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Preliminary Course Task 2 Half Yearly

# Mathematics

## 2017

### General Instructions

- Working time – 90 minutes
- Write using black or blue pen
- Board-approved calculators may be used
- All necessary working should be shown on every question
- Write your name & teacher's name on top of every section

**Multiple Choice (10 marks)**

1. What is the value of  $\frac{(1.49)^2 - 1.98}{\sqrt{11.62 + 8.34 \times 2.72}}$  correct to three significant figures?
- (A) 0.040 (B) 0.041  
(C) 0.0409 (D) 0.0410
2. What is the solution to the equation  $\frac{x+4}{3} = \frac{x}{2} - 2$ ?
- (A)  $x=2$  (B)  $x=5$   
(C)  $x=6$  (D)  $x=20$
3. If  $2x^2 - 6x - 3 = 0$ , then  $x =$
- (A)  $\frac{3 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$  (B)  $\frac{3 \pm \sqrt{15}}{2}$   
(C)  $\frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$  (D)  $\frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{15}}{2}$
4. The formula  $H = 5m(Y - X)$  is used to calculate the heat ( $H$ ) required to raise the temperature of a steel rod, of mass  $m$ , from a temperature of  $X$  to a temperature of  $Y$ . Rearrange the formula to make  $X$  the subject.
- (A)  $X = \frac{5mY - H}{5m}$  (B)  $X = \frac{H - 5m}{Y}$   
(C)  $X = \frac{H - 5mY}{5m}$  (D)  $X = \frac{5m - H}{Y}$

5. If  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x - 5$  then  $\frac{f(a)}{2a + 2}$  equals

(A)  $\frac{2a-5}{2}$

(B)  $\frac{2x-5}{2}$

(C)  $2a-5$

(D)  $x-5$

6. Which of the following expressions does NOT have  $m+1$  as a factor?

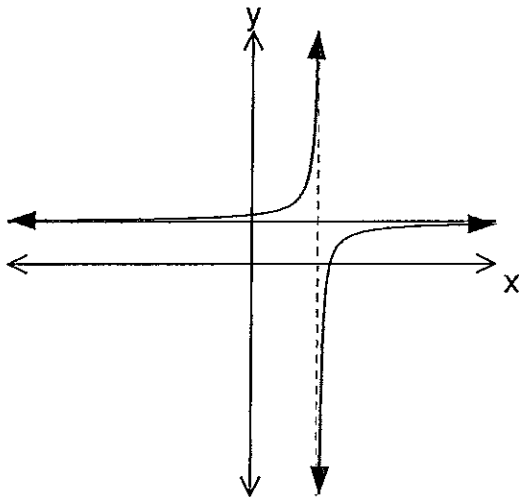
(A)  $m^2 - 1$

(B)  $m^2 + 1$

(C)  $m^2 + m$

(D)  $m^2 + 2m + 1$

7.



The graph could be represented by the equation:

(A)  $y = -\frac{1}{x-3} - 2$

(B)  $y = -\frac{1}{x-3} + 2$

(C)  $y = -\frac{1}{x+3} + 2$

(D)  $y = -\frac{1}{x+3} - 2$

8. The minimum value of  $y = x^2 - 7x + 10$  is:

(A) 2

(B)  $3\frac{1}{2}$

(C)  $-2\frac{1}{4}$

(D)  $2\frac{1}{4}$



**Question 11 (Start a new page – 18 marks)**

- a. Simplify  $\frac{x^2-1}{x-3} \times \frac{x^2-3x}{2x-2}$  as a single fraction in simplest form. 2
- b. Solve  $3x = x^2$  2
- c. Completely factorise the following
- (i)  $6x^2 - 3xy - 4xz + 2yz$  . 2
- (ii)  $x^4 - 1$  2
- (iii)  $8x^3 - 125y^3$  2
- d. Expand and simplify:  $(2x - 3y)^2 - 5x(x - 2y)$ . 2
- e. Solve for  $x$  and  $y$ :  $x + 3y = 2$   
 $2x - y = 11$  3
- f. Solve the equation by completing the square:  $x^2 - 10x = 11$  3

