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Advanced

Paper 1: Pure Mathematics 1

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Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables (Green), calculator

Total Marks

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- Inexact answers should be given to three significant figures unless otherwise stated.

Information

- A booklet 'Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables' is provided.
- There are 16 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 100.
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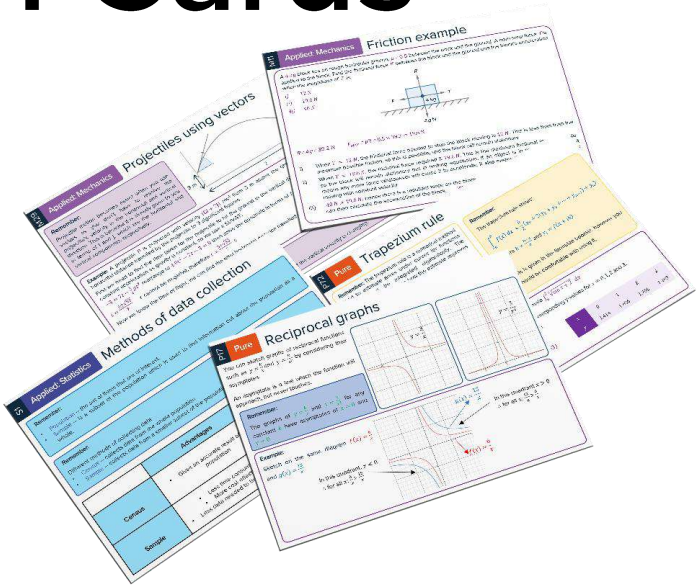

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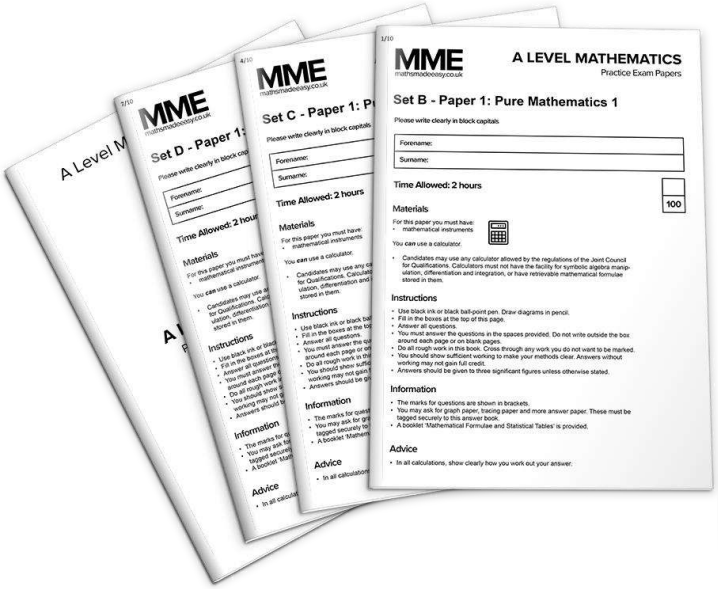

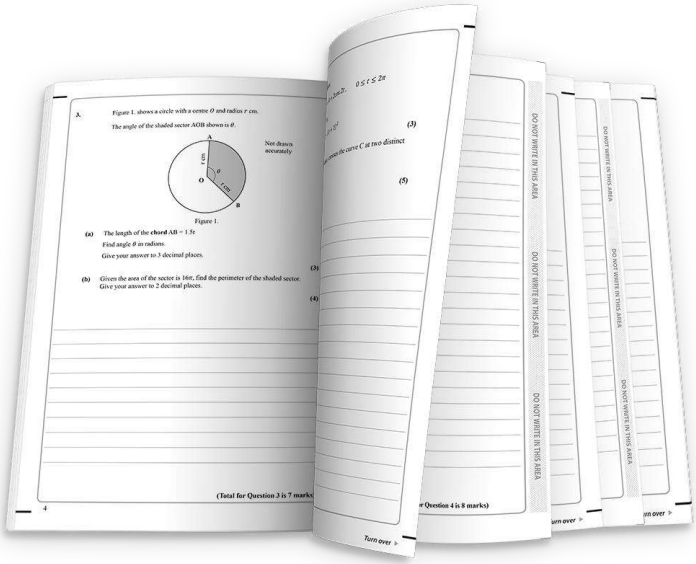

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1. (a) Find the first four terms, in ascending powers of x, of the binomial expansion of

$$(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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)

a) $(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \times 8x + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times -\frac{1}{2}}{1 \times 2} \times (8x)^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times -\frac{1}{2} \times -\frac{3}{2}}{1 \times 2 \times 3} \times (8x)^3 + \ldots$

