where $x > 0$, find in simplest form in terms of p,

(i) $\log_3\left(\frac{x}{9}\right)$

(ii) $\log_3\left(\sqrt{x}\right)$

(2)

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve

$$2\log_3\left(\frac{x}{9}\right) + 3\log_3\left(\sqrt{x}\right) = -11$$

giving your answer as a simplified fraction.

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(4)



9(a)(i)	$\log_3\left(\frac{x}{9}\right)=\log_3 x-\log_3 9=p-2$	B1
(ii)	$\log_3\left(\sqrt{x}\right)=\frac{1}{2}p$	B1
		(2)
(b)	$2\log_3\left(\frac{x}{9}\right)+3\log_3\left(\sqrt{x}\right)=-11\Rightarrow 2p-4+\frac{3}{2}p=-11\Rightarrow p=\ldots$	M1
	$p=-2$	A1
	$\log_3 x=-2\Rightarrow x=3^{-2}$	M1
	$x=\frac{1}{9}$	A1
		(4)



9. Using the laws of logarithms, solve the equation

$$2\log_5(3x-2)-\log_5 x=2$$

(5)



9	$2\log_5(3x-2)-\log_5 x=2$		
	Uses one correct law e.g. $2\log_5(3x-2)\rightarrow\log_5(3x-2)^2$ **or** $2\rightarrow\log_5 25$ **or** $\log_5 ...=2\rightarrow ...=5^2$	B1	1.1a
	Uses two correct log laws: either $2\log_5(3x-2)\rightarrow\log_5(3x-2)^2$ **and** $2\rightarrow\log_5 25$ or $2\log_5(3x-2)-\log_5 x\rightarrow\log_5\frac{(3x-2)^2}{x}$ leading to an equation without logs	M1	3.1a
	Correct equation without logs, usually $\frac{(3x-2)^2}{x}=25$	A1	1.1b
	$\frac{(3x-2)^2}{x}=25\Rightarrow 9x^2-37x+4=0\Rightarrow(9x-1)(x-4)=0\Rightarrow x=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$x=4$ only	A1 cso	3.2a
		(5)	

(5 marks)



11. The height, h metres, of a plant, t years after it was first measured, is modelled by the equation

$$h = 2.3 - 1.7e^{-0.2t} \qquad t \in \mathbb{R} \quad t \geqslant 0$$

Using the model,

(a) find the height of the plant when it was first measured,

(2)

(b) show that, exactly 4 years after it was first measured, the plant was growing at approximately 15.3 cm per year.

(3)

According to the model, there is a limit to the height to which this plant can grow.

(c) Deduce the value of this limit.

(1)



11(a)	$h = 2.3 - 1.7e^{0}$	M1	3.4
	Either 0.6 {m} or 60 cm	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$\left\{\frac{dh}{dt} =\right\} 0.34e^{-0.2t}$	M1	3.1b
	At $t = 4 \Rightarrow$ Rate of growth is $0.34e^{-0.2\times4} = 0.15277...\{\text{m / year}\}$	dM1	3.4
	0.153 {m per year} = 15.3 cm {per year} *	A1*	1.1b
		(3)	
(c)	2.3 (m)	B1	2.2a
		(1)	

(6 marks)



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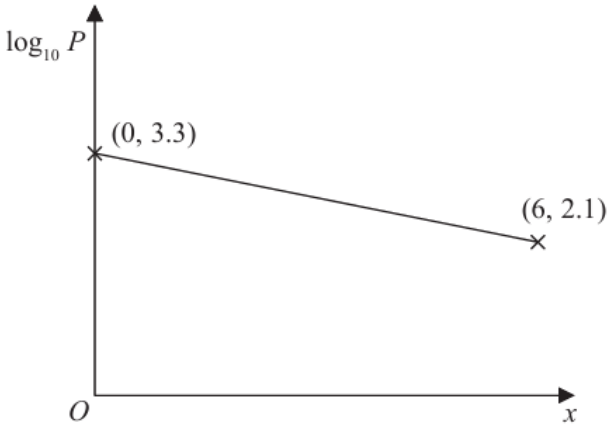


Figure 2

A chimney emits smoke particles.

On a particular day, the concentration of smoke particles in the air emitted by this chimney, P parts per million, is measured at various distances, x km, from the chimney.

Figure 2 shows a sketch of the linear relationship between $\log_{10} P$ and x that is used to model this situation.

The line passes through the point (0, 3.3) and the point (6, 2.1)

(a) Find a complete equation for the model in the form

$$P = ab^x$$

where a and b are constants. Give the value of a and the value of b each to 4 significant figures.

(4)

(b) With reference to the model, interpret the value of ab

(1)

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Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
7(a)	$\log_{10} a = 3.3$ or $\log_{10} b = \frac{2.1-3.3}{6} \left(=-0.2\right)$	e.g. $\log_{10} P = 3.3-0.2x$ or $\log_{10} P = 3.3+\frac{2.1-3.3}{6}x$	M1	1.1b
	$a = 10^{3.3}$ or $b = 10^{-0.2}$		A1	1.1b
	$a = 10^{3.3}$ and $b = 10^{"-0.2"}$	$P = 10^{3.3-0.2x} = 10^{3.3} \times 10^{-0.2x}$	dM1	3.1a
	$P = 1995 \times 0.6310^{x}$		A1	3.3
			(4)	
(b)	The **concentration** (in parts per million) **1 km** from the chimney		B1	3.2a
			(1)	
				(5 marks)



9. $p = \log_a 16$

$q = \log_a 25$

where a is a constant.

Find in terms of p and/or q,

(a) $\log_a 256$

(1)

(b) $\log_a 100$

(2)

(c) $\log_a 80 \times \log_a 3.2$

(2)



9(a)	$2p$	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	$\log_a 100 = \log_a 4 + \log_a 25$	M1	1.2
	$\log_a 16^{\frac{1}{2}} + \log_a 25 = \frac{1}{2}p + q$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	e.g. $\log_a 80 \times \log_a 3.2 = (\log_a 16 + \log_a 5) \times (\log_a 16 - \log_a 5)$	M1	3.1a
	$\left(p + \frac{1}{2}q\right) \times \left(p - \frac{1}{2}q\right)$ or $p^2 - \frac{1}{4}q^2$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



11. The prices of two precious metals are being monitored.

The price per gram of metal A, £V_A, is modelled by the equation

$$V_A = 100 + 20e^{0.04t}$$

where t is the number of months after monitoring began.

The price per gram of metal B, £V_B, is modelled by the equation

$$V_B = pe^{-0.02t}$$

where p is a positive constant and t is the number of months after monitoring began.

Given that $V_B = 2V_A$ when $t = 0$

(a) find the value of p

(2)

When $t = T$, the rate of **increase** in the price per gram of metal A was equal to the rate of **decrease** in the price per gram of metal B

(b) Find the value of T, giving your answer to one decimal place.

(*Solutions based entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.*)

(4)



11(a)	At $t = 0$, $V_A = 100 + 20 = 120 \Rightarrow p = 2 \times "120"$	M1	1.1b
	$(p =)\ 240$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$\ldots e^{0.04T} = \ldots e^{-0.02T}$	M1	3.1b
	$0.8e^{0.04T} = "4.8"e^{-0.02T}$	A1ft	1.1b
	$\ldots e^{0.04T} = \ldots e^{-0.02T} \Rightarrow e^{\pm 0.06T} = \ldots$	dM1	3.1a
	$(T =)$ awrt 29.9 (months)	A1cso	1.1b
		(4)	
			(6 marks)



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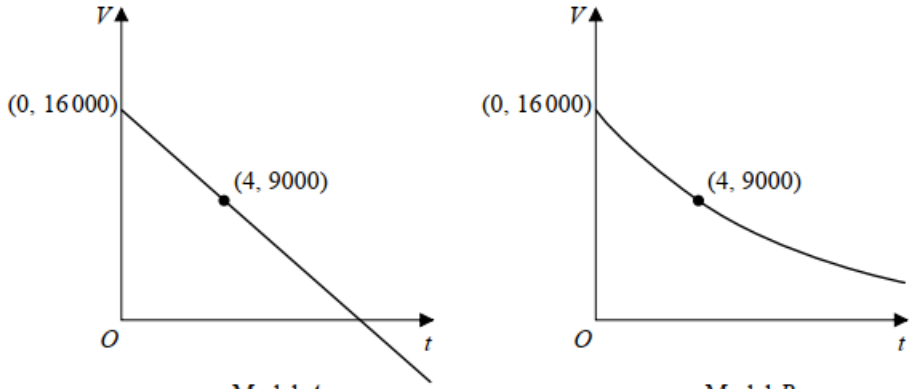
6. A company plans to extract oil from an oil field.

The daily volume of oil V, measured in barrels that the company will extract from this oil field depends upon the time, t years, after the start of drilling.

The company decides to use a model to estimate the daily volume of oil that will be extracted. The model includes the following assumptions:

- The initial daily volume of oil extracted from the oil field will be 16 000 barrels.
- The daily volume of oil that will be extracted exactly 4 years after the start of drilling will be 9000 barrels.
- The daily volume of oil extracted will decrease over time.

The diagram below shows the graphs of two possible models.



Model A Model B

(a) (i) Use model A to estimate the daily volume of oil that will be extracted exactly 3 years after the start of drilling.

(ii) Write down a limitation of using model A.

(2)

(b) (i) Using an exponential model and the information given in the question, find a possible equation for model B.

(ii) Using your answer to (b)(i) estimate the daily volume of oil that will be extracted exactly 3 years after the start of drilling.

(5)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6 (a)(i)	10750 barrels	B1	3.4
(ii)	Gives a valid limitation, for example • The model shows that the daily volume of oil extracted would become negative as t increases, which is impossible • States when $t=10, V=-1500$ which is impossible • States that the model will only work for $0 \leqslant t \leqslant \frac{64}{7}$	B1	3.5b
		(2)	
(b)(i)	Suggests a suitable exponential model, for example $V = Ae^{kt}$	M1	3.3
	Uses $(0,16000)$ and $(4,9000)$ in $\Rightarrow 9000 = 16000e^{4k}$	dM1	3.1b
	$\Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{4}\ln\left(\frac{9}{16}\right)$ awrt -0.144	M1	1.1b
	$V = 16000e^{\frac{1}{4}\ln\left(\frac{9}{16}\right)t}$ or $V = 16000e^{-0.144t}$	A1	1.1b
(ii)	Uses their exponential model with $t=3 \Rightarrow V =$ awrt 10 400 barrels	B1ft	3.4
		(5)	
			(7 marks)



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12. In a controlled experiment, the number of microbes, N, present in a culture T days after the start of the experiment were counted.

N and T are expected to satisfy a relationship of the form

$$N = aT^b, \qquad \text{where } a \text{ and } b \text{ are constants}$$

(a) Show that this relationship can be expressed in the form

$$\log_{10} N = m \log_{10} T + c$$

giving m and c in terms of the constants a and/or b.

(2)

Figure 3 shows the line of best fit for values of $\log_{10} N$ plotted against values of $\log_{10} T$

(b) Use the information provided to estimate the number of microbes present in the culture 3 days after the start of the experiment.

(4)

(c) Explain why the information provided could not reliably be used to estimate the day when the number of microbes in the culture first exceeds 1 000 000.

(2)

(d) With reference to the model, interpret the value of the constant a.

(1)

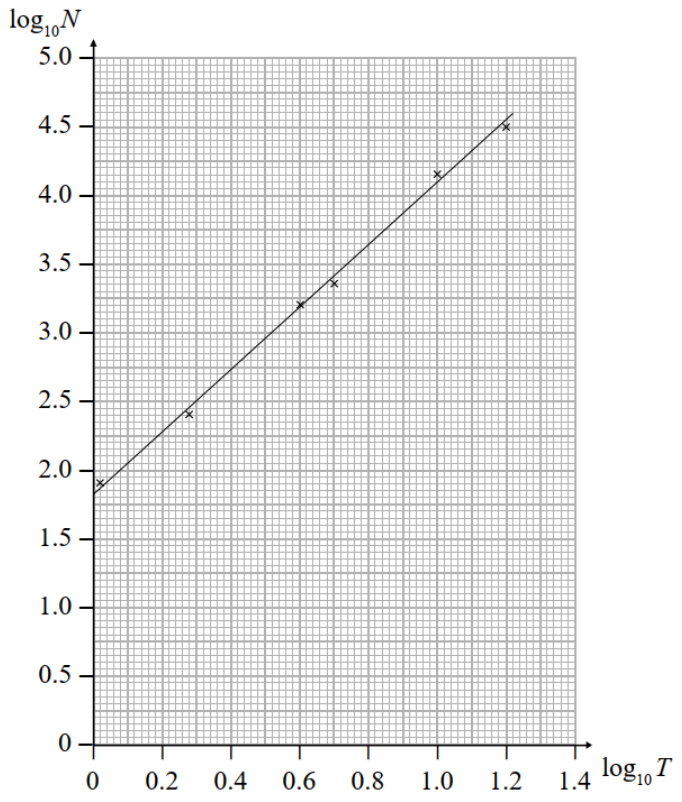


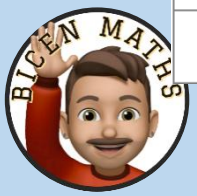
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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12 (a)	$N = aT^b \Rightarrow \log_{10} N = \log_{10} a + \log_{10} T^b$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow \log_{10} N = \log_{10} a + b\log_{10} T$ so $m = b$ **and** $c = \log_{10} a$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Uses the graph to find either a or b $a = 10^{\text{intercept}}$ **or** b = gradient	M1	3.1b
	Uses the graph to find both a and b $a = 10^{\text{intercept}}$ **and** b = gradient	M1	1.1b
	Uses $T = 3$ in $N = aT^b$ with their a and b	M1	3.1b
	Number of microbes ≈ 800	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	$N = 1000000 \Rightarrow \log_{10} N = 6$	M1	3.4
	We cannot 'extrapolate' the graph and assume that the model still holds	A1	3.5b
		(2)	
(d)	States that 'a' is the number of microbes 1 day after the start of the experiment	B1	3.2a
		(1)	
			(9 marks)



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5. The mass, m grams, of a radioactive substance, t years after first being observed, is modelled by the equation

$$m = 25e^{-0.05t}$$

According to the model,

(a) find the mass of the radioactive substance six months after it was first observed,

(2)

(b) show that $\frac{dm}{dt} = km$, where k is a constant to be found.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5(a)	Substitutes $t = 0.5$ into $m = 25e^{-0.05t} \Rightarrow m = 25e^{-0.05\times0.5}$	M1	3.4
	$\Rightarrow m = 24.4\text{g}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	States or uses $\frac{d}{dt}\left(e^{-0.05t}\right) = \pm Ce^{-0.05t}$	M1	2.1
	$\frac{dm}{dt} = -0.05\times25e^{-0.05t} = -0.05m \Rightarrow k = -0.05$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(4 marks)

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12. The value, £V, of a vintage car t years after it was first valued on 1st January 2001, is modelled by the equation

$$V = Ap^t \qquad \text{where } A \text{ and } p \text{ are constants}$$

Given that the value of the car was £32 000 on 1st January 2005 and £50 000 on 1st January 2012

(a) (i) find p to 4 decimal places,

(ii) show that A is approximately 24 800

(4)

(b) With reference to the model, interpret

(i) the value of the constant A,

(ii) the value of the constant p.

(2)

Using the model,

(c) find the year during which the value of the car first exceeds £100 000

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12 (a)	(i) Method to find p Eg. Divides $32000 = Ap^4$ by $50000 = Ap^{11}$ $p^7 = \frac{50000}{32000} \Rightarrow p = \sqrt[7]{\frac{50000}{32000}} = \ldots$	M1	3.1a
	$p = 1.0658$	A1	1.1b
	(ii) Substitutes their $p = 1.0658$ into either equation and finds A $A = \frac{32000}{'1.0658'^4}$ or $A = \frac{50000}{'1.0658'^{11}}$	M1	1.1b
	$A = 24795 \rightarrow 24805 \simeq 24\,800$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	A / (£)24 800 is the value of the car on 1st January 2001	B1	3.4
	p /1.0658 is the factor by which the value rises each year. Accept that the value rises by 6.6 % a year (ft on their p)	B1	3.4
		(2)	
(c)	Attempts $100000 = '24800' \times '1.0658'^t$		
	$'1.0658'^t = \frac{100000}{24800}$	M1	3.4
	$t = \log_{1.0658}\left(\frac{100000}{24800}\right)$	dM1	1.1b
	$t = 21.8$ or 21.9	A1	1.1b
	cso 2022	A1	3.2a
		(4)	
			(10 marks)



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

The following information is available for car A

- its value when new is £20 000
- its value after one year is £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 £2 000

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

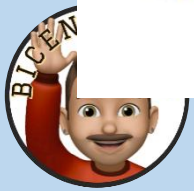
(2)

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)

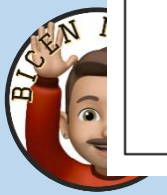


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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$V = Ae^{-kt}$	M1	This mark is given for suggesting a suitable exponential model for V in terms of t
	When $t = 0$ and $V = 20\,000$, $A = 20\,000$	M1	This mark is given for using the model to show the initial value for A is £20 000
	When $t = 1$ and $V = 16\,000$, $16\,000 = 20\,000e^{-1k}$ $k = \ln 0.8 = -0.223$	M1	This mark is given for using the value of the car after one year to find a value for k
	$V = 20\,000e^{-0.223t}$	A1	This mark is given for finding a fully correct exponential model
(b)	When $t = 10$, $V =$ £2150	M1	This mark is given for finding a value for V when $t = 10$
	This model is reliable since the value £2150 is close to £2000	A1	This mark is given for a valid statement comparing the two possible values of the car after 10 years
(c)	For example: The value of k should be increased (e.g. $V = 20\,000e^{-0.1t}$) A constant should be added (e.g. $V = 20\,000e^{-0.223t} + 2000$)	B1	This mark is given for a statement suggesting a valid adaptation



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

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

(a) show that

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

(3)

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

(2)



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Question 9 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$\log a - \log b = \log \frac{a}{b}$	B1	This mark is given for restating the log equation using $\log \frac{a}{b}$
	$a - b = \frac{a}{b}$ $ab - b^2 = a$ $ab - a = b^2$	M1	This mark is given for rearranging so that terms in a are on one side of the equation
	$a(b-1) = b^2$ $a = \frac{b^2}{(b-1)}$	A1	This mark is for rearranging to show the result required
(b)	$b \neq 1$	B1	This mark is given for deducing that $b \neq 1$
	Since $a > 0$, $\frac{b^2}{(b-1)} > 0$ $b > 1$ since b^2 is positive	B1	This mark is given for stating that $b > 1$ and explaining the reason for the restriction



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9. A research engineer is testing the effectiveness of the braking system of a car when it is driven in wet conditions.

The engineer measures and records the braking distance, d metres, when the brakes are applied from a speed of $V\,\text{km}\,\text{h}^{-1}$.

Graphs of d against V and $\log_{10} d$ against $\log_{10} V$ were plotted.

The results are shown below together with a data point from each graph.

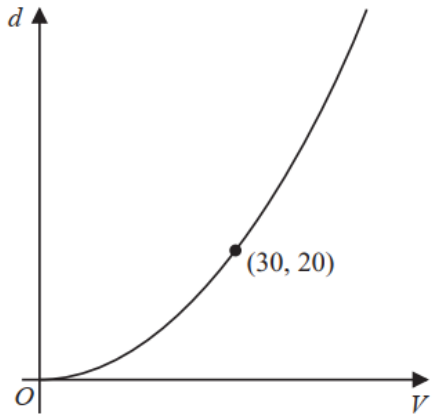


Figure 5

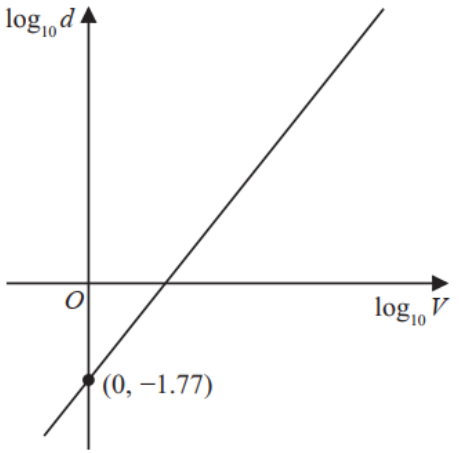


Figure 6

(a) Explain how Figure 6 would lead the engineer to believe that the braking distance should be modelled by the formula

$$d = kV^n \qquad \text{where } k \text{ and } n \text{ are constants}$$

with $k \approx 0.017$

(3)

Using the information given in Figure 5, with $k = 0.017$

(b) find a complete equation for the model giving the value of n to 3 significant figures.

(3)

Sean is driving this car at $60\,\text{km}\,\text{h}^{-1}$ in wet conditions when he notices a large puddle in the road 100 m ahead. It takes him 0.8 seconds to react before applying the brakes.

(c) Use your formula to find out if Sean will be able to stop before reaching the puddle.

(3)



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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	If $d = kV^n$, then $\log_{10} d = \log_{10} k + n \log_{10} V$	M1	This mark is given for
	Plotting $\log_{10} d$ against $\log_{10} V$ will result in a straight line with gradient n and intercept $\log_{10} k$	A1	This mark is given for an explanation of why the second graph shows that $d = kV^n$
	$\log_{10} k = -1.77$ $k = 10^{-1.77} = 0.01698\ldots \approx 0.017$	A1	This mark is for showing fully that $k \approx 0.017$
(b)	$d = kV^n$ When $V = 30$, $d = 20$ and $k = 0.17$ then $20 = 0.017 \times 30^n$	M1	This mark is given for substituting in the formula as a method to find the value of n
	$n \log 30 = \log\left(\frac{20}{0.017}\right)$	M1	This mark is given for a correct expression for n
	$n = 2.08$ to 3 significant figures $d = 0.017 \times V^{2.08}$	A1	This mark is given for finding a correct value of n to 3 significant figures and writing a complete equation for the model
(c)	$\frac{60}{3600} \times 0.8 \times 1000 = 13.33$ m	M1	This mark is given for a method to find the distance, in metres, covered in the reaction time of 0.8 seconds
	$d = 0.017 \times 60^{2.08} = 84.92$ m	M1	This mark is given for a method to use the formula to find the stopping distance
	13.33 m + 84.92 m = 98.25 m Sean will be able to stop before reaching the puddle	A1	This mark is given for finding a correct value of the total stopping distance and giving a valid conclusion



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2. By taking logarithms of both sides, solve the equation

$$4^{3p-1} = 5^{210}$$

giving the value of p to one decimal place.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2	$4^{3p-1} = 5^{210} \Rightarrow (3p-1)\log 4 = 210\log 5$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 3p = \dfrac{210\log 5}{\log 4} + 1 \Rightarrow p = \ldots$	dM1	2.1
	$p =$ awrt 81.6	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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3. (a) Given that

$$2\log(4-x) = \log(x+8)$$

show that

$$x^2 - 9x + 8 = 0$$

(3)

(b) (i) Write down the roots of the equation

$$x^2 - 9x + 8 = 0$$

(ii) State which of the roots in (b)(i) is **not** a solution of

$$2\log(4-x) = \log(x+8)$$

giving a reason for your answer.

(2)

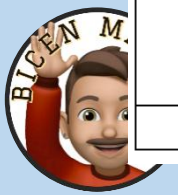


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3(a)	$2\log(4-x)=\log(4-x)^2$	B1	1.2
	$2\log(4-x)=\log(x+8)\Rightarrow\log(4-x)^2=\log(x+8)$ $(4-x)^2=(x+8)$ **or** $2\log(4-x)=\log(x+8)\Rightarrow\log(4-x)^2-\log(x+8)=0$ $\frac{(4-x)^2}{(x+8)}=1$	M1	1.1b
	$16-8x+x^2=x+8\Rightarrow x^2-9x+8=0$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
	(a) Alternative - working backwards:		
	$x^2-9x+8=0\Rightarrow(4-x)^2-x-8=0$	B1	1.2
	$\Rightarrow(4-x)^2=x+8$ $\Rightarrow\log(4-x)^2=\log(x+8)$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 2\log(4-x)=\log(x+8)$ * Hence proved.	A1	2.1
(b)	(i) (x =) 1, 8	B1	1.1b
	(ii) 8 is **not** a solution as log(4 – 8) cannot be found	B1	2.3
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



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5. The curve with equation $y = 3 \times 2^x$ meets the curve with equation $y = 15 - 2^{x+1}$ at the point P.

Find, using algebra, the exact x coordinate of P.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5	$15-2^{x+1}=3\times 2^x$	B1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 15-2\times 2^x=3\times 2^x \Rightarrow 2^x=3$ or e.g. $\Rightarrow \frac{15}{2^x}-2=3\Rightarrow 2^x=3$	M1	1.1b
	$2^x=3\Rightarrow x=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$x=\log_2 3$	A1cso	1.1b
		(4)	
	Alternative		
	$y=3\times 2^x \Rightarrow 2^x=\frac{y}{3}\Rightarrow y=15-2\times\frac{y}{3}$	B1	1.1b
	$3y+2y=45\Rightarrow y=9\Rightarrow 3\times 2^x=9\Rightarrow 2^x=3$	M1	1.1b
	$2^x=3\Rightarrow x=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$x=\log_2 3$	A1cso	1.1b
			(4 marks)



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9. A quantity of ethanol was heated until it reached boiling point.

The temperature of the ethanol, θ°C, at time t seconds after heating began, is modelled by the equation

$$\theta = A - Be^{-0.07t}$$

where A and B are positive constants.

Given that

- the initial temperature of the ethanol was 18 °C
- after 10 seconds the temperature of the ethanol was 44 °C

(a) find a complete equation for the model, giving the values of A and B to 3 significant figures.

(4)

Ethanol has a boiling point of approximately 78 °C

(b) Use this information to evaluate the model.

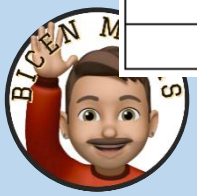
(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9(a)	$t = 0,\ \theta = 18 \Rightarrow 18 = A - B$ **or** $t = 10,\ \theta = 44 \Rightarrow 44 = A - Be^{-0.7}$	M1	3.1b
	$t = 0,\ \theta = 18 \Rightarrow 18 = A - B$ **and** $t = 10,\ \theta = 44 \Rightarrow 44 = A - Be^{-0.7}$ **and** $\Rightarrow A = ..., B = ...$	M1	3.1a
	At least one of: $A = 69.6$, $B = 51.6$ but allow awrt 70/awrt 52	A1 **M1 on EPEN**	1.1b
	$\theta = 69.6 - 51.6e^{-0.07t}$	A1	3.3
		(4)	
(b)	The maximum temperature is "69.6"(°C) (according to the model) (The model has an) upper limit of "69.6"(°C) (The model suggests that) the boiling point is "69.6"(°C)	B1ft	3.4
	Model is not appropriate as 69.6(°C) is much lower than 78(°C)	B1ft	3.5a
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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8. A scientist is studying the growth of two different populations of bacteria.

The number of bacteria, N, in the **first** population is modelled by the equation

$$N = Ae^{kt} \qquad t \geqslant 0$$

where A and k are positive constants and t is the time in hours from the start of the study.

Given that

- there were 1000 bacteria in this population at the start of the study
- it took exactly 5 hours from the start of the study for this population to double

(a) find a complete equation for the model.

(4)

(b) Hence find the rate of increase in the number of bacteria in this population exactly 8 hours from the start of the study. Give your answer to 2 significant figures.

(2)

The number of bacteria, M, in the **second** population is modelled by the equation

$$M = 500e^{1.4kt} \qquad t \geqslant 0$$

where k has the value found in part (a) and t is the time in hours from the start of the study.

Given that T hours after the start of the study, the number of bacteria in the two different populations was the same,

(c) find the value of T.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8(a)	$A = 1000$	B1	3.4
	$2000 = 1000\mathrm{e}^{5k}$ or $\mathrm{e}^{5k} = 2$	M1	1.1b
	$\mathrm{e}^{5k} = 2 \Rightarrow 5k = \ln 2 \Rightarrow k = \ldots$	M1	2.1
	$N = 1000\mathrm{e}^{\left(\frac{1}{5}\ln 2\right)t}$ or $N = 1000\mathrm{e}^{0.139t}$	A1	3.3
		(4)	
(b)	$\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}t} = 1000 \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\ln 2\right)\mathrm{e}^{\left(\frac{1}{5}\ln 2\right)t}$ or $\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}t} = 1000 \times 0.139\mathrm{e}^{0.139t}$ $\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}t}\right)_{t=8} = 1000 \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\ln 2\right)\mathrm{e}^{8\times\frac{1}{5}\ln 2}$ or $\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}t}\right)_{t=8} = 1000 \times 0.139\mathrm{e}^{0.139\times 8}$	M1	3.1b
	= awrt 420	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	$500\mathrm{e}^{1.4\times\left(\frac{1}{5}\ln 2\right)T} = 1000\mathrm{e}^{\left(\frac{1}{5}\ln 2\right)T}$ or $500\mathrm{e}^{1.4\times"0.139"t} = 1000\mathrm{e}^{"0.139"t}$	M1	3.4
	Correct method of getting a linear equation in T E.g. $0.08T\ln 2 = \ln 2$ or $1.4\times"0.339"T = \ln 2 + "0.339"t$	M1	2.1
	$T = 12.5$ hours	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(9 marks)



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3. Using the laws of logarithms, solve the equation

$$\log_3 (12y + 5) - \log_3 (1 - 3y) = 2$$

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3	$\log_3(12y+5)-\log_3(1-3y)=2 \Rightarrow \log_3\dfrac{12y+5}{1-3y}=2$ or e.g. $2=\log_3 9$	B1 M1 on EPEN	1.1b
	$\log_3\dfrac{12y+5}{1-3y}=2 \Rightarrow \dfrac{12y+5}{1-3y}=3^2 \Rightarrow 9-27y=12y+5 \Rightarrow y=...$ or e.g. $\log_3(12y+5)=\log_3\left(3^2(1-3y)\right) \Rightarrow (12y+5)=3^2(1-3y) \Rightarrow y=...$	M1	2.1
	$y=\dfrac{4}{39}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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10. The time, T seconds, that a pendulum takes to complete one swing is modelled by the formula

$$T = al^b$$

where l metres is the length of the pendulum and a and b are constants.

(a) Show that this relationship can be written in the form

$$\log_{10} T = b \log_{10} l + \log_{10} a$$

(2)

A student carried out an experiment to find the values of the constants a and b.

The student recorded the value of T for different values of l.

Figure 3 shows the linear relationship between $\log_{10} l$ and $\log_{10} T$ for the student's data.
The straight line passes through the points $(-0.7, 0)$ and $(0.21, 0.45)$

Using this information,

(b) find a complete equation for the model in the form

$$T = al^b$$

giving the value of a and the value of b, each to 3 significant figures.

(3)

(c) With reference to the model, interpret the value of the constant a.

(1)

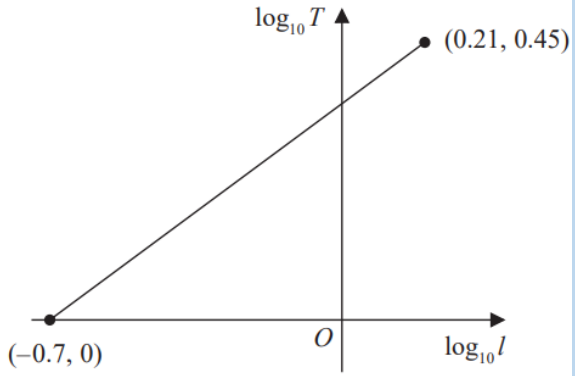


Figure 3

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10(a)	$T = al^b \Rightarrow \log_{10} T = \log_{10} a + \log_{10} l^b$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow \log_{10} T = \log_{10} a + b\log_{10} l$ * or $\Rightarrow \log_{10} T = b\log_{10} l + \log_{10} a$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$b = 0.495$ or $b = \frac{45}{91}$	B1	2.2a
	$0 = "0.495" \times -0.7 + \log_{10} a \Rightarrow a = 10^{0.346...}$ or $0.45 = "0.495" \times 0.21 + \log_{10} a \Rightarrow a = 10^{0.346...}$	M1	3.1a
	$T = 2.22l^{0.495}$	A1	3.3
		(3)	
(c)	The time taken for one swing of a pendulum of length 1 m	B1	3.2a
		(1)	
			(6 marks)



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10. A scientist is studying the number of bees and the number of wasps on an island.

The number of bees, measured in thousands, N_b, is modelled by the equation

$$N_b = 45 + 220\,e^{0.05t}$$

where t is the number of years from the start of the study.

According to the model,

(a) find the number of bees at the start of the study,

(1)

(b) show that, exactly 10 years after the start of the study, the number of bees was increasing at a **rate** of approximately 18 thousand per year.

(3)

The number of wasps, measured in thousands, N_w, is modelled by the equation

$$N_w = 10 + 800\,e^{-0.05t}$$

where t is the number of years from the start of the study.

When $t = T$, according to the models, there are an equal number of bees and wasps.

(c) Find the value of T to 2 decimal places.

(4)



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10 (a)	265 thousand	B1
		(1)
(b)	Attempts $\frac{dN_b}{dt} = 11e^{0.05t}$	M1
	Substitutes $t = 10$ into their $\frac{dN_b}{dt}$	M1
	$\frac{dN_b}{dt}$ = awrt 18.1 which is approximately 18 thousand per year *	A1*
		(3)
(c)	Sets $45 + 220e^{0.05t} = 10 + 800e^{-0.05t} \Rightarrow 220e^{0.05t} + 35 - 800e^{-0.05t} = 0$	M1
	Correct quadratic equation $\Rightarrow 220\left(e^{0.05t}\right)^2 + 35e^{0.05t} - 800 = 0$	A1
	$e^{0.05t} = 1.829, (-1.988) \Rightarrow 0.05t = \ln(1.829)$	M1
	$T = 12.08$	A1
		(4)



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2. (a) Sketch the curve with equation

$$y = 4^x$$

stating any points of intersection with the coordinate axes.

(2)

(b) Solve

$$4^x = 100$$

giving your answer to 2 decimal places.

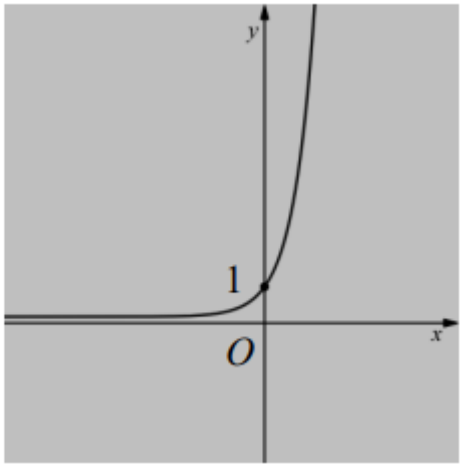
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2(a)		Correct shape or correct intercept – see notes	B1
		Fully correct – see notes	B1
			(2)
(b)	$4^x = 100 \Rightarrow x = \log_4 100$ or e.g. $x \log 4 = \log 100 \Rightarrow x = \dfrac{\log 100}{\log 4}$		M1
	$\Rightarrow (x =)$ awrt 3.32		A1
			(2)

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6. $a = \log_2 x$ $b = \log_2(x + 8)$

Express in terms of a and/or b

(a) $\log_2 \sqrt{x}$

(1)

(b) $\log_2(x^2 + 8x)$

(2)

(c) $\log_2\left(8 + \frac{64}{x}\right)$

Give your answer in simplest form.

(3)



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6(a)	$\frac{1}{2}a$	B1	2.2a
		(1)	
(b)	$\log_2 x(x+8) \Rightarrow \log_2 x + \log_2(x+8)$	M1	1.2
	$= a + b$	A1	2.2a
		(2)	
(c)	e.g. $8 + \frac{64}{x} = \frac{8x+64}{x}$	B1	1.1b
	$\log_2 \frac{8}{x}(x+8) = 3 - \log_2 x + \log_2(x+8)$	M1	1.1b
	$3 + b - a$	A1	2.2a
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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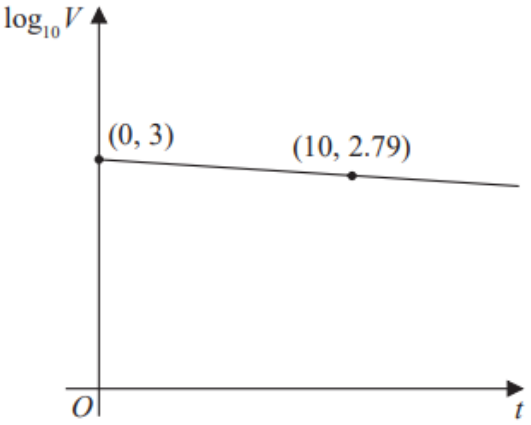


Figure 2

The value, V pounds, of a mobile phone, t months after it was bought, is modelled by

$$V = ab^t$$

where a and b are constants.

Figure 2 shows the linear relationship between $\log_{10} V$ and t.

The line passes through the points (0, 3) and (10, 2.79) as shown.

Using these points,

(a) find the initial value of the phone,

(2)

(b) find a complete equation for V in terms of t, giving the exact value of a and giving the value of b to 3 significant figures.

(3)

Exactly 2 years after it was bought, the value of the phone was £320

(c) Use this information to evaluate the reliability of the model.

(2)



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11(a)	$\log_{10} V = 3 \Rightarrow V = 10^3$	M1	1.1b
	$(V =)$ £1000	A1	3.4
		(2)	
(b)	e.g. $(\log_{10} b =) \dfrac{2.79-3}{10-0} = -0.021$ **or** $\log_{10} V = 3 - 0.021t$ **or** $10^{2.79} = "1000" b^{10}$	M1	1.1b
	e.g. $b = 10^{-0.021}$ $(= 0.952796....)$ **or** $V = 10^3 \times 10^{-0.021t}$ **or** $b = \sqrt[10]{"0.61659..."}$	M1	3.1b
	$V = 1000 \times 0.953^t$	A1ft	3.3
		(3)	
(c)	e.g. $V = 1000 \times "0.953"^{24}$ $(= £315)$ or e.g. $\log_{10} V = 3 - "0.021" \times 24 \Rightarrow V = ... (= £313)$ which is close (to £320) so it is a suitable model	M1	3.4
		A1	3.2b
		(2)	
			(7 marks)



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3. Given that

$$\log_2(x + 3) + \log_2(x + 10) = 2 + 2\log_2 x$$

(a) show that

$$3x^2 - 13x - 30 = 0$$

(3)

(b) (i) Write down the roots of the equation

$$3x^2 - 13x - 30 = 0$$

(ii) Hence state which of the roots in part (b)(i) is not a solution of

$$\log_2(x + 3) + \log_2(x + 10) = 2 + 2\log_2 x$$

giving a reason for your answer.

(2)



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3(a)	Uses one correct log law e.g. $\log_2(x+3)+\log_2(x+10)=\log_2(x+3)(x+10)$ $2=\log_2 4,\quad 2\log_2 x=\log_2 x^2$	**M1**	1.1b
	$(x+3)(x+10)=4x^2$ oe	**dM1**	2.1
	$\Rightarrow 3x^2-13x-30=0$ *	**A1***	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)(i)	$(x=)\ 6,\ -\frac{5}{3}$	**B1**	1.1b
(ii)	$x\neq -\frac{5}{3}$ because $\log_{(2)}\left(-\frac{5}{3}\right)$ is not real	**B1**	2.4
		(2)	
			(5 marks)

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4. Coffee is poured into a cup.

The temperature of the coffee, H °C, t minutes after being poured into the cup is modelled by the equation

$$H = Ae^{-Bt} + 30$$

where A and B are constants.

Initially, the temperature of the coffee was 85 °C.

(a) State the value of A.

(1)

Initially, the coffee was cooling at a rate of 7.5 °C per minute.

(b) Find a complete equation linking H and t, giving the value of B to 3 decimal places.

(3)



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4(a)	$(A=)\ 55$	**B1**	3.4
		(1)	
(b)	$\left\{\frac{dH}{dt}=\right\} -ABe^{-Bt}$ or $\left\{\frac{dH}{dt}=\right\} -"55"Be^{-Bt}$	**M1**	3.1b
	$-B\times"55"=-7.5\Rightarrow B=...\ \left(\frac{3}{22}=\text{awrt } 0.136\right)$	**M1**	1.1b
	$H=55e^{-0.136t}+30$	**A1cso**	3.3
		(3)	
			(4 marks)



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13. The world human population, P billions, is modelled by the equation

$$P = ab^t$$

where a and b are constants and t is the number of years after 2004

Using the estimated population figures for the years from 2004 to 2007, a graph is plotted of $\log_{10} P$ against t.

The points lie approximately on a straight line with

- gradient 0.0054
- intercept 0.81 on the $\log_{10} P$ axis

(a) Estimate, to 3 decimal places, the value of a and the value of b.

(4)

In the context of the model,

(b) (i) interpret the value of the constant a,

(ii) interpret the value of the constant b.

(2)

(c) Use the model to estimate the world human population in 2030

(2)

(d) Comment on the reliability of the answer to part (c).

(1)



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13(a)	$\log_{10} b = 0.0054 \Rightarrow b = 10^{0.0054}$ **or** $\log_{10} a = 0.81 \Rightarrow a = 10^{0.81}$	M1	3.1a
	$b = 1.01$ **or** $a = 6.46$	A1	1.1b
	$\log_{10} b = 0.0054 \Rightarrow b = 10^{0.0054}$ **and** $\log_{10} a = 0.81 \Rightarrow a = 10^{0.81}$	M1	2.1
	$b = 1.013$ **and** $a = 6.457$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)(i)	e.g. The world population **in billions** in 2004	B1ft	3.2a
(ii)	b = 1.013 represents the scale factor of the yearly increase in the world population	B1ft	3.2a
		(2)	
(c)	$P = 6.457...(1.013...)^{26}$ or e.g. $\log P = 0.81 + 26 \times 0.0054 \Rightarrow P = ...$	M1	3.4
	awrt 9 billion	A1	2.2b
		(2)	
(d)	Not reliable since the data used for the model covered the years 2004 – 2007 and it would not be sensible to assume that the model still holds in 2030	B1	3.2b
		(1)	
			(9 marks)



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16. (a) Express $\dfrac{1}{P(11-2P)}$ in partial fractions.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
16(a)	Sets $\frac{1}{P(11-2P)} = \frac{A}{P} + \frac{B}{(11-2P)}$	B1	1.1a
	Substitutes either $P=0$ or $P=\frac{11}{2}$ into $1=A(11-2P)+BP \Rightarrow A \text{ or } B$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{1}{P(11-2P)} = \frac{1/11}{P} + \frac{2/11}{(11-2P)}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	



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3. (a) "If m and n are irrational numbers, where $m \neq n$, then mn is also irrational."

Disprove this statement by means of a counter example.

(2)

(b) (i) Sketch the graph of $y = |x| + 3$

(ii) Explain why $|x| + 3 \geqslant |x + 3|$ for all real values of x.

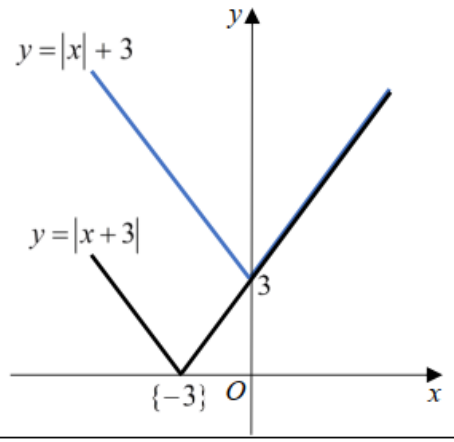
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Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
3	Statement: "If m and n are irrational numbers, where $m \neq n$, then mn is also irrational."			
(a)	E.g. $m = \sqrt{3}$, $n = \sqrt{12}$		M1	1.1b
	$\{mn =\}\ \left(\sqrt{3}\right)\left(\sqrt{12}\right) = 6$ $\Rightarrow$ statement untrue **or** 6 is not irrational or 6 is rational		A1	2.4
			(2)	
(b)(i), (ii) Way 1		V shaped graph {reasonably} symmetrical about the y-axis with vertical interpret (0, 3) or 3 stated or marked on the positive y-axis	B1	1.1b
		Superimposes the graph of $y = \lvert x+3 \rvert$ on top of the graph of $y = \lvert x \rvert + 3$	M1	3.1a
	the graph of $y = \lvert x \rvert + 3$ is either the same or above the graph of $y = \lvert x+3 \rvert$ {for corresponding values of x} **or** when $x \geq 0$, both graphs are equal (or the same) when $x < 0$, the graph of $y = \lvert x \rvert + 3$ is above the graph of $y = \lvert x+3 \rvert$		A1	2.4
			(3)	
(b)(ii) Way 2	**Reason 1** When $x \geq 0$, $\lvert x \rvert + 3 = \lvert x+3 \rvert$ **Reason 2** When $x < 0$, $\lvert x \rvert + 3 > \lvert x+3 \rvert$	Any one of Reason 1 or Reason 2	M1	3.1a
		Both Reason 1 and Reason 2	A1	2.4
				(5 marks)



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11.

$$\frac{1+11x-6x^2}{(x-3)(1-2x)} \equiv A + \frac{B}{(x-3)} + \frac{C}{(1-2x)}$$

(a) Find the values of the constants A, B and C.