**Question 12 (Start a new page – 21 marks)**

- a. Simplify
- (i)  $\sqrt{32}$  1
- (ii)  $\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{27} - \sqrt{18}$  2
- b. Express  $0.\dot{1}2\dot{5}$  as a fraction in simplest form, showing all working. 2
- c. Expand and simplify:  $(2\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{11})(2\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{11})$  2
- d. Express  $\frac{3\sqrt{2}+1}{2\sqrt{3}}$  with a rational denominator. 2
- e. Find the value of  $p$  and  $q$  such that:  $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}-2} = p + q\sqrt{5}$  3
- f. Sketch the following function, stating their domain and range: 3
- $$f(x) = \frac{3}{x-4}$$
- g. A function is defined as  $y = 15 - 7x - 2x^2$
- (i) Determine the  $x$  intercepts. 2
- (ii) Determine the vertex. 1
- (iii) Sketch the function, showing the important features. 1
- (iv) Hence solve  $15 - 7x - 2x^2 \geq 0$  1
- (v) State the range of the function. 1

**Question 13 (Start a new page – 22 marks)**

a. Solve for  $x$ :

(i)  $1 < 1 + x < 2$  1

(ii)  $|x + 1| = 3x + 2$  2

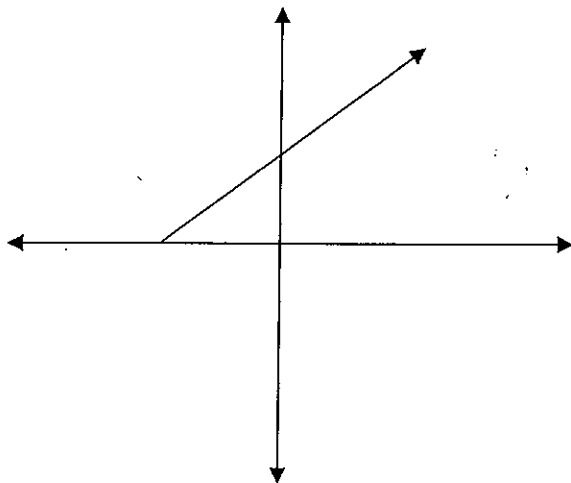
b. A function is defined by the rule  $p(x) = \begin{cases} x + 1, & \text{if } x \geq 1 \\ -1, & \text{if } -2 < x < 1 \\ |x|, & \text{if } x \leq -2 \end{cases}$

Find:

(i)  $p(0) + p(-2)$  2

(ii) Sketch the function. 3

c. Copy and complete the graph below, given that it is not a function. 1



d. Show the region of the number plane where the following hold simultaneously: 3

$$(x - 2)^2 + y^2 \leq 4 \text{ and } y < 2 - x$$

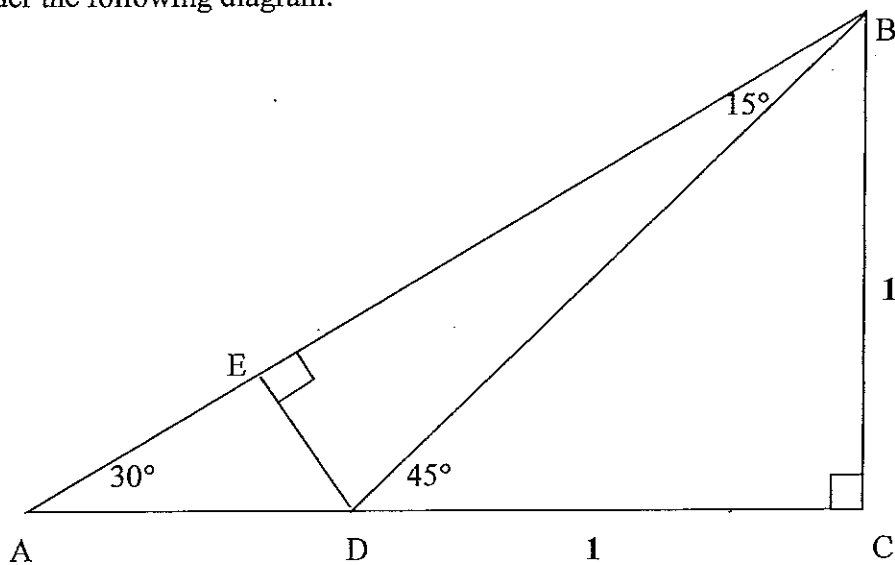
e. Show that the function  $f(x) = 8x^3 - 7x$  is odd. 1

f. Solve for  $\theta$  over the domain  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ :

(i)  $\sin 40^\circ = \cos (90 - \theta)^\circ$ . 1

(ii)  $\sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$  2

g. Consider the following diagram:



(i) On about one third of a page, copy the above diagram.