$(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + 4x + \frac{-\frac{1}{4}}{2} \times 64x^2 + \frac{\frac{3}{8}}{6} \times 512x^3 + \ldots$

$(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + 4x - \frac{1}{8} \times 64x^2 + \frac{3}{48} \times 512x^3 + \ldots$

$(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + 4x - 8x^2 + \frac{1}{16} \times 512x^3 + \ldots$

$(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + 4x - 8x^2 + 32x^3 + \ldots$

b) $x = \frac{1}{32}$

$(1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}} =$

$\sqrt{1 + 8 \times \frac{1}{32}} =$

$\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4}} =$

$\sqrt{\frac{5}{4}} =$

$\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$.

Hence, $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} = (1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ where $x = \frac{1}{32}$

$\sqrt{5} = 2 \times (1+8x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ where $x = \frac{1}{32}$.

So $\sqrt{5}$ is approximated by substituting $x = \frac{1}{32}$ into $2(1 + 4x - 8x^2 + 32x^3 + \ldots)$.

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)

$4^{3p-1} = 5^{210}$

$(3p-1)\ln 4 = 210 \ln 5$

$3p - 1 = \frac{210 \ln 5}{\ln 4}$

$3p = \frac{210 \ln 5}{\ln 4} + 1$

$p = \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{210 \ln 5}{\ln 4} + 1\right)$

$p = 81.6$.

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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)

a) $\overrightarrow{AB} = \underline{b} - \underline{a}$

$\overrightarrow{AB} = 3\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} - 4\underline{k} - (2\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} - 6\underline{k})$

$\overrightarrow{AB} = 3\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} - 4\underline{k} - 2\underline{i} - 5\underline{j} + 6\underline{k}$

$\overrightarrow{AB} = \underline{i} - 8\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$

b) $\overrightarrow{OC} = 2\underline{i} - 16\underline{j} + 4\underline{k}$

$\overrightarrow{OC} = 2(\underline{i} - 8\underline{j} + 2\underline{k})$

$\overrightarrow{OC} = 2\overrightarrow{AB}$

So $\overrightarrow{OC}$ and $\overrightarrow{AB}$ are parallel.

Hence, OABC is a trapezium.

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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 $ff(x) = \dfrac{ax+b}{x-3}$ where a and b are integers to be found.

(3)

a) $f(x) = \frac{3x-7}{x-2}$

$(x-2)f(x) = 3x-7$

$xf(x) - 2f(x) = 3x-7$

$xf(x) - 3x = 2f(x) - 7$

$x(f(x) - 3) = 2f(x) - 7$

$x = \frac{2f(x)-7}{f(x)-3}$

Hence: $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x-7}{x-3}$

$f^{-1}(7) = \frac{2\times7-7}{7-3}$

$f^{-1}(7) = \frac{14-7}{4}$

$f^{-1}(7) = \frac{7}{4}$

b) $ff(x) = f(f(x))$

$= f\left(\frac{3x-7}{x-2}\right)$

$= \dfrac{3\left(\frac{3x-7}{x-2}\right) - 7}{\frac{3x-7}{x-2} - 2}$

$= \dfrac{3(3x-7) - 7(x-2)}{3x-7 - 2(x-2)}$

$= \dfrac{9x - 21 - 7x + 14}{3x - 7 - 2x + 4}$

$= \dfrac{2x-7}{x-3}$

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)

a) $a = 28$

$a + 5d = 115$

$5d = 115 - 28$

$5d = 87$

$d = 17.4$

$a + 2d = 28 + 2 \times 17.4$

$= 28 + 34.8$

$= 62.8$ km.h^{-1}.