(4)

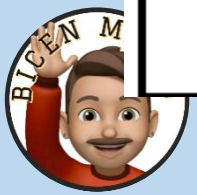


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11	$\dfrac{1+11x-6x^2}{(x-3)(1-2x)} \equiv A+\dfrac{B}{(x-3)}+\dfrac{C}{(1-2x)}$		
(a) Way 1	$1+11x-6x^2 \equiv A(1-2x)(x-3)+B(1-2x)+C(x-3) \Rightarrow B=..., C=...$	M1	2.1
	$A=3$	B1	1.1b
	Uses substitution or compares terms to find either $B=...$ or $C=...$	M1	1.1b
	$B=4$ and $C=-2$ which have been found using a correct identity	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(a) Way 2	{long division gives} $\dfrac{1+11x-6x^2}{(x-3)(1-2x)} \equiv 3+\dfrac{-10x+10}{(x-3)(1-2x)}$		
	$-10x+10 \equiv B(1-2x)+C(x-3) \Rightarrow B=..., C=...$	M1	2.1
	$A=3$	B1	1.1b
	Uses substitution or compares terms to find either $B=...$ or $C=...$	M1	1.1b
	$B=4$ and $C=-2$ which have been found using $-10x+10 \equiv B(1-2x)+C(x-3)$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	



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16. Prove by contradiction that there are no positive integers p and q such that

$$4p^2 - q^2 = 25$$

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
16	Sets up the contradiction and factorises: There are positive integers p and q such that $(2p+q)(2p-q)=25$	M1	2.1
	If true then $2p+q=25$, $2p-q=1$ or $2p+q=5$, $2p-q=5$ **Award for deducing either of the above statements**	M1	2.2a
	Solutions are $p=6.5, q=12$ or $p=2.5, q=0$ Award for one of these	A1	1.1b
	This is a contradiction as there are no integer solutions hence there are no positive integers p and q such that $4p^2-q^2=25$	A1	2.1
		(4)	
			(4 marks)



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6. (a) Given that

$$\frac{x^2 + 8x - 3}{x + 2} \equiv Ax + B + \frac{C}{x + 2} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad x \neq -2$$

find the values of the constants A, B and C

(3)

(b) Hence, using algebraic integration, find the exact value of

$$\int_0^6 \frac{x^2 + 8x - 3}{x + 2} \, dx$$

giving your answer in the form $a + b \ln 2$ where a and b are integers to be found.

(4)



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6(a)	$x^2+8x-3=(Ax+B)(x+2)+C$ or $Ax(x+2)+B(x+2)+C$ $\Rightarrow A=\ldots, B=\ldots, C=\ldots$ **or** $\begin{array}{r} x+6 \\ x+2\overline{)x^2+8x-3} \\ \underline{x^2+2x} \\ 6x-3 \\ \underline{6x+12} \\ -15 \end{array}$	M1	1.1b
	Two of $A=1, B=6, C=-15$	A1	1.1b
	All three of $A=1, B=6, C=-15$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	



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9.

$$f(x) = \frac{50x^2 + 38x + 9}{(5x + 2)^2(1 - 2x)} \qquad x \neq -\frac{2}{5} \quad x \neq \frac{1}{2}$$

Given that $f(x)$ can be expressed in the form

$$\frac{A}{5x + 2} + \frac{B}{(5x + 2)^2} + \frac{C}{1 - 2x}$$

where A, B and C are constants

(a) (i) find the value of B and the value of C

(ii) show that $A = 0$

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9(a)(i)	$50x^2+38x+9 \equiv A(5x+2)(1-2x)+B(1-2x)+C(5x+2)^2$ $\Rightarrow B=\ldots$ or $C=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$B=1$ and $C=2$	A1	1.1b
(a)(ii)	E.g. $x=0$ $x=0 \Rightarrow 9=2A+B+4C$ $\Rightarrow 9=2A+1+8 \Rightarrow A=\ldots$	M1	2.1
	$A=0$*	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	



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15. (i) Use proof by exhaustion to show that for $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \leqslant 4$

$$(n+1)^3 > 3^n$$

(2)

(ii) Given that $m^3 + 5$ is odd, use proof by contradiction to show, using algebra, that m is even.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15(i)	$n=1,\ 2^3=8,\ 3^1=3,\ (8>3)$ $n=2,\ 3^3=27,\ 3^2=9,\ (27>9)$ $n=3,\ 4^3=64,\ 3^3=27,\ (64>27)$ $n=4,\ 5^3=125,\ 3^4=81,\ (125>81)$	M1	2.1
	So if $n \leqslant 4, n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $(n+1)^3 > 3^n$	A1	2.4
		(2)	
(ii)	Begins the proof by negating the statement. "Let m be odd " or "Assume m is not even"	M1	2.4
	Set $m=(2p\pm1)$ and attempt $m^3+5=(2p\pm1)^3+5=...$	M1	2.1
	$=8p^3+12p^2+6p+6$ AND deduces even	A1	2.2a
	Completes proof which requires reason and conclusion • reason for $8p^3+12p^2+6p+6$ being even • acceptable statement such as "this is a contradiction so if m^3+5 is odd then m must be even"	A1	2.4
		(4)	
			(6 marks)



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7. (i) Given that p and q are integers such that

$$pq \text{ is even}$$

use algebra to prove by contradiction that at least one of p or q is even.

(3)

(ii) Given that x and y are integers such that

- $x < 0$
- $(x + y)^2 < 9x^2 + y^2$

show that $y > 4x$

(2)



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7 (i)	For setting up the contradiction: There exists integers p and q such that pq is even and both p and q are odd	B1
	For example, sets $p=2m+1$ and $q=2n+1$ and then attempts $pq=(2m+1)(2n+1)=...$	M1
	Obtains $pq=(2m+1)(2n+1)=4mn+2m+2n+1$ $=2(2mn+m+n)+1$ States that this is odd, giving a contradiction so " if pq is even, then at least one of p and q is even" *	A1*
		(3)
(ii)		
	$(x+y)^2<9x^2+y^2\Rightarrow 2xy<8x^2$	M1
	States that as $x<0\Rightarrow 2y>8x$ $\Rightarrow y>4x$ *	A1*
		(2)



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15. A student attempts to answer the following question:

> Given that x is an obtuse angle, use algebra to prove by contradiction that
>
> $$\sin x - \cos x \geqslant 1$$

The student starts the proof with:

> Assume that $\sin x - \cos x < 1$ when x is an obtuse angle
>
> $\Rightarrow (\sin x - \cos x)^2 < 1$
>
> $\Rightarrow \ldots$

The start of the student's proof is reprinted below.

Complete the proof.

(3)

Assume that $\sin x - \cos x < 1$ when x is an obtuse angle

$\Rightarrow (\sin x - \cos x)^2 < 1$



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15	$(\sin x - \cos x)^2 < 1 \Rightarrow \sin^2 x - 2\sin x \cos x + \cos^2 x \ \ (< 1)$ o.e.	**M1**	1.1b
	Examples: $1 - 2\sin x \cos x < 1,\ 1 - \sin 2x < 1,\ -2\sin x \cos x < 0,\ -\sin 2x < 0$	**A1**	2.2a
	As x is obtuse then $-2\sin x \cos x$ is positive because $\sin x > 0$ and $\cos x < 0$ so we have a contradiction. Therefore $\sin x - \cos x \geqslant 1$ *	**A1***	2.4
			(3 marks)



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15. (i) Show that $k^2 - 4k + 5$ is positive for all real values of k.

(2)

(ii) A student was asked to prove by contradiction that

"There are no positive integers x and y such that $(3x + 2y)(2x - 5y) = 28$"

The start of the student's proof is shown below.

> Assume that positive integers x and y exist such that
> $(3x + 2y)(2x - 5y) = 28$
>
> If $3x + 2y = 14$ and $2x - 5y = 2$
>
> $\left.\begin{aligned} 3x + 2y &= 14 \\ 2x - 5y &= 2 \end{aligned}\right\} \Rightarrow x = \frac{74}{19},\ y = \frac{22}{19}$ Not integers

Show the calculations and statements needed to complete the proof.

(4)



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15(i)	$k^2-4k+5=(k-2)^2+\ldots$	M1	2.1
	$k^2-4k+5=(k-2)^2+1$ so $k^2-4k+5\geqslant 1$ so k^2-4k+5 is always positive*	A1*	2.4
		(2)	
15(ii)	Attempts to solve any 1 pair of the relevant 11 sim. equations. e.g. **one of** $\left.\begin{matrix}3x+2y=28\\2x-5y=1\end{matrix}\right\}\Rightarrow x=\ldots,(y=\ldots)$ **or** … (see notes for all 11)	M1	2.1
	Attempts to solve any 2 pairs of the relevant 11 sim. equations with at least one correct and correctly rejected. e.g. **both** $\left.\begin{matrix}3x+2y=28\\2x-5y=1\end{matrix}\right\}\Rightarrow x=\frac{142}{19},\left(y=\frac{53}{19}\right)$ Not integers **and** $\left.\begin{matrix}3x+2y=7\\2x-5y=4\end{matrix}\right\}\Rightarrow x=\ldots,(y=\ldots)$ **or** … (see notes for all 11 options)	dM1 (A1 on EPEN)	2.2a
	Attempts to solve all 5 pairs of the relevant sim. equations with positive RHS **or** e.g. $\left.\begin{matrix}3x+2y=28\\2x-5y=1\end{matrix}\right\}\Rightarrow x=\frac{142}{19},\left(y=\frac{53}{19}\right)$ Not integers **and** $\left.\begin{matrix}3x+2y=7\\2x-5y=4\end{matrix}\right\}\Rightarrow x=\ldots,(y=\ldots)$ **and** all other cases are not possible as $3x+2y\geqslant 5$	ddM1	2.1
	Requires: • All cases considered, with correct values and rejected • Correct reasons given in each case e.g. "not integers" • Concluding statement e.g. "hence proven"	A1	2.4
		(4)	



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4. Given

$$f(x) = e^x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = 3\ln x, \quad x > 0, \ x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(a) find an expression for $gf(x)$, simplifying your answer.

(2)

(b) Show that there is only one real value of x for which $gf(x) = fg(x)$

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4 (a)	$\text{gf}(x) = 3\ln \text{e}^x$	M1	1.1b
	$= 3x, \ (x \in \mathbb{R})$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$\text{gf}(x) = \text{fg}(x) \Rightarrow 3x = x^3$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x^3 - 3x = 0 \Rightarrow x =$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x = (+)\sqrt{3}$ only as $\ln x$ is not defined at $x = 0$ and $-\sqrt{3}$	M1	2.2a
		(3)	
			(5 marks)



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11.

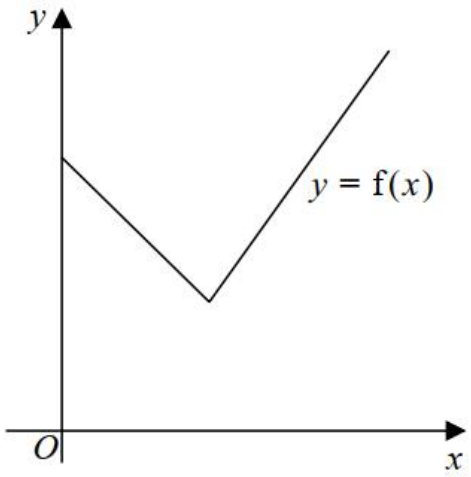


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the graph $y = f(x)$, where

$$f(x) = 2|3 - x| + 5, \quad x \geqslant 0$$

(a) State the range of f

(1)

(b) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 30$$

(3)

Given that the equation $f(x) = k$, where k is a constant, has two distinct roots,

(c) state the set of possible values for k.

(2)

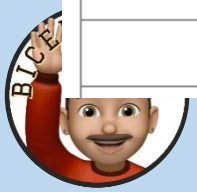


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11 (a)	$f(x) \geqslant 5$	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	Uses $-2(3-x)+5=\frac{1}{2}x+30$	M1	3.1a
	Attempts to solve by multiplying out bracket, collect terms etc $\frac{3}{2}x=31$	M1	1.1b
	$x=\frac{62}{3}$ only	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(c)	Makes the connection that there must be two intersections. Implied by either end point $k>5$ or $k \leqslant 11$	M1	2.2a
	$\{k : k \in \mathbb{R}, 5<k \leqslant 11\}$	A1	2.5
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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1.

$$g(x) = \frac{2x + 5}{x - 3} \qquad x \geqslant 5$$

(a) Find gg(5).

(2)

(b) State the range of g.

(1)

(c) Find $g^{-1}(x)$, stating its domain.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	$g(x)=\frac{2x+5}{x-3},\ x\geq 5$		
(a) Way 1	$g(5)=\frac{2(5)+5}{5-3}=7.5 \Rightarrow gg(5)=\frac{2("7.5")+5}{"7.5"-3}$	M1	1.1b
	$gg(5)=\frac{40}{9}\ \left(\text{or } 4\frac{4}{9} \text{ or } 4.\dot{4}\right)$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(a) Way 2	$gg(x)=\frac{2\left(\frac{2x+5}{x-3}\right)+5}{\left(\frac{2x+5}{x-3}\right)-3} \Rightarrow gg(5)=\frac{2\left(\frac{2(5)+5}{(5)-3}\right)+5}{\left(\frac{2(5)+5}{(5)-3}\right)-3}$	M1	1.1b
	$gg(5)=\frac{40}{9}\ \left(\text{or } 4\frac{4}{9} \text{ or } 4.\dot{4}\right)$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	{Range:} $2<y\leq\frac{15}{2}$	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(c) Way 1	$y=\frac{2x+5}{x-3} \Rightarrow yx-3y=2x+5 \Rightarrow yx-2x=3y+5$	M1	1.1b
	$x(y-2)=3y+5 \Rightarrow x=\frac{3y+5}{y-2}\ \left\{\text{or } y=\frac{3x+5}{x-2}\right\}$	M1	2.1
	$g^{-1}(x)=\frac{3x+5}{x-2},\quad 2<x\leq\frac{15}{2}$	A1ft	2.5
		(3)	
(c) Way 2	$y=\frac{2x-6+11}{x-3} \Rightarrow y=2+\frac{11}{x-3} \Rightarrow y-2=\frac{11}{x-3}$	M1	1.1b
	$x-3=\frac{11}{y-2} \Rightarrow x=\frac{11}{y-2}+3\ \left\{\text{or } y=\frac{11}{x-2}+3\right\}$	M1	2.1
	$g^{-1}(x)=\frac{11}{x-2}+3,\quad 2<x\leq\frac{15}{2}$	A1ft	2.5
		(3)	
			(6 marks)

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5. $f(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 9 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$

(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

$$g(x) = 2(x - 2)^2 + 4x - 3 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(ii) Find the range of the function

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

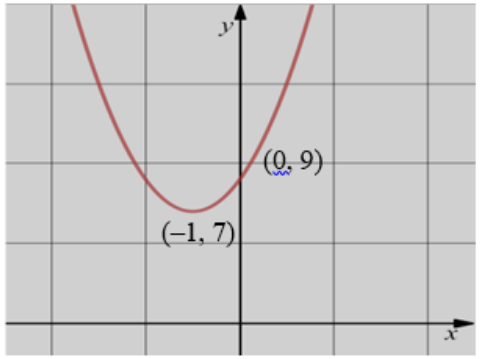
(4)



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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + b)^2 + c$	B1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$
	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + 1)^2 + c$	M1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$ and $b = 1$
	$2x^2 + 4x + 9 = 2(x + 1)^2 + 7$	A1	This mark is given for writing f(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ with $a = 2$, $b = 1$ and $c = 7$
(b)		B1	This mark is given for a U shaped curve in any position
		B1	This mark is given for a y-intercept shown at (0, 9)
		B1	This mark is given for a minimum shown at (–1, 7)
(c)(i)	$g(x) = 2(x - 2)^2 + 4(x - 2) + 5$	M1	This mark is given for writing g(x) in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$ and comparing to f(x)
	Translation of $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$	A1	This mark is given for deducing the translation of y = f(x) to y = g(x)
(c)(ii)	$h(x) = \dfrac{21}{2(x+1)^2 + 7}$ Maximum value = $\dfrac{21}{7}$ (when $x = -1$)	M1	This mark is given for writing h(x) in the form $\dfrac{21}{a(x+b)^2 + c}$ and finding its maximum value
	$0 < h(x) \leq 3$	A1	This mark is given for finding the correct range of the function h(x)

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10. (i) Prove that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n^2 + 2$ is not divisible by 4

(4)

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

(2)



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(ii)	For example, for $x = 9.4$ $\|3x - 28\| = 0.2$ and $(x - 9) = 0.4$	M1	This mark is given for showing that the statement is not true for $9.25 < x < 9.5$
	The statement is sometimes true; For example, for $x = 12$ $\|3x - 28\| = 8$ and $(x - 9) = 3$	A1	This mark is given for a correct statement and an example where the statement is true



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Figure 4 shows a sketch of the graph of $y = g(x)$, where

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} (x-2)^2 + 1 & x \leqslant 2 \\ 4x - 7 & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the value of $gg(0)$.

(2)

(b) Find all values of x for which

$$g(x) > 28$$

(4)

The function h is defined by

$$h(x) = (x-2)^2 + 1 \qquad x \leqslant 2$$

(c) Explain why h has an inverse but g does not.

(1)

(d) Solve the equation

$$h^{-1}(x) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

(3)

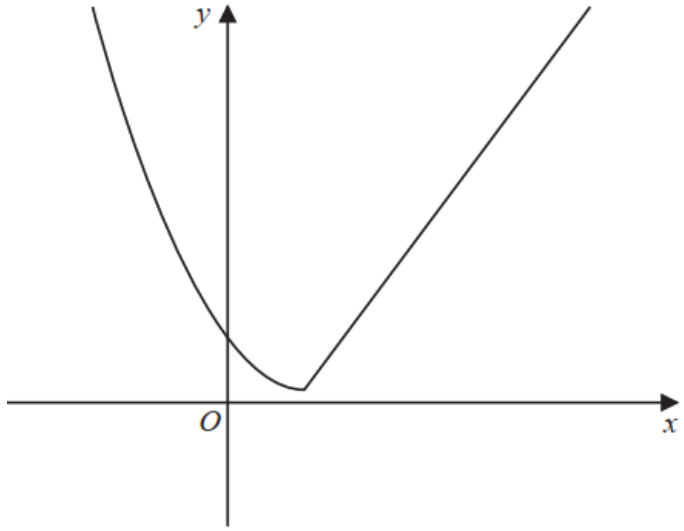


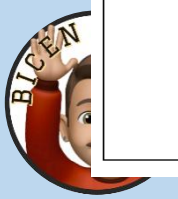
Figure 4

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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$g(0) = 5$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find g(0)
	$gg(0) = g(5) = 13$	A1	This mark is given for a correct value for gg(0)
(b)	$(x-2)^2 + 1 > 28$ $(x-2)^2 > 27$ $x - 2 > 3\sqrt{3}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to solve $g(x) > 28$ when $x \leq 2$
	$x < 2 - 3\sqrt{3}$	A1	
	$4x - 7 > 28$ $4x > 35$ $x > \frac{35}{4}$	M1	This mark is given for a solving $g(x) > 28$ when $x > 2$
	$x < 2 - 3\sqrt{3}$ and $x > \frac{35}{4}$	A1	This mark is given for a correct range of values of x for which $g(x) > 28$ stated
(c)	h^{-1} exists since h is a one-to-one function; g^{-1} does not exists since g is a many-to-one function	B1	This mark is given for a valid explanation
(d)	$h^{-1}(x) = 2 - \sqrt{(x-1)}$	B1	This mark is given for finding an expression for $h^{-1}(x)$
	$2 \pm \sqrt{(x-1)} = -\frac{1}{2}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to rearrange to find a value for x
	$x = 7.25$	A1	This mark is given for a correct value of x



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4. The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{3x - 7}{x - 2} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 2$$

(a) Find $f^{-1}(7)$

(2)

(b) Show that $ff(x) = \frac{ax + b}{x - 3}$ where a and b are integers to be found.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4 (a)	Either attempts $\frac{3x-7}{x-2}=7 \Rightarrow x=...$ Or attempts $f^{-1}(x)$ and substitutes in $x=7$	M1	3.1a
	$\frac{7}{4}$ oe	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Attempts $ff(x)=\frac{3\times\left(\frac{3x-7}{x-2}\right)-7}{\left(\frac{3x-7}{x-2}\right)-2}=\frac{3\times(3x-7)-7(x-2)}{3x-7-2(x-2)}$	M1, dM1	1.1b 1.1b
	$=\frac{2x-7}{x-3}$	A1	2.1
		(3)	
			(5 marks)



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Figure 2 shows a sketch of the graph with equation

$$y = 2|x + 4| - 5$$

The vertex of the graph is at the point P, shown in Figure 2.

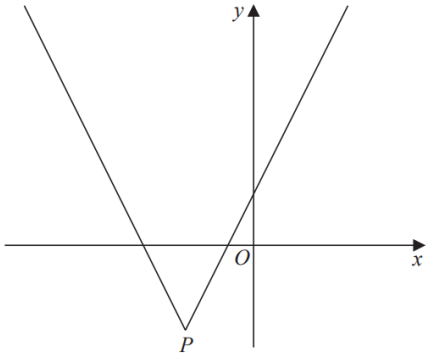


Figure 2

(a) Find the coordinates of P.

(2)

(b) Solve the equation

$$3x + 40 = 2|x + 4| - 5$$

(2)

A line l has equation $y = ax$, where a is a constant.

Given that l intersects $y = 2|x + 4| - 5$ at least once,

(c) find the range of possible values of a, writing your answer in set notation.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11(a)	$x=-4$ **or** $y=-5$	B1	1.1b
	$P(-4,-5)$	B1	2.2a
		(2)	
(b)	$3x+40=-2(x+4)-5 \Rightarrow x=...$	M1	1.1b
	$x=-10.6$	A1	2.1
		(2)	
(c)	$a>2$	B1	2.2a
	$y=ax \Rightarrow -5=-4a \Rightarrow a=\frac{5}{4}$	M1	3.1a
	$\{a:a_{,,}\ 1.25\} \cup \{a:a>2\}$	A1	2.5
		(3)	
			(7 marks)

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2. The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = 7 - 2x^2 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{3x}{5x-1} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R} \qquad x \neq \frac{1}{5}$$

(a) State the range of f

(1)

(b) Find gf(1.8)

(2)

(c) Find $g^{-1}(x)$

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2(a)	$y \leqslant 7$	B1	2.5
		(1)	
(b)	$\mathrm{f}(1.8) = 7 - 2\times 1.8^2 = 0.52 \Rightarrow \mathrm{gf}(1.8) = \mathrm{g}(0.52) = \dfrac{3\times 0.52}{5\times 0.52 - 1} = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$\mathrm{gf}(1.8) = 0.975$ oe e.g. $\dfrac{39}{40}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	$y = \dfrac{3x}{5x-1} \Rightarrow 5xy - y = 3x \Rightarrow x(5y-3) = y$	M1	1.1b
	$\left(\mathrm{g}^{-1}(x) =\right) \dfrac{x}{5x-3}$	A1	2.2a
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



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Figure 4 shows a sketch of the graph with equation

$$y = |2x - 3k|$$

where k is a positive constant.

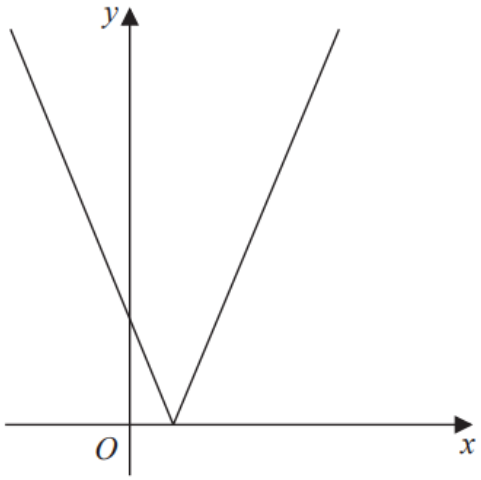


Figure 4

(a) Sketch the graph with equation $y = f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = k - |2x - 3k|$$

stating

- the coordinates of the maximum point
- the coordinates of any points where the graph cuts the coordinate axes

(4)

(b) Find, in terms of k, the set of values of x for which

$$k - |2x - 3k| > x - k$$

giving your answer in set notation.

(4)

(c) Find, in terms of k, the coordinates of the minimum point of the graph with equation

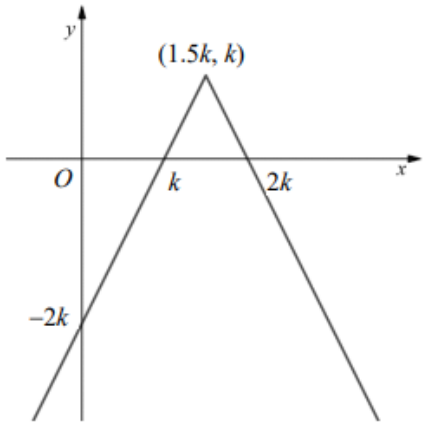
$$y = 3 - 5f\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$$

(2)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11(a)			
	∧ shape in any position	B1	1.1b
	Correct x-intercepts or coordinates	B1	1.1b
	Correct y-intercept or coordinates	B1	1.1b
	Correct coordinates for the vertex of a ∧ shape	B1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$x = k$	B1	2.2a
	$k-(2x-3k)=x-k \Rightarrow x=...$	M1	3.1a
	$x=\frac{5k}{3}$	A1	1.1b
	Set notation is required here for this mark $\left\{x : x<\frac{5k}{3}\right\}\cap\{x : x>k\}$	A1	2.5
		(4)	
(c)	$x = 3k$ **or** $y = 3 - 5k$	B1ft	2.2a
	$x = 3k$ **and** $y = 3 - 5k$	B1ft	2.2a
		(2)	
			(10 marks)



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1. The point $P(-2, -5)$ lies on the curve with equation $y = f(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$

Find the point to which P is mapped, when the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ is transformed to the curve with equation

(a) $y = f(x) + 2$

(1)

(b) $y = |f(x)|$

(1)

(c) $y = 3f(x - 2) + 2$

(2)



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1 (a)	$(-2, -3)$	B1
		(1)
(b)	$(-2, 5)$	B1
		(1)
(c)	Either $x = 0$ or $y = -13$	M1
	$(0, -13)$	A1
		(2)



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1. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

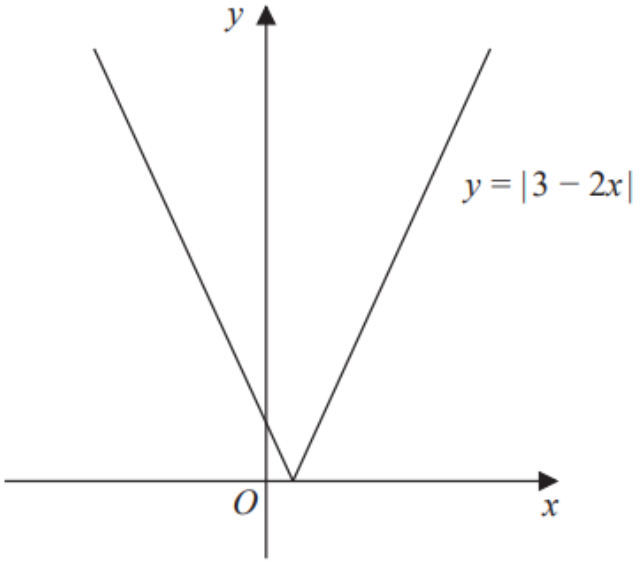


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of the graph with equation $y = |3 - 2x|$

Solve

$$|3 - 2x| = 7 + x$$

(4)



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1	For an attempt to solve **Either** $3-2x=7+x \Rightarrow x=...$ **or** $2x-3=7+x \Rightarrow x=...$	M1
	Either $x=-\frac{4}{3}$ **or** $x=10$	A1
	For an attempt to solve **Both** $3-2x=7+x \Rightarrow x=...$ **and** $2x-3=7+x \Rightarrow x=...$	dM1
	For **both** $x=-\frac{4}{3}$ **and** $x=10$ with no extra solutions	A1
		(4)



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10. The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{8x + 5}{2x + 3} \qquad x > -\frac{3}{2}$$

(a) Find $f^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$

(2)

(b) Show that

$$f(x) = A + \frac{B}{2x + 3}$$

where A and B are constants to be found.

(2)

The function g is defined by

$$g(x) = 16 - x^2 \qquad 0 \leqslant x \leqslant 4$$

(c) State the range of g^{-1}

(1)

(d) Find the range of $f g^{-1}$

(3)



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10(a)	Attempts to solve $\frac{3}{2}=\frac{8x+5}{2x+3}\Rightarrow x=...$ Or substitutes $x=\frac{3}{2}$ into $\frac{5-3x}{2x-8}$	M1
	$\left(f^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)=\right)-\frac{1}{10}$	A1
		(2)
(b)	$\left(\frac{8x+5}{2x+3}=\right)4\pm\frac{...}{2x+3}$	M1
	$\left(\frac{8x+5}{2x+3}=\right)4-\frac{7}{2x+3}$	A1
		(2)
(c)	$0\leqslant g^{-1}(x)\leqslant 4$	B1
		(1)
(d)	Attempts either boundary $f(0)=\frac{8\times0+5}{2\times0+3}$ **or** $f(4)=\frac{8\times4+5}{2\times4+3}$	M1
	Attempts both boundaries $f(0)=\frac{8\times0+5}{2\times0+3}$ **and** $f(4)=\frac{8\times4+5}{2\times4+3}$	dM1
	Range $\frac{5}{3}\leqslant fg^{-1}(x)\leqslant\frac{37}{11}$	A1
		(3)
	Alternative by attempting $fg^{-1}(x)$	
	$g^{-1}(x)=\sqrt{16-x}\Rightarrow fg^{-1}(x)=\frac{8\sqrt{16-x}+5}{2\sqrt{16-x}+3}$ $fg^{-1}(0)=\frac{8\times4+5}{2\times4+3}$ **or** $fg^{-1}(16)=\frac{8\times0+5}{2\times0+3}$	M1
	$fg^{-1}(0)=\frac{8\times4+5}{2\times4+3}$ **and** $fg^{-1}(16)=\frac{8\times0+5}{2\times0+3}$	dM1
	Range $\frac{5}{3}\leqslant fg^{-1}(x)\leqslant\frac{37}{11}$	A1
		(3)



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7. The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = 3 + \sqrt{x - 2} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad x > 2$$

(a) State the range of f

(1)

(b) Find f^{-1}

(3)

The function g is defined by

$$g(x) = \frac{15}{x - 3} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad x \neq 3$$

(c) Find gf(6)

(2)

(d) Find the exact value of the constant a for which

$$f(a^2 + 2) = g(a)$$

(2)



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7(a)	$f(x) > 3$	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	$y = 3 + \sqrt{x-2} \Rightarrow x = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$f^{-1}(x) = (x-3)^2 + 2$	A1	1.1b
	$x > 3$	B1ft	2.2a
		(3)	
(c)	$f(6) = 3 + \sqrt{6-2} = 5 \Rightarrow g("5") = \frac{15}{"5"-3} = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$= \frac{15}{2}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(d)	$3 + \sqrt{a^2+2-2} = \frac{15}{a-3} \Rightarrow "a^2 - 9 = 15"$	M1	1.1b
	$a = 2\sqrt{6}$	A1	2.2a
		(2)	
			(8 marks)



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12.

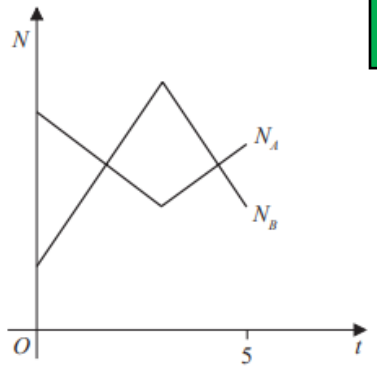


Figure 2

The number of subscribers to two different music streaming companies is being monitored.

The number of subscribers, N_A, in thousands, to **company A** is modelled by the equation

$$N_A = |t - 3| + 4 \qquad t \geqslant 0$$

where t is the time in years since monitoring began.

The number of subscribers, N_B, in thousands, to **company B** is modelled by the equation

$$N_B = 8 - |2t - 6| \qquad t \geqslant 0$$

where t is the time in years since monitoring began.

Figure 2 shows a sketch of the graph of N_A and the graph of N_B over a 5-year period.

Use the equations of the models to answer parts (a), (b), (c) and (d).

(a) Find the initial difference between the number of subscribers to **company A** and the number of subscribers to **company B**.

(2)

When $t = T$ **company A** reduced its subscription prices and the number of subscribers increased.

(b) Suggest a value for T, giving a reason for your answer.

(2)

(c) Find the range of values of t for which $N_A > N_B$ giving your answer in set notation.

(5)

(d) State a limitation of the model used for **company B**.

(1)



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12(a)	$N_A - N_B = (3+4)-(8-6) = \ldots$	**M1**	3.4
	5000 (subscribers)	**A1**	3.2a
		(2)	
(b)	$(T =)3$	**B1**	3.4
	This was the point when company A had the lowest number of subscribers	**B1**	2.4
		(2)	
(c)			
	$-t+7=2t+2$ o.e. or $t+1=14-2t$ o.e.	**B1**	3.1a
	$-t+7=2t+2$ o.e. $\Rightarrow t=\ldots$ or $t+1=14-2t$ o.e. $\Rightarrow t=\ldots$	**M1**	3.4
	One of the two critical values $t=\frac{5}{3}$ or $t=\frac{13}{3}$	**A1**	1.1b
	Chooses the outside region for their **two** values of t Both of $t<"\frac{5}{3}"$, $t>"\frac{13}{3}"$	**A1ft**	2.2a
	$\left\{t\in\mathbb{R}:t<\frac{5}{3}\right\}\cup\left\{t\in\mathbb{R}:t>\frac{13}{3}\right\}$	**A1**	2.5
		(5)	
(d)	The number of subscribers will become negative (when $t>7$)	**B1**	3.5b
		(1)	
		(10 marks)	



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5. The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{2x - 3}{x^2 + 4} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(a) Show that

$$f'(x) = \frac{ax^2 + bx + c}{\left(x^2 + 4\right)^2}$$

where a, b and c are constants to be found.

(3)

(b) Hence, using algebra, find the values of x for which f is decreasing.
You must show each step in your working.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5(a)	$f(x)=\frac{2x-3}{x^2+4}\Rightarrow f'(x)=\frac{2\left(x^2+4\right)-2x(2x-3)}{\left(x^2+4\right)^2}$ **or** $f(x)=(2x-3)\left(x^2+4\right)^{-1}\Rightarrow f'(x)=2\left(x^2+4\right)^{-1}-2x(2x-3)\left(x^2+4\right)^{-2}$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$f'(x)=\frac{-2x^2+6x+8}{\left(x^2+4\right)^2}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$-2x^2+6x+8=0\Rightarrow -2(x+1)(x-4)=0\Rightarrow x=-1,\ 4$	B1ft (M1 on EPEN)	1.1b
	Chooses correct region for their numerator and their critical values $x<-1$ or $x>4$	M1 A1	1.1b 2.2a
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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Figure 1 shows a sketch of the graph with equation

$$y = 3|x - 2| + 5$$

The vertex of the graph is at the point P, shown in Figure 1.

(a) Find the coordinates of P.

(2)

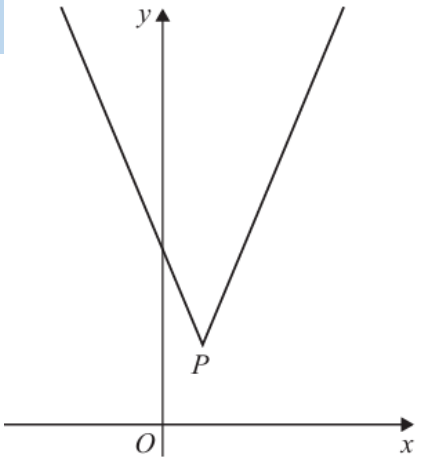


Figure 1

(b) Solve the equation

$$16 - 4x = 3|x - 2| + 5$$

(2)

A line l has equation $y = kx + 4$ where k is a constant.

Given that l intersects $y = 3|x - 2| + 5$ at 2 distinct points,

(c) find the range of values of k.

(2)



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6(a)	$x = 2$ **or** $y = 5$	B1	1.1b
	$P(2, 5)$	B1	2.2a
		(2)	
(b)	$16 - 4x = 3(x-2) + 5 \Rightarrow x = ...$	M1	1.1b
	$x = \frac{17}{7}$	A1	2.1
		(2)	
(c)	$k_{max} = 3$ or $k_{min} = \frac{"5" - 4}{"2"}$	M1	3.1a
	$\frac{1}{2} < k < 3$	A1	2.5
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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8. The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = 4 - 3x^2 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{5}{2x - 9} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R},\ x \neq \frac{9}{2}$$

(a) Find fg(2)

(2)

(b) Find g^{-1}

(3)

(c) (i) Find gf(x), giving your answer as a simplified fraction.

(ii) Deduce the range of gf(x).

(3)

The function h is defined by

$$h(x) = 2x^2 - 6x + k \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

where k is a constant.

(d) Find the range of values of k for which the equation

$$f(x) = h(x)$$

has no real solutions.

(3)



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8(a)	$\text{fg}(2) = 4 - 3\left(\frac{5}{2(2)-9}\right)^2 = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$\text{fg}(2) = 1$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$y = \frac{5}{2x-9} \Rightarrow 2xy - 9y = 5 \Rightarrow 2xy = 5 + 9y$	M1	1.1b
	$2xy = 5 + 9y \Rightarrow x = \frac{5+9y}{2y}$	A1	2.1
	$g^{-1}(x) = \frac{5+9x}{2x} \; x \neq 0 \{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$	A1	2.5
		(3)	
(c)(i)	$\{\text{gf}(x) =\} \; \frac{5}{2(4-3x^2)-9}$	M1	1.1b
	$= \frac{5}{-1-6x^2}$ or $\frac{-5}{1+6x^2}$	A1	1.1b
(ii)	$-5 \leqslant \text{gf}(x) < 0$	B1	2.2a
		(3)	
(d)	$\text{f}(x) = \text{h}(x) \Rightarrow 4 - 3x^2 = 2x^2 - 6x + k$ $\Rightarrow 5x^2 - 6x + k - 4 = 0$	M1	1.1b
	$b^2 - 4ac < 0 \Rightarrow 36 - 4(5)(k-4) < 0 \Rightarrow k > \ldots$	dM1	3.1a
	$k > 5.8$ o.e.	A1	2.2a
		(3)	



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10. In a geometric series the common ratio is r and sum to n terms is S_n

Given

$$S_\infty = \frac{8}{7} \times S_6$$

show that $r = \pm\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}$, where k is an integer to be found.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10	Attempts $S_\infty = \frac{8}{7} \times S_6 \Rightarrow \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{8}{7} \times \frac{a(1-r^6)}{1-r}$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{8}{7} \times (1-r^6)$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow r^6 = \frac{1}{8} \Rightarrow r = ..$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow r = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ (so $k = 2$)	A1	1.1b
			(4 marks)



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4. (i) Show that $\sum_{r=1}^{16}(3+5r+2^r)=131\,798$

(4)

(ii) A sequence $u_1, u_2, u_3, \ldots$ is defined by

$$u_{n+1}=\frac{1}{u_n}, \quad u_1=\frac{2}{3}$$

Find the exact value of $\sum_{r=1}^{100}u_r$

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4	(i) $\sum_{r=1}^{16}\left(3+5r+2^r\right)=131\,798$; (ii) $u_1, u_2, u_3, \ldots : u_{n+1}=\frac{1}{u_n}, u_1=\frac{2}{3}$		
(i) Way 1	$\left\{\sum_{r=1}^{16}\left(3+5r+2^r\right)=\right\}\sum_{r=1}^{16}(3+5r)+\sum_{r=1}^{16}\left(2^r\right)$	M1	3.1a
	$=\frac{16}{2}(2(8)+15(5))+\frac{2(2^{16}-1)}{2-1}$	M1 M1	1.1b 1.1b
	$=728+131\,070=131\,798$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(i) Way 2	$\left\{\sum_{r=1}^{16}\left(3+5r+2^r\right)=\right\}\sum_{r=1}^{16}3+\sum_{r=1}^{16}(5r)+\sum_{r=1}^{16}\left(2^r\right)$	M1	3.1a
	$=(3\times16)+\frac{16}{2}(2(5)+15(5))+\frac{2(2^{16}-1)}{2-1}$	M1 M1	1.1b 1.1b
	$=48+680+131\,070=131\,798$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(i) Way 3	Sum $=10+17+26+39+60+97+166+299+560+1077+2106$ $+4159+8260+16457+32846+65619=131\,798$ *	M1 M1 M1 A1*	3.1a 1.1b 1.1b 2.1
		(4)	
(ii)	$\left\{u_1=\frac{2}{3}\right\}, u_2=\frac{3}{2}, u_3=\frac{2}{3}, \ldots$ ***(can be implied by later working)***	M1	1.1b
	$\left\{\sum_{r=1}^{100}u_r=\right\}\ 50\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)+50\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$ or $50\left(\frac{2}{3}+\frac{3}{2}\right)$	M1	2.2a
	$=\frac{325}{3}$ $\left(\text{or } 108\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } 108.\dot{3} \text{ or } \frac{1300}{12} \text{ or } \frac{650}{6}\right)$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(7 marks)



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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 rth kilometre, for $5 \leqslant r \leqslant 20$, is

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

(1)

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

(4)

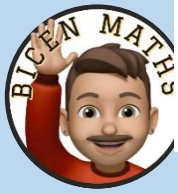


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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$24 + (6 \times 1.05) + (6 \times 1.05^2)$ minutes	M1	This mark is for a method to find the time taken for the competitor to run 6 km
	= 96.915 minutes = 36 minutes 55 seconds	A1	This mark is given for finding the total time as required
(b)	For example, 5th km = 6×1.05^1 6th km = 6×1.05^2 7th km = 6×1.05^3 … rth km = $6 \times 1.05^{r-4}$	B1	This mark is given for showing the time taken to run the rth km, as required
(c)	$24 + \sum_{r=5}^{20} 6 \times 1.05^{r-4}$	M1	This mark is given for showing the total time to run the race is the time taken for the first 4 km added to the time taken from 5th to 20th km
	$= 24 + 6.3 \times \frac{(1.05^{16} - 1)}{1.05 - 1}$	M1	This mark is given for using $s = a\left(\frac{1-r^n}{1-r}\right)$ where $a = 6 \times 1.05 = 6.3$, $r = 1.05$ and $n = 20 - 4 = 16$
	= 24 + 149.04	A1	This mark is given for a correct total time (represented decimally)
	= 173 minutes and 3 seconds	A1	This mark is given for finding a correct total time given in minutes in seconds



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8. (i) Find the value of

$$\sum_{r=4}^{\infty} 20 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r$$

(3)

(ii) Show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{48} \log_5\left(\frac{n+2}{n+1}\right) = 2$$

(3)



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Question 8 (Total 6 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(i)	$\sum_{r=4}^{\infty} 20 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r$ $= \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} 20 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r - (10 + 5 + 2.5)$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find the sum to infinity of a GP
	$= \frac{10}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} - (10 + 5 + 2.5)$	M1	This mark is given for a method to use a correct sum formula with a correct first term
	$= 2.5$	A1	This mark is given for a correct value for the sum
(ii)	$\sum_{n=1}^{48} \log_5 \left(\frac{n+2}{n+1}\right)$ $= \log_5 \frac{50}{49} + \log_5 \frac{49}{48} + \ldots + \log_5 \frac{4}{3} + \log_5 \frac{3}{2}$	M1	This mark is given for writing out at least four terms of the sum, including the first two and the last two
	$= \log_5 \frac{3 \times 4 \times \ldots \times 48 \times 49 \times 50}{2 \times 3 \times 4 \times \ldots \times 48 \times 49} = \log_5 \frac{50}{2}$	M1	This mark is given for using the rules of logs and cancelling terms
	$= 2$	A1	This mark is given for a full proof to show the expression is equal to 2 as required



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5. A car has six forward gears.