(ii) Find the length of AC in exact form. 1

(iii) Hence show that  $ED = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2}$  2

(v) Hence, using exact values, show that  $\sin 15^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}}{4}$  3

**END OF EXAM**



1.  $(1.49)^2 - 1.28$

$$\sqrt{11.62 + 8.34 \times 2.72}$$

$$= \frac{0.2401}{5.857}$$

$$= 0.0410 \text{ (3 sig fig)} \quad \textcircled{D}$$

2.  $\frac{x+4}{3} = \frac{x}{2} - 2$

$$\frac{2(x+4)}{6} = \frac{3x}{6} - \frac{12}{6}$$

$$\frac{2(x+4)}{6} = \frac{3x-12}{6}$$

$$2(x+4) = 3x-12$$

$$2x+8 = 3x-12$$

$$x = 8+12 = 20$$

$$\textcircled{D}$$

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

$$a = 2, \quad b = -6, \quad c = -3$$

$$\frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4(-3)(2)}}{4} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{12}}{4} = \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2} \quad \textcircled{A}$$

Sample solutions.

4.  $H = 5m(Y-X)$

$$\frac{H}{5m} = Y-X$$

$$Y - \frac{H}{5m} = X$$

$$X = \frac{5mY - H}{5m} \quad \textcircled{A}$$

CHECK BY REARRANGING.

$$5mX = 5mY - H$$

$$X = Y - \frac{H}{5m}$$

$$\frac{H}{5m} = Y-X$$

$$H = 5m(Y-X) \quad \checkmark$$

5.  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x - 5$

$$\frac{f(a)}{2a+2} = \frac{2a^2 - 3a - 5}{2(a+1)}$$

$$= \frac{(2a-5)(a+1)}{2(a+1)}$$

$$= \frac{2a-5}{2} \quad \textcircled{A}$$

$$6 \quad m^2 - 1 \\ = (m+1)(m-1) \times$$

$$m^2 + 1 \checkmark$$

$$m^2 + m = m(m+1) \times$$

$$m^2 + 2m + 1 = (m+1)^2$$

$\Rightarrow$  (B)

7. horizontal asymptote  
at positive  $y$  and  
positive  $x$ .

graph is shifted up 2 units

$$\therefore \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{x-3} + 2.$$

check horizontal asymptote.

$$y - 2 = -\frac{1}{x-3}$$

$$\frac{1}{y-2} = -(x-3)$$

$\hookrightarrow$  Asymptote at  $y=2$ !

(B)

$$8 \quad y = x^2 - 7x + 10$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x - 7 = 0$$

$\hookrightarrow$  ALT method

$$\frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$= 3\frac{1}{2}$$

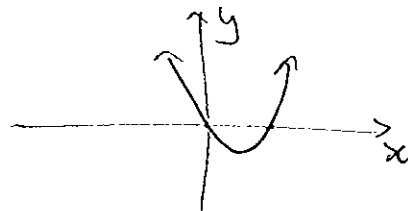
$$2x = 7$$

$$x = \frac{7}{2} = 3\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \text{(B)}$$

$$9. \quad f(x) = 3x^2 - x.$$

$$= 3x(x-1)$$

root at 0 and 1



Graph is neither, because  
the axis of symmetry / rotation is  
not centred at the axis  $\Rightarrow$  (C)

$$10. \quad y = \sqrt{4-x^2}$$

$$\text{Range: } y \geq 0.$$

$$\text{Domain } 4 - x^2 \geq 0$$

$$x^2 \leq 4$$

$$x \leq \pm 2.$$

$\Rightarrow$  (D)

$$1. \quad a) \frac{x^2-1}{x-3} \times \frac{x^2-3x}{2x-2}$$

$$= \frac{(x+1)(\cancel{x-1})x(\cancel{x-3})}{(\cancel{x-3})(2(\cancel{x-1}))}$$

$$= \frac{x(x+1)}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{x^2+x}{2} \text{ expanded.}$$