b) $a = 28$

$ar^5 = 115$

$28r^5 = 115$

$r^5 = \frac{115}{28}$

$r = \left(\frac{115}{28}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}$

$ar^4 = 28 \times \left(\left(\frac{115}{28}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)^4$

$ar^4 = 28 \times \left(\frac{115}{28}\right)^{\frac{4}{5}}$

$ar^4 = 115^{\frac{4}{5}} \times 28^{\frac{1}{5}}$

$ar^4 = 86.7$ km.h^{-1}

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, θ°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)

a) $\sin x + 2\cos x$

$R = \sqrt{1^2+2^2}$

$R = \sqrt{1+4}$

$R = \sqrt{5}$

$\tan\alpha = \frac{2}{1}$

$\tan\alpha = 2$.

$\alpha = 1.107^c$

$\sin x + 2\cos x = \sqrt{5}\sin(x + 1.107^c)$

b) $\theta = 5 + \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{12} - 3\right) + 2\cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{12} - 3\right)$

$\theta = 5 + \sqrt{5}\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{12} - 3 + 1.107\right)$

Maximum is $5+\sqrt{5}$.

c) Occurs at $\frac{\pi t}{12} - 3 + 1.107 = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$\frac{\pi t}{12} = \frac{\pi}{2} + 3 - 1.107$

$\frac{\pi t}{12} = \frac{\pi}{2} + 1.893$.

$t = \frac{12}{\pi}\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + 1.893\right)$

$t = 6 + \frac{12 \times 1.893}{\pi}$

$t = 13.2$

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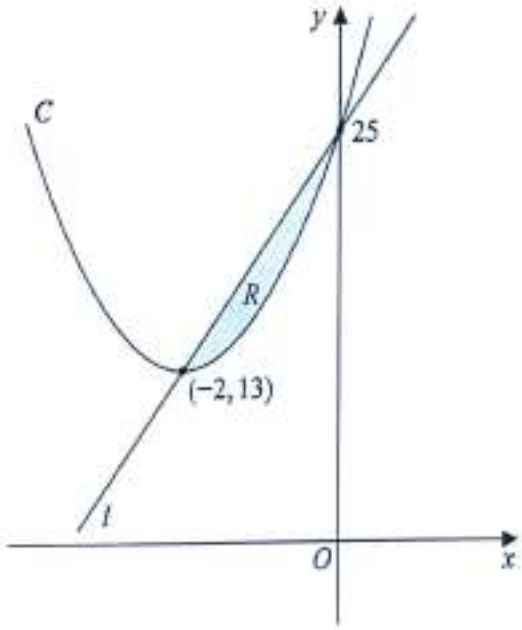

Figure 1

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)

7) Equation of line : $y = mx + c$.

$c = 25$ y-intercept.

$13 = -2m + 25$

$-2m = -12$

$m = 6$.

$y = 6x + 25$.

Equation of $g(x)$.

Since $(-2, 13)$ is a vertex, have:

$g(x) = a(x+2)^2 + 13$

$g(0) = 25$

$25 = a \times 2^2 + 13$

Question 7 continued

$25 = 4a + 13$

$4a = 12$

$a = 3$.

$f(x) = 3(x+2)^2 + 13$.

Hence, the region R is defined by:

$3(x+2)^2 + 13 < y < 6x + 25$.

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)

8) $n = Ae^{kt}$.

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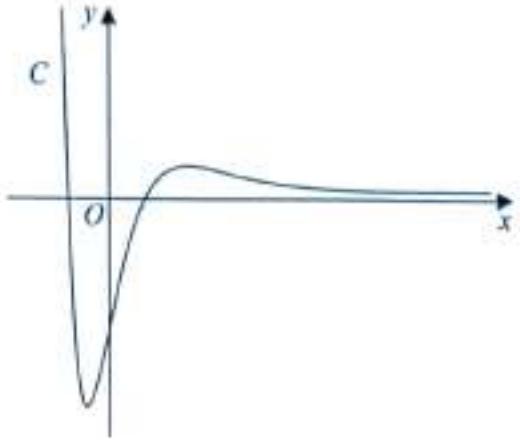

Figure 2

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)

a) $f(x) = 4(x^2 - 2)e^{-2x}$

$u = x^2 - 2 \qquad v = 4e^{-2x}$

$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x \qquad \frac{dv}{dx} = -8e^{-2x}$

$f'(x) = u\frac{dv}{dx} + v\frac{du}{dx}$

$f'(x) = (x^2 - 2)(-8e^{-2x}) + 4e^{-2x}(2x)$

$f'(x) = -8(x^2 - 2)e^{-2x} + 8e^{-2x}$

$f'(x) = 8(2 + x - x^2)e^{-2x}$

Question 9 continued

b) Stationary points at $f'(x) = 0$.