The fastest speed of the car

- in 1st gear is 28 km h^{-1}
- in 6th gear is 115 km h^{-1}

Given that the fastest speed of the car in successive gears is modelled by an **arithmetic sequence**,

(a) find the fastest speed of the car in 3rd gear.

(3)

Given that the fastest speed of the car in successive gears is modelled by a **geometric sequence**,

(b) find the fastest speed of the car in 5th gear.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5 (a)	Uses $115 = 28 + 5d \Rightarrow d = (17.4)$	M1	3.1b
	Uses $28 + 2 \times "17.4" = \ldots$	M1	3.4
	$= 62.8$ (km h $^{-1}$)	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Uses $115 = 28r^5 \Rightarrow r = (1.3265)$	M1	3.1b
	Uses $28 \times "1.3265^4" = \ldots$ or $\frac{115}{"1.3265"}$	M1	3.4
	$= 86.7$ (km h $^{-1}$)	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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13. A sequence of numbers $a_1, a_2, a_3, \ldots$ is defined by

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{k(a_n + 2)}{a_n} \qquad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

where k is a constant.

Given that

- the sequence is a periodic sequence of order 3
- $a_1 = 2$

(a) show that

$$k^2 + k - 2 = 0$$

(3)

(b) For this sequence explain why $k \neq 1$

(1)

(c) Find the value of

$$\sum_{r=1}^{80} a_r$$

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13 (a)	Uses the sequence formula $a_{n+1}=\frac{k(a_n+2)}{a_n}$ once with $a_1=2$	M1	1.1b
	$(a_1=2), a_2=2k, a_3=k+1, a_4=\frac{k(k+3)}{k+1}$ Finds four consecutive terms and sets a_4 equal to a_1 (oe)	M1	3.1a
	$\frac{k(k+3)}{k+1}=2 \Rightarrow k^2+3k=2k+2 \Rightarrow k^2+k-2=0$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	States that when $k=1$, all terms are the same and concludes that the sequence does not have a period of order 3	B1	2.3
		(1)	
(c)	Deduces the repeating terms are $a_{1/4}=2, a_{2/5}=-4, a_{3/6}=-1,$	B1	2.2a
	$\sum_{n=1}^{80} a_k = 26\times(2+-4+-1)+2+-4$	M1	3.1a
	$=-80$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(7 marks)



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15. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

A geometric series has common ratio r and first term a.

Given $r \neq 1$ and $a \neq 0$

(a) prove that

$$S_n = \frac{a(1 - r^n)}{1 - r}$$

(4)

Given also that S_{10} is four times S_5

(b) find the exact value of r.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15(a)	$S_n = a + ar + ar^2 + ... + ar^{n-1}$	B1	1.2
	$rS_n = ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + ... + ar^n \Rightarrow S_n - rS_n = ...$	M1	2.1
	$S_n - rS_n = a - ar^n$	A1	1.1b
	$S_n(1-r) = a(1-r^n) \Rightarrow S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{(1-r)}$*	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	$\frac{a(1-r^{10})}{1-r} = 4 \times \frac{a(1-r^5)}{1-r}$ or $4 \times \frac{a(1-r^{10})}{1-r} = \frac{a(1-r^5)}{1-r}$ Equation in r^{10} and r^5 (and possibly $1-r$)	M1	3.1a
	$1-r^{10} = 4(1-r^5)$	A1	1.1b
	$r^{10} - 4r^5 + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow (r^5 - 1)(r^5 - 3) = 0 \Rightarrow r^5 = ...$ or e.g. $1-r^{10} = 4(1-r^5) \Rightarrow (1-r^5)(1+r^5) = 4(1-r^5) \Rightarrow r^5 = ...$	dM1	2.1
	$r = \sqrt[5]{3}$ oe only	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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3. The sequence $u_1, u_2, u_3, \ldots$ is defined by

$$u_{n+1} = k - \frac{24}{u_n} \qquad u_1 = 2$$

where k is an integer.

Given that $u_1 + 2u_2 + u_3 = 0$

(a) show that

$$3k^2 - 58k + 240 = 0$$

(3)

(b) Find the value of k, giving a reason for your answer.

(2)

(c) Find the value of u_3

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3(a)	$u_2 = k-12,\ u_3 = k-\dfrac{24}{k-12}$	M1	1.1b
	$u_1+2u_2+u_3=0 \Rightarrow 2+2(k-12)+k-\dfrac{24}{k-12}=0$	dM1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 3k-22-\dfrac{24}{k-12}=0 \Rightarrow (3k-22)(k-12)-24=0$ $\Rightarrow 3k^2-36k-22k+264-24=0$ $\Rightarrow 3k^2-58k+240=0$*	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$k=6,\ \left(\dfrac{40}{3}\right)$	M1	1.1b
	$k=6$ as k must be an integer	A1	2.3
		(2)	
(c)	$(u_3=)10$	B1	2.2a
		(1)	
			(6 marks)



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5. **In this question you should show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

A company made a profit of £20 000 in its first year of trading, Year 1

A model for future trading predicts that the yearly profit will increase by 8% each year, so that the yearly profits will form a geometric sequence.

According to the model,

(a) show that the profit for Year 3 will be £23 328

(1)

(b) find the first year when the yearly profit will exceed £65 000

(3)

(c) find the total profit for the first 20 years of trading, giving your answer to the nearest £1000

(2)

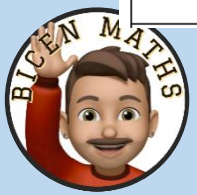


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5(a)	$u_3 = £20000 \times 1.08^2 = (£)23328*$	B1*	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	$20000 \times 1.08^{n-1} > 65000$	M1	1.1b
	$1.08^{n-1} > \frac{13}{4} \Rightarrow n-1 > \frac{\ln(3.25)}{\ln(1.08)}$ or e.g. $1.08^{n-1} > \frac{13}{4} \Rightarrow n-1 > \log_{1.08}\left(\frac{13}{4}\right)$	M1	3.1b
	Year 17	A1	3.2a
		(3)	
(c)	$S_{20} = \frac{20000\left(1-1.08^{20}\right)}{1-1.08}$	M1	3.4
	Awrt (£) 915 000	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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1. In an arithmetic series

- the first term is 16
- the 21st term is 24

(a) Find the common difference of the series.

(2)

(b) Hence find the sum of the first 500 terms of the series.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1(a)	$16+(21-1)\times d=24\Rightarrow d=...$	M1	1.1b
	$d=0.4$	A1	1.1b
	Answer only scores both marks.		
		(2)	
(b)	$S_n=\frac{1}{2}n\{2a+(n-1)d\}\Rightarrow S_{500}=\frac{1}{2}\times 500\{2\times 16+499\times "0.4"\}$	M1	1.1b
	$=57\,900$	A1	1.1b
	Answer only scores both marks		
		(2)	
	(b) Alternative using $S_n=\frac{1}{2}n\{a+l\}$		
	$l=16+(500-1)\times "0.4"=215.6\Rightarrow S_{500}=\frac{1}{2}\times 500\{16+"215.6"\}$	M1	1.1b
	$=57\,900$	A1	1.1b
			(4 marks)



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9. Show that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n \cos(180n)^\circ = \frac{9}{28}$$

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9	$a=\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2$ or $a=\frac{9}{16}$ or $r=-\frac{3}{4}$	B1	2.2a
	$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n \cos(180n)^\circ = \frac{\frac{9}{16}}{1-\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)} = \ldots$	M1	3.1a
	$=\frac{9}{28}*$	A1*	1.1b
		(3)	



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13. (i) In an arithmetic series, the first term is a and the common difference is d.

Show that

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d]$$

(3)

(ii) James saves money over a number of weeks to buy a printer that costs £64

He saves £10 in week 1, £9.20 in week 2, £8.40 in week 3 and so on, so that the weekly amounts he saves form an arithmetic sequence.

Given that James takes n weeks to save exactly £64

(a) show that

$$n^2 - 26n + 160 = 0$$

(2)

(b) Solve the equation

$$n^2 - 26n + 160 = 0$$

(1)

(c) Hence state the number of weeks James takes to save enough money to buy the printer, giving a brief reason for your answer.

(1)



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13 (i)	States that $S = a + (a+d) + \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots + (a+(n-1)d)$	B1
	$S = a + \quad . \quad (a+d) + \quad (a+(n-1)d)$ $S = (a+(n-1)d) + (a+(n-2)d) + \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots + a$	M1
	Reaches $2S = n \times (2a+(n-1)d)$ And so proves that $S = \frac{n}{2}[2a+(n-1)d]$ *	A1*
		(3)
(ii)	(a) $S = 10 + 9.20 + 8.40 + \ldots$	
	$64 = \frac{n}{2}(20 - 0.8(n-1))$ o.e	M1
	$128 = 20n - 0.8n^2 + 0.8n$ $0.8n^2 - 20.8n + 128 = 0$ $n^2 - 26n + 160 = 0$ *	A1*
		(2)
	(b) $n = 10, 16$	B1
		(1)
	(c) 10 weeks with a minimal correct reason. E.g. • He has saved up the amount by 10 weeks so he would not save for another 6 weeks • You would choose the smaller number • He starts saving negative amounts (in week 14) so 16 does not make sense	B1
		(1)



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3. A sequence of terms $a_1, a_2, a_3, \ldots$ is defined by

$$a_1 = 3$$
$$a_{n+1} = 8 - a_n$$

(a) (i) Show that this sequence is periodic.

(ii) State the order of this periodic sequence.

(2)

(b) Find the value of

$$\sum_{n=1}^{85} a_n$$

(2)



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3(a)(i)	$a_1 = 3,\ a_2 = 5,\ a_3 = 3\ \ldots$	B1
(ii)	2	B1
		(2)
(b)	$\sum_{n=1}^{85} a_n = 42 \times (3+5) + 3$ o.e.	M1
	$= 339$	A1
		(2)



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15. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Given that the first three terms of a geometric series are

$$12\cos\theta \qquad 5+2\sin\theta \qquad \text{and} \qquad 6\tan\theta$$

(a) show that

$$4\sin^2\theta - 52\sin\theta + 25 = 0$$

(3)

Given that θ is an obtuse angle measured in radians,

(b) solve the equation in part (a) to find the exact value of θ

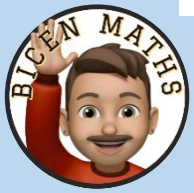
(2)

(c) show that the sum to infinity of the series can be expressed in the form

$$k\left(1-\sqrt{3}\right)$$

where k is a constant to be found.

(5)



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15(a)	Uses the common ratio $\frac{5+2\sin\theta}{12\cos\theta}=\frac{6\tan\theta}{5+2\sin\theta}$ o.e.	M1
	Cross multiplies and uses $\tan\theta\times\cos\theta=\sin\theta$ $(5+2\sin\theta)^2=6\times12\sin\theta$	dM1
	Proceeds to given answer $25+20\sin\theta+4\sin^2\theta=72\sin\theta$ $\Rightarrow 4\sin^2\theta-52\sin\theta+25=0$ *	A1*
		(3)
(a) Alt	**(a) Alternative example:**	
	Uses the common ratio $12r\cos\theta=5+2\sin\theta,\ 12r^2\cos\theta=6\tan\theta$ $\Rightarrow 12\cos\theta\left(\frac{5+2\sin\theta}{12\cos\theta}\right)^2=6\tan\theta$	M1
	Multiplies up and uses $\tan\theta\times\cos\theta=\sin\theta$ $(5+2\sin\theta)^2=6\tan\theta\times12\cos\theta=72\sin\theta$	dM1
	Proceeds to given answer $25+20\sin\theta+4\sin^2\theta=72\sin\theta$ $\Rightarrow 4\sin^2\theta-52\sin\theta+25=0$ *	A1*
		(3)
(b)	$4\sin^2\theta-52\sin\theta+25=0\Rightarrow\sin\theta=\frac{1}{2}\left(,\frac{25}{2}\right)$	M1
	$\theta=\frac{5\pi}{6}$	A1
		(2)
(c)	Attempts a value for either a or r e.g. $a=12\cos\theta=12\times-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ **or** $r=\frac{5+2\sin\theta}{12\cos\theta}=\frac{5+2\times\frac{1}{2}}{12\times-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}$	M1
	"a" $=-6\sqrt{3}$ **and** "r" $=-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ o.e.	A1
	Uses $S_\infty=\frac{a}{1-r}=\frac{-6\sqrt{3}}{1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}$	dM1
	Rationalises denominator $S_\infty=\frac{-6\sqrt{3}}{1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}=\frac{-18}{\sqrt{3}+1}\times\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}-1}$	ddM1
	$(S_\infty=)9(1-\sqrt{3})$	A1
		(5)



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9. The first three terms of a geometric sequence are

$$3k + 4 \qquad 12 - 3k \qquad k + 16$$

where k is a constant.

(a) Show that k satisfies the equation

$$3k^2 - 62k + 40 = 0$$

(2)

Given that the sequence converges,

(b) (i) find the value of k, giving a reason for your answer,

(ii) find the value of S_∞

(5)



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9(a)	$\frac{12-3k}{3k+4}=\frac{k+16}{12-3k}$	M1	3.1a
	$3k^2-62k+40=0$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)(i)	$3k^2-62k+40=0 \Rightarrow k=...$	M1	1.1b
	States $k=20$ and gives a reason e.g. that this gives a values of r such that $\lvert r\rvert<1$	A1	3.2a
(ii)	$a=64$ **and** $r=-\frac{3}{4}$ (or allow $a=6$ **and** $r=\frac{5}{3}$)	B1	1.1b
	$S_\infty=\frac{"64"}{1-"\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)"}=...$	M1	3.1a
	$S_\infty=\frac{256}{7}$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(7 marks)



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2. A sequence $u_1, u_2, u_3 \ldots$ is defined by

$$u_1 = 35$$

$$u_{n+1} = u_n + 7\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - 5(-1)^n$$

(a) (i) Show that $u_2 = 40$

(ii) Find the value of u_3 and the value of u_4

(3)

Given that the sequence is periodic with order 4

(b) (i) write down the value of u_5

(ii) find the value of $\sum_{r=1}^{25} u_r$

(3)



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2(a)(i)	e.g. $(u_2 =)35+7\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)-5(-1)^1=40$ *	**B1***	2.1
(ii)	$u_3=40+7\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{2}\right)-5(-1)^2\ (=28)$ **or** $u_4="28"+7\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)-5(-1)^3\ (=33)$	**M1**	1.1b
	$u_3=28$ and $u_4=33$	**A1**	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)(i)	$(u_5 =)35$	**B1**	2.2a
(ii)	e.g. $\sum_{r=1}^{25}u_r=6(35+40+"28"+"33")+35$	**M1**	3.1a
	$=851$	**A1**	1.1b
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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9. The first 3 terms of a geometric sequence are

$$3^{4k-5} \qquad 9^{7-2k} \qquad 3^{2(k-1)}$$

where k is a constant.

(a) Using algebra and making your reasoning clear, prove that $k = \frac{5}{2}$

(3)

(b) Hence find the sum to infinity of the geometric sequence.

(3)



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9(a)	$\dfrac{9^{7-2k}}{3^{4k-5}}=\dfrac{3^{2(k-1)}}{9^{7-2k}} \Rightarrow \dfrac{3^{2(7-2k)}}{3^{4k-5}}=\dfrac{3^{2(k-1)}}{3^{2(7-2k)}}$	M1	3.1a
	$\left(3^{2(7-2k)}\right)^2=3^{4k-5}\times 3^{2(k-1)}$ $\Rightarrow 28-8k=6k-7 \Rightarrow k=\ldots$ $3^{2(7-2k)-(4k-5)}=3^{2(k-1)-2(7-2k)}$ $\Rightarrow 19-8k=6k-16 \Rightarrow k=\ldots$	dM1	1.1b
	$k=\dfrac{5}{2}*$	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$a=3^{4(2.5)-5}$ and $r=\dfrac{9^{7-2(2.5)}}{3^{4(2.5)-5}} \Rightarrow$ one of $a=243$ or $r=\dfrac{1}{3}$	M1	2.2a
	$S_\infty=\dfrac{a}{1-r}=\dfrac{"243"}{1-"\frac{1}{3}"}$	M1	1.1b
	$S_\infty=\dfrac{729}{2}(364.5)$ cao	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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2. Jamie takes out an interest-free loan of £8100

Jamie makes a payment every month to pay back the loan.

Jamie repays £400 in month 1, £390 in month 2, £380 in month 3, and so on, so that the amounts repaid each month form an arithmetic sequence.

(a) Show that Jamie repays £290 in month 12

(1)

After Jamie's Nth payment, the loan is completely paid back.

(b) Show that $N^2 - 81N + 1620 = 0$

(2)

(c) Hence find the value of N.

(2)



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2(a)	$(u_{12} =) 400 + 11 \times -10 = 290^*$ or e.g. $(u_{12} =) 400 - 110 = 290^*$ or e.g. $(u_{12} =) 400 + (12-1) \times -10 = 290^*$ or e.g. $(u_{12} =) 410 + 12 \times -10 = 290^*$	B1*	1.1b
		(1)	
	Alternative 1:		
	$400 + (n-1) \times -10 = 290$ $\Rightarrow 400 - 10n + 10 = 290 \Rightarrow 10n = 120 \Rightarrow n = 12^*$	B1*	1.1b
	Alternative 2:		
	$290 = 400 + (12-1)d \Rightarrow 11d = -110 \Rightarrow d = -10^*$	B1*	1.1b
(b)	$8100 = \frac{1}{2} N(2 \times 400 + (N-1) \times -10)$ or e.g. $8100 = \frac{1}{2} N(400 + 400 + (N-1) \times -10)$	M1	1.1b
	$8100 = \frac{1}{2} N(2 \times 400 + (N-1) \times -10)$ $\Rightarrow 16200 = 800N - 10N^2 + 10N$ or e.g. $\Rightarrow 8100 = 400N - 5N^2 + 5N$ $\Rightarrow N^2 - 81N + 1620 = 0^*$	A1*	2.1
		(2)	
(c)	$N^2 - 81N + 1620 = 0 \Rightarrow (N-45)(N-36) = 0 \Rightarrow N = 45, 36$	M1	1.1b
	$(N =)$ 36	A1	2.3
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



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4. A sequence $u_1, u_2, u_3, \ldots$ is defined by

$$u_{n+1} = ku_n - 5$$
$$u_1 = 6$$

where k is a positive constant.

Given that $u_3 = -1$

(a) show that

$$6k^2 - 5k - 4 = 0$$

(2)

(b) Hence

(i) find the value of k,

(ii) find the value of $\sum_{r=1}^{3} u_r$

(3)



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4(a)	$u_1 = 6 \Rightarrow u_2 = 6k-5$ $u_2 = 6k-5 \Rightarrow u_3 = k(6k-5)-5$ $\Rightarrow k(6k-5)-5 = -1$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 6k^2 - 5k - 4 = 0$*	A1*	2.1
		(2)	
	Alternative:		
	$u_3 = -1 \Rightarrow -1 = ku_2 - 5 \Rightarrow u_2 = \frac{4}{k}$ $u_1 = 6 \Rightarrow u_2 = 6k-5 \Rightarrow \frac{4}{k} = 6k-5$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 6k^2 - 5k - 4 = 0$*	A1*	2.1
(b)(i)	$k = \frac{4}{3}$	B1	2.2a
(ii)	$k = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow u_2 = \frac{4}{3} \times 6 - 5 \Rightarrow \sum_{r=1}^{3} u_r = 6 + \frac{4}{3} \times 6 - 5 - 1$	M1	1.1b
	$\sum_{r=1}^{3} u_r = 8$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(5 marks)



Binomial Expansion



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Binomial Expansion

7. (a) Use the binomial expansion, in ascending powers of x, to show that

$$\sqrt{(4-x)} = 2 - \frac{1}{4}x + kx^2 + \ldots$$

where k is a rational constant to be found.

(4)

A student attempts to substitute $x = 1$ into both sides of this equation to find an approximate value for $\sqrt{3}$.

(b) State, giving a reason, if the expansion is valid for this value of x.

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7(a)	$\sqrt{(4-x)} = 2\left(1-\frac{1}{4}x\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$	M1	2.1
	$\left(1-\frac{1}{4}x\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1+\frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{4}x\right)+\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2!}\left(-\frac{1}{4}x\right)^2+\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$\sqrt{(4-x)} = 2\left(1-\frac{1}{8}x-\frac{1}{128}x^2+..\right)$	A1	1.1b
	$\sqrt{(4-x)} = 2-\frac{1}{4}x-\frac{1}{64}x^2+\ldots$ and $k=-\frac{1}{64}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	The expansion is valid for $\lvert x\rvert < 4$, so $x=1$ can be used	B1	2.4
		(1)	
			(5 marks)



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Binomial Expansion

11. (a) Use binomial expansions to show that $\sqrt{\frac{1+4x}{1-x}} \approx 1 + \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{5}{8}x^2$

(6)

A student substitutes $x = \frac{1}{2}$ into both sides of the approximation shown in part (a) in an attempt to find an approximation to $\sqrt{6}$

(b) Give a reason why the student **should not** use $x = \frac{1}{2}$

(1)

(c) Substitute $x = \frac{1}{11}$ into

$$\sqrt{\frac{1+4x}{1-x}} = 1 + \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{5}{8}x^2$$

to obtain an approximation to $\sqrt{6}$. Give your answer as a fraction in its simplest form.

(3)



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Binomial Expansion

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11 (a)	$\sqrt{\frac{1+4x}{1-x}} = (1+4x)^{0.5} \times (1-x)^{-0.5}$	B1	3.1a
	$(1+4x)^{0.5} = 1 + 0.5 \times (4x) + \frac{0.5 \times -0.5}{2} \times (4x)^2$ $(1-x)^{-0.5} = 1 + (-0.5)(-x) + \frac{(-0.5) \times (-1.5)}{2}(-x)^2$ $(1+4x)^{0.5} = 1 + 2x - 2x^2$ **and** $(1-x)^{-0.5} = 1 + 0.5x + 0.375x^2$ oe	M1 M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b 1.1b
	$(1+4x)^{0.5} \times (1-x)^{-0.5} = (1 + 2x - 2x^2 .....) \times \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 ...\right)$ $= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 + 2x + x^2 - 2x^2 + ...$ $= A + Bx + Cx^2$	dM1	2.1
	$= 1 + \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{5}{8}x^2 ..... *$	A1*	1.1b
		(6)	
(b)	Expression is valid $\lvert x \rvert < \frac{1}{4}$ Should not use $x = \frac{1}{2}$ as $\frac{1}{2} > \frac{1}{4}$	B1	2.3
		(1)	
(c)	Substitutes $x = \frac{1}{11}$ into $\sqrt{\frac{1+4x}{1-x}} \approx 1 + \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{5}{8}x^2$	M1	1.1b
	$\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{1183}{968}$	A1	1.1b
	(so $\sqrt{6}$ is) $\frac{1183}{484}$ or $\frac{2904}{1183}$	A1	2.1
		(3)	
			(10 marks)



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

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

giving each coefficient in its simplest form.

(4)

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)



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Question 4 (Total 6 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x}} = (4-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = 4^{-\frac{1}{2}}\left(1-\frac{x}{4}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	M1	This mark is given for rearranging $\frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x}}$ to attempt a binomial expansion
	$\left(1-\frac{x}{4}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} =$	M1	This mark is given for an attempt at a binomial expansion
	$1+\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{x}{4}\right)+\frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\times\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)}{2}\left(-\frac{x}{4}\right)$	A1	This mark is given for a fully correct binomial expansion
	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x}} = \frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{16}x+\frac{3}{256}x^2$	A1	This mark is given for a fully correct expansion with the first three terms
(b)(i)	$x=-14$, since the expansion is only valid for $\lvert x\rvert < 4$	B1	This mark is given for the correct value chosen with a correct reason
(b)(ii)	$x=-\frac{1}{2}$, since the smaller value will give the more accurate approximation	B1	This mark is given for the correct value chosen with a correct reason



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

$$(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

giving each term in simplest form.

(3)

(b) Explain how you could use $x = \frac{1}{32}$ in the expansion to find an approximation for $\sqrt{5}$

There is no need to carry out the calculation.

(2)



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Binomial Expansion

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1 (a)	$(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1+\frac{1}{2}\times 8x+\frac{\frac{1}{2}\times-\frac{1}{2}}{2!}\times(8x)^2+\frac{\frac{1}{2}\times-\frac{1}{2}\times-\frac{3}{2}}{3!}\times(8x)^3$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$=1+4x-8x^2+32x^3+....$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Substitutes $x=\frac{1}{32}$ into $(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ to give $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$	M1	1.1b
	Explains that $x=\frac{1}{32}$ is substituted into $1+4x-8x^2+32x^3$ and you multiply the result by 2	A1ft	2.4
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



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Binomial Expansion

9.

$$f(x) = \frac{50x^2 + 38x + 9}{(5x + 2)^2(1 - 2x)} \qquad x \neq -\frac{2}{5} \quad x \neq \frac{1}{2}$$

Given that $f(x)$ can be expressed in the form

$$\frac{A}{5x + 2} + \frac{B}{(5x + 2)^2} + \frac{C}{1 - 2x}$$

where A, B and C are constants

(a) (i) find the value of B and the value of C

(ii) show that $A = 0$

(4)

(b) (i) Use binomial expansions to show that, in ascending powers of x

$$f(x) = p + qx + rx^2 + \ldots$$

where p, q and r are simplified fractions to be found.

(ii) Find the range of values of x for which this expansion is valid.

(7)



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Binomial Expansion

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9(a)(i)	$50x^2+38x+9 \equiv A(5x+2)(1-2x)+B(1-2x)+C(5x+2)^2$ $\Rightarrow B=\ldots$ or $C=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$B=1$ and $C=2$	A1	1.1b
(a)(ii)	E.g. $x=0$ $x=0 \Rightarrow 9=2A+B+4C$ $\Rightarrow 9=2A+1+8 \Rightarrow A=\ldots$	M1	2.1
	$A=0$*	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)(i)	$\frac{1}{(5x+2)^2}=(5x+2)^{-2}=2^{-2}\left(1+\frac{5}{2}x\right)^{-2}$ or $(5x+2)^{-2}=2^{-2}+\ldots$	M1	3.1a
	$\left(1+\frac{5}{2}x\right)^{-2}=1-2\left(\frac{5}{2}x\right)+\frac{-2(-2-1)}{2!}\left(\frac{5}{2}x\right)^2+\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$2^{-2}\left(1+\frac{5}{2}x\right)^{-2}=\frac{1}{4}-\frac{5}{4}x+\frac{75}{16}x^2+\ldots$	A1	1.1b
	$\frac{1}{(1-2x)}=(1-2x)^{-1}=1+2x+\frac{-1(-1-1)}{2!}(2x)^2+.$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{1}{(5x+2)^2}+\frac{2}{1-2x}=\frac{1}{4}-\frac{5}{4}x+\frac{75}{16}x^2+\ldots+2+4x+8x^2+\ldots$	dM1	2.1
	$=\frac{9}{4}+\frac{11}{4}x+\frac{203}{16}x^2+\ldots$	A1	1.1b
(b)(ii)	$\lvert x\rvert<\frac{2}{5}$	B1	2.2a
		(7)	
			(11 marks)



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Binomial Expansion

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

$$\sqrt{4-9x}$$

writing each term in simplest form.

(4)

A student uses this expansion with $x = \frac{1}{9}$ to find an approximation for $\sqrt{3}$

Using the answer to part (a) and without doing any calculations,

(b) state whether this approximation will be an overestimate or an underestimate of $\sqrt{3}$ giving a brief reason for your answer.

(1)



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7(a)	$\sqrt{4-9x} = 2(1\pm...)^{\frac{1}{2}}$	B1
	$\left(1-"\frac{9x}{4}"\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = ...+\frac{\frac{1}{2}\times\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left("-\frac{9x}{4}"\right)^2}{2!}$ or $...+\frac{\frac{1}{2}\times\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\times\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)\left("-\frac{9x}{4}"\right)^3}{3!}$	M1
	$1+\frac{1}{2}\times\left(-\frac{9x}{4}\right)+\frac{\frac{1}{2}\times\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{9x}{4}\right)^2}{2!}+\frac{\frac{1}{2}\times\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\times\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{9x}{4}\right)^3}{3!}$	A1
	$\sqrt{4-9x} = 2-\frac{9x}{4}-\frac{81x^2}{64}-\frac{729x^3}{512}$	A1
		(4)
(b)	States that the approximation will be an **overestimate** since all terms (after the first one) in the expansion are negative (since $x>0$)	B1
		(1)



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

$$(1-9x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

giving each term in simplest form.

(3)

(b) Give a reason why $x = -\frac{2}{9}$ should **not** be used in the expansion to find an approximation to $\sqrt{3}$

(1)



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2(a)	$\frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)}{2!}(\pm 9x)^2$ or $\frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right)}{3!}(-9x)^3$	M1	1.1b
	$(1-9x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1+\frac{1}{2}(-9x)+\frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)}{2!}(\pm 9x)^2+\frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right)}{3!}(-9x)^3$	A1	1.1b
	$(1-9x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1-\frac{9}{2}x-\frac{81}{8}x^2-\frac{729}{16}x^3$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Expansion is valid for $\lvert x\rvert < \frac{1}{9}$ and $x=-\frac{2}{9}$ **is outside this range.**	B1	2.4
		(1)	
			(4 marks)



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Radians – small angle, arc length, etc.



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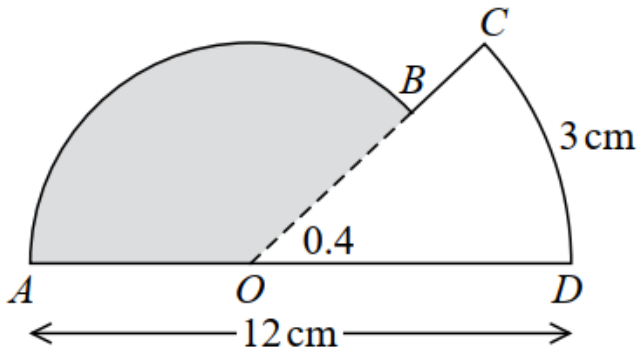


Figure 1

The shape $ABCDOA$, as shown in Figure 1, consists of a sector COD of a circle centre O joined to a sector AOB of a different circle, also centre O.

Given that arc length $CD = 3$ cm, $\angle COD = 0.4$ radians and AOD is a straight line of length 12 cm,

(a) find the length of OD,

(2)

(b) find the area of the shaded sector AOB.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2(a)	Uses $s = r\theta \Rightarrow 3 = r \times 0.4$	M1	1.2
	$\Rightarrow OD = 7.5$ cm	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Uses angle $AOB = (\pi - 0.4)$ or uses radius is (12 – '7.5') cm	M1	3.1a
	Uses area of sector $= \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2} \times (12 - 7.5)^2 \times (\pi - 0.4)$	M1	1.1b
	$= 27.8\text{cm}^2$	A1ft	1.1b
		(3)	
			(5 marks)



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1. Given that θ is small and is measured in radians, use the small angle approximations to find an approximate value of

$$\frac{1-\cos 4\theta}{2\theta \sin 3\theta}$$

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1	Attempts either $\sin 3\theta \approx 3\theta$ or $\cos 4\theta \approx 1-\frac{(4\theta)^2}{2}$ in $\frac{1-\cos 4\theta}{2\theta \sin 3\theta}$	M1	1.1b
	Attempts both $\sin 3\theta \approx 3\theta$ and $\cos 4\theta \approx 1-\frac{(4\theta)^2}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1-\left(1-\frac{(4\theta)^2}{2}\right)}{2\theta \times 3\theta}$ and attempts to simplify	M1	2.1
	$=\frac{4}{3}$ oe	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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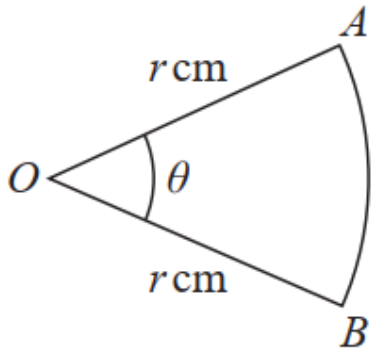


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sector AOB of a circle with centre O and radius r cm.

The angle AOB is θ radians.
The area of the sector AOB is 11 cm^2

Given that the perimeter of the sector is 4 times the length of the arc AB, find the exact value of r.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3	States or uses $\frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = 11$	B1	1.1b
	States or uses $2r + r\theta = 4r\theta$	B1	1.1b
	Attempts to solve, full method $r = \ldots$	M1	3.1a
	$r = \sqrt{33}$	A1	1.1b
			[4]
			(4 marks)



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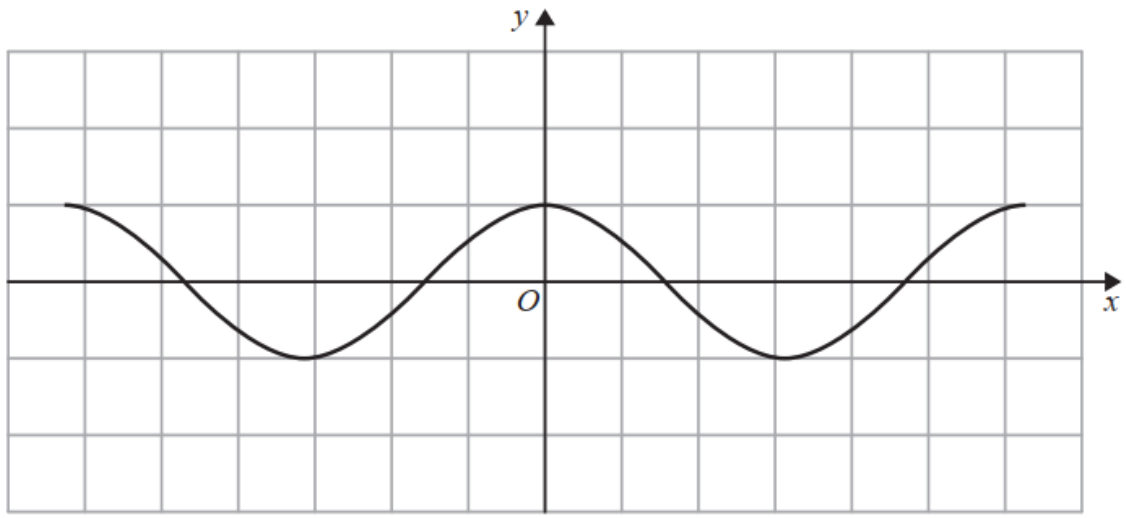


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a plot of part of the curve with equation $y = \cos x$ where x is measured in radians
Diagram 1, on the opposite page, is a copy of Figure 1.

(a) Use Diagram 1 to show why the equation

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

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

(2)

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)

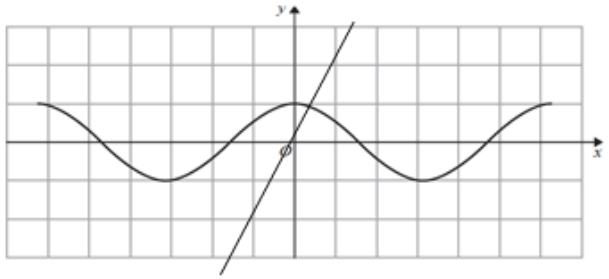


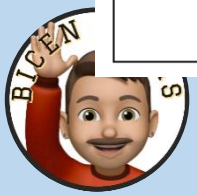
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Question 2 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)		M1	This mark is given for plotting the line $y = 2x + \frac{1}{2}$ on the diagram with a correct gradient and intercept
	Only one intersection means that there is one root	A1	This mark is given for a reason why there is only one real root
(b)	$1 - \frac{x^2}{2} - 2x - \frac{1}{2} = 0$	M1	This mark is given for using the small angle approximation $\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$ in the given equation
	$x^2 + 4x - 1 = 0$	M1	This mark is given for rearranging to find a quadratic equation to solve
	0.236 or $-2 + \sqrt{5}$	A1	This mark is given for finding the correct (positive) solution for x



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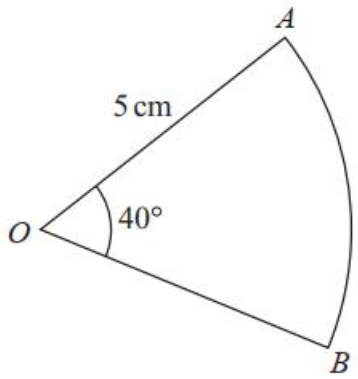


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sector AOB of a circle with centre O, radius 5 cm and angle $AOB = 40°$

The attempt of a student to find the area of the sector is shown below.

$$\text{Area of sector} = \frac{1}{2} r^2\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 5^2 \times 40$$

$$= 500\,\text{cm}^2$$

(a) Explain the error made by this student.

(1)

(b) Write out a correct solution.

(2)



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Question 3 (Total 3 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	The formula is only valid when the angle AOB is given in radians	B1	This mark is given for a correct explanation
(b)	$\frac{40}{360} \times \pi \times 5^2$	M1	This mark is given for a correct method to find the area of the sector
	$\frac{25\pi}{9}$ cm^2	A1	This mark is given for a correct value for the area of the sector



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4. Given that θ is small and measured in radians, use the small angle approximations to show that

$$4 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} + 3 \cos^2 \theta \approx a + b\theta + c\theta^2$$

where a, b and c are integers to be found.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4	**Examples:** $4\sin\frac{\theta}{2} \approx 4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right),\ 3\cos^2\theta \approx 3\left(1-\frac{\theta^2}{2}\right)^2$ $3\cos^2\theta = 3\left(1-\sin^2\theta\right) \approx 3\left(1-\theta^2\right)$ $3\cos^2\theta = 3\frac{(\cos 2\theta+1)}{2} \approx \frac{3}{2}\left(1-\frac{4\theta^2}{2}+1\right)$	M1	1.1a
	Examples: $4\sin\frac{\theta}{2}+3\cos^2\theta \approx 4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)+3\left(1-\frac{\theta^2}{2}\right)^2$ $4\sin\frac{\theta}{2}+3\cos^2\theta = 4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)+3\left(1-\sin^2\theta\right) \approx 2\theta+3\left(1-\theta^2\right)$ $4\sin\frac{\theta}{2}+3\cos^2\theta = 4\sin\frac{\theta}{2}+3\frac{(\cos 2\theta+1)}{2} \approx 4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)+\frac{3}{2}\left(1-\frac{4\theta^2}{2}+1\right)$	dM1	1.1b
	$= 2\theta+3\left(1-\theta^2+\ldots\right) = 3+2\theta-3\theta^2$	A1	2.1
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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The shape $OABCDEFO$ shown in Figure 1 is a design for a logo.

In the design

- OAB is a sector of a circle centre O and radius r
- sector OFE is congruent to sector OAB
- ODC is a sector of a circle centre O and radius $2r$
- AOF is a straight line

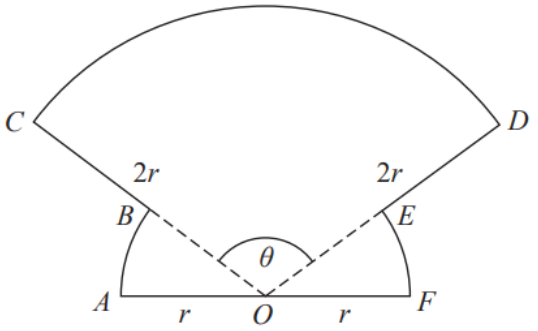


Figure 1

Given that the size of angle COD is θ radians,

(a) write down, in terms of θ, the size of angle AOB

(1)

(b) Show that the area of the logo is

$$\frac{1}{2}r^2(3\theta + \pi)$$

(2)

(c) Find the perimeter of the logo, giving your answer in simplest form in terms of r, θ and π.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6(a)	Angle $AOB = \dfrac{\pi-\theta}{2}$	B1	2.2a
		(1)	
(b)	Area $= 2\times\dfrac{1}{2}r^2\left(\dfrac{\pi-\theta}{2}\right)+\dfrac{1}{2}(2r)^2\theta$	M1	2.1
	$=\dfrac{1}{2}r^2\pi-\dfrac{1}{2}r^2\theta+2r^2\theta=\dfrac{3}{2}r^2\theta+\dfrac{1}{2}r^2\pi=\dfrac{1}{2}r^2(3\theta+\pi)$*	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	Perimeter $= 4r+2r\left(\dfrac{\pi-\theta}{2}\right)+2r\theta$	M1	3.1a
	$=4r+r\pi+r\theta$ or e.g. $r(4+\pi+\theta)$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



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4. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

The curve C has equation $y = \mathrm{f}(x)$ where $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Given that

- $\mathrm{f}'(x) = 2x + \frac{1}{2}\cos x$
- the curve has a stationary point with x coordinate α
- α is small

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

(3)

The point $P(0, 3)$ lies on C

(b) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at P, giving your answer in the form $y = mx + c$, where m and c are constants to be found.

(2)



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4a	$2\alpha+\frac{1}{2}\left(1-\frac{\alpha^2}{2}\right)$	M1	1.2
	$2\alpha+\frac{1}{2}\left(1-\frac{\alpha^2}{2}\right)=0\Rightarrow 2\alpha+\frac{1}{2}-\frac{\alpha^2}{4}=0 \Rightarrow \alpha=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$\alpha=-0.243$ (3dp) only	A1	2.3
		(3)	
b	$f'(0)=\frac{1}{2}\cos 0\Rightarrow ...\Rightarrow y=...x+3$	M1	1.1b
	$y=\frac{1}{2}x+3$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(5 marks)



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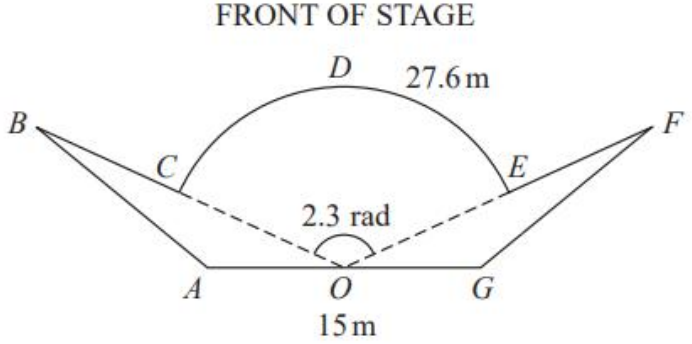


Diagram **NOT** accurately drawn

Figure 1

Figure 1 shows the plan view of a stage.

The plan view shows two congruent triangles ABO and GFO joined to a sector $OCDEO$ of a circle, centre O, where

- angle $COE = 2.3$ radians
- arc length $CDE = 27.6\,\text{m}$
- AOG is a straight line of length 15 m

(a) Show that $OC = 12\,\text{m}$.

(2)

(b) Show that the size of angle AOB is 0.421 radians correct to 3 decimal places.

(2)

Given that the total length of the front of the stage, $BCDEF$, is 35 m,

(c) find the total area of the stage, giving your answer to the nearest square metre.

(6)



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8(a)	$OC \times 2.3 = 27.6$	M1	1.1b
	e.g. $OC = \dfrac{27.6}{2.3} = 12\,\text{m}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(2)	
(b)	e.g. $(2AOB =)\ \pi - 2.3$	M1	1.1b
	$\dfrac{\pi - 2.3}{2} \Rightarrow 0.421$ rad *	A1*	2.1
		(2)	
(c)	Area $OCDE = \dfrac{1}{2} \times 12^2 \times 2.3$	M1	1.1b
	$= 165.6\,(\text{m}^2)$ (accept awrt 166)	A1	1.1b
	$(OB =)\ \dfrac{35 - 27.6}{2} + 12 = 15.7\,\text{m}$	B1	2.1
	Area of OAB (or OFG) $= \dfrac{1}{2} \times \text{"15.7"} \times 7.5 \times \sin 0.421$ $(= 24.0...\text{m}^2)$	M1	1.1b
	Total area = "165.6" + 2 × "24.1"	dM1	3.1a
	= awrt $214\,(\text{m}^2)$	A1	1.1b
		(6)	
			(10 marks)



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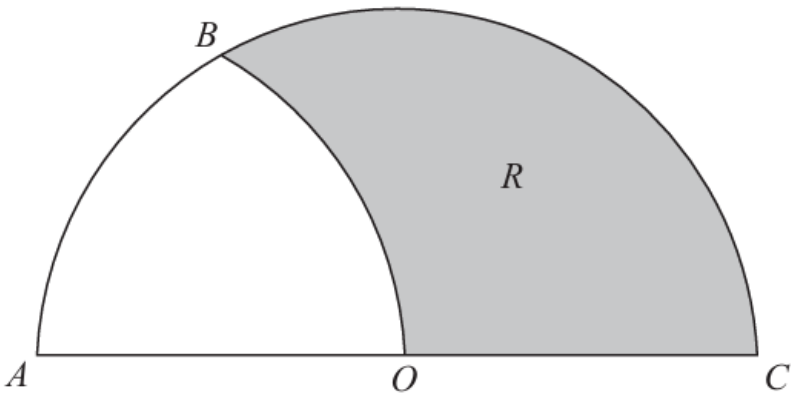


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows the design of a badge.