$$b) \quad 3x = x^2$$

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

$$x(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ OR } x = 3.$$

$$c) \quad i) \quad 6x^2 - 3xy - 4xz + 2yz$$

$$3x(2x-y) - 2z(2x-y)$$

$$= (3x-2z)(2x-y).$$

$$ii) \quad x^4 - 1$$

$$= (x^2)^2 - 1$$

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

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

$$iii) \quad 8x^3 - 125y^3$$

$$= (2x)^3 - (5y)^3$$

$$= (2x-5y)(4x^2+25y^2+10xy)$$

$$d) \quad (2x-3y)^2 - 5x(x-2y).$$

$$4x^2 + 9y^2 - 12xy - 5x^2 + 10xy$$

$$= 9y^2 - x^2 - 2xy.$$

$$e) \quad x + 3y = 2$$

$$2x - y = 11$$

$$x = 2 - 3y$$

$$2(2-3y) - y = 11$$

$$4 - 6y - y = 11$$

$$-7y = 7$$

$$y = -1$$

$$x + 3(-1) = 2$$

$$x = 5$$

$$f) x^2 - 10x - 11 = 0$$

$$(x-5)^2 - 25 - 11 = 0$$

$$(x-5)^2 = 36$$

$$x - 5 = \pm 6$$

$$x = -1 \text{ OR } x = 11$$

Double check by factoring

$$(x+1)(x-11)$$

$$= x^2 - 11 - 10x \checkmark$$

$$12. a) i) \sqrt{32} = \sqrt{16 \times 2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16} \sqrt{2}$$

$$= 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$ii) 3 + \sqrt{27} - \sqrt{18}$$

$$\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{9} \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{9} \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$= 4\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$b. 0.12\dot{5} \Rightarrow 0.1252525 \dots$$

let this be  $x$ .

$$10x = 1.2525 \dots$$

$$100x = 125.2525 \dots$$

$$1000x - 10x = 124$$

$$990x = 124$$

$$x = \frac{62}{495}$$

$$c) (2\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{11})(2\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{11})$$

$$= (2\sqrt{7})^2 - (\sqrt{11})^2$$

Difference of 2 squares

$$= 4(7) - 11$$

$$= 28 - 11 = 17$$

$$d) \frac{3\sqrt{2} + 1}{2\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ Rationalise.}$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3}}{6}$$

$$e) \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5} - 2} = p + q\sqrt{5}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{5}(\sqrt{5} + 2)}{(\sqrt{5} - 2)(\sqrt{5} + 2)}$$

$$= \frac{5 + 2\sqrt{5}}{5 - 4} = 5 + 2\sqrt{5}$$

$$p = 5, q = 2$$

f. let  $y = f(x)$

$y = \frac{3}{x-4}$  Vertical asymptote

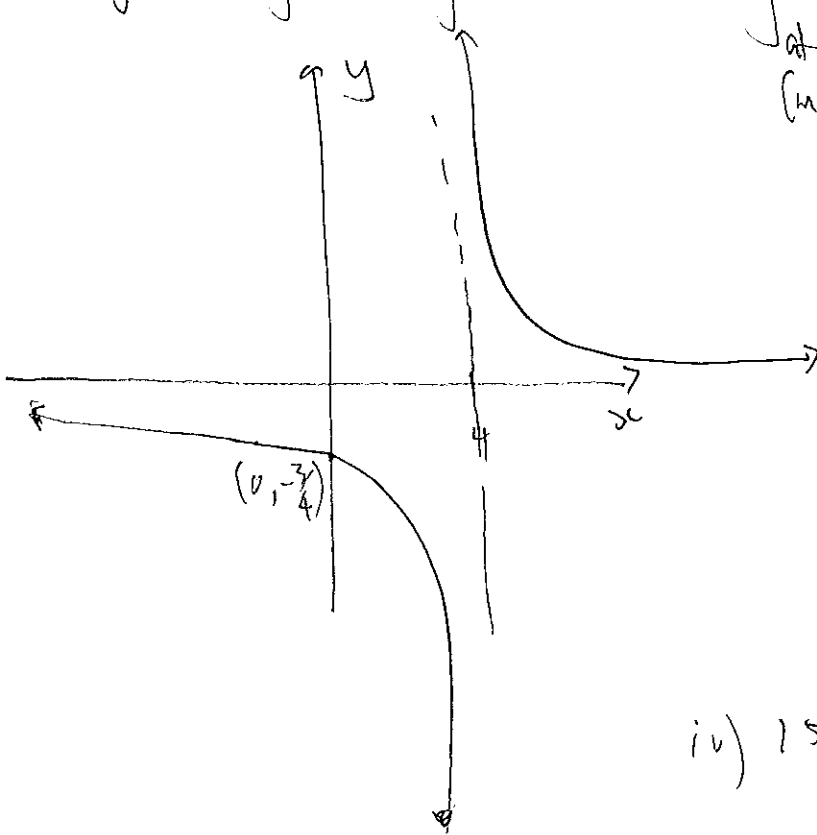
at  $x=4$ .  
 $\frac{x-4}{3} = \frac{1}{y}$