$8(2 + x - x^2)e^{-2x} = 0$.

$2 + x - x^2 = 0$.

$x^2 - x - 2 = 0$.

$(x + 1)(x - 2) = 0$

$x = -1 \qquad x = 2$.

$f(-1) = 4((-1)^2 - 2)e^{-2(-1)}$

$f(-1) = 4(1-2)e^2$

$f(-1) = 4(-1)e^2$

$f(-1) = -4e^2$

$f(2) = 4(2^2 - 2)e^{-2(2)}$

$f(2) = 4(4-2)e^{-4}$

$f(2) = 4(2)e^{-4}$

$f(2) = 8e^{-4}$

Stationary points are $(-1, -4e^2)$, $(2, 8e^{-4})$.

c) i) $g(x) = 2f(x)$.

Range of $f(x)$ is $[-4e^2, \infty)$

Range of $g(x)$ is $[-8e^2, \infty)$.

ii) $h(x) = 2f(x) - 3 \qquad x \geq 0$

$f(0) = 4(0^2 - 2)e^{-2(0)}$

$= 4(0-2)e^0$

$= 4(-2)$

$= -8$.

$h(0) = 2 \times (-8) - 3 = -19$.

$h(2) = 2 \times (8e^{-4}) - 3$

$= 16e^{-4} - 3$.

Hence, range of h is $[-19, 16e^{-4} - 3]$.

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)

a) $I = \int_5^{10} \frac{3}{(x-1)(3+2\sqrt{x-1})}\,dx.$

$x = u^2 + 1$

$dx = 2u\,du$

$x - 1 = u^2.$

$\sqrt{x-1} = u.$

Limits $5 = u^2 + 1$

$u^2 = 4$

$u = 2$

$10 = u^2 + 1$

$u^2 = 9$

$u = 3$

$I = \int_2^3 \frac{3}{u^2(3+2u)}\,2u\,du$

$I = \int_2^3 \frac{6}{u(2u+3)}\,du.$

b) $\frac{6}{u(2u+3)} = \frac{A}{u} + \frac{B}{2u+3}$

$A(2u+3) + Bu = 6.$

$A = 2, \quad B = -4.$

$I = \int_2^3 \frac{2}{u} - \frac{4}{2u+3}\,du$

$I = [2\ln(u) - 2\ln(2u+3)]_2^3$

$I = 2\ln(3) - 2\ln(2\times3+3) - 2\ln(2) + 2\ln(2\times2+3)$

$I = 2\ln(3) - 2\ln(9) - 2\ln(2) + 2\ln(7).$

Question 10 continued

$I = \ln(3^2) - \ln(9^2) - \ln(2^2) + \ln(7^2)$

$I = \ln(9) - \ln(81) - \ln(4) + \ln(49)$

$I = \ln\left(\frac{9 \times 49}{81 \times 4}\right)$

$I = \ln\left(\frac{49}{9 \times 4}\right)$

$I = \ln\left(\frac{49}{36}\right)$.

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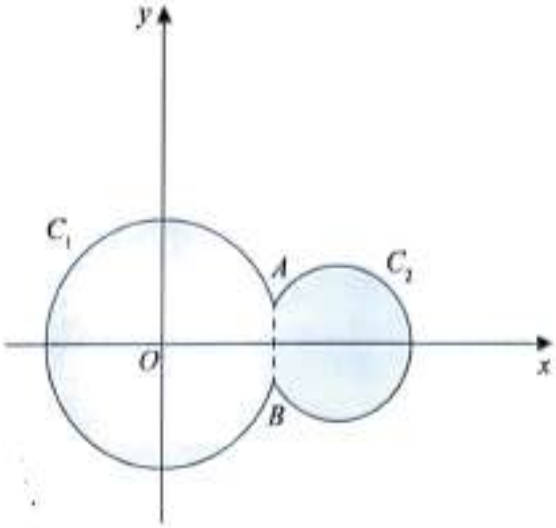