The shape $ABCOA$ is a semicircle with centre O and diameter 10 cm.

OB is the arc of a circle with centre A and radius 5 cm.

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 4, is bounded by the arc OB, the arc BC and the line OC.

Find the exact area of R.

Give your answer in the form $(a\sqrt{3} + b\pi)\,\text{cm}^2$, where a and b are rational numbers.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11	Identifies angle $BAO=\frac{\pi}{3}$ or angle $BOC=\frac{2\pi}{3}$	B1	2.2a
	$\text{Area(segment)}=\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\times\frac{\pi}{3}-\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\sin\frac{\pi}{3}\left\{=\frac{25\pi}{6}-\frac{25\sqrt{3}}{4}\right\}$ **or** $\text{Area}(AOB)=2\times\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\times\frac{\pi}{3}-\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\sin\frac{\pi}{3}\left\{=\frac{25\pi}{3}-\frac{25\sqrt{3}}{4}\right\}$	M1	2.1
	$\text{Area of } R=\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\times\frac{2\pi}{3}-\left(\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\times\frac{\pi}{3}-\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\sin\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$ **or** $\text{Area of } R=\frac{1}{2}\times\pi\times5^2-\left(\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\times\frac{\pi}{3}-\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\sin\frac{\pi}{3}+\frac{1}{2}\times5^2\times\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$	dM1	3.1a
	$=\frac{25}{4}\sqrt{3}+\frac{25}{6}\pi\ (\text{cm}^2)$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(4 marks)



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5. Given that θ is small and in radians, use the small angle approximations to find an approximate numerical value of

$$\frac{\theta \tan 2\theta}{1 - \cos 3\theta}$$

(3)



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5	One of $\theta\tan 2\theta = \theta\times 2\theta$ or $1-\cos 3\theta = 1-\left(1-\frac{(3\theta)^2}{2}\right)$ or equivalents.	B1	1.1a
	$\frac{\theta\tan 2\theta}{1-\cos 3\theta} = \frac{\theta\times 2\theta}{1-\left(1-\frac{(3\theta)^2}{2}\right)}$	M1	2.1
	$=\frac{4}{9}$ or exact equivalent.	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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Trigonometry – sec, cosec, cot, identities



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7. (i) Solve, for $0 \leqslant x < \frac{\pi}{2}$, the equation

$$4\sin x = \sec x$$

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7	(i) $4\sin x = \sec x,\ 0 \leq x < \frac{\pi}{2}$; (ii) $5\sin\theta - 5\cos\theta = 2,\ 0 \leq \theta < 360°$		
(i) Way 1	For $\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x}$	B1	1.2
	$\{4\sin x = \sec x \Rightarrow\}\ 4\sin x\cos x = 1 \Rightarrow 2\sin 2x = 1 \Rightarrow \sin 2x = \frac{1}{2}$	M1	3.1a
	$x = \frac{1}{2}\arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ or $\frac{1}{2}\left(\pi - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}$	dM1	1.1b
		A1	1.1b
		(4)	



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12. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Show that

$$\operatorname{cosec}\theta - \sin\theta \equiv \cos\theta\cot\theta \qquad \theta \neq (180n)^\circ \qquad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

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(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve for $0 < x < 180^\circ$

$$\operatorname{cosec} x - \sin x = \cos x \cot(3x - 50^\circ)$$

(5)

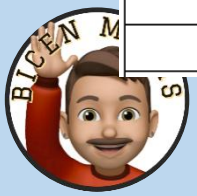


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12 (a)	States or uses $\operatorname{cosec}\theta = \frac{1}{\sin\theta}$	B1	1.2
	$\operatorname{cosec}\theta - \sin\theta = \frac{1}{\sin\theta} - \sin\theta = \frac{1-\sin^2\theta}{\sin\theta}$	M1	2.1
	$= \frac{\cos^2\theta}{\sin\theta} = \cos\theta \times \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} = \cos\theta\cot\theta$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$\operatorname{cosec} x - \sin x = \cos x \cot(3x - 50°)$ $\Rightarrow \cos x \cot x = \cos x \cot(3x - 50°)$		
	$\cot x = \cot(3x - 50°) \Rightarrow x = 3x - 50°$	M1	3.1a
	$x = 25°$	A1	1.1b
	Also $\cot x = \cot(3x - 50°) \Rightarrow x + 180° = 3x - 50°$	M1	2.1
	$x = 115°$	A1	1.1b
	Deduces $x = 90°$	B1	2.2a
		(5)	
			(8 marks)



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8. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Prove that

$$\frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}\theta - 1} + \frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}\theta + 1} \equiv 2\tan\theta\sec\theta \qquad \theta \neq (90n)^\circ,\ n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(3)

(b) Hence solve, for $0 < x < 90^\circ$, the equation

$$\frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec} 2x - 1} + \frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec} 2x + 1} = \cot 2x \sec 2x$$

Give each answer, in degrees, to one decimal place.

(4)



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8(a) Way 1	$\left(\dfrac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}\theta-1}+\dfrac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}\theta+1}\equiv\right)\dfrac{\operatorname{cosec}\theta+1+\operatorname{cosec}\theta-1}{(\operatorname{cosec}\theta-1)(\operatorname{cosec}\theta+1)}$	B1	1.1b
	$\equiv\dfrac{2\operatorname{cosec}\theta}{\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta-1}\equiv\dfrac{2\operatorname{cosec}\theta}{\cot^2\theta}$ or e.g. $\equiv\dfrac{2\sin\theta}{1-\sin^2\theta}=\dfrac{2\sin\theta}{\cos^2\theta}$	M1	1.1b
	$\dfrac{2\operatorname{cosec}\theta}{\cot^2\theta}\equiv\dfrac{2}{\sin\theta}\times\dfrac{\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta}\equiv 2\tan\theta\sec\theta*$ or $\dfrac{2\sin\theta}{\cos^2\theta}\equiv 2\tan\theta\sec\theta*$	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(a) Way 2	**"Meets in the middle"**		
	$\left(\text{LHS}=\dfrac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}\theta-1}+\dfrac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}\theta+1}\equiv\right)\dfrac{\operatorname{cosec}\theta+1+\operatorname{cosec}\theta-1}{(\operatorname{cosec}\theta-1)(\operatorname{cosec}\theta+1)}$	B1	1.1b
	$\equiv\dfrac{2\operatorname{cosec}\theta}{\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta-1}\equiv\dfrac{2\operatorname{cosec}\theta}{\cot^2\theta}$	M1	1.1b
	$\text{RHS}=2\tan\theta\sec\theta\equiv\dfrac{2\sin\theta}{\cos^2\theta}\equiv\dfrac{2\sin^2\theta}{\sin\theta\cos^2\theta}$ $\equiv\dfrac{2}{\sin\theta}\times\dfrac{\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta}\equiv\dfrac{2\operatorname{cosec}\theta}{\cot^2\theta}=\text{LHS}$ or e.g. QED or e.g. Proven	A1*	2.1
		(3)	

8(b)	$2\tan 2x\sec 2x=\cot 2x\sec 2x$	B1	2.2a
	$2\tan 2x\sec 2x-\cot 2x\sec 2x=0$ $\Rightarrow\sec 2x(2\tan 2x-\cot 2x)=0$ $2\tan 2x-\cot 2x=0\Rightarrow 2\tan 2x=\cot 2x\Rightarrow\tan^2 2x=\dfrac{1}{2}$ **or** $2\tan 2x-\cot 2x=0\Rightarrow 2\dfrac{\sin 2x}{\cos 2x}=\dfrac{\cos 2x}{\sin 2x}\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 2x=\cos^2 2x$ $\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 2x=1-\sin^2 2x\Rightarrow\sin^2 2x=\dfrac{1}{3}$ **or** $2(1-\cos^2 2x)=\cos^2 2x\Rightarrow\cos^2 2x=\dfrac{2}{3}$ **or** $2\tan 2x=\cot 2x\Rightarrow\dfrac{4\tan x}{1-\tan^2 x}=\dfrac{1-\tan^2 x}{2\tan x}$ $\Rightarrow\tan^4 x-10\tan^2 x+1=0$ **or** $2\tan 2x-\cot 2x=0\Rightarrow 2\dfrac{\sin 2x}{\cos 2x}=\dfrac{\cos 2x}{\sin 2x}\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 2x=\cos^2 2x$ $2\sin^2 2x=\cos^2 2x\Rightarrow 1-\cos 4x=\dfrac{1}{2}(\cos 4x+1)\Rightarrow\cos 4x=\dfrac{1}{3}$	M1	2.1
	$2x=\tan^{-1}\dfrac{1}{\sqrt{2}}=K\Rightarrow x=\dfrac{K}{2}$ **or** $2x=\sin^{-1}\dfrac{1}{\sqrt{3}}=K\Rightarrow x=\dfrac{K}{2}$ **or** $2x=\cos^{-1}\sqrt{\dfrac{2}{3}}=K\Rightarrow x=\dfrac{K}{2}$ **or** $\tan^2 x=5\pm 2\sqrt{6}\Rightarrow x=\tan^{-1}\left(\sqrt{5\pm 2\sqrt{6}}\right)$ **or** $\cos 4x=\dfrac{1}{3}\Rightarrow 4x=\cos^{-1}\left(\dfrac{1}{3}\right)=K\Rightarrow x=\dfrac{1}{4}K$	M1	1.1b
	$x=17.6°,\ 72.4°$	A1	1.1b



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Trigonometry – addition, double angle, harmonic



A2 SAMs Paper 1

Trig – addition, double, etc.

9. (a) Prove that

$$\tan\theta + \cot\theta \equiv 2\text{cosec}2\theta, \qquad \theta \neq \frac{n\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(4)

(b) Hence explain why the equation

$$\tan\theta + \cot\theta = 1$$

does not have any real solutions.

(1)



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A2 SAMs Paper 1

Trig – addition, double, etc.

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9(a)	$\tan\theta+\cot\theta\equiv\dfrac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}+\dfrac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}$	M1	2.1
	$\equiv\dfrac{\sin^2\theta+\cos^2\theta}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}$	A1	1.1b
	$\equiv\dfrac{1}{\frac{1}{2}\sin 2\theta}$	M1	2.1
	$\equiv 2\text{cosec}2\theta$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	States $\tan\theta+\cot\theta=1\Rightarrow\sin 2\theta=2$ AND no real solutions as $-1\leqslant\sin 2\theta\leqslant 1$	B1	2.4
		(1)	
			(5 marks)



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13. (a) Express $10\cos\theta - 3\sin\theta$ in the form $R\cos(\theta + \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90°$
Give the exact value of R and give the value of α, in degrees, to 2 decimal places.

(3)

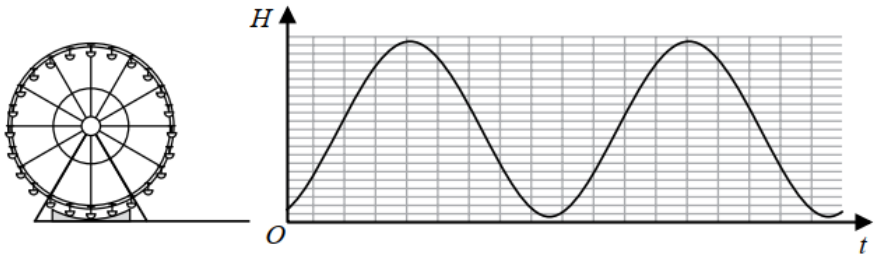


Figure 3

The height above the ground, H metres, of a passenger on a Ferris wheel t minutes after the wheel starts turning, is modelled by the equation

$$H = a - 10\cos(80t)° + 3\sin(80t)°$$

where a is a constant.

Figure 3 shows the graph of H against t for two complete cycles of the wheel.

Given that the initial height of the passenger above the ground is 1 metre,

(b) (i) find a complete equation for the model,

(ii) hence find the maximum height of the passenger above the ground.

(2)

(c) Find the time taken, to the nearest second, for the passenger to reach the maximum height on the second cycle.

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(3)

It is decided that, to increase profits, the speed of the wheel is to be increased.

(d) How would you adapt the equation of the model to reflect this increase in speed?

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13(a)	$R=\sqrt{109}$	B1	1.1b
	$\tan\alpha=\frac{3}{10}$	M1	1.1b
	$\alpha=16.70°$ so $\sqrt{109}\cos(\theta+16.70°)$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	(i) e.g $H=11-10\cos(80t)°+3\sin(80t)°$ or $H=11-\sqrt{109}\cos(80t+16.70)°$	B1	3.3
	(ii) $11+\sqrt{109}$ or 21.44 m	B1ft	3.4
		(2)	
(c)	Sets $80t+"16.70"=540$	M1	3.4
	$t=\frac{540-"16.70"}{80}=(6.54)$	M1	1.1b
	$t=6$ mins 32 seconds	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(d)	Increase the '80' in the formula For example use $H=11-10\cos(90t)°+3\sin(90t)°$		3.3
		(1)	
			(9 marks)

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7. (i) Solve, for $0 \leqslant x < \frac{\pi}{2}$, the equation

$$4\sin x = \sec x$$

(4)

(ii) Solve, for $0 \leqslant \theta < 360°$, the equation

$$5\sin\theta - 5\cos\theta = 2$$

giving your answers to one decimal place.

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(5)

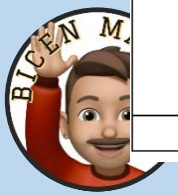


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7	(i) $4\sin x = \sec x,\ 0 \le x < \frac{\pi}{2}$; (ii) $5\sin\theta - 5\cos\theta = 2,\ 0 \le \theta < 360°$		
(i) Way 1	For $\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x}$	B1	1.2
	$\{4\sin x = \sec x \Rightarrow\}\ 4\sin x\cos x = 1 \Rightarrow 2\sin 2x = 1 \Rightarrow \sin 2x = \frac{1}{2}$	M1	3.1a
	$x = \frac{1}{2}\arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ or $\frac{1}{2}\left(\pi - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}$	dM1	1.1b
		A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(ii)	Complete strategy, i.e. • Expresses $5\sin\theta - 5\cos\theta = 2$ in the form $R\sin(\theta - \alpha) = 2$, finds both R and α, and proceeds to $\sin(\theta - \alpha) = k, \lvert k\rvert < 1, k \ne 0$ • Applies $(5\sin\theta - 5\cos\theta)^2 = 2^2$, followed by applying both $\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1$ and $\sin 2\theta = 2\sin\theta\cos\theta$ to proceed to $\sin 2\theta = k, \lvert k\rvert < 1, k \ne 0$	M1	3.1a
	$R = \sqrt{50}$ $\tan\alpha = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha = 45°$	$(5\sin\theta - 5\cos\theta)^2 = 2^2 \Rightarrow$ $25\sin^2\theta + 25\cos^2\theta - 50\sin\theta\cos\theta = 4$ $\Rightarrow 25 - 25\sin 2\theta = 4$	M1	1.1b
	$\sin(\theta - 45°) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{50}}$	$\sin 2\theta = \frac{21}{25}$	A1	1.1b
	dependent on the first M mark e.g. $\theta = \arcsin\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{50}}\right) + 45°$	e.g. $\theta = \frac{1}{2}\left(\arcsin\left(\frac{21}{25}\right)\right)$	dM1	1.1b
	$\theta =$ awrt 61.4°, awrt 208.6°		A1	2.1
	Note: Working in radians does not affect any of the first 4 marks			
			(5)	
				(9 marks)



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12. (a) Prove that

$$1 - \cos 2\theta \equiv \tan\theta \sin 2\theta, \quad \theta \neq \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(3)

(b) Hence solve, for $-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$, the equation

$$(\sec^2 x - 5)(1 - \cos 2x) = 3\tan^2 x \sin 2x$$

Give any non-exact answer to 3 decimal places where appropriate.

(6)



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Trig – addition, double, etc.

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12	$1-\cos 2\theta \equiv \tan\theta \sin 2\theta,\ \theta \neq \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2},\ n \in \mathbb{Z}$		
(a) Way 1	$\tan\theta\sin 2\theta = \left(\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}\right)(2\sin\theta\cos\theta)$	M1	1.1b
	$= \left(\frac{\sin\theta}{\cancel{\cos\theta}}\right)(2\sin\theta\cancel{\cos\theta}) = 2\sin^2\theta = 1-\cos 2\theta$ *	M1	1.1b
		A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(a) Way 2	$1-\cos 2\theta = 1-(1-2\sin^2\theta) = 2\sin^2\theta$	M1	1.1b
	$= \left(\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}\right)(2\sin\theta\cos\theta) = \tan\theta\sin 2\theta$ *	M1	1.1b
		A1*	2.1
		(3)	
	$(\sec^2 x-5)(1-\cos 2x) = 3\tan^2 x\sin 2x,\ -\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$		
(b) Way 1	$(\sec^2 x-5)\tan x\sin 2x = 3\tan^2 x\sin 2x$ **or** $(\sec^2 x-5)(1-\cos 2x) = 3\tan x(1-\cos 2x)$		
	Deduces $x=0$	B1	2.2a
	Uses $\sec^2 x = 1+\tan^2 x$ and cancels/factorises out $\tan x$ or $(1-\cos 2x)$ e.g. $(1+\tan^2 x-3\tan x-5)\tan x=0$ **or** $(1+\tan^2 x-3\tan x-5)(1-\cos 2x)=0$ **or** $1+\tan^2 x-5=3\tan x$	M1	2.1
	$\tan^2 x-3\tan x-4=0$	A1	1.1b
	$(\tan x-4)(\tan x+1)=0 \Rightarrow \tan x=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$x=-\frac{\pi}{4}$, 1.326	A1	1.1b
		A1	1.1b
		(6)	
			(9 marks)

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6. (a) Solve, for $-180° \leqslant \theta \leqslant 180°$, the equation

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

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

[*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*]

(6)

(b) Deduce the smallest positive solution to the equation

$$5\sin(2x - 50°) = 9\tan(x - 25°)$$

(2)



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Question 6 (Total 8 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$5 \sin 2\theta = 9 \tan \theta \Rightarrow$ $10 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 9 \times \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to substitute terms to form an equation in terms of cos θ
	$10 \cos^2 \theta = 9$	M1	This mark is given for a correct equation in terms of cos θ
	$\theta = \arccos \pm\sqrt{\frac{9}{10}}$	M1	This mark is given for finding a value for θ in terms of arccos
	$\theta = \pm 18.4°, \pm 161.6°$	A1	This mark is given for any one value of 18.4° or 161.6° found.
		A1	This mark is given for four values of θ found correctly
	$\theta = \pm 0°, 180°$	B1	This mark is given for the deduction of the two other solutions for θ
(b)	$10 \cos^2 (x - 25) = 9$ x has smallest positive value when $x - 25° = -18.4°$	M1	This mark is given for finding an equation to solve for x
	$x = 6.6°$	A1	This mark is given for correctly finding the smallest positive solution to the equation

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12. (a) Prove

$$\frac{\cos 3\theta}{\sin \theta} + \frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos \theta} \equiv 2\cot 2\theta \qquad \theta \neq (90n)°,\ n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(4)

(b) Hence solve, for $90° < \theta < 180°$, the equation

$$\frac{\cos 3\theta}{\sin \theta} + \frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos \theta} = 4$$

giving any solutions to one decimal place.

(3)



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12	$\frac{\cos 3\theta}{\sin\theta}+\frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos\theta} \equiv 2\cot 2\theta$		
(a) Way 1	$\{\text{LHS}=\}\ \frac{\cos 3\theta\cos\theta+\sin 3\theta\sin\theta}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}$	M1	3.1a
	$=\frac{\cos(3\theta-\theta)}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}\quad\left\{=\frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}\right\}$	A1	2.1
	$=\frac{\cos 2\theta}{\frac{1}{2}\sin 2\theta}=2\cot 2\theta$ *	dM1	1.1b
		A1 *	2.1
		(4)	
(a) Way 2	$\{\text{LHS}=\}\ \frac{\cos 2\theta\cos\theta-\sin 2\theta\sin\theta}{\sin\theta}+\frac{\sin 2\theta\cos\theta+\cos 2\theta\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$		
	$=\frac{\cos 2\theta\cos^2\theta-\sin 2\theta\sin\theta\cos\theta+\sin 2\theta\cos\theta\sin\theta+\cos 2\theta\sin^2\theta}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}$	M1	3.1a
	$=\frac{\cos 2\theta(\cos^2\theta+\sin^2\theta)}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}\quad\left\{=\frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sin\theta\cos\theta}\right\}$	A1	2.1
	$=\frac{\cos 2\theta}{\frac{1}{2}\sin 2\theta}=2\cot 2\theta$ *	dM1	1.1b
		A1 *	2.1
		(4)	
(a) Way 3	$\{\text{RHS}=\}\ \frac{2\cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta}=\frac{2\cos(3\theta-\theta)}{\sin 2\theta}=\frac{2(\cos 3\theta\cos\theta+\sin 3\theta\sin\theta)}{\sin 2\theta}$	M1	3.1a
		A1	2.1
	$=\frac{2(\cos 3\theta\cos\theta+\sin 3\theta\sin\theta)}{2\sin\theta\cos\theta}$	dM1	1.1b
	$=\frac{\cos 3\theta}{\sin\theta}+\frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos\theta}$ *	A1 *	2.1
		(4)	
(b) Way 1	$\left\{\frac{\cos 3\theta}{\sin\theta}+\frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos\theta}=4\Rightarrow\right\}\quad 2\cot 2\theta=4\Rightarrow 2\left(\frac{1}{\tan 2\theta}\right)=4$	M1	1.1b
	Rearranges to give $\tan 2\theta=k;\ k\neq 0$ and applies $\arctan k$	dM1	1.1b
	$\left\{90°<\theta<180°,\ \tan 2\theta=\frac{1}{2}\Rightarrow\right\}$		
	Only one solution of $\theta=103.3°$ (1 dp) or awrt 103.3°	A1	2.2a
		(3)	
(b) Way 2	$\left\{\frac{\cos 3\theta}{\sin\theta}+\frac{\sin 3\theta}{\cos\theta}=4\Rightarrow\right\}\quad 2\cot 2\theta=4\Rightarrow\frac{2}{\tan 2\theta}=4$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{2}{\left(\frac{2\tan\theta}{1-\tan^2\theta}\right)}=4\Rightarrow 2(1-\tan^2\theta)=8\tan\theta$ $\Rightarrow\tan^2\theta+4\tan\theta-1=0\Rightarrow\tan\theta=\frac{-4\pm\sqrt{(4)^2-4(1)(-1)}}{2(1)}$ $\{\Rightarrow\tan\theta=-2\pm\sqrt{5}\}\Rightarrow\tan\theta=k;\ k\neq 0\Rightarrow$ applies $\arctan k$	dM1	1.1b
	$\{90°<\theta<180°,\ \tan\theta=-2-\sqrt{5}\ \Rightarrow\}$		
	Only one solution of $\theta=103.3°$ (1 dp) or awrt 103.3°	A1	2.2a
		(3)	
			(7 marks)



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6. (a) Express $\sin x + 2\cos x$ in the form $R\sin(x + \alpha)$ where R and α are constants, $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$

Give the exact value of R and give the value of α in radians to 3 decimal places.

(3)

The temperature, $\theta°C$, inside a room on a given day is modelled by the equation

$$\theta = 5 + \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{12} - 3\right) + 2\cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{12} - 3\right) \qquad 0 \leqslant t < 24$$

where t is the number of hours after midnight.

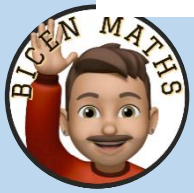
Using the equation of the model and your answer to part (a),

(b) deduce the maximum temperature of the room during this day,

(1)

(c) find the time of day when the maximum temperature occurs, giving your answer to the nearest minute.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
6 (a)	$R=\sqrt{5}$	B1	1.1b
	$\tan\alpha=2\Rightarrow\alpha=...$	M1	1.1b
	$\alpha=1.107$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
	$\theta=5+\sqrt{5}\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{12}+1.107-3\right)$		
(b)	$\left(5+\sqrt{5}\right)$ °C or awrt 7.24 °C	B1ft	2.2a
		(1)	
(c)	$\frac{\pi t}{12}+1.107-3=\frac{\pi}{2}\Rightarrow t=$	M1	3.1b
	$t=$ awrt 13.2	A1	1.1b
	Either 13:14 or 1:14 pm or 13 hours 14 minutes after midnight.	A1	3.2a
		(3)	
			(7 marks)



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Trig – addition, double, etc.

10. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Show that

$$\cos 3A \equiv 4\cos^3 A - 3\cos A$$

(4)

(b) Hence solve, for $-90° \leqslant x \leqslant 180°$, the equation

$$1 - \cos 3x = \sin^2 x$$

(4)



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Trig – addition, double, etc.

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10 (a)	$\cos 3A = \cos(2A + A) = \cos 2A\cos A - \sin 2A\sin A$	M1	3.1a
	$= \left(2\cos^2 A - 1\right)\cos A - \left(2\sin A\cos A\right)\sin A$	dM1	1.1b
	$= \left(2\cos^2 A - 1\right)\cos A - 2\cos A\left(1 - \cos^2 A\right)$	ddM1	2.1
	$= 4\cos^3 A - 3\cos A$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$1 - \cos 3x = \sin^2 x \Rightarrow \cos^2 x + 3\cos x - 4\cos^3 x = 0$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow \cos x\left(4\cos^2 x - \cos x - 3\right) = 0$ $\Rightarrow \cos x\left(4\cos x + 3\right)\left(\cos x - 1\right) = 0$ $\Rightarrow \cos x = \ldots$	dM1	3.1a
	Two of $-90°$, 0, $90°$, awrt $139°$	A1	1.1b
	All four of $-90°$, 0, $90°$, awrt $139°$	A1	2.1
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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10. **In this question you should show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Given that $1 + \cos 2\theta + \sin 2\theta \neq 0$ prove that

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

(4)

(b) Hence solve, for $0 < x < 180°$

$$\frac{1 - \cos 4x + \sin 4x}{1 + \cos 4x + \sin 4x} = 3 \sin 2x$$

giving your answers to one decimal place where appropriate.

(4)



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Trig – addition, double, etc.

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10(a)	$\frac{1-\cos 2\theta+\sin 2\theta}{1+\cos 2\theta+\sin 2\theta}=\frac{1-\left(1-2\sin^2\theta\right)+2\sin\theta\cos\theta}{1+\cos 2\theta+\sin 2\theta}$ or $\frac{1-\cos 2\theta+\sin 2\theta}{1+\cos 2\theta+\sin 2\theta}=\frac{1-\cos 2\theta+\sin 2\theta}{1+\left(2\cos^2\theta-1\right)+2\sin\theta\cos\theta}$	M1	2.1
	$\frac{1-\cos 2\theta+\sin 2\theta}{1+\cos 2\theta+\sin 2\theta}=\frac{1-\left(1-2\sin^2\theta\right)+2\sin\theta\cos\theta}{1+\left(2\cos^2\theta-1\right)+2\sin\theta\cos\theta}$	A1	1.1b
	$=\frac{2\sin^2\theta+2\sin\theta\cos\theta}{2\cos^2\theta+2\sin\theta\cos\theta}=\frac{2\sin\theta\left(\sin\theta+\cos\theta\right)}{2\cos\theta\left(\cos\theta+\sin\theta\right)}$	dM1	2.1
	$=\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}=\tan\theta *$	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$\frac{1-\cos 4x+\sin 4x}{1+\cos 4x+\sin 4x}=3\sin 2x\Rightarrow\tan 2x=3\sin 2x$ o.e	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow\sin 2x-3\sin 2x\cos 2x=0$ $\Rightarrow\sin 2x\left(1-3\cos 2x\right)=0$ $\Rightarrow\left(\sin 2x=0,\right)\cos 2x=\frac{1}{3}$	A1	1.1b
	$x=90°$, awrt $35.3°$, awrt $144.7°$	A1 A1	1.1b 2.1
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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Trig – addition, double, etc.

15. (a) Express $2\cos\theta - \sin\theta$ in the form $R\cos(\theta + \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$

Give the exact value of R and the value of α in radians to 3 decimal places.

(3)

Figure 6 shows the cross-section of a water wheel.

The wheel is free to rotate about a fixed axis through the point C.

The point P is at the end of one of the paddles of the wheel, as shown in Figure 6.

The water level is assumed to be horizontal and of constant height.

The vertical height, H metres, of P above the water level is modelled by the equation

$$H = 3 + 4\cos(0.5t) - 2\sin(0.5t)$$

where t is the time in seconds after the wheel starts rotating.

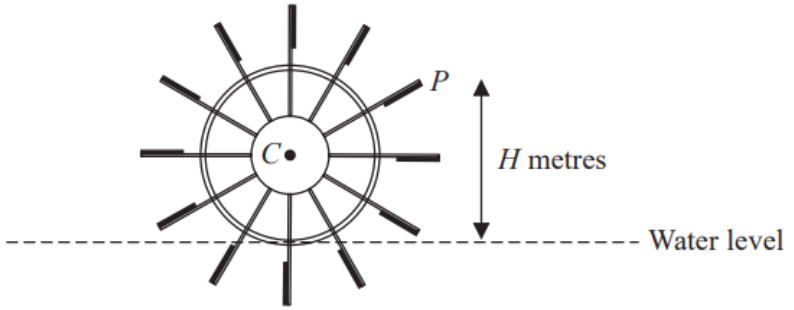


Figure 6

Using the model, find

(b) (i) the maximum height of P above the water level,

(ii) the value of t when this maximum height first occurs, giving your answer to one decimal place.

(3)

In a single revolution of the wheel, P is below the water level for a total of T seconds.

According to the model,

(c) find the value of T giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(*Solutions based entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.*)

(4)

In reality, the water level may not be of constant height.

(d) Explain how the equation of the model should be refined to take this into account.

(1)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15(a)	$R=\sqrt{5}$	B1	1.1b
	$\tan\alpha=\frac{1}{2}$ or $\sin\alpha=\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$ or $\cos\alpha=\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\Rightarrow\alpha=...$	M1	1.1b
	$\alpha=0.464$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)(i)	$3+2\sqrt{5}$	B1ft	3.4
(ii)	$\cos(0.5t+0.464)=1\Rightarrow 0.5t+0.464=2\pi$ $\Rightarrow t=...$	M1	3.4
	$t=11.6$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(c)	$3+2\sqrt{5}\cos(0.5t+0.464)=0$ $\cos(0.5t+0.464)=-\frac{3}{2\sqrt{5}}$	M1	3.4
	$\cos(0.5t+0.464)=-\frac{3}{2\sqrt{5}}\Rightarrow 0.5t+0.464=\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{3}{2\sqrt{5}}\right)$ $\Rightarrow t=2\left(\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{3}{2\sqrt{5}}\right)-0.464\right)$	dM1	1.1b
	So the time required is e.g.: $2(3.977...-0.464)-2(2.306...-0.464)$	dM1	3.1b
	$=3.34$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(d)	e.g. the "3" would need to vary	B1	3.5c
		(1)	
			(11 marks)



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Trig – addition, double, etc.

14. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Given that

$$2\sin(x - 60°) = \cos(x - 30°)$$

show that

$$\tan x = 3\sqrt{3}$$

(4)

(b) Hence or otherwise solve, for $0 \leqslant \theta < 180°$

$$2\sin 2\theta = \cos(2\theta + 30°)$$

giving your answers to one decimal place.

(4)



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14(a)	Attempts to use both $\sin(x-60°)=\pm\sin x\cos 60°\pm\cos x\sin 60°$ $\cos(x-30°)=\pm\cos x\cos 30°\pm\sin x\sin 30°$	M1
	Correct equation $2\sin x\cos 60°-2\cos x\sin 60°=\cos x\cos 30°+\sin x\sin 30°$	A1
	Either uses $\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}=\tan x$ and attempts to make $\tan x$ the subject E.g. $(2\cos 60°-\sin 30°)\tan x=\cos 30°+2\sin 60°$ Or attempts $\sin 30°$ etc with at least two correct and collects terms in $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ E.g. $\left(2\times\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\right)\sin x=\left(2\times\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}+\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\cos x$,	M1
	Proceeds to given answer showing all key steps E.g. $\frac{1}{2}\tan x=\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}\Rightarrow\tan x=3\sqrt{3}$ *	A1*
		(4)
(b)	Deduces that $x=2\theta+60°$	B1
	$\tan(2\theta+60°)=3\sqrt{3}\Rightarrow 2\theta+60°=79.1°,259.1°,.....$	M1
	Correct method to find one value of θ E.g $\theta=\frac{79.1°-60°}{2}$	dM1
	$\theta=$ awrt $9.6°, 99.6°$ (See note)	A1
		(4)



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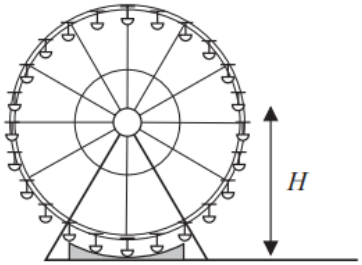


Figure 4

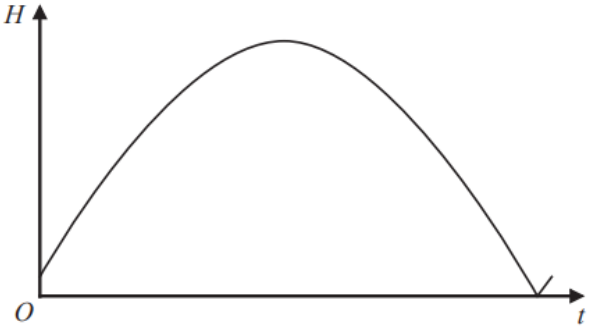


Figure 5

Figure 4 shows a sketch of a Ferris wheel.

The height above the ground, H m, of a passenger on the Ferris wheel, t seconds after the wheel starts turning, is modelled by the equation

$$H = |A\sin(bt + \alpha)^\circ|$$

where A, b and α are constants.

Figure 5 shows a sketch of the graph of H against t, for one revolution of the wheel.

Given that

- the maximum height of the passenger above the ground is 50 m
- the passenger is 1 m above the ground when the wheel starts turning
- the wheel takes 720 seconds to complete one revolution

(a) find a complete equation for the model, giving the exact value of A, the exact value of b and the value of α to 3 significant figures.

(4)

(b) Explain why an equation of the form

$$H = |A\sin(bt + \alpha)^\circ| + d$$

where d is a positive constant, would be a more appropriate model.

(1)



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9(a)	Deduces that $A = \pm 50$ **or** $b = \frac{1}{4}$	B1
	Deduces that $A = \pm 50$ **and** $b = \frac{1}{4}$	B1
	Uses $t = 0, H = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha = \ldots$ E.g. $1 = "50"\sin(\alpha)° \Rightarrow \alpha = \ldots$	M1
	$H = \left\| \pm 50\sin\left(\frac{1}{4}t + 1.15\right)° \right\|$	A1
		(4)
(b)	E.g. the minimum height above the ground of the passenger on the original model was 0 m or Adding "d" means the passenger does not touch the ground.	B1
		(1)



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8. (a) Express $2\cos\theta + 8\sin\theta$ in the form $R\cos(\theta - \alpha)$, where R and α are constants,

$R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$

Give the exact value of R and give the value of α in radians to 3 decimal places.

(3)

The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are

$$\cos x \qquad \cos x + \sin x \qquad \cos x + 2\sin x \qquad x \neq n\pi$$

Given that S_9 represents the sum of the first 9 terms of this sequence as x varies,

(b) (i) find the exact maximum value of S_9

(ii) deduce the smallest positive value of x at which this maximum value of S_9 occurs.

(3)



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8(a)	$R = \sqrt{2^2 + 8^2} = \sqrt{68} = 2\sqrt{17}$	**B1**	1.1b
	$2\cos\theta + 8\sin\theta = R\cos\theta\cos\alpha + R\sin\theta\sin\alpha$ $2 = R\cos\alpha \quad 8 = R\sin\alpha$ $\tan\alpha = \frac{8}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha = ...$	**M1**	1.1b
	$\alpha =$ awrt 1.326	**A1**	2.2a
		(3)	
(b)(i)	$4.5 \times "2\sqrt{17}"$	**M1**	1.1b
	$9\sqrt{17}$	**A1**	2.2a
(ii)	awrt 1.33	**B1ft**	2.2a
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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Trig – addition, double, etc.

14. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Show that the equation

$$2\tan\theta(8\cos\theta + 23\sin^2\theta) = 8\sin 2\theta(1 + \tan^2\theta)$$

may be written as

$$\sin 2\theta(A\cos^2\theta + B\cos\theta + C) = 0$$

where A, B and C are constants to be found.

(3)

(b) Hence, solve for $360° \leqslant x \leqslant 540°$

$$2\tan x(8\cos x + 23\sin^2 x) = 8\sin 2x(1 + \tan^2 x) \qquad x \in \mathbb{R} \qquad x \neq 450°$$

(4)



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14(a)	e.g. $2\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}(8\cos\theta+23(1-\cos^2\theta))=8\times 2\sin\theta\cos\theta\sec^2\theta$	**B1**	1.2
	$2\tan\theta(8\cos\theta+23\sin^2\theta)=8\sin 2\theta\sec^2\theta$ $\Rightarrow 2\sin\theta\cos\theta(8\cos\theta+23(1-\cos^2\theta))=8\sin 2\theta$ $\sin 2\theta(8\cos\theta+23(1-\cos^2\theta))=8\sin 2\theta$ $\sin 2\theta(23\cos^2\theta-8\cos\theta-15)=0$	**M1A1**	2.1 2.2a
		(3)	
(b)	$\sin 2x(23\cos^2 x-8\cos x-15)=0$		
	$\sin 2x=0\Rightarrow x=360°$ **or** $540°$	**B1**	2.2a
	$23\cos^2 x-8\cos x-15\Rightarrow\cos x=-\frac{15}{23}$	**M1**	1.1b
	$\cos x=-\frac{15}{23}\Rightarrow x=...$	**dM1**	1.1b
	$x=360°$, $540°$ and awrt $491°$ only	**A1**	2.3
		(4)	
			(7 marks)



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12. (a) Express $140\cos\theta - 480\sin\theta$ in the form $K\cos(\theta + \alpha)$

where $K > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90°$

State the value of K and give the value of α, in degrees, to 2 decimal places.

(3)

A scientist studies the number of rabbits and the number of foxes in a wood for one year.

The number of rabbits, R, is modelled by the equation

$$R = A + 140\cos(30t)° - 480\sin(30t)°$$

where t months is the time after the start of the year and A is a constant.

Given that, during the year, the maximum number of rabbits in the wood is 1500

(b) (i) find a complete equation for this model.

(ii) Hence write down the minimum number of rabbits in the wood during the year according to the model.

(2)

The actual number of rabbits in the wood is at its minimum value in the middle of April.

(c) Use this information to comment on the model for the number of rabbits.

(2)

The number of foxes, F, in the wood during the same year is modelled by the equation

$$F = 100 + 70\sin(30t + 70)°$$

The number of foxes is at its minimum value after T months.

(d) Find, according to the models, the number of **rabbits** in the wood at time T months.

(4)



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12(a)	$K = 500$	B1	1.1b
	$\tan\alpha = \dfrac{480}{140} \Rightarrow \alpha = ...$	M1	1.1b
	$\alpha =$ awrt $73.74°$ or $500\cos(\theta + 73.74)°$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)(i)	$R = 1000 + 500\cos(30t + 73.74)°$ or $R = 1000 + 140\cos(30t)° - 480\sin(30t)°$	B1ft	3.3
(b)(ii)	$\{R_{\min} =\} 500$	B1ft	3.4
		(2)	
(c)	$t = 3.5 \Rightarrow R = "1000" + "500"\cos(30(3.5) + "73.74")° = ...$	M1	3.4
	$R =$ awrt $500.1...$ so the model is reliable	A1	3.5a
		(2)	
(d)	$\sin(30t + 70)° = -1 \Rightarrow 30t + 70 = 270 \Rightarrow 30t = ...$ (or $t = ...$)	M1	3.4
	$30t = 200$ $\left(\text{or } t = \dfrac{20}{3}\right)$	A1	1.1b
	$R = "1000" + "500"\cos\left(30\left("\dfrac{20}{3}"\right) + "73.74"\right)°$ or $R = "1000" + 140\cos("200")° - 480\sin("200")°$	dM1	3.4
	$R = 1032$ (or 1033)	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(11 marks)



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Parametric Equations



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Parametric Equations

5. A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = 2t - 1, \quad y = 4t - 7 + \frac{3}{t}, \quad t \neq 0$$

Show that the Cartesian equation of the curve C can be written in the form

$$y = \frac{2x^2 + ax + b}{x + 1}, \quad x \neq -1$$

where a and b are integers to be found.

(3)



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Parametric Equations

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5	Attempts to substitute $=\frac{x+1}{2}$ into $y \Rightarrow y = 4\left(\frac{x+1}{2}\right)-7 \ +\frac{6}{(x+1)}$	M1	2.1
	Attempts to write as a single fraction $y = \frac{(2x-5)(x+1)+6}{(x+1)}$	M1	2.1
	$y = \frac{2x^2-3x+1}{x+1}$ $\quad a=-3, b=1$	A1	1.1b
			(3 marks)



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Parametric Equations

14. A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = 3 + 2\sin t, \quad y = 4 + 2\cos 2t, \quad 0 \leqslant t < 2\pi$$

(a) Show that all points on C satisfy $y = 6 - (x - 3)^2$

(2)

(b) (i) Sketch the curve C.

(ii) Explain briefly why C does not include all points of $y = 6 - (x - 3)^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$

(3)

The line with equation $x + y = k$, where k is a constant, intersects C at two distinct points.

(c) State the range of values of k, writing your answer in set notation.

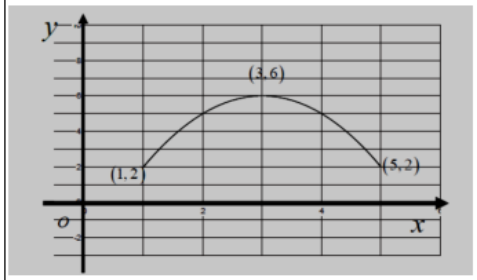
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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14(a)	Attempts to use $\cos 2t = 1-2\sin^2 t \Rightarrow \frac{y-4}{2} = 1-2\left(\frac{x-3}{2}\right)^2$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow y-4 = 2-4\times\frac{(x-3)^2}{4} \Rightarrow y = 6-(x-3)^2$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	 ∩ shaped parabola	M1	1.1b
	Fully correct with 'ends' at (1,2) & (5,2)	A1	1.1b
	Suitable reason : Eg states as $x = 3+2\sin t$, $1 \leqslant x \leqslant 5$	B1	2.4
		(3)	
(c)	Either finds the lower value for $k = 7$ or deduces that $k < \frac{37}{4}$	B1	2.2a
	Finds where $x+y=k$ meets $y = 6-(x-3)^2$ $\Rightarrow k-x = 6-(x-3)^2$ and proceeds to 3TQ in x or y	M1	3.1a
	Correct 3TQ in x $\quad x^2-7x+(k+3)=0$ Or y $\quad y^2+(7-2k)y+(k^2-6k+3)=0$	A1	1.1b
	Uses $b^2-4ac=0 \Rightarrow \quad 49-4\times1\times(k+3)=0 \Rightarrow k=\left(\frac{37}{4}\right)$ or $(7-2k)^2-4\times1\times(k^2-6k+3)=0 \Rightarrow k=\left(\frac{37}{4}\right)$	M1	2.1
	Range of values for $k = \left\{k : 7 \leqslant k < \frac{37}{4}\right\}$	A1	2.5
		(5)	



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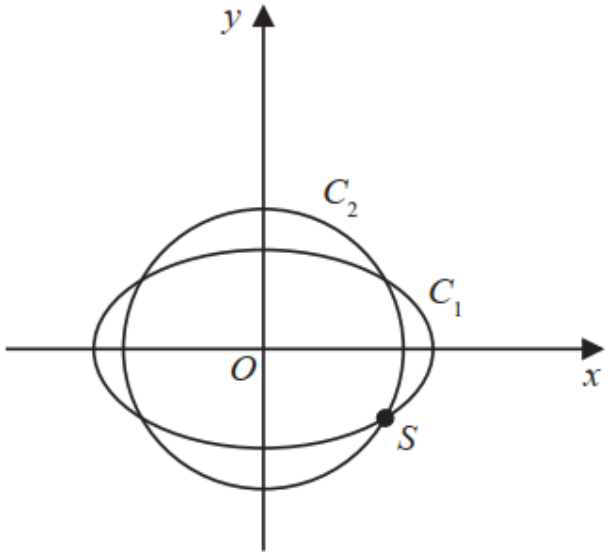


Figure 2

The curve C_1 with parametric equations

$$x = 10\cos t, \quad y = 4\sqrt{2}\sin t, \quad 0 \leqslant t < 2\pi$$

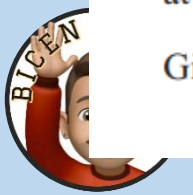
meets the circle C_2 with equation

$$x^2 + y^2 = 66$$

at four distinct points as shown in Figure 2.

Given that one of these points, S, lies in the 4th quadrant, find the Cartesian coordinates of S.

(6)



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Parametric Equations

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
	$(10\cos t)^2 + (4\sqrt{2}\sin t)^2 = 66$	M1	This mark is given for combining the two equations to show where the curve and circle meet
	$100(\cos t)^2 + 32(1 - \cos t)^2 = 66$	M1	This mark is given for forming an equation in cos t only
	$68\cos^2 t = 34$	A1	This mark is given for simplifying to find an equation in terms of cos t
	$\cos t = \pm\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow t = \frac{\pi}{4}$	M1	This mark is given for finding a value for t
	$x = 10 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ $y = 4\sqrt{2} \times -\sin\frac{\pi}{4} = 4\sqrt{2} \times -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to substitute back into the original equations to find value for x and y
	$S = (5\sqrt{2}, -4)$	A1	This mark is given for the correct coordinates of S



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Parametric Equations

13. A curve C has parametric equations

$$x = \frac{t^2 + 5}{t^2 + 1} \qquad y = \frac{4t}{t^2 + 1} \qquad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Show that all points on C satisfy

$$(x - 3)^2 + y^2 = 4$$

(3)

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Parametric Equations

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13	$(x-3)^2+y^2=\left(\frac{t^2+5}{t^2+1}-3\right)^2+\left(\frac{4t}{t^2+1}\right)^2$	M1	3.1a
	$=\frac{(2-2t^2)^2+16t^2}{(t^2+1)^2}=\frac{4+8t^2+4t^4}{(t^2+1)^2}$	dM1	1.1b
	$\frac{4(t^4+2t^2+1)}{(t^2+1)^2}=\frac{4(t^2+1)^2}{(t^2+1)^2}=4^*$	A1*	2.1
		(3)	

M1: Attempts to substitute the given parametric forms into the Cartesian equation or the lhs of the Cartesian equation. There may have been an (incorrect) attempt to multiply out the $(x-3)^2$ term.

dM1: Attempts to combine (at least the lhs) using correct processing into a single fraction, multiplies out and collects terms on the numerator.

A1*: Fully correct proof showing all key steps



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Differentiation



10. Given that θ is measured in radians, prove, from first principles, that the derivative of $\sin\theta$ is $\cos\theta$

You may assume the formula for $\sin(A \pm B)$ and that as $h \to 0$, $\dfrac{\sin h}{h} \to 1$ and $\dfrac{\cos h - 1}{h} \to 0$

(5)



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Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10	Use of $\dfrac{\sin(\theta+h)-\sin\theta}{(\theta+h)-\theta}$	B1	2.1
	Uses the compound angle identity for $\sin(A+B)$ with $A=\theta,\ B=h$ $\Rightarrow \sin(\theta+h)=\sin\theta\cos h+\cos\theta\sin h$	M1	1.1b
	Achieves $\dfrac{\sin(\theta+h)-\sin\theta}{h}=\dfrac{\sin\theta\cos h+\cos\theta\sin h-\sin\theta}{h}$	A1	1.1b
	$=\dfrac{\sin h}{h}\cos\theta+\left(\dfrac{\cos h-1}{h}\right)\sin\theta$	M1	2.1
	Uses $h\to 0,\ \dfrac{\sin h}{h}\to 1$ and $\dfrac{\cos h-1}{h}\to 0$ Hence the $\lim_{h\to 0}\dfrac{\sin(\theta+h)-\sin\theta}{(\theta+h)-\theta}=\cos\theta$ and the gradient of the chord $\to$ gradient of the curve $\Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{d\theta}=\cos\theta$ *	A1*	2.5
			(5 marks)



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13. The curve C has parametric equations

$$x = 2\cos t, \quad y = \sqrt{3}\cos 2t, \quad 0 \leqslant t \leqslant \pi$$

(a) Find an expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t.

(2)

The point P lies on C where $t = \frac{2\pi}{3}$

The line l is the normal to C at P.

(b) Show that an equation for l is

$$2x - 2\sqrt{3}y - 1 = 0$$

(5)

The line l intersects the curve C again at the point Q.

(c) Find the exact coordinates of Q.

You must show clearly how you obtained your answers.

(6)



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Differentiation

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13(a)	Attempts $\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{\sqrt{3}\sin 2t}{\sin t}$ $\left(=2\sqrt{3}\cos t\right)$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	Substitutes $t=\frac{2\pi}{3}$ in $\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{\sqrt{3}\sin 2t}{\sin t}=\left(-\sqrt{3}\right)$	M1	2.1
	Uses gradient of normal $=-\frac{1}{dy/dx}=\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$	M1	2.1
	Coordinates of $P=\left(-1,-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$	B1	1.1b
	Correct form of normal $y+\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(x+1)$	M1	2.1
	Completes proof $\Rightarrow 2x-2\sqrt{3}y-1=0$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(5)	
(c)	Substitutes $x=2\cos t$ and $y=\sqrt{3}\cos 2t$ into $2x-2\sqrt{3}y-1=0$	M1	3.1a
	Uses the identity $\cos 2t=2\cos^2 t-1$ to produce a quadratic in cos$t$	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow 12\cos^2 t-4\cos t-5=0$	A1	1.1b
	Finds $\cos t=\frac{5}{6}, \cancel{-\frac{1}{2}}$	M1	2.4
	Substitutes their $\cos t=\frac{5}{6}$ into $x=2\cos t$, $y=\sqrt{3}\cos 2t$,	M1	1.1b
	$Q=\left(\frac{5}{3},\frac{7}{18}\sqrt{3}\right)$	A1	1.1b
		(6)	
			(13 marks)



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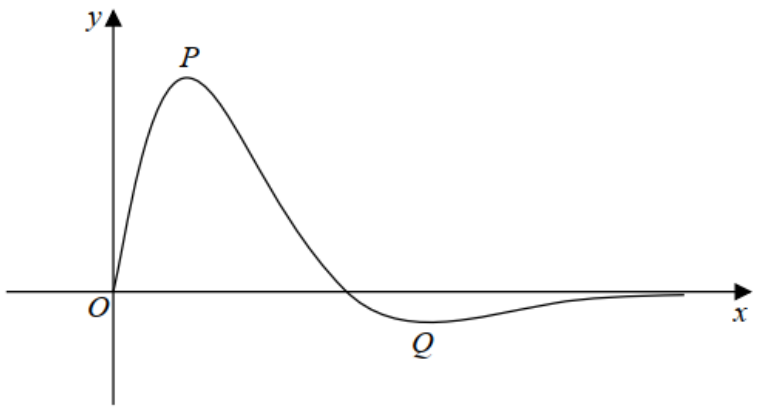


Figure 5

Figure 5 shows a sketch of the curve with equation $y = \mathrm{f}(x)$, where

$$\mathrm{f}(x) = \frac{4\sin 2x}{\mathrm{e}^{\sqrt{2}x-1}}, \quad 0 \leqslant x \leqslant \pi$$

The curve has a maximum turning point at P and a minimum turning point at Q as shown in Figure 5.

(a) Show that the x coordinates of point P and point Q are solutions of the equation

$$\tan 2x = \sqrt{2}$$

(4)

(b) Using your answer to part (a), find the x-coordinate of the minimum turning point on the curve with equation

(i) $y = \mathrm{f}(2x)$.

(ii) $y = 3 - 2\mathrm{f}(x)$.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15(a)	Attempts to differentiate using the quotient rule or otherwise	M1	2.1
	$f'(x)=\dfrac{e^{\sqrt{2}x-1}\times 8\cos 2x-4\sin 2x\times\sqrt{2}e^{\sqrt{2}x-1}}{\left(e^{\sqrt{2}x-1}\right)^2}$	A1	1.1b
	Sets $f'(x)=0$ and divides/ factorises out the $e^{\sqrt{2}x-1}$ terms	M1	2.1
	Proceeds via $\dfrac{\sin 2x}{\cos 2x}=\dfrac{8}{4\sqrt{2}}$ to $\Rightarrow \tan 2x=\sqrt{2}$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	(i) Solves $\tan 4x=\sqrt{2}$ and attempts to find the 2nd solution	M1	3.1a
	$x=1.02$	A1	1.1b
	(ii) Solves $\tan 2x=\sqrt{2}$ and attempts to find the 1st solution	M1	3.1a
	$x=0.478$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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3. Given $y = x(2x + 1)^4$, show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (2x + 1)^n(Ax + B)$$

where n, A and B are constants to be found.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3	Attempts the product and chain rule on $y = x(2x+1)^4$	M1	2.1
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = (2x+1)^4 + 8x(2x+1)^3$	A1	1.1b
	Takes out a common factor $\frac{dy}{dx} = (2x+1)^3\{(2x+1)+8x\}$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = (2x+1)^3(10x+1) \Rightarrow n=3, A=10, B=1$	A1	1.1b
			(4 marks)



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5. Given that

$$y = \frac{3\sin\theta}{2\sin\theta + 2\cos\theta} \qquad -\frac{\pi}{4} < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

show that

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \frac{A}{1 + \sin 2\theta} \qquad -\frac{\pi}{4} < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

where A is a rational constant to be found.

(5)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5	$\frac{dy}{d\theta}=\frac{(2\sin\theta+2\cos\theta)3\cos\theta-3\sin\theta(2\cos\theta-2\sin\theta)}{(2\sin\theta+2\cos\theta)^2}$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Expands and uses $\sin^2\theta+\cos^2\theta=1$ at least once in the numerator or the denominator or uses $2\sin\theta\cos\theta=\sin 2\theta$ in $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta}=\frac{\ldots}{\ldots\ldots C\sin\theta\cos\theta}$	M1	3.1a
	Expands and uses $\sin^2\theta+\cos^2\theta=1$ the numerator and the denominator AND uses $2\sin\theta\cos\theta=\sin 2\theta$ in $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta}=\frac{P}{Q+R\sin 2\theta}$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta}=\frac{3}{2+2\sin 2\theta}=\frac{\frac{3}{2}}{1+\sin 2\theta}$	A1	1.1b
			(5 marks)



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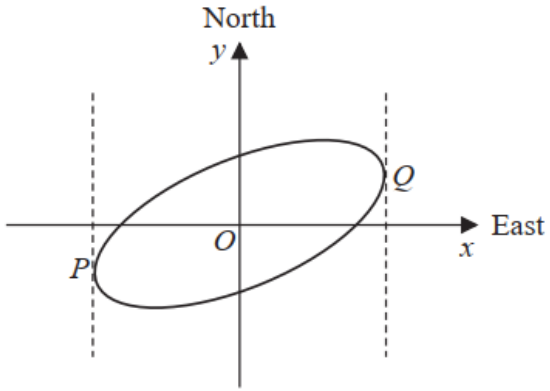


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of the curve with equation $x^2 - 2xy + 3y^2 = 50$

(a) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - x}{3y - x}$

(4)

The curve is used to model the shape of a cycle track with both x and y measured in km.

The points P and Q represent points that are furthest west and furthest east of the origin O, as shown in Figure 4.

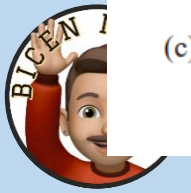
Using part (a),

(b) find the exact coordinates of the point P.

(5)

(c) Explain briefly how to find the coordinates of the point that is furthest north of the origin O. (You **do not** need to carry out this calculation).

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9(a)	Either $3y^2 \rightarrow Ay\frac{dy}{dx}$ or $2xy \rightarrow 2x\frac{dy}{dx}+2y$	M1	2.1
	$2x-2x\frac{dy}{dx}-2y+6y\frac{dy}{dx}=0$	A1	1.1b
	$(6y-2x)\frac{dy}{dx}=2y-2x$	M1	2.1
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{2y-2x}{6y-2x}=\frac{y-x}{3y-x}$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$\left(\text{At } P \text{ and } Q \frac{dy}{dx}\rightarrow\infty \Rightarrow\right)$ Deduces that $3y-x=0$	M1	2.2a
	Solves $y=\frac{1}{3}x$ and $x^2-2xy+3y^2=50$ simultaneously	M1	3.1a
	$\Rightarrow x=(\pm)5\sqrt{3}$ OR $\Rightarrow y=(\pm)\frac{5}{3}\sqrt{3}$	A1	1.1b
	Using $y=\frac{1}{3}x \Rightarrow x=..$ AND $y=..$	dM1	1.1b
	$P=\left(-5\sqrt{3},-\frac{5}{3}\sqrt{3}\right)$	A1	2.2a
		(5)	
(c)	Explains that you need to solve $y=x$ and $x^2-2xy+3y^2=50$ simultaneously and choose the positive solution	B1ft	2.4
		(1)	
			(10 marks)



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9. Given that θ is measured in radians, prove, from first principles, that

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\theta}(\cos\theta) = -\sin\theta$$

You may assume the formula for $\cos(A \pm B)$ and that as $h \to 0$, $\dfrac{\sin h}{h} \to 1$ and $\dfrac{\cos h - 1}{h} \to 0$

(5)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9	$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\theta}(\cos\theta) = -\sin\theta$; as $h \to 0$, $\frac{\sin h}{h} \to 1$ and $\frac{\cos h - 1}{h} \to 0$		
	$\frac{\cos(\theta + h) - \cos\theta}{h}$	B1	2.1
	$= \frac{\cos\theta\cos h - \sin\theta\sin h - \cos\theta}{h}$	M1	1.1b
		A1	1.1b
	$= -\frac{\sin h}{h}\sin\theta + \left(\frac{\cos h - 1}{h}\right)\cos\theta$		
	As $h \to 0$, $-\frac{\sin h}{h}\sin\theta + \left(\frac{\cos h - 1}{h}\right)\cos\theta \to -1\sin\theta + 0\cos\theta$	dM1	2.1
	so $\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\theta}(\cos\theta) = -\sin\theta$ *	A1*	2.5
		(5)	
			(5 marks)



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$$\frac{1+11x-6x^2}{(x-3)(1-2x)} \equiv A + \frac{B}{(x-3)} + \frac{C}{(1-2x)}$$

(a) Find the values of the constants A, B and C.

(4)

$$f(x) = \frac{1+11x-6x^2}{(x-3)(1-2x)} \qquad x > 3$$

(b) Prove that $f(x)$ is a decreasing function.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11	$\dfrac{1+11x-6x^2}{(x-3)(1-2x)} \equiv A+\dfrac{B}{(x-3)}+\dfrac{C}{(1-2x)}$		
(a) Way 1	$1+11x-6x^2 \equiv A(1-2x)(x-3)+B(1-2x)+C(x-3) \Rightarrow B=..., C=...$	M1	2.1
	$A=3$	B1	1.1b
	Uses substitution or compares terms to find either $B=...$ or $C=...$	M1	1.1b
	$B=4$ and $C=-2$ which have been found using a correct identity	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(a) Way 2	{long division gives} $\dfrac{1+11x-6x^2}{(x-3)(1-2x)} \equiv 3+\dfrac{-10x+10}{(x-3)(1-2x)}$		
	$-10x+10 \equiv B(1-2x)+C(x-3) \Rightarrow B=..., C=...$	M1	2.1
	$A=3$	B1	1.1b
	Uses substitution or compares terms to find either $B=...$ or $C=...$	M1	1.1b
	$B=4$ and $C=-2$ which have been found using $-10x+10 \equiv B(1-2x)+C(x-3)$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$f(x)=3+\dfrac{4}{(x-3)}-\dfrac{2}{(1-2x)}$ $\{=3+4(x-3)^{-1}-2(1-2x)^{-1}\}$; $x>3$		
	$f'(x)=-4(x-3)^{-2}-4(1-2x)^{-2}$ $\left\{=-\dfrac{4}{(x-3)^2}-\dfrac{4}{(1-2x)^2}\right\}$	M1	2.1
		A1ft	1.1b
	Correct $f'(x)$ **and** as $(x-3)^2>0$ and $(1-2x)^2>0$, then $f'(x)=-(+\text{ve})-(+\text{ve})<0$, so $f(x)$ is a decreasing function	A1	2.4
		(3)	
			(7 marks)

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14. A scientist is studying a population of mice on an island.

The number of mice, N, in the population, t months after the start of the study, is modelled by the equation

$$N = \frac{900}{3 + 7e^{-0.25t}}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \geqslant 0$$

(a) Find the number of mice in the population at the start of the study.

(1)

(b) Show that the rate of growth $\frac{dN}{dt}$ is given by $\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{N(300 - N)}{1200}$

(4)

The rate of growth is a maximum after T months.

(c) Find, according to the model, the value of T.

(4)

According to the model, the maximum number of mice on the island is P.

(d) State the value of P.

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14	$N=\dfrac{900}{3+7e^{-0.25t}}=900(3+7e^{-0.25t})^{-1},\ t\in\mathbb{R},\ t\geq 0\ ;\quad \dfrac{dN}{dt}=\dfrac{N(300-N)}{1200}$		
(a)	90	B1	3.4
		(1)	
(b) Way 2	$\dfrac{dN}{dt}=-900(3+7e^{-0.25t})^{-2}\left(7(-0.25)e^{-0.25t}\right)\quad\left\{=\dfrac{900(0.25)(7)e^{-0.25t}}{(3+7e^{-0.25t})^2}\right\}$	M1	2.1
		A1	1.1b
	$\dfrac{N(300-N)}{1200}=\dfrac{\left(\dfrac{900}{3+7e^{-0.25t}}\right)\left(300-\dfrac{900}{3+7e^{-0.25t}}\right)}{1200}$	dM1	2.1
	$\text{LHS}=\dfrac{1575e^{-0..25t}}{(3+7e^{-0.25t})^2}$ o.e., $\text{RHS}=\dfrac{900(300(3+7e^{-0.25t})-900)}{1200(3+7e^{-0.25t})^2}=\dfrac{1575e^{-0..25t}}{(3+7e^{-0.25t})^2}$ o.e. and states hence $\dfrac{dN}{dt}=\dfrac{N(300-N)}{1200}$ (or LHS = RHS) *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	Deduces $N=150$ (can be implied)	B1	2.2a
	so $150=\dfrac{900}{3+7e^{-0.25T}}\Rightarrow e^{-0.25T}=\dfrac{3}{7}$	M1	3.4
	$T=-4\ln\left(\dfrac{3}{7}\right)$ or $T=$ awrt 3.4 (months)	dM1	1.1b
		A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(d)	either one of 299 or 300	B1	3.4
		(1)	
			(10 marks)

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

(a) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{A}{(x+1)^n}$ where A and n are constants to be found.

(4)

(b) Hence deduce the range of values for x for which $\frac{dy}{dx} < 0$

(1)



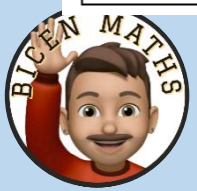
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Question 3 (Total 5 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x+1)^2 \times (10x+10) - (5x^2+10x) \times 2(x+1)}{(x+1)^4}$	M1	This mark si given for an attempt to differentiate the expression for y
		A1	This mark is given for correctly differentiating the expression for y
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x+1) \times (10x+10) - (5x^2+10x) \times 2}{(x+1)^3}$	M1	This mark sis given for cancelling the expression through by $(x + 1)$
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{10}{(x+1)^3}$	A1	This mark is given for a fully correct expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$
(b)	If $A > 0$ and $n = 1, 3$ then $x < -1$	B1	This mark is given for deducing that $\frac{dy}{dx} < 0 \Rightarrow x < -1$.



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

(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 $y = f(x)$.

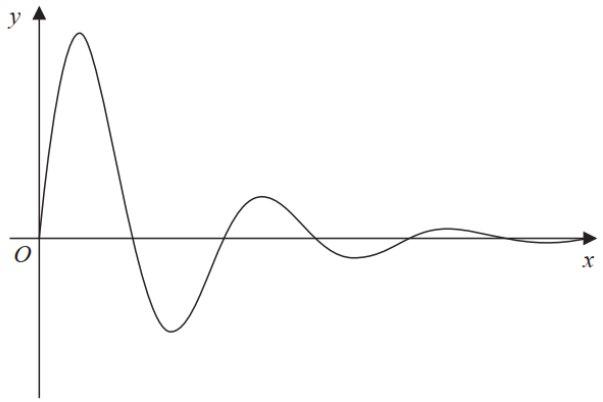


Figure 3

(b) Sketch the graph of H against t where

$$H(t) = \left| 10e^{-0.25t} \sin t \right| \quad t \geqslant 0$$

showing the long-term behaviour of this curve.

(2)

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.

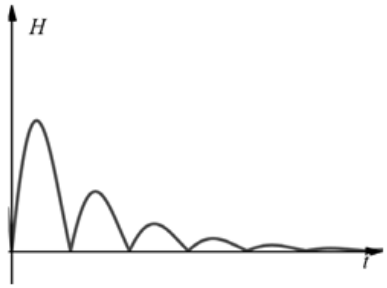
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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$f'(x) = -2.5e^{-0.25x} \sin x + 10e^{-0.25x} \cos x$	M1	This mark is given for a method to differentiate to find an expression for $f'(x)$
		A1	This mark is given for correctly differentiating to find an expression for $f'(x)$
	$f'(x) = 0$ $\Rightarrow e^{-0.25x}(-2.5 \sin x + 10 \cos x) = 0$ $\Rightarrow (-2.5 \sin x + 10 \cos x) = 0$	M1	This mark is given for setting $f'(x) = 0$ and finding as method to solve for $\tan x$
	$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{10}{2.5}$ $\tan x = 4$	A1	This mark is given for showing that $\tan x = 4$ as required.
(b)		M1	This mark is given for a graph with a correct shape
		A1	This mark is given for a graph with heights > 0
(c)	$\tan x = 4$, $x = 1.326$ $t = \pi + 1.326 = 4.47$	M1	This method is given for finding a value for t between the first and second bounce
	$H(4.47) = \lvert 10e^{-0.25 \times 4.47} \sin 4.47 \rvert$	M1	This mark is given for substituting the value of $t = \pi + \arctan 4$ into $H(t)$
	$= \lvert 3.27 \times -0.97 \rvert$ $= 3.17$ metres	A1	This mark is given for finding the maximum height of the ball
(d)	The time between each bounce should not stay the same when the heights of each bounce are getting smaller	B1	This mark is given for a valid explanation of why the model should not be used the predict the time of each bounce

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

$$x = 4\sin 2y \qquad \frac{-\pi}{4} < y < \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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.

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

(2)

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

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

where a and b are constants to be found.

(3)



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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$\frac{dx}{dy} = 8\cos 2y \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{8\cos 2y}$	M1	This mark is given for differentiating and inverting
	At (0, 0), $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{8}$	A1	This mark is given for finding $\frac{dy}{dx}$ when $y = 0$
(b)(i)	$\sin 2y \approx 2y \Rightarrow x \approx 8y$	B1	This mark is given for finding an approximation for x
(b)(ii)	When x and y are small, $x = 4\sin 2y$ approximates to the line $x = 8y$	B1	This mark is given for a valid explanation of the relationship between x and y when both are small
(c)	$\sin^2 2y + \cos^2 2y = 1$ $\Rightarrow \cos^2 2y = 1 - \sin^2 2y$ $x = 4\sin 2y \Rightarrow \sin^2 2y = \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2$	M1	This mark is given for a method to use find an expression for $\sin^2 2y$ in terms of x
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{8\cos 2y} = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2}}$	A1	This mark is given for an unsimplified expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{16-x^2}}$	A1	This mark is given for a fully correct answer with $a = 2$ and $b = 16$



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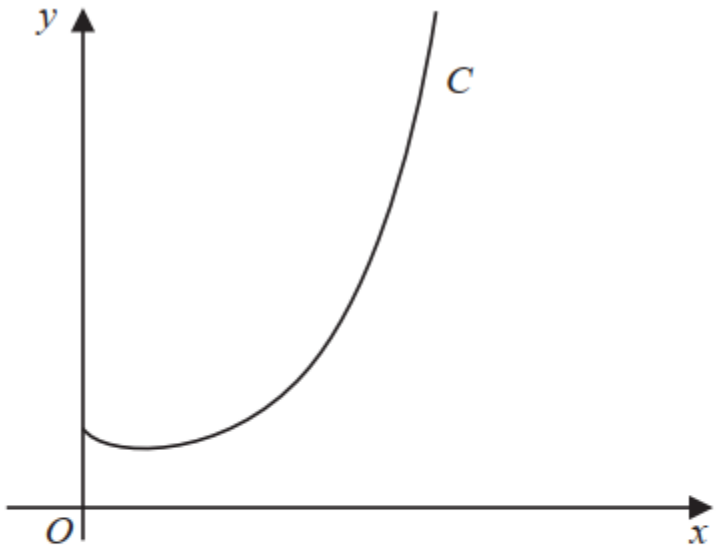


Figure 8

Figure 8 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation $y = x^x$, $x > 0$

(a) Find, by firstly taking logarithms, the x coordinate of the turning point of C.

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(5)



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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$y = x^x \Rightarrow \ln y = x \ln x$	M1	This mark is for a method to find the x-coordinate of the turning point of C by taking logarithms
	$\ln y = x \ln x \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y}\frac{dy}{dx} = \ln x + 1$	M1	This mark is given for a method using implicit differentiation
		A1	This mark is given for a correct expression for $\frac{1}{y}\frac{dy}{dx}$
	Setting $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, $\ln x + 1 = 0$	M1	This mark is given for a method for finding the turning point of C by setting $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$
	$x = e^{-1}$	A1	This mark is given for correctly finding a value for the x-coordinate of the turning point of C



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Figure 2 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation $y = f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = 4(x^2 - 2)e^{-2x} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(a) Show that $f'(x) = 8(2 + x - x^2)e^{-2x}$

(3)

(b) Hence find, in simplest form, the exact coordinates of the stationary points of C.

(3)

The function g and the function h are defined by

$$g(x) = 2f(x) \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$h(x) = 2f(x) - 3 \qquad x \geqslant 0$$

(c) Find (i) the range of g

(ii) the range of h

(3)

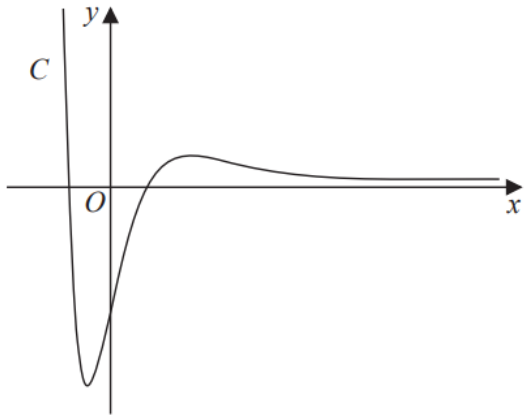


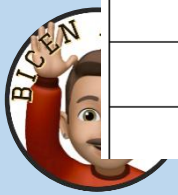
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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
9(a)	$f(x) = 4\left(x^2 - 2\right)e^{-2x}$		
	Differentiates to $e^{-2x} \times 8x + 4\left(x^2 - 2\right) \times -2e^{-2x}$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$f'(x) = 8e^{-2x}\left\{x - \left(x^2 - 2\right)\right\} = 8\left(2 + x - x^2\right)e^{-2x}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	States roots of $f'(x) = 0$ $x = -1, 2$	B1	1.1b
	Substitutes one x value to find a y value	M1	1.1b
	Stationary points are $\left(-1, -4e^2\right)$ and $\left(2, 8e^{-4}\right)$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(c)	(i) Range $\left[-8e^2, \infty\right)$ o.e. such as $g(x) \geqslant -8e^2$	B1ft	2.5
	(ii) For • Either attempting to find $2f(0) - 3 = 2 \times -8 - 3 = (-19)$ and identifying this as the **lower bound** • Or attempting to find $2 \times "8e^{-4}" - 3$ and identifying this as the **upper bound**	M1	3.1a
	Range $\left[-19, 16e^{-4} - 3\right]$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(9 marks)



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15. The curve C has equation

$$x^2 \tan y = 9 \qquad 0 < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

(a) Show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-18x}{x^4 + 81}$$

(4)

(b) Prove that C has a point of inflection at $x = \sqrt[4]{27}$

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
15 (a)	$x^2 \tan y = 9 \Rightarrow 2x \tan y + x^2 \sec^2 y \dfrac{dy}{dx} = 0$	M1 A1	3.1a 1.1b
	Full method to get $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x using $\sec^2 y = 1 + \tan^2 y = 1 + f(x)$	M1	1.1b
	$\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{-2x \times \frac{9}{x^2}}{x^2\left(1+\frac{81}{x^4}\right)} = \dfrac{-18x}{x^4+81}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	$\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{-18x}{x^4+81}$ $\Rightarrow \dfrac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \dfrac{-18\times(x^4+81)-(-18x)(4x^3)}{(x^4+81)^2} = \dfrac{54(x^4-27)}{(x^4+81)^2}$ o.e.	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	States that when $x < \sqrt[4]{27} \Rightarrow \dfrac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$ when $x = \sqrt[4]{27} \Rightarrow \dfrac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$ **AND** when $x > \sqrt[4]{27} \Rightarrow \dfrac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$ giving a point of inflection when $x = \sqrt[4]{27}$	A1	2.4
		(3)	
			(7 marks)



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Figure 1 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{4x^2 + x}{2\sqrt{x}} - 4\ln x \qquad x > 0$$

(a) Show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^2 + x - 16\sqrt{x}}{4x\sqrt{x}}$$

(4)

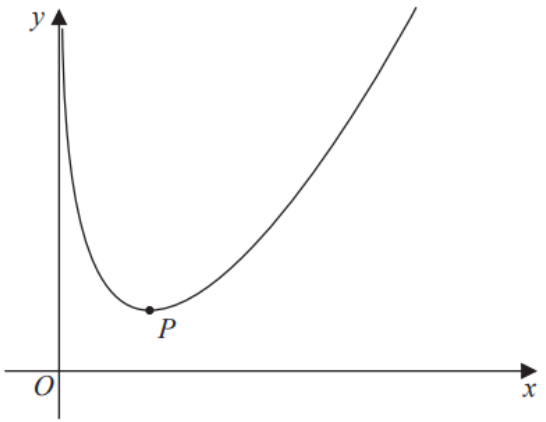


Figure 1

The point P, shown in Figure 1, is the minimum turning point on C.

(b) Show that the x coordinate of P is a solution of

$$x = \left(\frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x}}{12}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

(3)

(c) Use the iteration formula

$$x_{n+1} = \left(\frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x_n}}{12}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \qquad \text{with } x_1 = 2$$

to find (i) the value of x_2 to 5 decimal places,

(ii) the x coordinate of P to 5 decimal places.

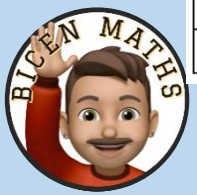
(3)

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7(a)	$\ln x \to \frac{1}{x}$	B1	1.1a
	Method to differentiate $\frac{4x^2+x}{2\sqrt{x}}$ – see notes	M1	1.1b
	E.g. $2\times\frac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}}+\frac{1}{2}\times\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	A1	1.1b
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=3\sqrt{x}+\frac{1}{4\sqrt{x}}-\frac{4}{x}=\frac{12x^2+x-16\sqrt{x}}{4x\sqrt{x}}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	$12x^2+x-16\sqrt{x}=0 \Rightarrow 12x^{\frac{3}{2}}+x^{\frac{1}{2}}-16=0$	M1	1.1b
	E.g. $12x^{\frac{3}{2}}=16-\sqrt{x}$	dM1	1.1b
	$x^{\frac{3}{2}}=\frac{4}{3}-\frac{\sqrt{x}}{12} \Rightarrow x=\left(\frac{4}{3}-\frac{\sqrt{x}}{12}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(c)	$x_2=\sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{4}{3}-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{12}\right)^2}$	M1	1.1b
	x_2 = awrt 1.13894	A1	1.1b
	$x = 1.15650$	A1	2.2a
		(3)	
			(10 marks)



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13. The function g is defined by

$$g(x) = \frac{3\ln(x) - 7}{\ln(x) - 2} \qquad x > 0 \qquad x \neq k$$

where k is a constant.

(a) Deduce the value of k.

(1)

(b) Prove that

$$g'(x) > 0$$

for all values of x in the domain of g.

(3)

(c) Find the range of values of a for which

$$g(a) > 0$$

(2)

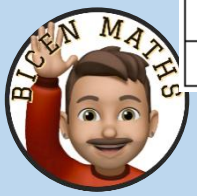


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13(a)	$k = e^2$ **or** $x \neq e^2$	B1	2.2a
		(1)	
(b)	$g'(x) = \dfrac{(\ln x - 2)\times\frac{3}{x} - (3\ln x - 7)\times\frac{1}{x}}{(\ln x - 2)^2} = \dfrac{1}{x(\ln x - 2)^2}$ or $g'(x) = \dfrac{d}{dx}\left(3 - (\ln(x) - 2)^{-1}\right) = (\ln x - 2)^{-2} \times \dfrac{1}{x} = \dfrac{1}{x(\ln x - 2)^2}$ or $g'(x) = (\ln x - 2)^{-1} \times \dfrac{3}{x} - (3\ln x - 7)(\ln x - 2)^{-2} \times \dfrac{1}{x} = \dfrac{1}{x(\ln x - 2)^2}$	M1 A1	1.1b 2.1
	As $x > 0$ (or $1/x > 0$) **AND** $\ln x - 2$ is squared so $g'(x) > 0$	A1cso	2.4
		(3)	
(c)	Attempts to solve either $3\ln x - 7 \ldots 0$ or $\ln x - 2 \ldots 0$ or $3\ln a - 7 \ldots 0$ or $\ln a - 2 \ldots 0$ where … is "=" or ">" to reach a value for x or a but may be seen as an inequality e.g. $x > \ldots$ or $a > \ldots$	M1	3.1a
	$0 < a < e^2$, $a > e^{\frac{7}{3}}$	A1	2.2a
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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14. Given that

$$y = \frac{x - 4}{2 + \sqrt{x}} \qquad x > 0$$

show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{A\sqrt{x}} \qquad x > 0$$

where A is a constant to be found.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14	$y=\dfrac{x-4}{2+\sqrt{x}} \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{dx}=\dfrac{2+\sqrt{x}-(x-4)\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2}$	M1 A1	2.1 1.1b
	$=\dfrac{2+\sqrt{x}-(x-4)\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2}=\dfrac{2+\sqrt{x}-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x}+2x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2}=\dfrac{2\sqrt{x}+\frac{1}{2}x+2}{\sqrt{x}\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2}$	M1	1.1b
	$=\dfrac{x+4\sqrt{x}+4}{2\sqrt{x}\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2}=\dfrac{\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2}{2\sqrt{x}\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2}=\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$	A1	2.1
		(4)	
			(4 marks)

Notes

M1: Attempts to use a correct rule e.g. quotient or product (& chain) rule to achieve the following forms

Quotient : $\dfrac{\alpha\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)-\beta(x-4)x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2}$ but be tolerant of attempts where the $\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^2$ has been incorrectly expanded

Product: $\alpha\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^{-1}+\beta x^{-\frac{1}{2}}(x-4)\left(2+\sqrt{x}\right)^{-2}$

Alternatively with $t=\sqrt{x}$, $y=\dfrac{t^2-4}{2+t} \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{dx}=\dfrac{dy}{dt}\times\dfrac{dt}{dx}=\dfrac{2t(2+t)-\left(t^2-4\right)}{(2+t)^2}\times\dfrac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ with same rules

A1: Correct derivative in any form. Must be in terms of a single variable (which could be t)

M1: Following a correct attempt at differentiation, it is scored for multiplying both numerator and denominator by $\sqrt{x}$ and collecting terms to form a single fraction. It can also be scored from $\dfrac{uv'-vu'}{v^2}$

For the $t=\sqrt{x}$, look for an attempt to simplify $\dfrac{t^2+4t+4}{(2+t)^2}\times\dfrac{1}{2t}$

A1: Correct expression showing all key steps with no errors or omissions. $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ must be seen at least once



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5. The curve C has equation

$$y = 5x^4 - 24x^3 + 42x^2 - 32x + 11 \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(a) Find

(i) $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$

(ii) $\dfrac{d^2y}{dx^2}$

(3)

(b) (i) Verify that C has a stationary point at $x = 1$

(ii) Show that this stationary point is a point of inflection, giving reasons for your answer.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5(a)(i)	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 20x^3 - 72x^2 + 84x - 32$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
(ii)	$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 60x^2 - 144x + 84$	A1ft	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)(i)	$x = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 20 - 72 + 84 - 32$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ so there is a stationary point at $x = 1$	A1	2.1
	Alternative for (b)(i)		
	$20x^3 - 72x^2 + 84x - 32 = 4(x-1)^2(5x-8) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	When $x = 1$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ so there is a stationary point	A1	2.1
(b)(ii)	**Note that in (b)(ii) there are no marks for <u>just</u> evaluating** $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=1}$		
	E.g. $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=0.8} = \ldots$ $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=1.2} = \ldots$	M1	2.1
	$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=0.8} > 0$, $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=1.2} < 0$ Hence point of inflection	A1	2.2a
		(4)	
	Alternative 1 for (b)(ii)		
	$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=1} = 60x^2 - 144x + 84 = 0$ (is inconclusive) $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right) = 120x - 144 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_{x=1} = \ldots$	M1	2.1
	$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=1} = 0$ and $\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)_{x=1} \neq 0$ Hence point of inflection	A1	2.2a
	Alternative 2 for (b)(ii)		
	E.g. $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=0.8} = \ldots$ $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=1.2} = \ldots$	M1	2.1
	$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=0.8} < 0$, $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=1.2} < 0$ Hence point of inflection	A1	2.2a



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8. The curve C has equation

$$px^3 + qxy + 3y^2 = 26$$

where p and q are constants.

(a) Show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{apx^2 + bqy}{qx + cy}$$

where a, b and c are integers to be found.

(4)

Given that

- the point $P(-1, -4)$ lies on C
- the normal to C at P has equation $19x + 26y + 123 = 0$

(b) find the value of p and the value of q.

(5)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8(a)	$\frac{d}{dx}\left(3y^2\right)=6y\frac{dy}{dx}$ or $\frac{d}{dx}(qxy)=qx\frac{dy}{dx}+qy$	M1	2.1
	$3px^2+qx\frac{dy}{dx}+qy+6y\frac{dy}{dx}=0$	A1	1.1b
	$(qx+6y)\frac{dy}{dx}=-3px^2-qy\Rightarrow\frac{dy}{dx}=...$	dM1	2.1
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{-3px^2-qy}{qx+6y}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$p(-1)^3+q(-1)(-4)+3(-4)^2=26$	M1	1.1b
	$19x+26y+123=0\Rightarrow m=-\frac{19}{26}$	B1	2.2a
	$\frac{-3p(-1)^2-q(-4)}{q(-1)+6(-4)}=\frac{26}{19}$ or $\frac{q(-1)+6(-4)}{3p(-1)^2+q(-4)}=-\frac{19}{26}$	M1	3.1a
	$p-4q=22,\ 57p-102q=624\Rightarrow p=...,q=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$p=2,\ q=-5$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(9 marks)



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13. The curve C has parametric equations

$$x = \sin 2\theta \qquad y = \text{cosec}^3 \theta \qquad 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

(a) Find an expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of θ

(3)

(b) Hence find the exact value of the gradient of the tangent to C at the point where $y = 8$

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13(a)	$y = \text{cosec}^3\theta \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{d\theta} = -3\text{cosec}^2\theta\,\text{cosec}\,\theta\cot\theta$	B1	1.1b
	$\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{dy}{d\theta} \div \dfrac{dx}{d\theta}$	M1	1.1b
	$\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{-3\text{cosec}^3\theta\cot\theta}{2\cos 2\theta}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$y = 8 \Rightarrow \text{cosec}^3\theta = 8 \Rightarrow \sin^3\theta = \dfrac{1}{8} \Rightarrow \sin\theta = \dfrac{1}{2}$	M1	3.1a
	$\theta = \dfrac{\pi}{6} \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{-3\text{cosec}^3\left(\dfrac{\pi}{6}\right)\cot\left(\dfrac{\pi}{6}\right)}{2\cos\left(\dfrac{2\pi}{6}\right)} = \ldots$ **or** $\sin\theta = \dfrac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{\dfrac{-3}{\sin^3\theta}\times\dfrac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}}{2\left(1-2\sin^2\theta\right)} = \dfrac{-3\times 8\times \dfrac{\sqrt{3}/2}{1/2}}{2\left(1-2\times\dfrac{1}{4}\right)}$	M1	2.1
	$= -24\sqrt{3}$	A1	2.2a
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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4. Given that

$$y = 2x^2$$

use differentiation from first principles to show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x$$

(3)



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4	$\frac{2(x+h)^2-2x^2}{h}=\ldots$	M1	2.1
	$\frac{2(x+h)^2-2x^2}{h}=\frac{4xh+2h^2}{h}$	A1	1.1b
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\lim_{h\to 0}\frac{4xh+2h^2}{h}=\lim_{h\to 0}(4x+2h)=4x*$	A1*	2.5
		(3)	
			(3 marks)



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12. The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{e^{3x}}{4x^2 + k}$$

where k is a positive constant.

(a) Show that

$$f'(x) = (12x^2 - 8x + 3k)\,g(x)$$

where $g(x)$ is a function to be found.

(3)

Given that the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ has at least one stationary point,

(b) find the range of possible values of k.

(3)



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12(a)	$f(x)=\dfrac{e^{3x}}{4x^2+k} \Rightarrow f'(x)=\dfrac{\left(4x^2+k\right)3e^{3x}-8xe^{3x}}{\left(4x^2+k\right)^2}$ or $f(x)=e^{3x}\left(4x^2+k\right)^{-1} \Rightarrow f'(x)=3e^{3x}\left(4x^2+k\right)^{-1}-8xe^{3x}\left(4x^2+k\right)^{-2}$	M1 A1
	$f'(x)=\dfrac{\left(12x^2-8x+3k\right)e^{3x}}{\left(4x^2+k\right)^2}$	A1
		(3)
(b)	If $y=f(x)$ has at least one stationary point then $12x^2-8x+3k=0$ has at least one root	B1
	Applies $b^2-4ac\,(\geqslant)\,0$ with $a=12, b=-8, c=3k$	M1
	$0<k\leqslant\dfrac{4}{9}$	A1
		(3)



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Figure 6 shows a sketch of the curve C with parametric equations

$$x = 2\tan t + 1 \qquad y = 2\sec^2 t + 3 \qquad -\frac{\pi}{4} \leqslant t \leqslant \frac{\pi}{3}$$

The line l is the normal to C at the point P where $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$

(a) Using parametric differentiation, show that an equation for l is

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{17}{2}$$

(5)

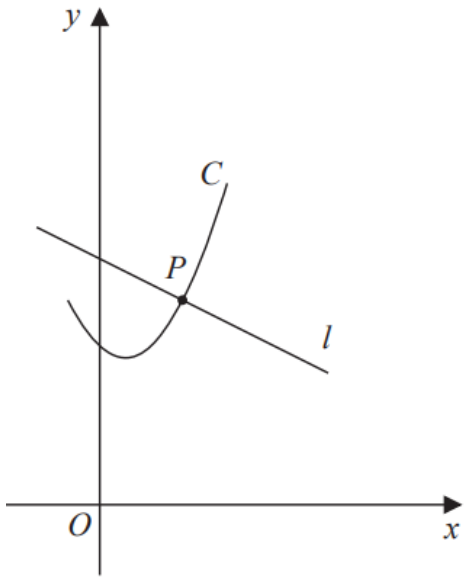


Figure 6

(b) Show that all points on C satisfy the equation

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2 + 5$$

(2)

The straight line with equation

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + k \qquad \text{where } k \text{ is a constant}$$

intersects C at two distinct points.

(c) Find the range of possible values for k.