Figure 3

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)

a) $x^2 + y^2 = 100$

$(x-15)^2 + y^2 = 40.$

$x^2 - (x-15)^2 + y^2 - y^2 = 100 - 40.$

$x^2 - (x-15)^2 = 60.$

$x^2 - (x^2 - 30x + 225) = 60$

$x^2 - x^2 + 30x - 225 = 60.$

$30x - 225 = 60$

$30x = 285$

$x = 9.5.$

$9.5^2 + y^2 = 100.$

$\frac{361}{4} + y^2 = 100$

$y^2 = \frac{39}{4}$

$y = \pm \frac{\sqrt{39}}{2}.$

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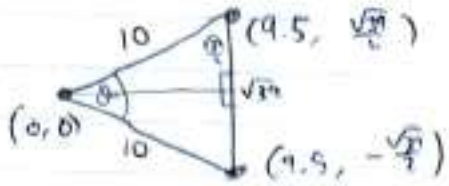


$\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\theta\right) = \frac{\sqrt{39}}{20}$

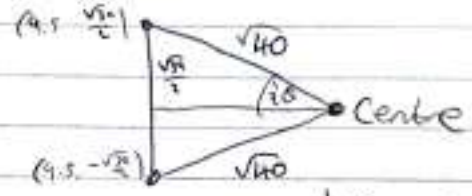
$\frac{1}{2}\theta = \arcsin\left(\frac{\sqrt{39}}{20}\right)$

$\theta = 2\arcsin\left(\frac{\sqrt{39}}{20}\right)$

$\theta = 0.635^c$.

b) $10 \times (2\pi - 0.635) = 56.48$.

Now consider other circle.



$\frac{1}{2}\theta = \arcsin\left(\frac{\sqrt{39}}{2\sqrt{40}}\right)$

$\theta = 1.03$

$\sqrt{40} \times (2\pi - 1.03) = 33.2$

$56.5 + 33.2 = 89.7$.

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

Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(a) Show that

$$\operatorname{cosec}\theta - \sin\theta \equiv \cos\theta\cot\theta \qquad \theta \neq (180n)^\circ \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(3)

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve for $0 < x < 180^\circ$

$$\operatorname{cosec}x - \sin x = \cos x \cot(3x - 50^\circ)$$

(5)

a) $\operatorname{cosec}\theta - \sin\theta =$

$\frac{1}{\sin\theta} - \sin\theta =$

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

$\frac{\cos^2\theta}{\sin\theta} =$

$\cos\theta \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} =$

$\cos\theta \cot\theta$.

b) $\operatorname{cosec}x - \sin x = \cos x \cot(3x - 50)$

$\cos x \cot x = \cos x \cot(3x - 50)$

$\cot x = \cot(3x - 50)$

$x = 3x - 50$

$2x = 50$

$x = 25^\circ$.

Divide by $\cos x$ here. $\cos x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 90^\circ$.

Also $2x - 50 = 180$

$2x = 230$

$x = 115^\circ$

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)

a) $a_2 = \frac{k(a_1+2)}{a_1}$

$a_2 = \frac{k(2+2)}{2}$

$a_2 = \frac{4k}{2}$

$a_2 = 2k.$

$a_3 = \frac{k(a_2+2)}{a_2}$

$a_3 = \frac{k(2k+2)}{2k}$

$a_3 = \frac{2k+2}{2}$

$a_3 = k+1.$

$a_4 = \frac{k(a_3+1)}{a_3}$

$a_4 = \frac{k(k+1+1)}{k+1}$

$a_4 = \frac{k(k+3)}{k+1}$

$a_4 = 2.$

$\frac{k(k+3)}{k+1} = 2$

$k(k+3) = 2(k+1)$

$k^2 + 3k = 2k+2$

Question 13 continued

$k^2 + k - 2 = 0.$

b) $k = 1$: $a_2 = \frac{1(2+1)}{2}$
$= \frac{4}{2}$
$= 2$

$\Rightarrow a_3 = 2 \Rightarrow a_4 = 2$ etc.