(5)

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16(a)	Attempts $\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}}=\frac{4\sec^2 t\tan t}{2\sec^2 t}\left(=2\tan t\right)$	M1 A1
	At $t=\frac{\pi}{4}$, $\frac{dy}{dx}=2, x=3, y=7$	M1
	Attempts equation of normal $y-7=-\frac{1}{2}(x-3)$	M1
	$y=-\frac{1}{2}x+\frac{17}{2}$ *	A1*
		(5)
(b)	Attempts to use $\sec^2 t=1+\tan^2 t \Rightarrow \frac{y-3}{2}=1+\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)^2$	M1
	$\Rightarrow y-3=2+\frac{(x-1)^2}{2}\Rightarrow y=\frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2+5$ *	A1*
		(2)
(c)	**Attempts the lower limit for *k*:** $\frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2+5=-\frac{1}{2}x+k\Rightarrow x^2-x+(11-2k)=0$ $b^2-4ac=1-4(11-2k)=0\Rightarrow k=...$	M1
	$(k=)\frac{43}{8}$	A1
	Attempts the upper limit for *k*: $(x,y)_{t=-\frac{\pi}{4}}: t=-\frac{\pi}{4}\Rightarrow x=2\tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)+1=-1,\ y=2\sec^2\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)+3=7$ $(-1,7), y=-\frac{1}{2}x+k\Rightarrow 7=\frac{1}{2}+k\Rightarrow k=...$	M1
	$(k=)\frac{13}{2}$	A1
	$\frac{43}{8}<k\leqslant\frac{13}{2}$	A1
		(5)



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12. $y = \sin x$

where x is measured in radians.

Use differentiation from first principles to show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x$$

You may

- use without proof the formula for $\sin(A \pm B)$
- assume that as $h \to 0$, $\frac{\sin h}{h} \to 1$ and $\frac{\cos h - 1}{h} \to 0$

(5)



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12	$\dfrac{\sin(x+h)-\sin x}{h}$	B1	2.1
	$\dfrac{\sin x\cos h+\cos x\sin h-\sin x}{h}$	M1	1.1b
		A1	1.1b
	(As $h\to 0$), $\sin x\left(\dfrac{\cos h-1}{h}\right)+\cos x\left(\dfrac{\sin h}{h}\right)\to 0\times\sin x+1\times\cos x$	dM1	2.1
	so $\dfrac{dy}{dx}=\cos x$ *	A1*	2.5
			(5 marks)



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Differentiation

1.

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

(a) Find $f''(x)$

(2)

(b) (i) Solve $f''(x) = 0$

(ii) Hence find the range of values of x for which $f(x)$ is concave.

(2)



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1(a)	$\{f'(x) =\} \ldots x^2 + \ldots x + \ldots \Rightarrow \{f''(x) =\} \ldots x + \ldots$	**M1**	1.1b
	$\{f'(x) =\} 3x^2 + 4x - 8 \Rightarrow \{f''(x) =\} 6x + 4$	**A1cso**	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)(i)	$"6x + 4" = 0 \Rightarrow x = "-\frac{2}{3}"$	**B1ft**	1.1b
(ii)	$x \leqslant "-\frac{2}{3}"$ or $x < "-\frac{2}{3}"$	**B1ft**	2.2a
		(2)	
			(4 marks)



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7. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

A curve has equation

$$x^3 + 2xy + 3y^2 = 47$$

(a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y

(4)

The point $P(-2, 5)$ lies on the curve.

(b) Find the equation of the normal to the curve at P, giving your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a, b and c are integers to be found.

(3)



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Differentiation

7(a)	$x^3 \to \ldots x^2$ and $3y^2 \to \ldots y\dfrac{dy}{dx}$	**M1**	1.1b
	$2xy \to 2y + 2x\dfrac{dy}{dx}$	**B1**	1.1b
	$3x^2 + 2x\dfrac{dy}{dx} + 2y + 6y\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \ldots \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{dx} = \ldots.$	**M1**	2.1
	$\dfrac{dy}{dx} = -\dfrac{2y+3x^2}{2x+6y}$	**A1**	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$\dfrac{dy}{dx} = -\dfrac{2(5)+3(-2)^2}{2(-2)+6(5)}$ or e.g. $3(-2)^2 + 2(-2)\dfrac{dy}{dx} + 2\times5 + 6\times5\dfrac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{dx} = \ldots \left(-\dfrac{11}{13}\right)$	**M1**	1.1b
	$y - 5 = "\dfrac{13}{11}"(x+2)$	**dM1**	1.1b
	$13x - 11y + 81 = 0$	**A1**	2.2a
		(3)	
			(7 marks)



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9. The curve C has parametric equations

$$x = t^2 + 6t - 16 \qquad y = 6\ln(t+3) \qquad t > -3$$

(a) Show that a Cartesian equation for C is

$$y = A\ln(x + B) \qquad x > -B$$

where A and B are integers to be found.

(3)

The curve C cuts the y-axis at the point P

(b) Show that the equation of the tangent to C at P can be written in the form

$$ax + by = c\ln 5$$

where a, b and c are integers to be found.

(4)



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9(a) Way 1	$x=(t+3)^2-25$	**M1**	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x+25=(t+3)^2 \Rightarrow (x+25)^{\frac{1}{2}}=(t+3) \Rightarrow y=\ldots$	**M1**	2.1
	$y=6\ln(x+25)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow y=3\ln(x+25)$	**A1cso**	1.1b
		(3)	
	(a) Way 2		
	$y=6\ln(t+3)=3\ln(t+3)^2$	**M1**	1.1b
	$y=3\ln(t+3)^2=3\ln(t^2+6t+9)=3\ln(x+16+9)$	**M1**	2.1
	$y=3\ln(x+25)$	**A1cso**	1.1b
	(a) Way 3		
	$y=6\ln(t+3) \Rightarrow \frac{y}{6}=\ln(t+3) \Rightarrow t+3=e^{\frac{y}{6}} \Rightarrow t=e^{\frac{y}{6}}-3$	**M1**	1.1b
	$x=\left(e^{\frac{y}{6}}-3\right)^2+6\left(e^{\frac{y}{6}}-3\right)-16 \Rightarrow y=\ldots$ or $x=\left(e^{\frac{y}{6}}-3+8\right)\left(e^{\frac{y}{6}}-3-2\right) \Rightarrow y=\ldots$	**M1**	2.1
	$y=3\ln(x+25)$	**A1cso**	1.1b
(b)	$x=0,\ y=3\ln 25$ oe e.g. $6\ln 5$	**B1ft**	2.2a
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{3}{x+"25"} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{3}{0+"25"} \quad \left(=\frac{3}{25}\right)$ **or** $\frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}}=\frac{\left(\frac{6}{t+3}\right)}{2t+6} \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{6}{2+3}}{2\times 2+6} \quad \left(=\frac{6}{50}=\frac{3}{25}\right)$	**M1**	2.1
	$y-"3\ln 25"="\frac{3}{25}"(x\{-0\})$	**dM1**	3.1a
	$25y-3x=150\ln 5$	**A1**	2.2a
		(4)	
			(7 marks)



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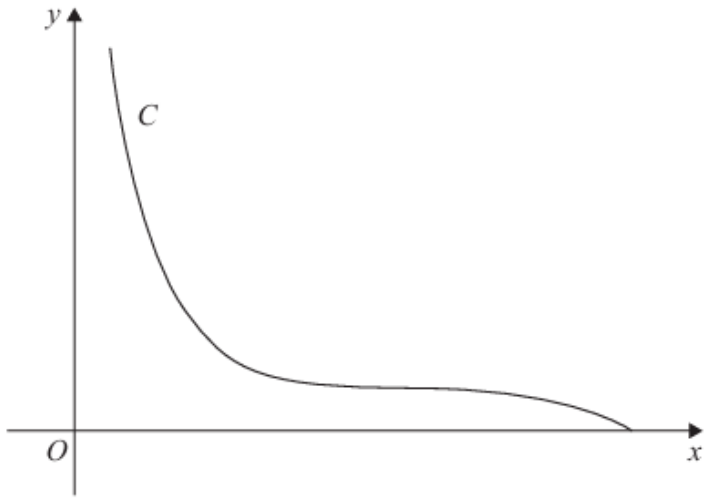


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of the curve C with parametric equations

$$x = (t+3)^2 \qquad y = 1 - t^3 \qquad -2 \leqslant t \leqslant 1$$

The point P with coordinates (4, 2) lies on C.

(a) Using parametric differentiation, show that the tangent to C at P has equation

$$3x + 4y = 20$$

(5)

The curve C is used to model the profile of a slide at a water park.

Units are in metres, with y being the height of the slide above water level.

(b) Find, according to the model, the greatest height of the slide above water level.

(1)



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10(a)	$x=4, y=2 \Rightarrow t=-1$	B1	2.2a
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{dy}{dt}\times\frac{dt}{dx}=-3t^2\times\frac{1}{2(t+3)}$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=-3(-1)^2\times\frac{1}{2(-1+3)}=-\frac{3}{4}$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow y-2=-\frac{3}{4}(x-4)$ or $\Rightarrow y=-\frac{3}{4}x+c \rightarrow 2=-\frac{3}{4}\times 4+c \Rightarrow c...$	ddM1	2.1
	$y-2=-\frac{3}{4}(x-4)\Rightarrow 4y-8=-3x+12$ or $c=5\Rightarrow y=-\frac{3}{4}x+5$ $\Rightarrow 3x+4y=20^*$	A1*	1.1b
		(5)	
(b)	Maximum height is 9m	B1	3.4
		(1)	
			(6 marks)



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15. The curve C has equation

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

(a) Find an expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y.

(5)

The point $P(1, 0)$ lies on C.

(b) Show that the normal to C at P has equation

$$y = -2x + 2$$

(2)

(c) Prove that the normal to C at P does **not** meet C again.

You should use algebra for your proof and make your reasoning clear.

(5)



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15(a)	$3(x+y)^2\left(1+\frac{dy}{dx}\right)=6x-3\frac{dy}{dx}$	M1 A1 A1	3.1a 1.1b 1.1b
	$\left(3(x+y)^2+3\right)\frac{dy}{dx}=6x-3(x+y)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx}=...$	M1	2.1
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{6x-3(x+y)^2}{3(x+y)^2+3}$ $\left(\text{oe e.g. } \frac{2x-(x+y)^2}{(x+y)^2+1}\right)$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
(b)	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{6(1)-3(0+1)^2}{3(0+1)^2+3}=\frac{1}{2}$ or e.g. $\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{6(1)-3(1)^2-6(1)(0)-3(0)^2}{3(1)^2+6(1)(0)+3(0)^2+3}=\frac{1}{2}$ $\Rightarrow y-0=-2(x-1)$ **or** $\Rightarrow y=-2x+c \Rightarrow 0=-2+c \Rightarrow c=...$	M1	2.1
	$y=-2x+2^*$	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	$y=-2x+2 \Rightarrow (x-2x+2)^3=3x^2-3(-2x+2)-2$ **or** $x=\frac{2-y}{2} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{2-y}{2}+y\right)^3=3\left(\frac{2-y}{2}\right)^2-3y-2$	M1	1.1b
	$x^3-3x^2+18x-16=0$ **or** $y^3+60y=0$	A1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow (x-1)(x^2-2x+16)=0$ ($x=1$ is known) or $\Rightarrow y(y^2+60)=0$ ($y=0$ is known)	dM1	2.1
	For $x^2-2x+16=0$, $b^2-4ac=4-4\times1\times16$ or For $y^2+60=0$, $y^2\neq-60$	ddM1	2.1
	As $b^2-4ac<0$ or as $y^2\neq-60$ there are no other real roots and so the normal does not meet C again.	A1	2.4
		(5)	



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8. $f(x) = \ln(2x - 5) + 2x^2 - 30, \quad x > 2.5$

(a) Show that $f(x) = 0$ has a root α in the interval $[3.5, 4]$

(2)

A student takes 4 as the first approximation to α.

Given $f(4) = 3.099$ and $f'(4) = 16.67$ to 4 significant figures,

(b) apply the Newton-Raphson procedure once to obtain a second approximation for α, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(2)

(c) Show that α is the only root of $f(x) = 0$

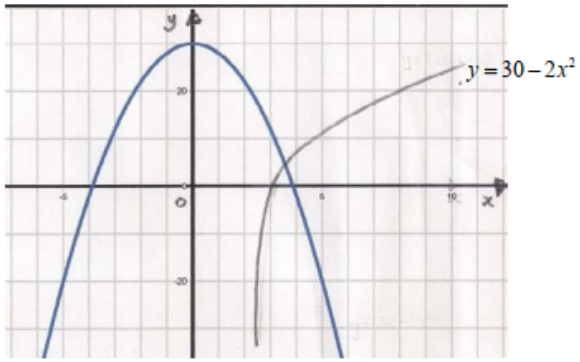
(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8 (a)	$f(3.5) = -4.8,\ f(4) = (+)3.1$	M1	1.1b
	Change of sign and function continuous in interval $[3.5, 4] \Rightarrow$ Root *	A1*	2.4
		(2)	
(b)	Attempts $x_1 = x_0 - \dfrac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} \Rightarrow \quad x_1 = 4 - \dfrac{3.099}{16.67}$	M1	1.1b
	$x_1 = 3.81$	A1	1.1b
	$y = \ln(2x - 5)$	**(2)**	
(c)	 Attempts to sketch both $y = \ln(2x - 5)$ and $y = 30 - 2x^2$	M1	3.1a
	States that $y = \ln(2x - 5)$ meets $y = 30 - 2x^2$ in just one place, therefore $y = \ln(2x - 5) = 30 - 2x$ has just one root $\Rightarrow f(x) = 0$ has just one root	A1	2.4
		(2)	
			(6 marks)

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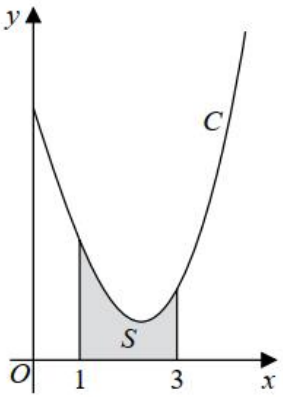


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of part of the curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{x^2 \ln x}{3} - 2x + 5, \quad x > 0$$

The finite region S, shown shaded in Figure 4, is bounded by the curve C, the line with equation $x = 1$, the x-axis and the line with equation $x = 3$

The table below shows corresponding values of x and y with the values of y given to 4 decimal places as appropriate.

x	1	1.5	2	2.5	3
y	3	2.3041	1.9242	1.9089	2.2958

(a) Use the trapezium rule, with all the values of y in the table, to obtain an estimate for the area of S, giving your answer to 3 decimal places.

(3)

(b) Explain how the trapezium rule could be used to obtain a more accurate estimate for the area of S.

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14(a)	Uses or implies $h = 0.5$	B1	1.1b
	For correct form of the trapezium rule =	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{0.5}{2}\{3+2.2958+2(2.3041+1.9242+1.9089)\}=4.393$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Any valid statement reason, for example • Increase the number of strips • Decrease the width of the strips • Use more trapezia	B1	2.4
		(1)	



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4. The curve with equation $y = 2\ln(8 - x)$ meets the line $y = x$ at a single point, $x = \alpha$.

(a) Show that $3 < \alpha < 4$

(2)

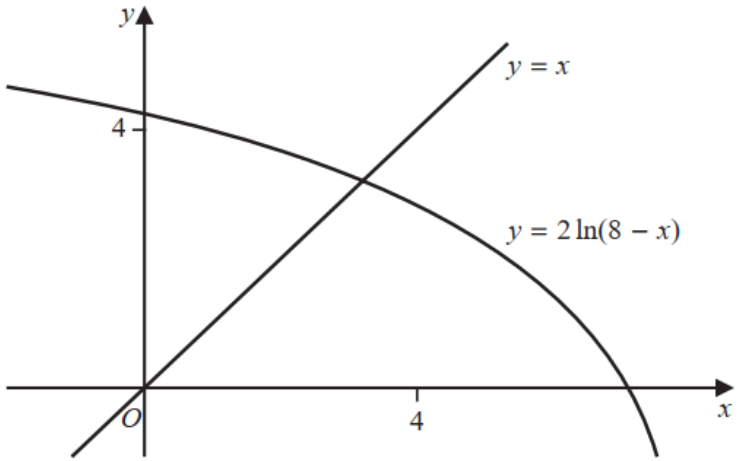


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows the graph of $y = 2\ln(8 - x)$ and the graph of $y = x$.

A student uses the iteration formula

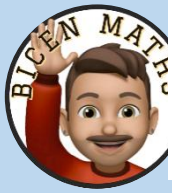
$$x_{n+1} = 2\ln(8 - x_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

in an attempt to find an approximation for α.

Using the graph and starting with $x_1 = 4$

(b) determine whether or not this iteration formula can be used to find an approximation for α, justifying your answer.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4 (a)	Attempts $f(3) =$ and $f(4) =$ where $f(x) = \pm\left(2\ln(8-x)-x\right)$	M1	2.1
	$f(3) = \left(2\ln(5)-x\right) = (+)0.22$ and $f(4) = \left(2\ln(4)-4\right) = -1.23$ Change of sign and function continuous in interval $[3,4] \Rightarrow$ Root *	A1*	2.4
		(2)	
(b)	For annotating the graph by drawing a cobweb diagram starting at $x_1 = 4$ It should have at least two spirals	M1	2.4
	Deduces that the iteration formula **can be used** to find an approximation for α because **the cobweb spirals inwards** for the cobweb diagram	A1	2.2a
		(2)	
			(4 marks)

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5. The equation $2x^3 + x^2 - 1 = 0$ has exactly one real root.

(a) Show that, for this equation, the Newton-Raphson formula can be written

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{4x_n^3 + x_n^2 + 1}{6x_n^2 + 2x_n}$$

(3)

Using the formula given in part (a) with $x_1 = 1$

(b) find the values of x_2 and x_3

(2)

(c) Explain why, for this question, the Newton-Raphson method cannot be used with $x_1 = 0$

(1)

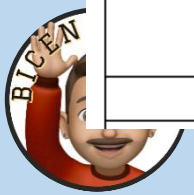


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5	The equation $2x^3+x^2-1=0$ has exactly one real root		
(a)	$\{f(x)=2x^3+x^2-1\Rightarrow\}\ f'(x)=6x^2+2x$	B1	1.1b
	$\left\{x_{n+1}=x_n-\frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}\Rightarrow\right\}\ \{x_{n+1}\}=x_n-\frac{2x_n^{\ 3}+x_n^{\ 2}-1}{6x_n^{\ 2}+2x_n}$	M1	1.1b
	$=\frac{x_n(6x_n^{\ 2}+2x_n)-(2x_n^{\ 3}+x_n^{\ 2}-1)}{6x_n^{\ 2}+2x_n}\Rightarrow x_{n+1}=\frac{4x_n^{\ 3}+x_n^{\ 2}+1}{6x_n^{\ 2}+2x_n}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$\{x_1=1\Rightarrow\}\ x_2=\frac{4(1)^3+(1)^2+1}{6(1)^2+2(1)}$ or $x_2=1-\frac{2(1)^3+(1)^2-1}{6(1)^2+2(1)}$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x_2=\frac{3}{4},\ x_3=\frac{2}{3}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	Accept any reasons why the Newton-Raphson **method** cannot be used with $x_1=0$ which refer or ***allude*** to either the stationary point or the tangent. E.g. • There is a stationary point at $x=0$ • Tangent to the curve (or $y=2x^3+x^2-1$) would not meet the x-axis • Tangent to the curve (or $y=2x^3+x^2-1$) is horizontal	B1	2.3
		(1)	
			(6 marks)



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2. The speed of a small jet aircraft was measured every 5 seconds, starting from the time it turned onto a runway, until the time when it left the ground.

The results are given in the table below with the time in seconds and the speed in $\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$.

Time (s)	0	5	10	15	20	25
Speed ($\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$)	2	5	10	18	28	42

Using all of this information,

(a) estimate the length of runway used by the jet to take off.

(3)

Given that the jet accelerated smoothly in these 25 seconds,

(b) explain whether your answer to part (a) is an underestimate or an overestimate of the length of runway used by the jet to take off.

(1)



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Question 2 (Total 4 marks)

Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$(\frac{1}{2} \times 5)(42 + 2 + 2 \times (5 + 10 + 18 + 28))$	M1	This mark is given for a method to use the trapezium rule as an approximation to the area under the curve
		M1	This mark is given for a correct terms used for the trapezium rule
	415 m	A1	This mark is given for a correct estimate of the length of the runway
(b)	An overestimate since the area of the five trapezia is greater than the area under the curve	B1	This mark is given for a valid explanation



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Figure 8 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation $y = x^x$, $x > 0$

(a) Find, by firstly taking logarithms, the x coordinate of the turning point of C.

(*Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.*)

(5)

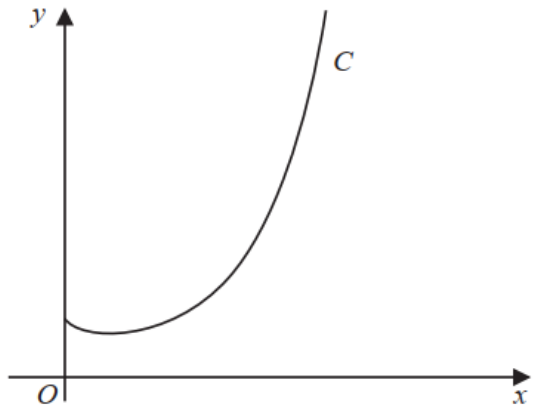


Figure 8

The point $P(\alpha, 2)$ lies on C.

(b) Show that $1.5 < \alpha < 1.6$

(2)

A possible iteration formula that could be used in an attempt to find α is

$$x_{n+1} = 2x_n^{1-x_n}$$

Using this formula with $x_1 = 1.5$

(c) find x_4 to 3 decimal places,

(2)

(d) describe the long-term behaviour of x_n

(2)



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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	$y = x^x \Rightarrow \ln y = x \ln x$	M1	This mark is for a method to find the x-coordinate of the turning point of C by taking logarithms
	$\ln y = x \ln x \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y}\frac{dy}{dx} = \ln x + 1$	M1	This mark is given for a method using implicit differentiation
		A1	This mark is given for a correct expression for $\frac{1}{y}\frac{dy}{dx}$
	Setting $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, $\ln x + 1 = 0$	M1	This mark is given for a method for finding the turning point of C by setting $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$
	$x = e^{-1}$	A1	This mark is given for correctly finding a value for the x-coordinate of the turning point of C
(b)	$1.5^{1.5} = 1.837\ldots$, $1.6^{1.6} = 2.121\ldots$	M1	This mark is given for substituting 1.5 and 1.6 into $y = x^x$
	The curve C contains the points (1.5, 1.8) and (1.6, 2.1). At P, $y = 2$ Since C is continuous, $1.5 < \alpha < 1.6$	A1	This mark is given for a valid explanation that C contains the points (1.5, 1.8) and (1.6, 2.1) and is continuous
(c)	$x_1 = 1.5$ $x_2 = 2 \times 1.5^{-0.5} = 1.633$	M1	This mark is given for finding a correct value for x_2
	$x_3 = 2 \times 1.633^{-0.633} = 1.466$ $x_4 = 2 \times 1.466^{-0.466} = 1.673$	A1	This mark is given for finding a correct value for x_4
(d)	For example: x_n oscillates is periodic is non-convergent	B1	This mark is given for a valid statement about the long-term behaviour of x_n
	between 1 and 2	B1	This mark is given for stating that the behaviour is between 1 and 2



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Figure 1 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{4x^2 + x}{2\sqrt{x}} - 4\ln x \qquad x > 0$$

(a) Show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^2 + x - 16\sqrt{x}}{4x\sqrt{x}}$$

(4)

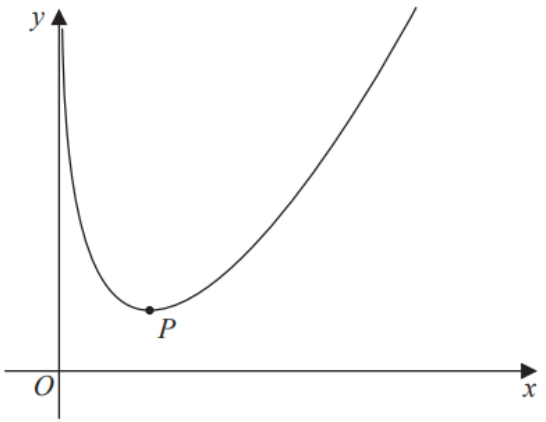


Figure 1

The point P, shown in Figure 1, is the minimum turning point on C.

(b) Show that the x coordinate of P is a solution of

$$x = \left(\frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x}}{12}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

(3)

(c) Use the iteration formula

$$x_{n+1} = \left(\frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x_n}}{12}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \qquad \text{with } x_1 = 2$$

to find (i) the value of x_2 to 5 decimal places,

(ii) the x coordinate of P to 5 decimal places.

(3)

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7(a)	$\ln x \to \frac{1}{x}$	B1	1.1a
	Method to differentiate $\frac{4x^2+x}{2\sqrt{x}}$ – see notes	M1	1.1b
	E.g. $2\times\frac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}}+\frac{1}{2}\times\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	A1	1.1b
	$\frac{dy}{dx}=3\sqrt{x}+\frac{1}{4\sqrt{x}}-\frac{4}{x}=\frac{12x^2+x-16\sqrt{x}}{4x\sqrt{x}}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	$12x^2+x-16\sqrt{x}=0 \Rightarrow 12x^{\frac{3}{2}}+x^{\frac{1}{2}}-16=0$	M1	1.1b
	E.g. $12x^{\frac{3}{2}}=16-\sqrt{x}$	dM1	1.1b
	$x^{\frac{3}{2}}=\frac{4}{3}-\frac{\sqrt{x}}{12} \Rightarrow x=\left(\frac{4}{3}-\frac{\sqrt{x}}{12}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(c)	$x_2=\sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{4}{3}-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{12}\right)^2}$	M1	1.1b
	x_2 = awrt 1.13894	A1	1.1b
	$x = 1.15650$	A1	2.2a
		(3)	
			(10 marks)



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4. The curve with equation $y = f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = x^2 + \ln(2x^2 - 4x + 5)$$

has a single turning point at $x = \alpha$

(a) Show that α is a solution of the equation

$$2x^3 - 4x^2 + 7x - 2 = 0$$

(4)

The iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{7}(2 + 4x_n^{\,2} - 2x_n^{\,3})$$

is used to find an approximate value for α.

Starting with $x_1 = 0.3$

(b) calculate, giving each answer to 4 decimal places,

(i) the value of x_2

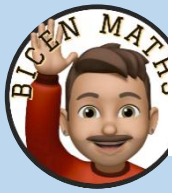
(ii) the value of x_4

(3)

Using a suitable interval and a suitable function that should be stated,

(c) show that α is 0.341 to 3 decimal places.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4(a)	$f'(x) = 2x + \dfrac{4x-4}{2x^2-4x+5}$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$2x + \dfrac{4x-4}{2x^2-4x+5} = 0 \Rightarrow 2x\left(2x^2-4x+5\right)+4x-4=0$	dM1	1.1b
	$2x^3-4x^2+7x-2=0$*	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	(i) $x_2 = \dfrac{1}{7}\left(2+4(0.3)^2-2(0.3)^3\right)$	M1	1.1b
	$x_2 = 0.3294$	A1	1.1b
	(ii) $x_4 = 0.3398$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(c)	$h(x) = 2x^3-4x^2+7x-2$ $h(0.3415) = 0.00366...$ $h(0.3405) = -0.00130...$	M1	3.1a
	States: • there is a change of sign • $f'(x)$ is continuous • $\alpha = 0.341$ to 3dp	A1	2.4
		(2)	
			(9 marks)



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A car stops at two sets of traffic lights.

Figure 2 shows a graph of the speed of the car, $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$, as it travels between the two sets of traffic lights.

The car takes T seconds to travel between the two sets of traffic lights.

The speed of the car is modelled by the equation

$$v = (10 - 0.4t)\ln(t + 1) \qquad 0 \leqslant t \leqslant T$$

where t seconds is the time after the car leaves the first set of traffic lights.

According to the model,

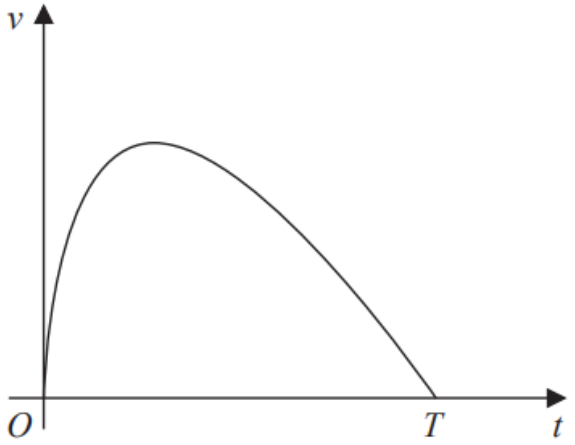


Figure 2

(a) find the value of T

(1)

(b) show that the maximum speed of the car occurs when

$$t = \frac{26}{1 + \ln(t + 1)} - 1$$

(4)

Using the iteration formula

$$t_{n+1} = \frac{26}{1 + \ln(t_n + 1)} - 1$$

with $t_1 = 7$

(c) (i) find the value of t_3 to 3 decimal places,

(ii) find, by repeated iteration, the time taken for the car to reach maximum speed.

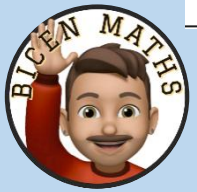
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8 (a)	25	B1
		(1)
(b)	Attempts to differentiate using the product rule $\frac{dv}{dt} = \ln(t+1) \times -0.4 + \frac{(10-0.4t)}{t+1}$	M1 A1
	Sets their $\frac{dv}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{(10-0.4t)}{(t+1)} = 0.4\ln(t+1)$ **and** then makes progress towards making "t" the subject (See notes for this)	dM1
	$t = \frac{25-\ln(t+1)}{1+\ln(t+1)}$ $t = \frac{26}{1+\ln(t+1)} - 1$ *	A1*
		(4)
(c)	(i) Attempts $t_2 = \frac{26}{1+\ln 8} - 1$	M1
	awrt 7.298	A1
	(ii) awrt 7.33 seconds	A1
		(3)



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5. The table below shows corresponding values of x and y for $y = \log_3 2x$

The values of y are given to 2 decimal places as appropriate.

x	3	4.5	6	7.5	9
y	1.63	2	2.26	2.46	2.63

(a) Using the trapezium rule with all the values of y in the table, find an estimate for

$$\int_3^9 \log_3 2x \, dx$$

(3)

Using your answer to part (a) and making your method clear, estimate

(b) (i) $\displaystyle\int_3^9 \log_3 (2x)^{10} \, dx$

(ii) $\displaystyle\int_3^9 \log_3 18x \, dx$

(3)



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5(a)	States or uses $h = 1.5$	B1
	Full attempt at the trapezium rule $= \frac{\cdots}{2}\{1.63 + 2.63 + 2\times(2 + 2.26 + 2.46)\}$	M1
	$=$ awrt 13.3 or $\frac{531}{40}$	A1
		(3)
(b)(i)	$\int_3^9 \log_3(2x)^{10}\,dx = 10\times\text{"13.3"} = \text{awrt}\,133$ or e.g. $\frac{531}{4}$	B1ft
(ii)	$\int_3^9 \log_3 18x\,dx = \int_3^9 \log_3(9\times 2x)\,dx = \int_3^9 2 + \log_3 2x\,dx$ $= [2x]_3^9 + \int_3^9 \log_3 2x\,dx = 18 - 6 + \int_3^9 \log_3 2x\,dx = \ldots$	M1
	Awrt 25.3 or $\frac{1011}{40}$	A1ft
		(3)



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Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = 8\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) - 3x + 9 \qquad x > 0$$

and x is measured in radians.

The point P, shown in Figure 2, is a local maximum point on the curve.

Using calculus and the sketch in Figure 2,

(a) find the x coordinate of P, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(4)

The curve crosses the x-axis at $x = \alpha$, as shown in Figure 2.

Given that, to 3 decimal places, $f(4) = 4.274$ and $f(5) = -1.212$

(b) explain why α must lie in the interval $[4, 5]$

(1)

(c) Taking $x_0 = 5$ as a first approximation to α, apply the Newton-Raphson method once to $f(x)$ to obtain a second approximation to α.

Show your method and give your answer to 3 significant figures.

(2)

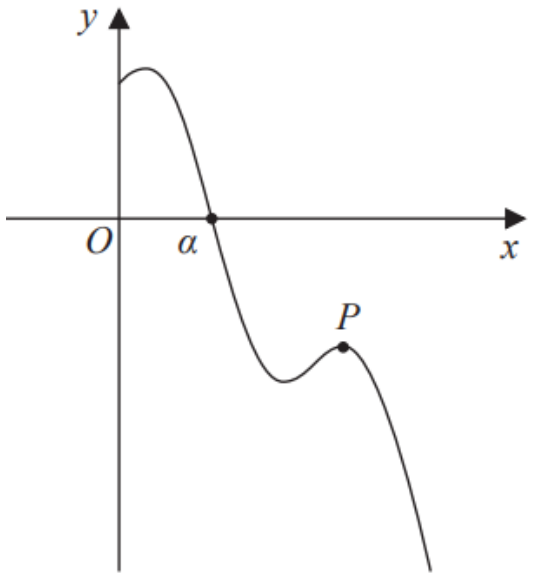


Figure 2

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6(a)	$\left(f'(x)=\right)4\cos\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)-3$	M1 A1
	Sets $f'(x)=4\cos\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)-3=0\Rightarrow x=$	dM1
	$x=14.0$ Cao	A1
		(4)
(b)	Explains that $f(4)>0$, $f(5)<0$ **and** the function is continuous	B1
		(1)
(c)	Attempts $x_1=5-\frac{8\sin 2.5-15+9}{"4\cos 2.5-3"}$ (NB $f(5)=-1.212\ldots$ and $f'(5)=-6.204\ldots$)	M1
	$x_1=$ awrt 4.80	A1
		(2)



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15. A curve has equation $y = \mathrm{f}(x)$, where

$$\mathrm{f}(x) = \frac{7xe^{x}}{\sqrt{e^{3x} - 2}} \qquad x > \ln \sqrt[3]{2}$$

(a) Show that

$$\mathrm{f}'(x) = \frac{7e^{x}(e^{3x}(2 - x) + Ax + B)}{2(e^{3x} - 2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

where A and B are constants to be found.

(5)

(b) Hence show that the x coordinates of the turning points of the curve are solutions of the equation

$$x = \frac{2e^{3x} - 4}{e^{3x} + 4}$$

(2)



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The equation $x = \dfrac{2e^{3x} - 4}{e^{3x} + 4}$ has two positive roots α and β where $\beta > \alpha$

A student uses the iteration formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{2e^{3x_n} - 4}{e^{3x_n} + 4}$$

in an attempt to find approximations for α and β

Diagram 1 shows a plot of part of the curve with equation $y = \dfrac{2e^{3x} - 4}{e^{3x} + 4}$ and part of the line with equation $y = x$

Using Diagram 1 on page 42

(c) draw a staircase diagram to show that the iteration formula starting with $x_1 = 1$ can be used to find an approximation for β

(1)

Use the iteration formula with $x_1 = 1$, to find, to 3 decimal places,

(d) (i) the value of x_2

(ii) the value of β

(3)

Using a suitable interval and a suitable function that should be stated

(e) show that $\alpha = 0.432$ to 3 decimal places.

(2)



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Question 15 continued

Only use the copy of Diagram 1 if you need to redraw your answer to part (c).

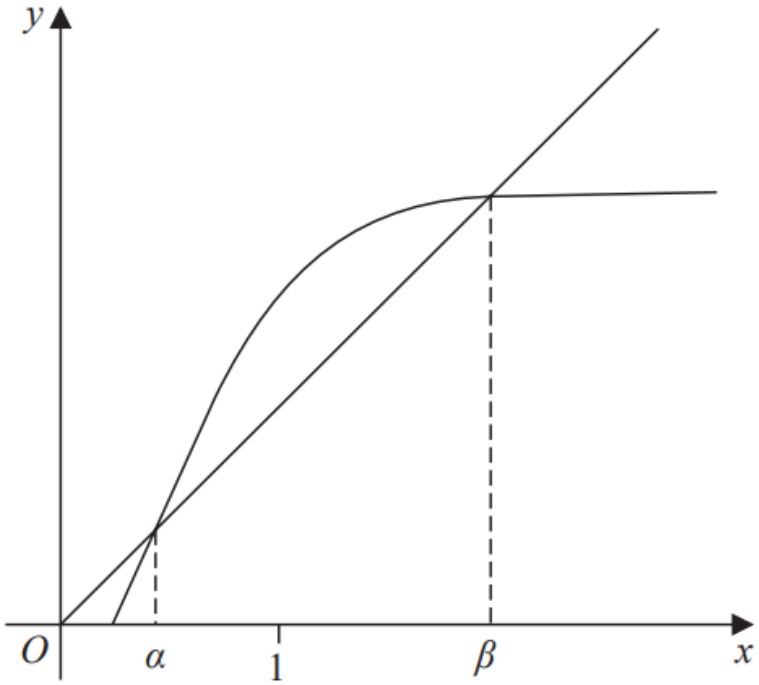
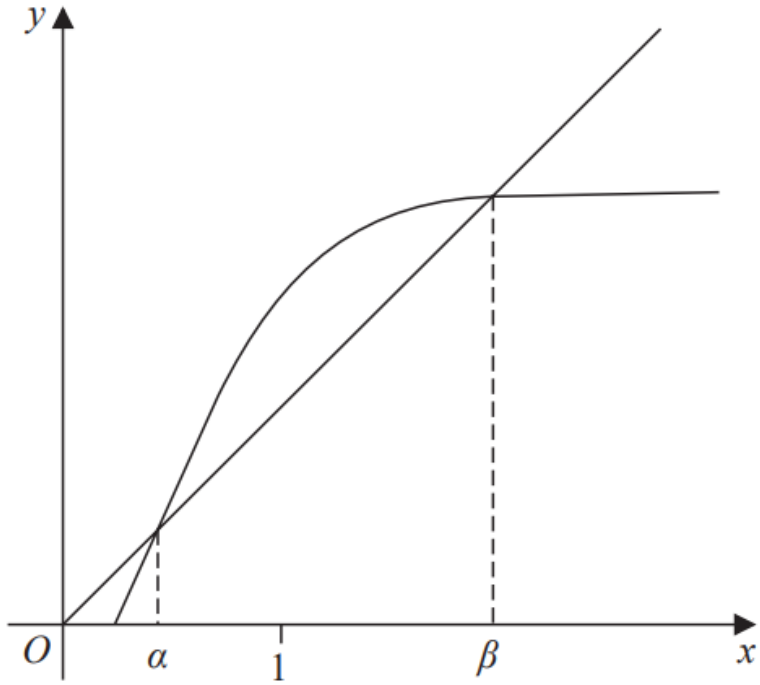


Diagram 1



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15(a)	$\ldots xe^x + \ldots e^x$	M1	1.1b
	$k\left(xe^x + e^x\right)$	A1	1.1b
	$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\sqrt{e^{3x}-2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\times 3e^{3x}\left(e^{3x}-2\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	B1	1.1b
	$\left(f'(x) =\right) \frac{(e^{3x}-2)^{\frac{1}{2}}("7"xe^x + "7"e^x) - "\frac{3}{2}"e^{3x}(e^{3x}-2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\times "7"xe^x}{e^{3x}-2}$	dM1	2.1
	$f'(x) = \frac{7e^x\left(e^{3x}(2-x)-4x-4\right)}{2(e^{3x}-2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
(b)	$e^{3x}(2-x)-4x-4=0 \Rightarrow x(\ldots e^{3x}\pm\ldots) = \ldots e^{3x}\pm\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2e^{3x}-4}{e^{3x}+4}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(2)	
(c)	Draws a vertical line $x=1$ up to the curve then across to the line $y=x$ then up to the curve finishing at the root (need to see a minimum of 2 vertical and horizontal lines tending to the root)	B1	2.1
		(1)	
(d)(i)	$x_2 = \frac{2e^3-4}{e^3+4} = 1.5017756\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$x_2 =$ awrt 1.502	A1	1.1b
(ii)	$\beta = 1.968$	dB1	2.2b
		(3)	
(e)	$h(x) = \frac{2e^{3x}-4}{e^{3x}+4} - x$ $h(0.4315) = -0.000297\ldots$ $\quad$ $h(0.4325) = 0.000947\ldots$	M1	3.1a
	Both calculations correct and e.g. states: • There is a change of sign • e.g $f'(x)$ is continuous • $\alpha = 0.432$ (to 3dp)	A1cao	2.4
		(2)	
			(13 marks)



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3. $$f(x) = x + \tan\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) \qquad \pi < x < \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

Given that the equation $f(x) = 0$ has a single root α

(a) show that α lies in the interval [3.6, 3.7]

(2)

(b) Find $f'(x)$

(2)

(c) Using 3.7 as a first approximation for α, apply the Newton–Raphson method once to obtain a second approximation for α. Give your answer to 3 decimal places.

(2)



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3(a)	$\{f(3.6)=\}\ 3.6+\tan\left(\frac{1}{2}(3.6)\right) = -0.686\ldots < 0$ **and** $\{f(3.7)=\}\ 3.7+\tan\left(\frac{1}{2}(3.7)\right) = 0.211\ldots > 0$	M1	1.1b
	Change of sign and function is continuous in the interval $\Rightarrow$ conclusion e.g. "there is a root in [3.6, 3.7]" *	A1*	2.4
		(2)	
(b)	Use of $\tan\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) \rightarrow \ldots\sec^2\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$	M1	1.1b
	$\{f'(x)=\}\ 1+\frac{1}{2}\sec^2\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	Attempts $3.7-\frac{3.7+\tan\left(\frac{1}{2}(3.7)\right)}{"1+\frac{1}{2}\sec^2\left(\frac{1}{2}(3.7)\right)"} = \ldots$ (N.B. $f(3.7)=0.211\ldots$ and $f'(3.7)=7.58\ldots$)	M1	1.1b
	α = awrt 3.672	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(6 marks)



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Figure 1 shows a sketch of the curves with equations $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ where

$$f(x) = e^{4x^2 - 1} \qquad x > 0$$

$$g(x) = 8 \ln x \qquad x > 0$$

(a) Find

(i) $f'(x)$

(ii) $g'(x)$

(2)

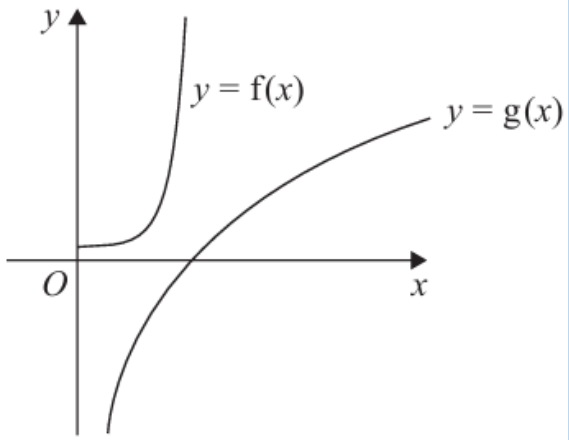


Figure 1

Given that $f'(x) = g'(x)$ at $x = \alpha$

(b) show that α satisfies the equation

$$4x^2 + 2 \ln x - 1 = 0$$

(2)

The iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - 2 \ln x_n}{4}}$$

is used with $x_1 = 0.6$ to find an approximate value for α

(c) Calculate, giving each answer to 4 decimal places,

(i) the value of x_2

(ii) the value of α

(3)

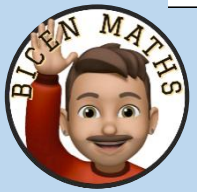


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6(a)(i)	$\left(f'(x)=\right)8xe^{4x^2-1}$ or e.g. $\frac{8xe^{4x^2}}{e}$ oe	B1	1.1b
(ii)	$\left(g'(x)=\right)\frac{8}{x}$ or e.g. $8x^{-1}$ oe	B1	1.2
		(2)	
(b)	$8xe^{4x^2-1}=\frac{8}{x}\Rightarrow e^{4x^2-1}=\frac{1}{x^2}\Rightarrow 4x^2-1=\ln\frac{1}{x^2}$	M1	1.1b
	$4x^2-1=\ln\frac{1}{x^2}\Rightarrow 4x^2-1=-2\ln x$ $\Rightarrow 4x^2+2\ln x-1=0$*	A1*	2.1
		(2)	
(c)(i)	$x_1=0.6\Rightarrow x_2=\sqrt{\frac{1-2\ln 0.6}{4}}$	M1	1.1b
	$\left(x_2=\right)0.7109$	A1	1.1b
(ii)	$\left(\alpha=\right)0.6706$	B1 (A1 In ePEN)	1.1b
		(3)	
			(7 marks)



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4. Given that a is a positive constant and

$$\int_a^{2a} \frac{t+1}{t}\,\mathrm{d}t = \ln 7$$

show that $a = \ln k$, where k is a constant to be found.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
4	Writes $\int \frac{t+1}{t}\,\mathrm{d}t = \int 1+\frac{1}{t}\,\mathrm{d}t$ and attempts to integrate	M1	2.1
	$= t + \ln t\ (+c)$	M1	1.1b
	$(2a + \ln 2a) - (a + \ln a) = \ln 7$	M1	1.1b
	$a = \ln\frac{7}{2}$ with $k = \frac{7}{2}$	A1	1.1b
			(4 marks)



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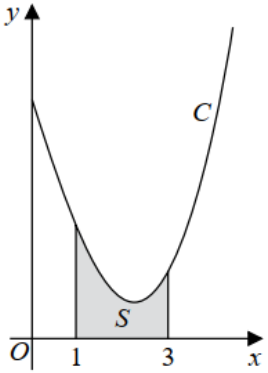


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of part of the curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{x^2 \ln x}{3} - 2x + 5, \quad x > 0$$

The finite region S, shown shaded in Figure 4, is bounded by the curve C, the line with equation $x = 1$, the x-axis and the line with equation $x = 3$

The table below shows corresponding values of x and y with the values of y given to 4 decimal places as appropriate.

x	1	1.5	2	2.5	3
y	3	2.3041	1.9242	1.9089	2.2958

(a) Use the trapezium rule, with all the values of y in the table, to obtain an estimate for the area of S, giving your answer to 3 decimal places.

(3)

(b) Explain how the trapezium rule could be used to obtain a more accurate estimate for the area of S.

(1)

(c) Show that the exact area of S can be written in the form $\frac{a}{b} + \ln c$, where a, b and c are integers to be found.

(6)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14(a)	Uses or implies $h = 0.5$	B1	1.1b
	For correct form of the trapezium rule =	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{0.5}{2}\{3+2.2958+2(2.3041+1.9242+1.9089)\}=4.393$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Any valid statement reason, for example • Increase the number of strips • Decrease the width of the strips • Use more trapezia	B1	2.4
		(1)	
(c)	For integration by parts on $\int x^2 \ln x \, dx$	M1	2.1
	$=\frac{x^3}{3}\ln x - \int \frac{x^2}{3} dx$	A1	1.1b
	$\int -2x+5 \, dx = -x^2+5x \quad (+c)$	B1	1.1b
	All integration attempted and limits used Area of $S = \int_1^3 \frac{x^2 \ln x}{3} - 2x + 5 \, dx = \left[\frac{x^3}{9}\ln x - \frac{x^3}{27} - x^2 + 5x\right]_{x=1}^{x=3}$	M1	2.1
	Uses correct ln laws, simplifies and writes in required form	M1	2.1
	Area of $S = \frac{28}{27} + \ln 27 \quad (a=28, b=27, c=27)$	A1	1.1b
		(6)	
		(10 marks)	



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9. Given that A is constant and

$$\int_1^4 \left(3\sqrt{x} + A\right)\mathrm{d}x = 2A^2$$

show that there are exactly two possible values for A.

(5)



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Question	Scheme		Marks	AOs
9	$\int\left(3x^{0.5}+A\right)\mathrm{d}x=2x^{1.5}+Ax\left(+c\right)$		M1 A1	3.1a 1.1b
	Uses limits and sets $=2A^2\Rightarrow\left(2\times8+4A\right)-\left(2\times1+A\right)=2A^2$		M1	1.1b
	Sets up quadratic and attempts to solve	Sets up quadratic and attempts b^2-4ac	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow A=-2,\frac{7}{2}$ **and** states that there are two roots	States $b^2-4ac=121>0$ and hence there are two roots	A1	2.4
				(5 marks)



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16. (a) Express $\dfrac{1}{P(11-2P)}$ in partial fractions.

(3)

A population of meerkats is being studied.

The population is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{1}{22}P(11-2P), \quad t \geqslant 0, \qquad 0 < P < 5.5$$

where P, in thousands, is the population of meerkats and t is the time measured in years since the study began.

Given that there were 1000 meerkats in the population when the study began,

(b) determine the time taken, in years, for this population of meerkats to double,

(6)

(c) show that

$$P = \frac{A}{B + Ce^{-\frac{1}{2}t}}$$

where A, B and C are integers to be found.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
16(a)	Sets $\frac{1}{P(11-2P)}=\frac{A}{P}+\frac{B}{(11-2P)}$	B1	1.1a
	Substitutes either $P=0$ or $P=\frac{11}{2}$ into $1=A(11-2P)+BP \Rightarrow A$ or B	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{1}{P(11-2P)}=\frac{1/11}{P}+\frac{2/11}{(11-2P)}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	Separates the variables $\int\frac{22}{P(11-2P)}\,dP=\int 1\,dt$	B1	3.1a
	Uses (a) and attempts to integrate $\int\frac{2}{P}+\frac{4}{(11-2P)}\,dP=t+c$	M1	1.1b
	$2\ln P-2\ln(11-2P)=t+c$	A1	1.1b
	Substitutes $t=0,P=1\Rightarrow t=0,P=1\Rightarrow c=(-2\ln 9)$	M1	3.1a
	Substitutes $P=2\Rightarrow t=2\ln 2+2\ln 9-2\ln 7$	M1	3.1a
	Time $=1.89$ years	A1	3.2a
		(6)	
(c)	Uses ln laws $2\ln P-2\ln(11-2P)=t-2\ln 9$ $\Rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{9P}{11-2P}\right)=\frac{1}{2}t$	M1	2.1
	Makes 'P' the subject $\Rightarrow\left(\frac{9P}{11-2P}\right)=e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$ $\Rightarrow 9P=(11-2P)e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$ $\Rightarrow P=f\left(e^{\frac{1}{2}t}\right)$ or $\Rightarrow P=f\left(e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}\right)$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow P=\frac{11}{2+9e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}}\Rightarrow A=11,B=2,C=9$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(12 marks)



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7. Given that $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

(a) show that $\int_k^{3k} \frac{2}{(3x-k)} \mathrm{d}x$ is independent of k,

(4)

(b) show that $\int_k^{2k} \frac{2}{(2x-k)^2} \mathrm{d}x$ is inversely proportional to k.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7 (a)	$\int \frac{2}{(3x-k)}\,dx = \frac{2}{3}\ln(3x-k)$	M1 A1	1.1a 1.1b
	$\int_k^{3k} \frac{2}{(3x-k)}\,dx = \frac{2}{3}\ln(9k-k) - \frac{2}{3}\ln(3k-k)$	dM1	1.1b
	$= \frac{2}{3}\ln\left(\frac{8\cancel{k}}{2\cancel{k}}\right) = \frac{2}{3}\ln 4$ oe	A1	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	$\int \frac{2}{(2x-k)^2}\,dx = -\frac{1}{(2x-k)}$	M1	1.1b
	$\int_k^{2k} \frac{2}{(2x-k)^2}\,dx = -\frac{1}{(4k-k)} + \frac{1}{(2k-k)}$	dM1	1.1b
	$= \frac{2}{3k} \quad \left(\propto \frac{1}{k}\right)$	A1	2.1
		(3)	
			(7 marks)

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10. The height above ground, H metres, of a passenger on a roller coaster can be modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{H\cos(0.25t)}{40}$$

where t is the time, in seconds, from the start of the ride.

Given that the passenger is 5 m above the ground at the start of the ride,

(a) show that $H = 5e^{0.1\sin(0.25t)}$

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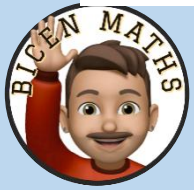
(b) State the maximum height of the passenger above the ground.

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The passenger reaches the maximum height, for the second time, T seconds after the start of the ride.

(c) Find the value of T.

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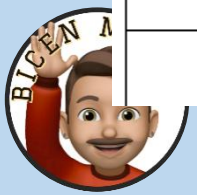


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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10(a)	$\frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{H\cos 0.25t}{40} \Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{H} dH = \int \frac{\cos 0.25t}{40} dt$	M1	3.1a
	$\ln H = \frac{1}{10}\sin 0.25t (+c)$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Substitutes $t = 0, H = 5 \Rightarrow c = \ln(5)$	dM1	3.4
	$\ln\left(\frac{H}{5}\right) = \frac{1}{10}\sin 0.25t \Rightarrow H = 5e^{0.1\sin 0.25t}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(5)	
(b)	Max height = $5e^{0.1} = 5.53$ m (Condone lack of units)	B1	3.4
		(1)	
(c)	Sets $0.25t = \frac{5\pi}{2}$	M1	3.1b
	31.4	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(8 marks)



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13. Show that

$$\int_0^2 2x\sqrt{x+2}\,\mathrm{d}x = \frac{32}{15}\left(2+\sqrt{2}\right)$$

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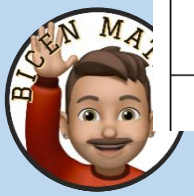


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Question	Scheme for Substitution		Marks	AOs
13	Chooses a suitable method for $\int_0^2 2x\sqrt{x+2}\,dx$ Award for • Using a valid substitution u =..., changing the terms to u's • integrating and using appropriate limts .		M1	3.1a
	Substitution $u=\sqrt{x+2} \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{du}=2u$ oe	Substitution $u=x+2 \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{du}=1$ oe	B1	1.1b
	$\int 2x\sqrt{x+2}\,dx$ $=\int A\left(u^2 \pm 2\right)u^2 du$	$\int 2x\sqrt{x+2}\,dx$ $=\int A(u \pm 2)\sqrt{u}\,du$	M1	1.1b
	$=Pu^5 \pm Qu^3$	$=Su^{\frac{5}{2}} \pm Tu^{\frac{3}{2}}$	dM1	2.1
	$=\frac{4}{5}u^5-\frac{8}{3}u^3$	$=\frac{4}{5}u^{\frac{5}{2}}-\frac{8}{3}u^{\frac{3}{2}}$	A1	1.1b
	Uses limits 2 and $\sqrt{2}$ the correct way around	Uses limits 4 and 2 the correct way around	ddM1	1.1b
	$=\frac{32}{15}\left(2+\sqrt{2}\right)$ *		A1*	2.1
			(7)	
				(7 marks)



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10. A spherical mint of radius 5 mm is placed in the mouth and sucked.
Four minutes later, the radius of the mint is 3 mm.

In a simple model, the rate of decrease of the radius of the mint is inversely proportional to the square of the radius.

Using this model and all the information given,

(a) find an equation linking the radius of the mint and the time.
(You should define the variables that you use.)

(5)

(b) Hence find the total time taken for the mint to completely dissolve. Give your answer in minutes and seconds to the nearest second.

(2)

(c) Suggest a limitation of the model.

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10 (a)	$\frac{dr}{dt} \propto \pm\frac{1}{r^2}$ or $\frac{dr}{dt} = \pm\frac{k}{r^2}$ (for k or a numerical k)	M1	3.3
	$\int r^2\,dr = \int \pm k\,dt \Rightarrow \ldots$ (for k or a numerical k)	M1	2.1
	$\frac{1}{3}r^3 = \pm kt \ \{+c\}$	A1	1.1b
	$t=0, r=5$ and $t=4, r=3$ gives $\frac{1}{3}r^3 = -\frac{49}{6}t + \frac{125}{3}$, where r, in mm, is the radius {of the mint} and t, in minutes, is the time from when it {the mint} was placed in the mouth $t=0, r=5$ and $t=240, r=3$ gives $\frac{1}{3}r^3 = -\frac{49}{360}t + \frac{125}{3}$, where r, in mm, is the radius {of the mint} and t, in seconds, is the time from when it {the mint} was placed in the mouth	M1 A1	3.1a 1.1b
		(5)	
(b)	$r=0 \Rightarrow 0 = -\frac{49}{6}t + \frac{125}{3} \Rightarrow 0 = -49t + 250 \Rightarrow t = \ldots$	M1	3.4
	time = 5 minutes 6 seconds	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	Suggests a suitable limitation of the model. E.g. • Model does not consider how the mint is sucked • Model does not consider whether the mint is bitten • Model is limited for times up to 5 minutes 6 seconds, o.e. • Not valid for times greater than 5 minutes 6 seconds, o.e. • Mint may not retain the shape of a sphere (or have uniform radius) as it is being sucked • The model indicates that the radius of the mint is negative after it dissolves • Model does not consider the temperature in the mouth • Model does not consider rate of saliva production • Mint could be swallowed before it dissolves in the mouth	B1	3.5b
		(1)	
			(8 marks)



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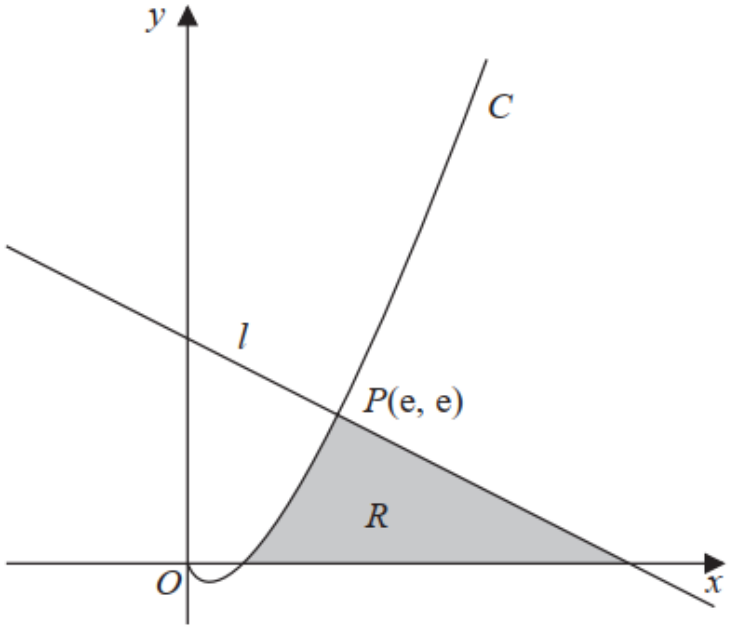


Figure 2

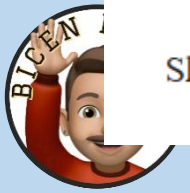
Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve C with equation $y = x \ln x, \quad x > 0$

The line l is the normal to C at the point $P(e, e)$

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 2, is bounded by the curve C, the line l and the x-axis.

Show that the exact area of R is $Ae^2 + B$ where A and B are rational numbers to be found.

(10)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
13	$C: y = x\ln x$; l is a normal to C at $P(\mathrm{e}, \mathrm{e})$ Let x_A be the x-coordinate of where l cuts the x-axis		
	$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \ln x + x\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \quad \{= 1 + \ln x\}$	M1	2.1
		A1	1.1b
	$x = \mathrm{e}, m_T = 2 \Rightarrow m_N = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow y - \mathrm{e} = -\frac{1}{2}(x - \mathrm{e})$ $y = 0 \Rightarrow -\mathrm{e} = -\frac{1}{2}(x - \mathrm{e}) \Rightarrow x = \ldots$	M1	3.1a
	l meets x-axis at $x = 3\mathrm{e}$ (allow $x = 2\mathrm{e} + \mathrm{e}\ln\mathrm{e}$)	A1	1.1b
	{Areas:} **either** $\int_1^{\mathrm{e}} x\ln x\,\mathrm{d}x = \left[\ldots \right]_1^{\mathrm{e}} = \ldots$ **or** $\frac{1}{2}((\text{their } x_A) - \mathrm{e})\mathrm{e}$	M1	2.1
	$\left\{\int x\ln x\,\mathrm{d}x = \right\} \quad \frac{1}{2}x^2\ln x - \int \frac{1}{x}\cdot\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right)\{\mathrm{d}x\}$	M1	2.1
	$\left\{= \frac{1}{2}x^2\ln x - \int \frac{1}{2}x\,\{\mathrm{d}x\}\right\} = \frac{1}{2}x^2\ln x - \frac{1}{4}x^2$	dM1	1.1b
		A1	1.1b
	$\text{Area}(R_1) = \int_1^{\mathrm{e}} x\ln x\,\mathrm{d}x = \left[\ldots \right]_1^{\mathrm{e}} = \ldots$; $\text{Area}(R_2) = \frac{1}{2}((\text{their } x_A) - \mathrm{e})\mathrm{e}$ and so, $\text{Area}(R) = \text{Area}(R_1) + \text{Area}(R_2) \quad \{= \frac{1}{4}\mathrm{e}^2 + \frac{1}{4} + \mathrm{e}^2\}$	M1	3.1a
	$\text{Area}(R) = \frac{5}{4}\mathrm{e}^2 + \frac{1}{4}$	A1	1.1b
		(10)	



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13. The curve C with equation

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

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

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

(ii) Show that $p = 15$

(3)

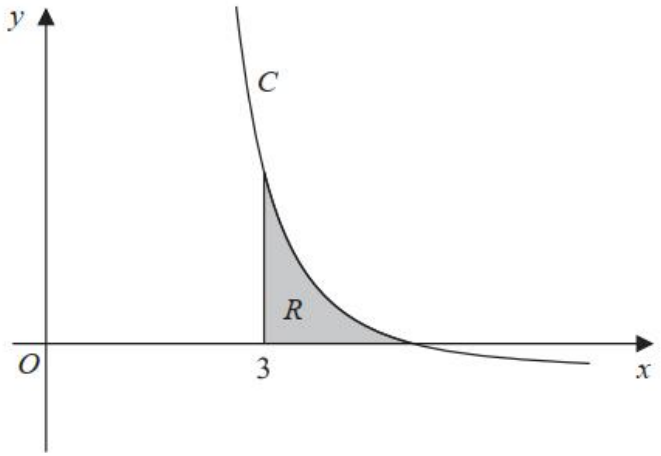


Figure 4

Figure 4 shows a sketch of part of the curve C. 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 $a \ln 2 + b \ln 3$, where a and b are rational constants to be found.

(8)

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Part	Working or answer an examiner might expect to see	Mark	Notes
(a)	The asymptote is found where $2x - q = 0$ Hence $q = 4$	B1	This mark is given for explaining that the asymptote at $x = 2$ is a solution of $2x - q = 0$
	$y = \frac{p - 3x}{(2x-4)(x+3)}$ $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{p-9}{(6-4)(3+3)}$	M1	This mark is given for substituting $x = 3$, $y = \frac{1}{2}$ (and $q = 4$)
	$p - 9 = 6$ $p = 15$	A1	This mark is given for solving for p and showing that $p = 15$, as required
(b)	$\frac{15-3x}{(2x-4)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{(2x-4)} + \frac{B}{(x+3)}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to use partial fractions
	$= \frac{1.8}{(2x-4)} - \frac{2.4}{(x+3)}$	M1	This mark is given for finding values for A and B
	$= \frac{0.9}{(x-2)} - \frac{2.4}{(x+3)}$	A1	This mark is given for a fully simplified expression
	$I = \int \frac{15-3x}{(2x-4)(x+3)}\,dx$ $= m \ln(2x-4) + n \ln(x+3)$	M1	This mark is given for a method to integrate to find the area of R
	$= 0.9 \ln(2x-4) + 2.4 \ln(x+3)$	A1	This mark is given for a correct expression for the area of R
	Area $R = \left[0.9\ln(2x-4) - 2.4\ln(x+3)\right]_3^5$	M1	This mark is given for deducing an expression for the area of R ($y = 0$ when $x = 5$)
	$= [0.9 \ln 6 - 2.4 \ln 8] - [0.9 \ln 2 - 2.4 \ln 6]$ $= [0.9 \ln 6 + 2.4 \ln 6] - [7.2 \ln 2 + 0.9 \ln 2]$ $= 3.3 \ln 6 - 8.1 \ln 2$ $= 3.3 \ln 3 + 3.3 \ln 2 - 8.1 \ln 2$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find the exact area of R
	$= 3.3 \ln 3 - 4.8 \ln 2$	A1	This mark is given for a correct value of the area of R with $a = 3.3$ and $b = 4.8$



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14. (a) Use the substitution $u = 4 - \sqrt{h}$ to show that

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}h}{4 - \sqrt{h}} = -8\ln\left|4 - \sqrt{h}\right| - 2\sqrt{h} + k$$

where k is a constant

(6)

A team of scientists is studying a species of slow growing tree.

The rate of change in height of a tree in this species is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}h}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{t^{0.25}\left(4 - \sqrt{h}\right)}{20}$$

where h is the height in metres and t is the time, measured in years, after the tree is planted.

(b) Find, according to the model, the range in heights of trees in this species.

(2)

One of these trees is one metre high when it is first planted.

According to the model,

(c) calculate the time this tree would take to reach a height of 12 metres, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(7)

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(a)	$\mathrm{d}h = -2(4-u)\,\mathrm{d}u$	B1	This mark is given for finding an expression for $\mathrm{d}h$
	$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}h}{4-\sqrt{h}} = \int \frac{-2(4-u)\,\mathrm{d}u}{4-\sqrt{h}}$	M1	This mark is given for substituting $u = 4 - \sqrt{h}$ into the integral
	$= \int -\frac{8}{u} + 2\,\mathrm{d}u$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find a simplified version of the integral
	$-8\ln u + 2u + c$ $= -8\ln(4-\sqrt{h}) + 2(4-\sqrt{h}) + c$	M1	This mark is given for integrating with respect to u to produce an expression in terms of h
		A1	This mark is given for a correct expression for the integral
	$= -8\ln(4-\sqrt{h}) - 2\sqrt{h} + k$	A1	This mark is given for a full proof to arrive at the answer as shown (appreciating that $k = c + 8$)
(b)	$\frac{\mathrm{d}h}{\mathrm{d}t} = 0 \Rightarrow 4 - \sqrt{h} = 0$	M1	This mark is given for a setting $\frac{\mathrm{d}h}{\mathrm{d}t} = 0$
	$0 < h < 16$	A1	This mark is given for deducing the range of the heights of the trees for this model
(c)	$\frac{\mathrm{d}h}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{t^{0.25}(4-\sqrt{h})}{20} \Rightarrow \frac{\mathrm{d}h}{(4-\sqrt{h})} = \frac{t^{0.25}\mathrm{d}t}{20}$	B1	This mark is given for separating the variables
	$-8\ln(4-\sqrt{h}) - 2\sqrt{h} + k = \frac{t^{1.25}}{25}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to integrate both sides of the equation
		A1	This mark is given for integrating both sides of the equation correctly
	When $t = 0$ and $h = 1$, $-8\ln 3 - 2 + k = 0$ $k = 2 + 8\ln 3$	M1	This mark is given for substituting values of $t = 0$ and $h = 1$ to find a value for k
	When $h = 12$, $-8\ln(4-\sqrt{12}) - 2\sqrt{12} + 2 + 8\ln 3 = \frac{t^{1.25}}{25}$	M1	This mark is given for a method to find a value for t by substituting $h = 12$ into the equation
	$t^{1.25} = 221.2795 \Rightarrow t = \sqrt[1.25]{221.2795}$	M1	This mark is given for simplifying to find an expression for t
	$t = 75.2$ years	A1	This mark is given for correctly finding the time the tree would take to reach a height of 12 metres

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This doesn't have to use integration, but you could set it up as a simple differential equation:

8. A new smartphone was released by a company.

The company monitored the total number of phones sold, n, at time t days after the phone was released.

The company observed that, during this time,

the rate of increase of n was proportional to n

Use this information to write down a suitable equation for n in terms of t.

(*You do not need to evaluate any unknown constants in your equation.*)

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
8	Any equation involving an exponential of the correct form. See notes	M1	3.1b
	$n = Ae^{kt}$ (where A and k are positive constants)	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
			(2 marks)

Notes:

M1: Any equation of the correct form, involving n and an exponential in t.

So allow for example $n = e^{\pm t}$, $n = Ae^{\pm t}$, $n = Ae^{\pm kt}$ condoning $n = A + Be^{\pm t}$

Condone an intermediate form where n has not been made the subject.

E.g Allow $\ln n = kt + c$ but also condone $\ln n = kt$

A1: E.g. $n = Ae^{kt}$, $n = e^{kt+c}$, $n = e^{kt}e^{c}$ There is no requirement to state that A and k are positive constants

Note that the two constants need to be different.

Mark the final answer so $n = e^{kt+c}$ followed by $n = e^{kt} + e^{c}$ o.e. $n = e^{kt} + A$ such as is M1 A0

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You may see solutions that don't include "e".

These are fine so you can include versions of $n = Ak^{t}$ using the same marking criteria as above

FYI $\frac{dn}{dt} = Ak^{t} \times \ln k = \ln k \times n$ so $\frac{dn}{dt} \propto n$

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10. (a) Use the substitution $x = u^2 + 1$ to show that

$$\int_5^{10} \frac{3\,dx}{(x-1)\left(3+2\sqrt{x-1}\right)} = \int_p^q \frac{6\,du}{u(3+2u)}$$

where p and q are positive constants to be found.

(4)

(b) Hence, using algebraic integration, show that

$$\int_5^{10} \frac{3\,dx}{(x-1)\left(3+2\sqrt{x-1}\right)} = \ln a$$

where a is a rational constant to be found.

(6)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
10 (a)	$x = u^2 + 1 \Rightarrow \mathrm{d}x = 2u\mathrm{d}u$ oe	B1	1.1b
	Full substitution $\int \frac{3\mathrm{d}x}{(x-1)\left(3+2\sqrt{x-1}\right)} = \int \frac{3\times 2u\,\mathrm{d}u}{\left(u^2+1-1\right)(3+2u)}$	M1	1.1b
	Finds correct limits e.g. $p=2, q=3$	B1	1.1b
	$= \int \frac{3\times 2\cancel{u}\,\mathrm{d}u}{\cancel{u^2}(3+2u)} = \int \frac{6\,\mathrm{d}u}{u(3+2u)}$ *	A1*	2.1
		(4)	
(b)	$\frac{6}{u(3+2u)} = \frac{A}{u} + \frac{B}{3+2u} \Rightarrow A = \ldots, B = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	Correct PF. $\frac{6}{u(3+2u)} = \frac{2}{u} - \frac{4}{3+2u}$	A1	1.1b
	$\int \frac{6\,\mathrm{d}u}{u(3+2u)} = 2\ln u - 2\ln(3+2u) \quad (+c)$	dM1 A1ft	3.1a 1.1b
	Uses limits $u = "3", u = "2"$ with some correct ln work leading to $k\ln b$ E.g. $(2\ln 3 - 2\ln 9) - (2\ln 2 - 2\ln 7) = 2\ln\frac{7}{6}$	M1	1.1b
	$\ln\frac{49}{36}$	A1	2.1
		(6)	
			(10 marks)



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14. A large spherical balloon is deflating.

At time t seconds the balloon has radius r cm and volume V cm^3

The volume of the balloon is modelled as decreasing at a constant rate.

(a) Using this model, show that

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = -\frac{k}{r^2}$$

where k is a positive constant.

(3)

Given that

- the initial radius of the balloon is 40 cm
- after 5 seconds the radius of the balloon is 20 cm
- the volume of the balloon continues to decrease at a constant rate until the balloon is empty

(b) solve the differential equation to find a complete equation linking r and t.

(5)

(c) Find the limitation on the values of t for which the equation in part (b) is valid.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14 (a)	Uses the model to state $\frac{dV}{dt} = -c$ (for positive constant c)	B1	3.1b
	Uses $\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{dV}{dr} \times \frac{dr}{dt}$ with their $\frac{dV}{dt} = -c$ and $\frac{dV}{dr} = 4\pi r^2$	M1	2.1
	$-c = 4\pi r^2 \times \frac{dr}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{dr}{dt} = -\frac{c}{4\pi r^2} = -\frac{k}{r^2}$ *	A1*	2.2a
		(3)	
(b)	$\frac{dr}{dt} = -\frac{k}{r^2} \Rightarrow \int r^2 dr = \int -k dt$ and integrates with one side "correct"	M1	2.1
	$\frac{r^3}{3} = -kt(+\alpha)$	A1	1.1b
	Uses $t = 0, r = 40 \Rightarrow \alpha = ...$ $\alpha = \frac{64000}{3}$	M1	1.1b
	Uses $t = 5, r = 20$ & $\alpha = ... \Rightarrow k = ...$	M1	3.4
	$r^3 = 64000 - 11200t$ or exact equivalent	A1	3.3
		(5)	
(c)	Uses the equation of their model and proceeds to a limiting value for t E.g. "$64000 - 11200t$" $... 0 \Rightarrow t...$	M1	3.4
	For times up to and including $\frac{40}{7}$ seconds	A1ft	3.5b
		(2)	
			(10 marks)



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1 The table below shows corresponding values of x and y for $y = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1+x}}$

The values of y are given to 4 significant figures.

x	0.5	1	1.5	2	2.5
y	0.5774	0.7071	0.7746	0.8165	0.8452

(a) Use the trapezium rule, with all the values of y in the table, to find an estimate for

$$\int_{0.5}^{2.5} \sqrt{\frac{x}{1+x}}\,\mathrm{d}x$$

giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(3)

(b) Using your answer to part (a), deduce an estimate for $\int_{0.5}^{2.5} \sqrt{\frac{9x}{1+x}}\,\mathrm{d}x$

(1)

Given that

$$\int_{0.5}^{2.5} \sqrt{\frac{9x}{1+x}}\,\mathrm{d}x = 4.535 \text{ to 4 significant figures}$$

(c) comment on the accuracy of your answer to part (b).

(1)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
1(a)	$h = 0.5$	B1	1.1a
	$A \approx \frac{0.5}{2}\{0.5774 + 0.8452 + 2(0.7071 + 0.7746 + 0.8165)\}$	M1	1.1b
	= awrt 1.50	A1	1.1b
	For reference: **The integration on a calculator gives 1.511549071** **The full accuracy for y values gives 1.504726147** **The accuracy from the table gives 1.50475**		
		(3)	

(b)	3 × their (a)
	If (a) is correct, allow awrt 4.50 or awrt 4.51 even with no working.
	Only allow 4.5 if (a) is correct and working is shown e.g. 3 × 1.5
	
	If (a) is incorrect allow 3 × their (a) given to at least 3sf but do not be too concerned about the accuracy (as they may use rounded or rounded value from (a))
		B1ft	2.2a

	For reference the integration on a calculator gives 4.534647213		
		(1)	
(c)	**<u>This mark depends on the B1 having been awarded in part (b) with awrt 4.5</u>** Look for a sensible comment. Some examples: • The answer is accurate to 2 sf or one decimal place • Answer to (b) is accurate as $4.535 \approx 4.50$ • Very accurate as 4.535 to 2 sf is 4.5 • $4.51425 < 4.535$ so my answer is underestimate but not too far off • It is an underestimate but quite close • It is a very good estimate • High accuracy • (Quite) accurate • It is less than 1% out • $4.535 - 4.5 = 0.035$ so not far out But **not** just "it is an underestimate" or Calculates percentage error correctly using awrt 4.50 or awrt 4.51 or 4.5 (No comment is necessary in these cases although one may be given) Examples: $\left\lvert\frac{4.535-4.50}{4.535}\right\rvert \times 100 = 0.77\%$ or $\left\lvert\frac{4.535-4.51}{4.535}\right\rvert \times 100 = 0.55\%$ or $\left\lvert\frac{4.535-4.51425}{4.535}\right\rvert \times 100 = 0.46\%$ or $\left\lvert\frac{4.50}{4.535}\right\rvert \times 100 = 99\%$ In these cases don't be too concerned about accuracy e.g. allow 1sf. **This mark should be withheld if there are any contradictory statements**	B1	3.2b
		(1)	
			(5 marks)



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6. (a) Given that

$$\frac{x^2 + 8x - 3}{x + 2} \equiv Ax + B + \frac{C}{x + 2} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad x \neq -2$$

find the values of the constants A, B and C

(3)

(b) Hence, using algebraic integration, find the exact value of

$$\int_0^6 \frac{x^2 + 8x - 3}{x + 2} \, dx$$

giving your answer in the form $a + b\ln 2$ where a and b are integers to be found.

(4)



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6(a)	$x^2+8x-3=(Ax+B)(x+2)+C$ or $Ax(x+2)+B(x+2)+C$ $\Rightarrow A=\ldots, B=\ldots, C=\ldots$ **or** $x+2\overline{)x^2+8x-3}$ with $x+6$, x^2+2x, $6x-3$, $6x+12$, -15	M1	1.1b
	Two of $A=1, B=6, C=-15$	A1	1.1b
	All three of $A=1, B=6, C=-15$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
6(b)	$\int \frac{x^2+8x-3}{x+2}\,dx=\int x+6-\frac{15}{x+2}\,dx=\ldots-15\ln(x+2)$	M1	1.1b
	$=\frac{1}{2}x^2+6x-15\ln(x+2)\quad(+c)$	A1ft	1.1b
	$\int_0^6 \frac{x^2+8x-3}{x+2}\,dx=\left[\frac{1}{2}x^2+6x-15\ln(x+2)\right]_0^6$ $=(18+36-15\ln 8)-(0+0-15\ln 2)$ $=18+36-(15-45)\ln 2$ or e.g. $18+36+15\ln\left(\frac{2}{8}\right)$	M1	2.1
	$=54-30\ln 2$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(7 marks)



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The curve shown in Figure 3 has parametric equations

$$x = 6\sin t \qquad y = 5\sin 2t \qquad 0 \leqslant t \leqslant \frac{\pi}{2}$$

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 3, is bounded by the curve and the x-axis.

(a) (i) Show that the area of R is given by $\displaystyle\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 60\sin t\cos^2 t \, dt$

(3)

(ii) Hence show, by algebraic integration, that the area of R is exactly 20

(3)

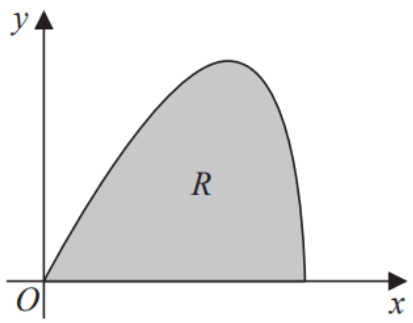


Figure 3

Part of the curve is used to model the profile of a small dam, shown shaded in Figure 4.
Using the model and given that

- x and y are in metres
- the vertical wall of the dam is 4.2 metres high
- there is a horizontal walkway of width MN along the top of the dam

(b) calculate the width of the walkway.

(5)

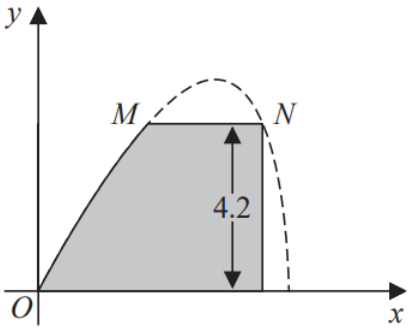


Figure 4

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12(a)(i)	$y \times \frac{dx}{dt} = 5\sin 2t \times 6\cos t$ or $5 \times 2\sin t\cos t \times 6\cos t$	M1	1.2
	(Area =) $\int 5\sin 2t \times 6\cos t \, dt = \int 5 \times 2\sin t\cos t \times 6\cos t \, dt$ or $\int 5\sin 2t \times 6\cos t \, dt = \int 60\sin t\cos^2 t \, dt$	dM1	1.1b
	(Area =) $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 60\sin t\cos^2 t \, dt$ *	A1*	2.1*
		(3)	
(a)(ii)	$\int 60\sin t\cos^2 t \, dt = -20\cos^3 t$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	Area $= \left[-20\cos^3 t\right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = 0 - (-20) = 20$ *	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$5\sin 2t = 4.2 \Rightarrow \sin 2t = \frac{4.2}{5}$	M1	3.4
	$t = 0.4986..., 1.072...$	A1	1.1b
	Attempts to finds the x values at both t values	dM1	3.4
	$t = 0.4986... \Rightarrow x = 2.869...$ $t = 1.072 \Rightarrow x = 5.269...$	A1	1.1b
	Width of path = 2.40 metres	A1	3.2a
		(5)	
			(11 marks)



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

$$y = (\ln x)^2 \qquad x > 0$$

The finite region R, shown shaded in Figure 2, is bounded by the curve, the line with equation $x = 2$, the x-axis and the line with equation $x = 4$

The table below shows corresponding values of x and y, with the values of y given to 4 decimal places.

x	2	2.5	3	3.5	4
y	0.4805	0.8396	1.2069	1.5694	1.9218

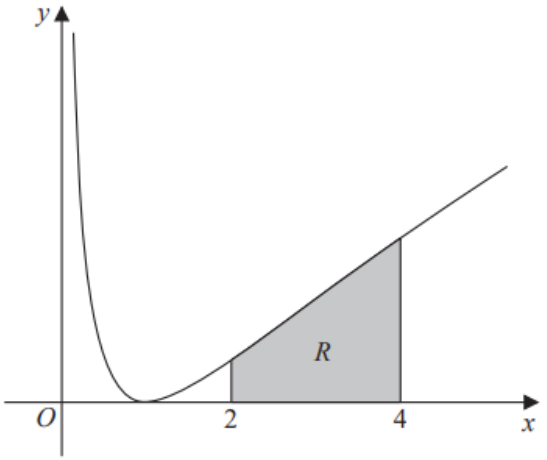


Figure 2

(a) Use the trapezium rule, with all the values of y in the table, to obtain an estimate for the area of R, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(3)

(b) Use algebraic integration to find the exact area of R, giving your answer in the form

$$y = a(\ln 2)^2 + b\ln 2 + c$$

where a, b and c are integers to be found.

(5)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11(a)	$h = 0.5$	B1	1.1b
	$A \approx \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}\{0.4805 + 1.9218 + 2(0.8396 + 1.2069 + 1.5694)\}$	M1	1.1b
	$= 2.41$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$\int (\ln x)^2 \, dx = x(\ln x)^2 - \int x \times \frac{2\ln x}{x} \, dx$	M1 A1	3.1a 1.1b
	$= x(\ln x)^2 - 2\int \ln x \, dx = x(\ln x)^2 - 2\left(x\ln x - \int dx\right)$ $= x(\ln x)^2 - 2\int \ln x \, dx = x(\ln x)^2 - 2x\ln x + 2x$	dM1	2.1
	$\int_2^4 (\ln x)^2 \, dx = \left[x(\ln x)^2 - 2x\ln x + 2x\right]_2^4$ $= 4(\ln 4)^2 - 2\times 4\ln 4 + 2\times 4 - \left(2(\ln 2)^2 - 2\times 2\ln 2 + 2\times 2\right)$ $= 4(2\ln 2)^2 - 16\ln 2 + 8 - 2(\ln 2)^2 + 4\ln 2 - 4$	ddM1	2.1
	$= 14(\ln 2)^2 - 12\ln 2 + 4$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(8 marks)



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12. (a) Use the substitution $u = 1 + \sqrt{x}$ to show that

$$\int_0^{16} \frac{x}{1+\sqrt{x}}\,\mathrm{d}x = \int_p^q \frac{2(u-1)^3}{u}\,\mathrm{d}u$$

where p and q are constants to be found.

(3)

(b) Hence show that

$$\int_0^{16} \frac{x}{1+\sqrt{x}}\,\mathrm{d}x = A - B\ln 5$$

where A and B are constants to be found.

(4)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
12(a)	$u = 1+\sqrt{x} \Rightarrow x = (u-1)^2 \Rightarrow \dfrac{dx}{du} = 2(u-1)$ or $u = 1+\sqrt{x} \Rightarrow \dfrac{du}{dx} = \dfrac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	B1	1.1b
	$\displaystyle\int \frac{x}{1+\sqrt{x}}dx = \int \frac{(u-1)^2}{u}2(u-1)du$ or $\displaystyle\int \frac{x}{1+\sqrt{x}}dx = \int \frac{x}{u}\times 2x^{\frac{1}{2}}du = \int \frac{2x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{u}du = \int \frac{2(u-1)^3}{u}du$	M1	2.1
	$\displaystyle\int_0^{16} \frac{x}{1+\sqrt{x}}dx = \int_1^5 \frac{2(u-1)^3}{u}du$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$\displaystyle 2\int \frac{u^3-3u^2+3u-1}{u}du = 2\int \left(u^2-3u+3-\frac{1}{u}\right)du = \ldots$	M1	3.1a
	$\displaystyle = (2)\left[\frac{u^3}{3}-\frac{3u^2}{2}+3u-\ln u\right]$	A1	1.1b
	$\displaystyle = 2\left[\frac{5^3}{3}-\frac{3(5)^2}{2}+3(5)-\ln 5-\left(\frac{1}{3}-\frac{3}{2}+3-\ln 1\right)\right]$	dM1	2.1
	$\displaystyle = \frac{104}{3}-2\ln 5$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(7 marks)



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Water flows at a constant rate into a large tank.

The tank is a cuboid, with all sides of negligible thickness.

The base of the tank measures 8 m by 3 m and the height of the tank is 5 m.

There is a tap at a point T at the bottom of the tank, as shown in Figure 5.

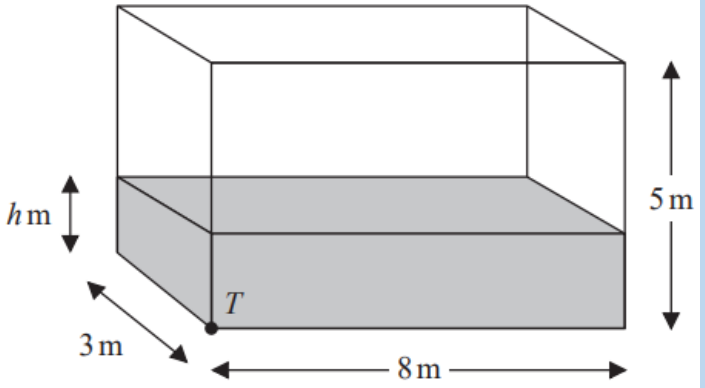


Figure 5

At time t minutes after the tap has been opened

- the depth of water in the tank is h metres
- water is flowing into the tank at a constant rate of $0.48\,\text{m}^3$ per minute
- water is modelled as leaving the tank through the tap at a rate of $0.1h\,\text{m}^3$ per minute

(a) Show that, according to the model,

$$1200\frac{\mathrm{d}h}{\mathrm{d}t} = 24 - 5h$$

(4)

Given that when the tap was opened, the depth of water in the tank was 2 m,

(b) show that, according to the model,

$$h = A + B\mathrm{e}^{-kt}$$

where A, B and k are constants to be found.

(6)

Given that the tap remains open,

(c) determine, according to the model, whether the tank will ever become full, giving a reason for your answer.

(2)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
14(a)	$\frac{dV}{dt} = 0.48 - 0.1h$	B1	3.1b
	$V = 24h \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dh} = 24$ or $\frac{dh}{dV} = \frac{1}{24}$	B1	3.1b
	$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{dV}{dt} \times \frac{dh}{dV} = \frac{0.48 - 0.1h}{24}$ or e.g. $\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{dV}{dh}\frac{dh}{dt} \Rightarrow 0.48 - 0.1h = 24\frac{dh}{dt}$	M1	
	$1200\frac{dh}{dt} = 24 - 5h$*	A1*	
		(4)	
(b)	$1200\frac{dh}{dt} = 24 - 5h \Rightarrow \int \frac{1200}{24-5h}dh = \int dt$ $\Rightarrow$ e.g. $\alpha \ln(24-5h) = t(+c)$ oe or $1200\frac{dh}{dt} = 24 - 5h \Rightarrow \frac{dt}{dh} = \frac{1200}{24-5h}$ $\Rightarrow$ e.g. $t(+c) = \alpha \ln(24-5h)$ oe	M1	
	$t = -240\ln(24-5h)(+c)$ oe	A1	1.1b
	$t = 0, h = 2 \Rightarrow 0 = -240\ln(24-10) + c \Rightarrow c = ...(240\ln 14)$	M1	3.4
	$t = 240\ln(14) - 240\ln(24-5h)$	A1	1.1b
	$t = 240\ln\frac{14}{24-5h} \Rightarrow \frac{t}{240} = \ln\frac{14}{24-5h} \Rightarrow e^{\frac{t}{240}} = \frac{14}{24-5h}$ $\Rightarrow 14e^{-\frac{t}{240}} = 24 - 5h \Rightarrow h = ...$	ddM1	2.1
	$h = 4.8 - 2.8e^{-\frac{t}{240}}$ oe e.g. $h = \frac{24}{5} - \frac{14}{5}e^{-\frac{t}{240}}$	A1	3.3
		(6)	
(c)	**Examples:** • As $t \to \infty, e^{-\frac{t}{240}} \to 0$ • When $h > 4.8$, $\frac{dV}{dt} < 0$ • Flow in = flow out at max h so $0.1h = 4.8 \rightarrow h = 4.8$ • As $e^{-\frac{t}{240}} > 0$, $h < 4.8$ • $h = 5 \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} = -0.02$ or $\frac{dh}{dt} = -\frac{1}{1200}$ • $\frac{dh}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow h = 4.8$ • $h = 5 \Rightarrow 4.8 - 2.8e^{-\frac{t}{240}} = 5 \Rightarrow e^{-\frac{t}{240}} < 0$	M1	3.1b
	• The limit for h (according to the model) is 4.8m and the tank is 5m high so the tank will never become full • If $h = 5$ the tank would be emptying so can never be full • The equation can't be solved when $h = 5$	A1	3.2a
		(2)	



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4. (a) Express $\lim_{\delta x \to 0} \sum_{x=2.1}^{6.3} \frac{2}{x} \delta x$ as an integral.