i.e. if $k=1$ then all terms are the same.

c) $k^2 + k - 2 = 0,$
$(k-1)(k+2) = 0.$
$k = 1$ no $k = -2.$

$a_{n+1} = \frac{-2(a_n+2)}{a_n}$

$a_1 = 2$

$a_2 = \frac{-2(2+2)}{2} = \frac{-2(4)}{2} = \frac{-8}{2} = -4.$

$a_3 = \frac{-2(-4+2)}{-4} = \frac{-2(-2)}{-4} = \frac{4}{-4} = -1.$

Hence $\sum_{n=1}^{30} a_n = 26 \times (2 + (-4) + (-1)) + 2 + (-4)$
$= 26 \times (2 - 4 - 1) + 2 - 4$
$= 26 \times (-3) - 2$
$= -78 - 2$
$= -80.$

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)

a) $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$.

$\frac{dV}{dt} = c$

$\frac{dV}{dr} = 4\pi r^2$

$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{dr}{dV} \cdot \frac{dV}{dt}$.

$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{c}{4\pi r^2}$

Define $k = \frac{c}{4\pi}$

$\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{k}{r^2}$.

b) $r^2 \frac{dr}{dt} = k$.

$\int r^2 dr = \int k\, dt$.

$\frac{1}{3}r^3 = kt + c$.

$\frac{1}{3}(40)^3 = k \times 0 + c$

$\frac{1}{3} \times 64000 = c$

$c = \frac{64000}{3}$.

$\frac{1}{3}r^3 = kt + \frac{64000}{3}$.

$\frac{1}{3}(20)^3 = k \times 5 + \frac{64000}{3}$

$\frac{1}{3} \times 8000 = 5k + \frac{64000}{3}$.

$5k = -\frac{56000}{3}$.

Question 14 continued

$k = -\frac{11200}{3}$.

$\frac{1}{3}r^3 = -\frac{11200}{3}t + \frac{64000}{3}$

$r^3 = -11200t + 64000$.

$r = (-11200t + 64000)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

c) Valid for $-11200t + 64000 > 0$.

$64000 > 11200t$

$t < \frac{64000}{11200}$

$t < \frac{40}{7}$.

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)

a) $x^2 \tan y = 9$.

$2x \tan y + x^2 \sec^2 y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$2x \tan y + x^2 (\tan^2 y + 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$\tan y = \frac{9}{x^2}$

$2x\left(\frac{9}{x^2}\right) + x^2\left(\left(\frac{9}{x^2}\right)^2 + 1\right)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$18x^{-1} + x^2(81x^{-4} + 1)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$18x^{-1} + (81x^{-2} + x^2)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$(81x^{-2} + x^2)\frac{dy}{dx} = -18x^{-1}$.

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-18x^{-1}}{81x^{-2} + x^2}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-18x}{x^4 + 81}$

b) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{(x^4+81)(-18) - (-18x)(4x^3)}{(x^4+81)^2}$

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{18(-x^4 - 81 + 4x^4)}{(x^4+81)^2}$

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{18(3x^4 - 81)}{(x^4+81)^2}$

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{54(x^4 - 27)}{(x^4+81)^2}$.

Denominator is always positive so consider numerator only: $54(x^4 - 27)$.

$x^4 - 27$.

Clearly for positive x,

$x^4 - 27 > 0$ for $x > \sqrt[4]{27}$

$x^4 - 27 = 0$ for $x = \sqrt[4]{27}$

$x^4 - 27 < 0$ for $x < \sqrt[4]{27}$.

Hence $\sqrt[4]{27}$ is a point of inflexion.

16. Prove by contradiction that there are no positive integers p and q such that

$$4p^2 - q^2 = 25$$

(4)

Suppose there are positive integers p and q such that:

$4p^2 - q^2 = 25$

$(2p+q)(2p-q) = 25$.

Since p and q are positive integers, $2p+q > 0$, $2p-q > 0$, $2p+q > 2p-q$ and $2p+q$ and $2p-q$ are integers.

The factors of 25 are 1×25 and 5×5.

Hence, we must have:

$2p+q = 25 \quad 2p-q = 1$.

$4p = 26$

$p = 6.5$

which is not an integer.

Hence, this is a contradiction, so no such integers can exist.