(1)

(b) Hence show that

$$\lim_{\delta x \to 0} \sum_{x=2.1}^{6.3} \frac{2}{x} \delta x = \ln k$$

where k is a constant to be found.

(2)



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4 (a)	$\lim_{\delta x \to 0} \sum_{x=2.1}^{6.3} \frac{2}{x} \delta x = \int_{2.1}^{6.3} \frac{2}{x} \, dx$	B1
		(1)
(b)	$= \left[2 \ln x\right]_{2.1}^{6.3} = 2 \ln 6.3 - 2 \ln 2.1$	M1
	$= \ln 9$ CSO	A1
		(2)



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12. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Show that

$$\int_1^{e^2} x^3 \ln x \, dx = ae^8 + b$$

where a and b are rational constants to be found.

(5)



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12	$\int x^3 \ln x \, dx = \frac{x^4}{4}\ln x - \int \frac{x^4}{4} \times \frac{1}{x} \, dx$	M1
	$= \frac{x^4}{4}\ln x - \frac{x^4}{16}(+c)$	M1 A1
	$\int_1^{e^2} x^3 \ln x \, dx = \left[\frac{x^4}{4}\ln x - \frac{x^4}{16}\right]_1^{e^2} = \left(\frac{e^8}{4}\ln e^2 - \frac{e^8}{16}\right) - \left(-\frac{1^4}{16}\right)$	M1
	$= \frac{7}{16}e^8 + \frac{1}{16}$	A1
		(5)



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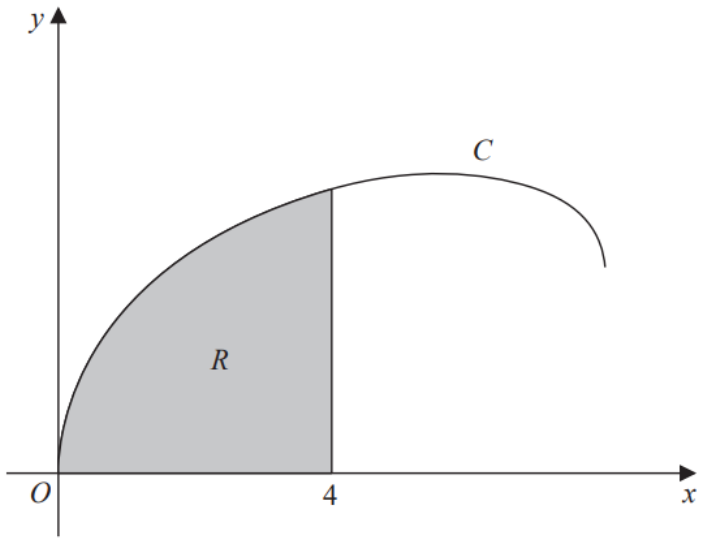


Figure 6

Figure 6 shows a sketch of the curve C with parametric equations

$$x = 8\sin^2 t \qquad y = 2\sin 2t + 3\sin t \qquad 0 \leqslant t \leqslant \frac{\pi}{2}$$

The region R, shown shaded in Figure 6, is bounded by C, the x-axis and the line with equation $x = 4$

(a) Show that the area of R is given by

$$\int_0^a \left(8 - 8\cos 4t + 48\sin^2 t \cos t\right) \mathrm{d}t$$

where a is a constant to be found.

(5)

(b) Hence, using algebraic integration, find the exact area of R.

(4)

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16 (a)	Attempts $y.\frac{dx}{dt} = (2\sin 2t + 3\sin t) \times 16\sin t\cos t$ and uses $\sin 2t = 2\sin t\cos t$	M1
	Correct expanded integrand. **Usually** for one of $(R) = \int 48\sin^2 t\cos t + 16\sin^2 2t \, dt$ $(R) = \int 48\sin^2 t\cos t + 64\sin^2 t\cos^2 t \, dt$ $(R) = \int 24\sin 2t\sin t + 16\sin^2 2t \, dt$	A1
	Attempts to use $\cos 4t = 1 - 2\sin^2 2t = (1 - 8\sin^2 t\cos^2 t)$	M1
	$R = \int_0^a 8 - 8\cos 4t + 48\sin^2 t\cos t \, dt$ *	A1*
	Deduces $a = \frac{\pi}{4}$	B1
		(5)
(b)	$\int 8 - 8\cos 4t + 48\sin^2 t\cos t \, dt = 8t - 2\sin 4t + 16\sin^3 t$	M1 A1
	$\left[8t - 2\sin 4t + 16\sin^3 t\right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = 2\pi + 4\sqrt{2}$	M1 A1
		(4)



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14. (a) Express $\dfrac{3}{(2x-1)(x+1)}$ in partial fractions.

(3)

When chemical A and chemical B are mixed, oxygen is produced.

A scientist mixed these two chemicals and measured the total volume of oxygen produced over a period of time.

The total volume of oxygen produced, $V\,\text{m}^3$, t hours after the chemicals were mixed, is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{3V}{(2t-1)(t+1)} \qquad V \geqslant 0 \qquad t \geqslant k$$

where k is a constant.

Given that exactly 2 hours after the chemicals were mixed, a total volume of $3\,\text{m}^3$ of oxygen had been produced,

(b) solve the differential equation to show that

$$V = \frac{3(2t-1)}{(t+1)}$$

(5)

The scientist noticed that

- there was a **time delay** between the chemicals being mixed and oxygen being produced
- there was a **limit** to the total volume of oxygen produced

Deduce from the model

(c) (i) the **time delay** giving your answer in minutes,

(ii) the **limit** giving your answer in m^3

(2)



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14(a)	$\frac{3}{(2x-1)(x+1)} = \frac{A}{2x-1} + \frac{B}{x+1} \Rightarrow A = ..., B = ...$	M1
	Either $A = 2$ or $B = -1$	A1
	$\frac{3}{(2x-1)(x+1)} = \frac{2}{2x-1} - \frac{1}{x+1}$	A1
		(3)
(b)	$\int \frac{1}{V}\,dV = \int \frac{3}{(2t-1)(t+1)}\,dt$	B1
	$\int \frac{2}{2t-1} - \frac{1}{t+1}\,dt = ...\ln(2t-1) - ...\ln(t+1)(+c)$	M1
	$\ln V = \ln(2t-1) - \ln(t+1)(+c)$	A1ft
	Substitutes $t = 2, V = 3 \Rightarrow c = (\ln 3)$	M1
	$\ln V = \ln(2t-1) - \ln(t+1) + \ln 3$ $V = \frac{3(2t-1)}{(t+1)}$ *	A1*
		(5)
	(b) Alternative separation of variables:	
	$\int \frac{1}{3V}\,dV = \int \frac{1}{(2t-1)(t+1)}\,dt$	B1
	$\frac{1}{3}\int \frac{2}{2t-1} - \frac{1}{t+1}\,dt = ...\ln(2t-1) - ...\ln(t+1)(+c)$	M1
	$\frac{1}{3}\ln 3V = \frac{1}{3}\ln(2t-1) - \frac{1}{3}\ln(t+1)(+c)$	A1ft
	Substitutes $t = 2, V = 3 \Rightarrow c = \left(\frac{1}{3}\ln 3\right)$	M1
	$\frac{1}{3}\ln V = \frac{1}{3}\ln(2t-1) - \frac{1}{3}\ln(t+1) + \frac{1}{3}\ln 3$ $V = \frac{3(2t-1)}{(t+1)}$ *	A1*
		(5)
(c)	(i) 30 (minutes)	B1
	(ii) 6 (m^3)	B1
		(2)



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5. A continuous curve has equation $y = f(x)$.

The table shows corresponding values of x and y for this curve, where a and b are constants.

x	3	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.8	4
y	a	16.8	b	20.2	18.7	13.5

The trapezium rule is used, with all the y values in the table, to find an approximate area under the curve between $x = 3$ and $x = 4$

Given that this area is 17.59

(a) show that $a + 2b = 51$

(3)

Given also that the sum of all the y values in the table is 97.2

(b) find the value of a and the value of b

(3)



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5(a)	$h = 0.2$	B1	1.1b
	$\frac{1}{2} \times "0.2" \times \{a + 13.5 + 2(16.8 + b + 20.2 + 18.7)\} = 17.59$	M1	1.1b
	e.g. $\Rightarrow a + 13.5 + 2b + 111.4 = 175.9 \Rightarrow a + 2b = 51$*	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$a + 16.8 + b + 20.2 + 18.7 + 13.5 = 97.2 \Rightarrow a + b = 28 \Rightarrow a = ...$ (or $b = ...$)	M1	3.1a
	$a = 5$ or $b = 23$	A1	1.1b
	$a = 5$ and $b = 23$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(6 marks)



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Integration

10. $$f(x) = \frac{3kx - 18}{(x + 4)(x - 2)}$$ where k is a positive constant

(a) Express $f(x)$ in partial fractions in terms of k.

(3)

(b) Hence find the exact value of k for which

$$\int_{-3}^{1} f(x)\, dx = 21$$

(4)



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10(a)	e.g. $\dfrac{3kx-18}{(x+4)(x-2)} \equiv \dfrac{A}{x+4}+\dfrac{B}{x-2} \Rightarrow 3kx-18 \equiv A(x-2)+B(x+4)$ **or** $\dfrac{3kx-18}{(x+4)(x-2)} \equiv \dfrac{A}{x-2}+\dfrac{B}{x+4} \Rightarrow 3kx-18 \equiv A(x+4)+B(x-2)$	**B1**	1.1b
	$6k-18=6B \Rightarrow B=\ldots$ or $-12k-18=-6A \Rightarrow A=\ldots$ **or** $3kx-18 \equiv (A+B)x+4B-2A \Rightarrow A+B=3k,\ -18=4B-2A$ $\Rightarrow A=\ldots$ or $B=\ldots$	**M1**	1.1b
	$\dfrac{2k+3}{x+4}+\dfrac{k-3}{x-2}$	**A1**	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	$\int \left(\dfrac{"2k+3"}{x+4}+\dfrac{"k-3"}{x-2}\right) dx = \ldots\ln(x+4)+\ldots\ln(x-2)$	**M1**	1.2
	$("2k+3")\ln(x+4)+("k-3")\ln(x-2)$	**A1ft**	1.1b
	$("2k+3")\ln(5)-("k-3")\ln(5) \Rightarrow ("k+6")\ln 5=21 \Rightarrow k=\ldots$	**dM1**	3.1a
	$(k=)\dfrac{21}{\ln 5}-6$	**A1**	2.2a
		(4)	
			(7 marks)



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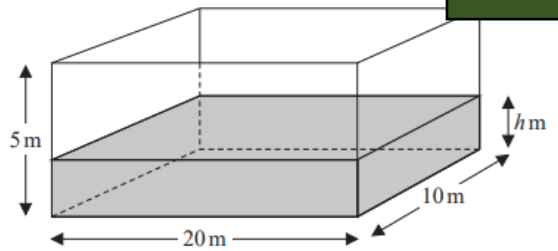


Figure 1

A tank in the shape of a cuboid is being filled with water.

The base of the tank measures 20 m by 10 m and the height of the tank is 5 m, as shown in Figure 1.

At time t minutes after water started flowing into the tank the height of the water was h m and the volume of water in the tank was V m^3

In a model of this situation

- the sides of the tank have negligible thickness
- the rate of change of V is inversely proportional to the square root of h

(a) Show that

$$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{h}}$$

where λ is a constant.

(3)

Given that

- initially the height of the water in the tank was 1.44 m
- exactly 8 minutes after water started flowing into the tank the height of the water was 3.24 m

(b) use the model to find an equation linking h with t, giving your answer in the form

$$h^{\frac{3}{2}} = At + B$$

where A and B are constants to be found.

(5)

(c) Hence find the time taken, from when water started flowing into the tank, for the tank to be completely full.

(2)



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11(a)	$\frac{dV}{dh} = 200$ oe e.g. $\frac{dh}{dV} = \frac{1}{200}$	**B1**	1.1b
	$\left(\frac{dh}{dt} =\right) \frac{dh}{dV} \times \frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{1}{200} \times \frac{k}{\sqrt{h}}$	**M1**	3.1a
	$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{h}}$ *	**A1***	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{h}} \Rightarrow \int h^{\frac{1}{2}}\, dh = \int \lambda\, dt \Rightarrow \ldots h^{\frac{3}{2}} = \lambda t \{+c\}$	**M1**	1.1b
	$\frac{2}{3}h^{\frac{3}{2}} = \lambda t \{+c\}$ oe e.g. $\frac{h^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} = \lambda t \{+c\}$	**A1**	1.1b
	$\frac{2}{3}(1.44)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \lambda \times 0 + c \Rightarrow c = 1.152 \left(= \frac{144}{125}\right)$	**dM1**	3.4
	$\frac{2}{3}(3.24)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \lambda \times 8 + "1.152" \Rightarrow \lambda = 0.342 \left(= \frac{171}{500}\right)$	**ddM1**	3.1b
	$h^{\frac{3}{2}} = 0.513t + 1.728$ oe e.g. $h^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{513}{1000}t + \frac{216}{125}$	**A1**	3.3
		(5)	



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13. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

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

$$(3 + x)^{-2}$$

writing each term in simplest form.

(4)

(b) Using the answer to part (a) and using algebraic integration, estimate the value of

$$\int_{0.2}^{0.4} \frac{6x}{(3 + x)^2} \, dx$$

giving your answer to 4 significant figures.

(4)

(c) Find, using algebraic integration, the exact value of

$$\int_{0.2}^{0.4} \frac{6x}{(3 + x)^2} \, dx$$

giving your answer in the form $a \ln b + c$, where a, b and c are constants to be found.

(5)



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13(a)	$3^{-2}\left(1+\frac{x}{3}\right)^{-2} = 3^{-2}(1+...x+...x^2)$	M1	
	$(-2)\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$ or $\frac{(-2)(-3)}{2!}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^2$	M1	
	$\left(1+\frac{x}{3}\right)^{-2} = 1+(-2)\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)+\frac{(-2)(-3)}{2!}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^2$	A1	
	$3^{-2}\left(1+\frac{x}{3}\right)^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}-\frac{2x}{27}+\frac{x^2}{27}$	A1	
		(4)	
(b)	$\int 6x \times "\left(\frac{1}{9}-\frac{2x}{27}+\frac{x^2}{27}\right)" dx = \int\left(\frac{2x}{3}-\frac{4x^2}{9}+\frac{2x^3}{9}\right)dx = ...$	M1	1.1b
	$\int\left(\frac{2x}{3}-\frac{4x^2}{9}+\frac{2x^3}{9}\right)dx = \frac{x^2}{3}-\frac{4x^3}{27}+\frac{x^4}{18}$ oe	A1	1.1b
	$\left[" \frac{x^2}{3}-\frac{4x^3}{27}+\frac{x^4}{18} "\right]_{0.2}^{0.4} = \left(\frac{(0.4)^2}{3}-\frac{4(0.4)^3}{27}+\frac{(0.4)^4}{18}\right)-\left(\frac{(0.2)^2}{3}-\frac{4(0.2)^3}{27}+\frac{(0.2)^4}{18}\right)$	dM1	3.1a
	= awrt 0.03304 or $\frac{223}{6750}$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
(c)	Overall problem-solving mark (see notes)	M1	3.1a
	$u = 3+x \Rightarrow \int_{3.2}^{3.4} f(u)\,du \Rightarrow \int_{3.2}^{3.4}\frac{6(u-3)}{u^2}du = \int_{3.2}^{3.4}\frac{6}{u}-\frac{18}{u^2}du \Rightarrow ...\ln u + ...u^{-1}$	M1	1.1b
	$\int_{3.2}^{3.4}\frac{6(u-3)}{u^2}du = \int_{3.2}^{3.4}\frac{6}{u}-\frac{18}{u^2}du \Rightarrow 6\ln u + 18u^{-1}$	A1	1.1b
	$\left[6\ln u + 18u^{-1}\right]_{3.2}^{3.4} = \left(6\ln 3.4+\frac{18}{3.4}\right)-\left(6\ln 3.2+\frac{18}{3.2}\right) = ...$	ddM1	1.1b
	$6\ln\left(\frac{17}{16}\right)-\frac{45}{136}$ oe	A1	2.1
		(5)	



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(c) Alt 1	Overall problem-solving mark (see notes)	**M1**	3.1a
	$\int 6x(3+x)^{-2}\ dx = \frac{...x}{3+x} \pm ... \int (3+x)^{-1} dx = \frac{...x}{3+x} \pm ... \ln(3+x)$ oe	**M1**	1.1b
	$= 6\ln(3+x) - \frac{6x}{3+x}$ oe	**A1**	1.1b
	$\left(6\ln(3+0.4) - \frac{6(0.4)}{3+0.4}\right) - \left(6\ln(3+0.2) - \frac{6(0.2)}{3+0.2}\right) = ...$	**ddM1**	1.1b
	$6\ln\left(\frac{17}{16}\right) - \frac{45}{136}$ oe	**A1**	2.1

(c) Alt 2	Overall problem-solving mark (see notes)	**M1**	3.1a
	$\int 6x(3+x)^{-2}\ dx = \int \left(\frac{...}{(3+x)} + \frac{...}{(3+x)^2}\right) dx = ... \ln(3+x) + \frac{...}{3+x}$ oe	**M1**	1.1b
	$= 6\ln(3+x) + \frac{18}{3+x}$ oe	**A1**	1.1b
	$\left(6\ln(3+0.4) + \frac{18}{3+0.4}\right) - \left(6\ln(3+0.2) + \frac{18}{3+0.2}\right) = ...$	**ddM1**	1.1b
	$6\ln\left(\frac{17}{16}\right) - \frac{45}{136}$ oe	**A1**	2.1



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Figure 2 shows a cylindrical tank of height 1.5 m.

Initially the tank is full of water.

The water starts to leak from a small hole, at a point L, in the side of the tank.

While the tank is leaking, the depth, H metres, of the water in the tank is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = -0.12e^{-0.2t}$$

where t hours is the time after the leak starts.

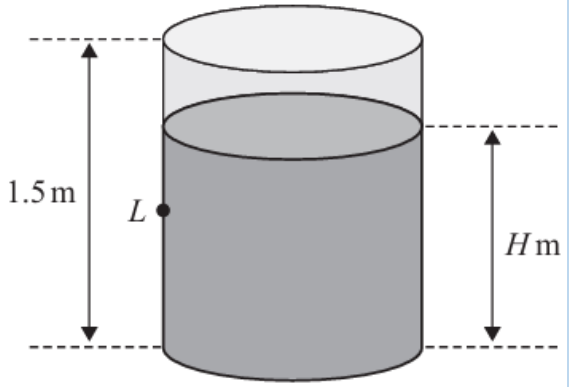


Figure 2

Diagram not drawn to scale.

Using the model,

(a) show that

$$H = Ae^{-0.2t} + B$$

where A and B are constants to be found,

(3)

(b) find the time taken for the depth of the water to decrease to 1.2 m. Give your answer in hours and minutes, to the nearest minute.

(3)

In the long term, the water level in the tank falls to the same height as the hole.

(c) Find, according to the model, the height of the hole from the bottom of the tank.

(2)

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7(a)	$\{H =\} 0.6\mathrm{e}^{-0.2t} \{+c\}$	M1	1.1b
	$t = 0, H = 1.5 \Rightarrow 1.5 = "0.6" + c$ $\Rightarrow c = 0.9$	dM1	3.4
	$\Rightarrow H = 0.6\mathrm{e}^{-0.2t} + 0.9$	A1	2.1
		(3)	
(b)	$1.2 = 0.6\mathrm{e}^{-0.2t} + 0.9 \Rightarrow 0.6\mathrm{e}^{-0.2t} = 0.3$	M1	3.4
	$\mathrm{e}^{-0.2t} = \frac{1}{2}$ $\Rightarrow t = -5\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$	dM1	1.1b
	$\{t =\}$ 3hours 28minutes	A1	3.2a
		(3)	
(c)	{As t gets large $H \rightarrow$} 0.9	M1	3.1b
	0.9 m or 90 cm	A1ft	2.2b
		(2)	
			(8 marks)



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13. (a) Given that a is a positive constant, use the substitution $x = a\sin^2\theta$ to show that

$$\int_0^a x^{\frac{1}{2}}\sqrt{a-x}\,\mathrm{d}x = \frac{1}{2}a^2\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}\sin^2 2\theta\,\mathrm{d}\theta$$

(4)

(b) Hence use algebraic integration to show that

$$\int_0^a x^{\frac{1}{2}}\sqrt{a-x}\,\mathrm{d}x = k\pi a^2$$

where k is a constant to be found.

(4)



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13(a)	$x = a\sin^2\theta \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\theta} = 2a\sin\theta\cos\theta$	B1	1.1b
	$\int x^{\frac{1}{2}}\sqrt{a-x}\,dx = \int \sqrt{a}\sin\theta\sqrt{a-a\sin^2\theta}\times 2a\sin\theta\cos\theta\{d\theta\}$	M1	2.1
	$= \int \sqrt{a}\sin\theta\sqrt{a}\cos\theta\times 2a\sin\theta\cos\theta\,d\theta = 2a^2\int \sin^2\theta\cos^2\theta\,d\theta$ $= 2a^2\int\left(\frac{1}{2}\sin 2\theta\right)^2 d\theta$	dM1	3.1a
	Replaces or considers limits $\{x=0\Rightarrow\}\theta=0,\ \{x=a\Rightarrow\}\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}$ $= \frac{1}{2}a^2\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}\sin^2 2\theta\,d\theta$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(4)	
(b)	$\ldots\int \sin^2 2\theta\,d\theta \rightarrow \ldots\int \frac{1-\cos 4\theta}{2}d\theta$	M1	1.1b
	$\rightarrow \ldots\left(\frac{\theta}{2}-\frac{1}{8}\sin 4\theta\right)$	dM1	2.1
	$\mu\int \sin^2 2\theta\,d\theta \rightarrow \frac{\mu}{2}\left(\theta-\frac{1}{4}\sin 4\theta\right)$	A1	1.1b
	$\left\{\int_0^a x^{\frac{1}{2}}\sqrt{a-x}\,dx\right\} = \frac{a^2}{4}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}-0-0\right) = \frac{1}{8}\pi a^2$	A1	1.1b
		(4)	
			(8 marks)



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14. A balloon is being inflated.

In a simple model,

- the balloon is modelled as a sphere
- the rate of increase of the radius of the balloon is inversely proportional to the square root of the radius of the balloon

At time t seconds, the radius of the balloon is r cm.

(a) Write down a differential equation to model this situation.

(1)

At the instant when $t = 10$

- the radius is 16 cm
- the radius is increasing at a rate of $0.9\,\text{cm}\,\text{s}^{-1}$

(b) Solve the differential equation to show that

$$r^{\frac{3}{2}} = 5.4t + 10$$

(5)

(c) Hence find the radius of the balloon when $t = 20$

Give your answer to the nearest millimetre.

(2)

(d) Suggest a limitation of the model.

(1)

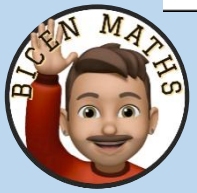


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14(a)	$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{k}{\sqrt{r}}$	B1	3.3
		(1)	
(b)	$0.9 = \frac{k}{\sqrt{16}} \Rightarrow k = 3.6$	B1	3.4
	$\int \sqrt{r}\, dr = \int "3.6"\, dt \Rightarrow ...$	M1	2.1
	$\frac{2}{3} r^{\frac{3}{2}} = "3.6"\, t \quad \{+c\}$	A1	1.1b
	$t = 10, r = 16 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \times 16^{\frac{3}{2}} = 3.6 \times 10 + c \Rightarrow c = ...$	dM1	3.4
	$r^{\frac{3}{2}} = 5.4t + 10$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(5)	
(c)	$t = 20 \Rightarrow r = \left(5.4(20) + 10\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} = ...$	M1	3.4
	$r = 24.1$ cm	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(d)	(The model will not hold indefinitely as) the balloon may burst	B1	3.5b
		(1)	
			(9 marks)



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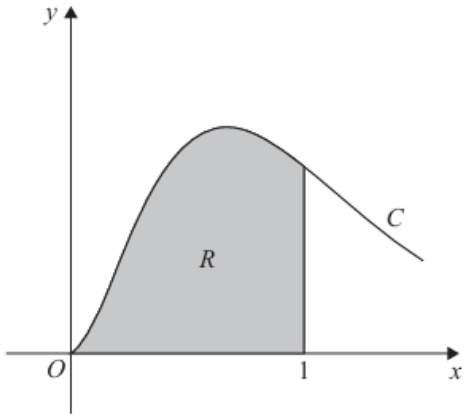


Figure 5

In this question you must show all stages of your working.

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Figure 5 shows a sketch of part of the curve C with equation

$$y = 8x^2e^{-3x} \qquad x \geqslant 0$$

The finite region R, shown shaded in Figure 5, is bounded by

- the curve C
- the line with equation $x = 1$
- the x-axis

Find the exact area of R, giving your answer in the form

$$A + Be^{-3}$$

where A and B are rational numbers to be found.

(5)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11	$\int 8x^2 e^{-3x}\,dx = -\frac{8x^2}{3}e^{-3x} + \int \frac{16x}{3}e^{-3x}\,dx$	M1 A1	2.1 1.1b
	$= -\frac{8x^2}{3}e^{-3x} - \frac{16x}{9}e^{-3x} + \int \frac{16}{9}e^{-3x}\,dx$	**d**M1	1.1b
	$\left[-\frac{8x^2}{3}e^{-3x} - \frac{16x}{9}e^{-3x} - \frac{16}{27}e^{-3x}\right]_0^1$ $= -\frac{8}{3}e^{-3} - \frac{16}{9}e^{-3} - \frac{16}{27}e^{-3} - \left(-0-0-\frac{16}{27}\right)$	M1	2.1
	$= \frac{16}{27} - \frac{136}{27}e^{-3}$	A1	1.1b
		(5)	
			(5 marks)



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12. (a) Express $\dfrac{1}{V(25-V)}$ in partial fractions.

(2)

The volume, V microlitres, of a plant cell t hours after the plant is watered is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{1}{10}V(25-V)$$

The plant cell has an initial volume of 20 microlitres.

(b) Find, according to the model, the time taken, in minutes, for the volume of the plant cell to reach 24 microlitres.

(5)

(c) Show that

$$V = \frac{A}{e^{-kt} + B}$$

where A, B and k are constants to be found.

(3)

The model predicts that there is an upper limit, L microlitres, on the volume of the plant cell.

(d) Find the value of L, giving a reason for your answer.

(2)



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12(a)	$\frac{1}{V(25-V)}=\frac{P}{V}+\frac{Q}{25-V}$ e.g. $1=P(25-V)+QV$ $V=0$ or $V=25$ leading to $P=\ldots$ or $Q=\ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$\frac{1}{V(25-V)}=\frac{1}{25V}+\frac{1}{25(25-V)}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b) **Way 1**	$\int\frac{1}{V(25-V)}\,dV=\int\frac{1}{25V}+\frac{1}{25(25-V)}\,dV=\frac{1}{25}\ln V-\frac{1}{25}\ln(25-V)$	M1	3.1a
	$\frac{1}{25}\ln V-\frac{1}{25}\ln(25-V)=\frac{1}{10}t(+c)$	A1ft	1.1b
	$t=0, V=20\Rightarrow\frac{1}{25}\ln 20-\frac{1}{25}\ln(25-20)=c\left(\Rightarrow c=\frac{1}{25}\ln 4\right)$	M1	3.4
	$V=24\Rightarrow t=\frac{2}{5}\ln 24-\frac{2}{5}\ln(25-24)-\frac{2}{5}\ln 4$	**d**M1	3.1b
	$=43$ (or exact $24\ln 6$)	A1	3.2a
		(5)	
	Alternative for the final 3 marks:		
	$\left[\frac{1}{25}\ln V-\frac{1}{25}\ln(25-V)\right]_{20}^{24}=\left[\frac{1}{10}t\right]_0^T\Rightarrow\frac{1}{25}\ln 24-\frac{1}{25}\ln 4=\frac{1}{10}T$	M1	3.4
	$T=\frac{10}{25}\ln 24-\frac{10}{25}\ln 4=\ldots$	**d**M1	3.1b
	$=43$ (or exact $24\ln 6$)	A1	3.2a
(c)	$\frac{1}{25}\ln V-\frac{1}{25}\ln(25-V)=\frac{1}{10}t+\frac{1}{25}\ln 4$ $\ln V-\ln(25-V)=2.5t+\ln 4$ $\ln\frac{V}{4(25-V)}=2.5t\Rightarrow\frac{V}{4(25-V)}=e^{2.5t}$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow V=4e^{2.5t}(25-V)\Rightarrow V+4Ve^{2.5t}=100e^{2.5t}\Rightarrow V=\ldots$	M1	2.1
	$\Rightarrow V=\frac{100e^{2.5t}}{1+4e^{2.5t}}=\frac{100}{e^{-2.5t}+4}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(d)	25 (microlitres)	B1	2.2a
	Since e.g. As $t\to\infty$, $e^{"-2.5"t}\to 0$	B1	2.4
		(2)	



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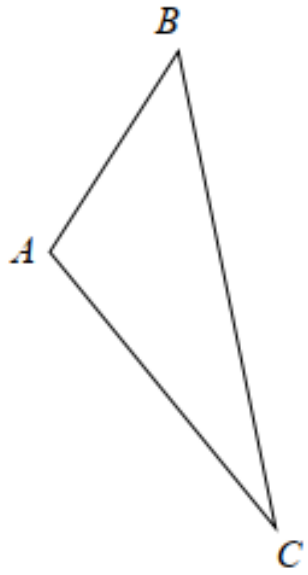


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of a triangle ABC.

Given $\overrightarrow{AB} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$ and $\overrightarrow{BC} = \mathbf{i} - 9\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$,

show that $\angle BAC = 105.9°$ to one decimal place.

(5)

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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
7	Attempts $\overrightarrow{AC}=\overrightarrow{AB}+\overrightarrow{BC}=2\mathbf{i}+3\mathbf{j}+\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{i}-9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}=3\mathbf{i}-6\mathbf{j}+4\mathbf{k}$	M1	3.1a
	Attempts to find any one length using 3-d Pythagoras	M1	2.1
	Finds all of $\lvert AB\rvert=\sqrt{14},\quad \lvert AC\rvert=\sqrt{61},\quad \lvert BC\rvert=\sqrt{91}$	A1ft	1.1b
	$\cos BAC=\dfrac{14+61-91}{2\sqrt{14}\sqrt{61}}$	M1	2.1
	angle $BAC=105.9°$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(5)	
			(5 marks)



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2. Relative to a fixed origin O,

the point A has position vector $(2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k})$,

the point B has position vector $(4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$,

and the point C has position vector $(a\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$, where a is a constant and $a < 0$

D is the point such that $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{BD}$.

(a) Find the position vector of D.

(2)

Given $|\overrightarrow{AC}| = 4$

(b) find the value of a.

(3)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
2	$\overrightarrow{OA} = 2\mathbf{i}+3\mathbf{j}-4\mathbf{k}$, $\overrightarrow{OB} = 4\mathbf{i}-2\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}$, $\overrightarrow{OC} = a\mathbf{i}+5\mathbf{j}-2\mathbf{k}$, $a<0$ $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{BD}$, $\lvert\overrightarrow{AB}\rvert = 4$		
(a)	E.g. $\overrightarrow{OD} = \overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{BD} = \overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{AB}$ **or** $\overrightarrow{OD} = \overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{BD} = \overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{OB}-\overrightarrow{OA} = 2\overrightarrow{OB}-\overrightarrow{OA}$ **or** $\overrightarrow{OD} = \overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{BD} = \overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OA}+\overrightarrow{AB}+\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OA}+2\overrightarrow{AB}$		
	$= \begin{pmatrix}4\\-2\\3\end{pmatrix}+\begin{pmatrix}4\\-2\\3\end{pmatrix}-\begin{pmatrix}2\\3\\-4\end{pmatrix}$ $\left\{= \begin{pmatrix}4\\-2\\3\end{pmatrix}+\begin{pmatrix}2\\-5\\7\end{pmatrix}\right\}$ **or** $= \begin{pmatrix}2\\3\\-4\end{pmatrix}+2\left(\begin{pmatrix}4\\-2\\3\end{pmatrix}-\begin{pmatrix}2\\3\\-4\end{pmatrix}\right)$ $\left\{= \begin{pmatrix}2\\3\\-4\end{pmatrix}+2\begin{pmatrix}2\\-5\\7\end{pmatrix}\right\}$	M1	3.1a
	$= \begin{pmatrix}6\\-7\\10\end{pmatrix}$ or $6\mathbf{i}-7\mathbf{j}+10\mathbf{k}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	$(a-2)^2+(5-3)^2+(-2--4)^2$	M1	1.1b
	$\left\{\lvert\overrightarrow{AC}\rvert = 4 \Rightarrow\right\} (a-2)^2+(5-3)^2+(-2--4)^2 = (4)^2$ $\Rightarrow (a-2)^2 = 8 \Rightarrow a = \ldots$ **or** $\Rightarrow a^2-4a-4=0 \Rightarrow a = \ldots$	dM1	2.1
	(as $a<0 \Rightarrow$) $a = 2-2\sqrt{2}$ (or $a = 2-\sqrt{8}$)	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(5 marks)



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3. Relative to a fixed origin O

- point A has position vector $2\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$
- point B has position vector $3\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}$
- point C has position vector $2\mathbf{i} - 16\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$

(a) Find $\overrightarrow{AB}$

(2)

(b) Show that quadrilateral $OABC$ is a trapezium, giving reasons for your answer.

(2)



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Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3 (a)	$\overrightarrow{AB} = (3\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}) - (2\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k})$	M1	1.1b
	$= \mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	States $\overrightarrow{OC} = 2 \times \overrightarrow{AB}$	M1	1.1b
	Explains that as OC is parallel to AB, so $OABC$ is a trapezium.	A1	2.4
		(2)	
			(4 marks)



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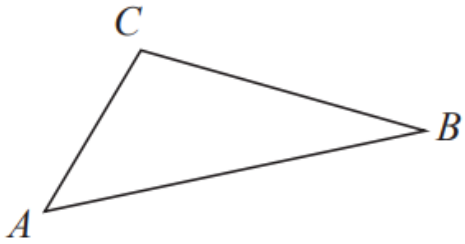


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of triangle ABC.

Given that

- $\overrightarrow{AB} = -3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} - 5\mathbf{k}$
- $\overrightarrow{BC} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$

(a) find $\overrightarrow{AC}$

(2)

(b) show that $\cos ABC = \frac{9}{10}$

(3)



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6(a)	$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} = -3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} - 5\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k} = \ldots$	M1	1.1b
	$= -2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	
(b)	At least 2 of $\left(AC^2\right) = "2^2 + 3^2 + 1^2 ", \left(AB^2\right) = 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2, \left(BC^2\right) = 1^2 + 1^2 + 4^2$	M1	1.1b
	$2^2 + 3^2 + 1^2 = 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 4^2 - 2\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2}\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 4^2}\cos ABC$	M1	3.1a
	$14 = 50 + 18 - 2\sqrt{50}\sqrt{18}\cos ABC$ $\Rightarrow \cos ABC = \dfrac{50 + 18 - 14}{2\sqrt{50}\sqrt{18}} = \dfrac{9}{10}*$	A1*	2.1
		(3)	
	(b) Alternative		
	$AB^2 = 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2,\ BC^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 + 4^2$	M1	1.1b
	$\overrightarrow{BA}.\overrightarrow{BC} = (3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}) \bullet (\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}) = 27 = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2}\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 4^2}\cos ABC$	M1	3.1a
	$27 = \sqrt{50}\sqrt{18}\cos ABC \Rightarrow \cos ABC = \dfrac{27}{\sqrt{50}\sqrt{18}} = \dfrac{9}{10}*$	A1*	2.1
			(5 marks)



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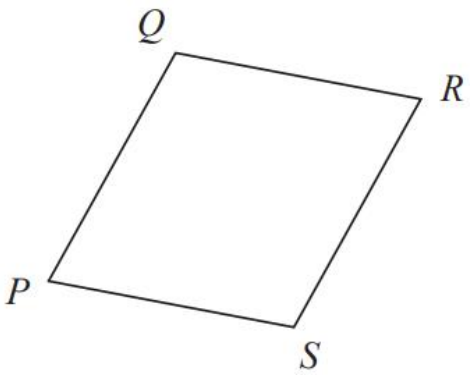


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a sketch of a parallelogram $PQRS$.

Given that

- $\overrightarrow{PQ} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}$
- $\overrightarrow{QR} = 5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{k}$

(a) show that parallelogram $PQRS$ is a rhombus.

(2)

(b) Find the exact area of the rhombus $PQRS$.

(4)



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9(a)	Attempts both $\left\|\overrightarrow{PQ}\right\| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + (-4)^2}$ and $\left\|\overrightarrow{QR}\right\| = \sqrt{5^2 + (-2)^2}$	M1
	States that $\left\|\overrightarrow{PQ}\right\| = \left\|\overrightarrow{QR}\right\| = \sqrt{29}$ so $PQRS$ is a rhombus	A1
		(2)
(b)	Attempts BOTH $\overrightarrow{PR} = \overrightarrow{PQ} + \overrightarrow{QR} = 7\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$ AND $\overrightarrow{QS} = -\overrightarrow{PQ} + \overrightarrow{PS} = 3\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$	M1
	Correct $\overrightarrow{PR} = 7\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$ and $\overrightarrow{QS} = 3\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$	A1
	Correct method for area $PQRS$. E.g. $\frac{1}{2} \times \left\|\overrightarrow{PR}\right\| \times \left\|\overrightarrow{QS}\right\|$	dM1
	$= \sqrt{517}$	A1
		(4)



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13. Relative to a fixed origin O

- the point A has position vector $4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}$
- the point B has position vector $4\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$
- the point C has position vector $-16\mathbf{i} + p\mathbf{j} + 10\mathbf{k}$

where p is a constant.

Given that A, B and C lie on a straight line,

(a) find the value of p.

(3)

The line segment OB is extended to a point D so that $\overrightarrow{CD}$ is parallel to $\overrightarrow{OA}$

(b) Find $|\overrightarrow{OD}|$, writing your answer as a fully simplified surd.

(3)



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13(a)	Attempts two of the relevant vectors $\pm\overrightarrow{AB} = \pm(-4\mathbf{i}+7\mathbf{j}+\mathbf{k})$ $\pm\overrightarrow{AC} = \pm(-20\mathbf{i}+(p+3)\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k})$ $\pm\overrightarrow{BC} = \pm(-16\mathbf{i}+(p-4)\mathbf{j}+4\mathbf{k})$	M1
	Uses two of the three vectors in such a way as to find the value of p. E.g. $p+3=5\times 7$	dM1
	$p=32$	A1
		(3)
	(a) Alternative:	
	$\mathbf{r}_{AB} = 4\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k}+\lambda(-4\mathbf{i}+7\mathbf{j}+\mathbf{k})$	M1
	$4\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k}+\lambda(-4\mathbf{i}+7\mathbf{j}+\mathbf{k}) = -16\mathbf{i}+p\mathbf{j}+10\mathbf{k} \Rightarrow \lambda = 5$ $4\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k}+\lambda(-4\mathbf{i}+7\mathbf{j}+\mathbf{k}) = -16\mathbf{i}+p\mathbf{j}+10\mathbf{k} \Rightarrow p = 35-3$	dM1
	$p=32$	A1
(b)	Deduces that $\overrightarrow{OD} = \lambda\overrightarrow{OB} = 4\lambda\mathbf{j}+6\lambda\mathbf{k}$ and attempts $\overrightarrow{CD} = 16\mathbf{i}+(4\lambda-"32")\mathbf{j}+(6\lambda-10)\mathbf{k}$	M1
	Correct attempt at λ using the fact that $\overrightarrow{CD}$ is parallel to $\overrightarrow{OA}$ $\overrightarrow{CD} = 16\mathbf{i}+(4\lambda-"32")\mathbf{j}+(6\lambda-10)\mathbf{k}$ $\overrightarrow{OA} = 4\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k}$ $4\lambda-32=-12 \Rightarrow \lambda = \ldots$ OR $6\lambda-10=20 \Rightarrow \lambda=\ldots$	dM1
	$\left\lvert\overrightarrow{OD}\right\rvert = 5\times\sqrt{4^2+6^2} = 10\sqrt{13}$	A1
		(3)



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3. Relative to a fixed origin O

- the point A has position vector $5\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$
- the point B has position vector $2\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + a\mathbf{k}$

where a is a positive integer.

(a) Show that $|\overrightarrow{OA}| = \sqrt{38}$

(1)

(b) Find the smallest value of a for which

$$|\overrightarrow{OB}| > |\overrightarrow{OA}|$$

(2)



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3(a)	$\left(\lvert\overrightarrow{OA}\rvert =\right) \sqrt{5^2+3^2+2^2} = \sqrt{38}$ *	B1*	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	$\lvert\overrightarrow{OB}\rvert = \sqrt{2^2+4^2+a^2} = \sqrt{20+a^2}$ so when $a=5$ $\lvert\overrightarrow{OB}\rvert = \sqrt{20+25} = \sqrt{45}$	M1	1.1b
	$= 5$	A1cso	2.3
		(2)	
			(3 marks)



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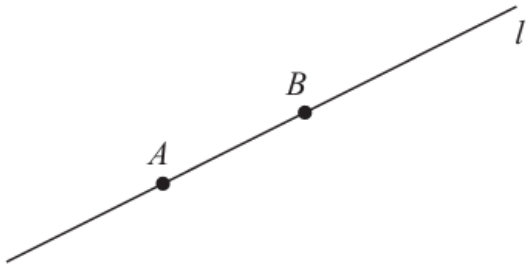


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of the straight line l.

Line l passes through the points A and B.

Relative to a fixed origin O

- the point A has position vector $2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}$
- the point B has position vector $5\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} + 8\mathbf{k}$

(a) Find $\overrightarrow{AB}$

(1)

Given that a point P lies on l such that

$$|\overrightarrow{AP}| = 2|\overrightarrow{BP}|$$

(b) find the possible position vectors of P.

(4)



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7(a)	$\left(\overrightarrow{AB}=\right)3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}$	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	Examples: $\overrightarrow{OP}=\overrightarrow{OA}+2\overrightarrow{AB}=2\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k}+2\left(3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}\right)=...$ or $\overrightarrow{OP}=\overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{AB}=5\mathbf{i}+6\mathbf{j}+8\mathbf{k}+\left(3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}\right)=...$ or $\overrightarrow{OP}=\overrightarrow{OA}+\frac{2}{3}\overrightarrow{AB}=2\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k}+\frac{2}{3}\left(3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}\right)=...$ or $\overrightarrow{OP}=\overrightarrow{OB}+\frac{1}{3}\overrightarrow{BA}=5\mathbf{i}+6\mathbf{j}+8\mathbf{k}-\frac{1}{3}\left(3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}\right)=...$	M1	3.1a
	$8\mathbf{i}+15\mathbf{j}+11\mathbf{k}$ or $4\mathbf{i}+3\mathbf{j}+7\mathbf{k}$	A1	1.1b
	Examples: $\overrightarrow{OP}=\overrightarrow{OA}+2\overrightarrow{AB}=2\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k}+2\left(3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}\right)=...$ or $\overrightarrow{OP}=\overrightarrow{OB}+\overrightarrow{AB}=5\mathbf{i}+6\mathbf{j}+8\mathbf{k}+\left(3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}\right)=...$ **and** $\overrightarrow{OP}=\overrightarrow{OA}+\frac{2}{3}\overrightarrow{AB}=2\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+5\mathbf{k}+\frac{2}{3}\left(3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}\right)=...$ or $\overrightarrow{OP}=\overrightarrow{OB}+\frac{1}{3}\overrightarrow{BA}=5\mathbf{i}+6\mathbf{j}+8\mathbf{k}-\frac{1}{3}\left(3\mathbf{i}+9\mathbf{j}+3\mathbf{k}\right)=...$	dM1	3.1a
	$8\mathbf{i}+15\mathbf{j}+11\mathbf{k}$ and $4\mathbf{i}+3\mathbf{j}+7\mathbf{k}$	A1	2.2a
		(4)	
			(5 marks)



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