$x-4 = \frac{3}{y}$

$x = \frac{3}{y} + 4$ . horizontal asymptote  
 at  $y=0$

domain:  $x \in \mathbb{R}; x \neq 0$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}; y \neq 0$



g)  $y = 15 - 7x - 2x^2$

$(3 - 2x)(5 + x)$

Roots

$x = -5, x = \frac{3}{2}$

i:) Vertex

$a = -2$

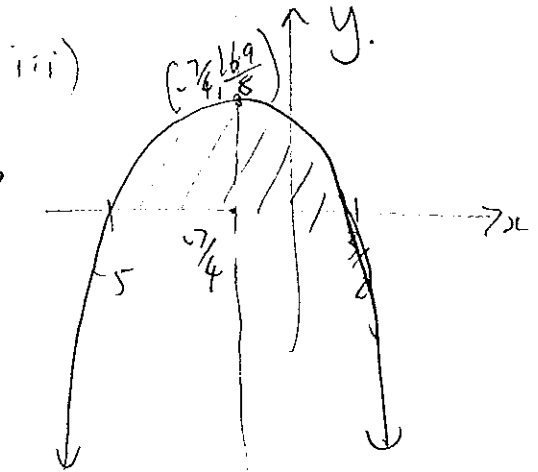
$b = -7$

$c = 15$

$\frac{b}{2a} = \frac{7}{-4}$

$15 - 7\left(\frac{7}{-4}\right) - 2\left(\frac{49}{16}\right)$

$y$ -coordinate  
 at vertex  
 (maximum)  $= \frac{169}{8}$



ii)  $15 - 7x - 2x^2 > 0$

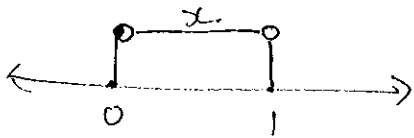
$-5 \leq x \leq \frac{3}{2}$

v.  $y \leq \frac{169}{8}$

13.

a. i)  $1 < 1+x < 2$

$0 < x < 1$



ii)  $|x+1| = 3x+2$

$(x+1)^2 = (3x+2)^2$

$x^2 + 1 + 2x = 9x^2 + 4 + 12x$

$8x^2 + 10x + 3$

$(2x+1)(4x+3)$

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

Substitute back to find correct answer

$|\frac{-1}{2} + 1| = 3(\frac{-1}{2}) + 2$  ✓

$|\frac{-3}{4} + 1| = 3(\frac{-3}{4}) + 2$  ✗

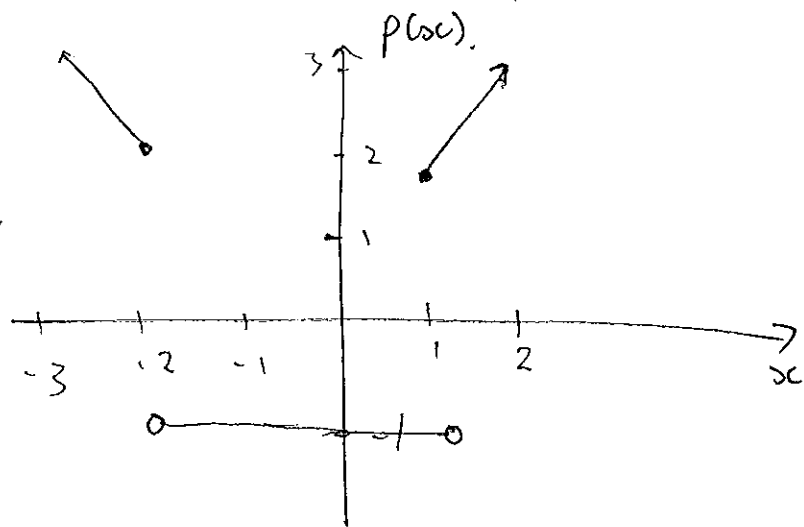
So the only solution is  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$

b. 
$$p(x) = \begin{cases} x+1 & ; x \geq 1 \\ -1 & ; -2 < x < 1 \\ |x| & ; x \leq -2 \end{cases}$$

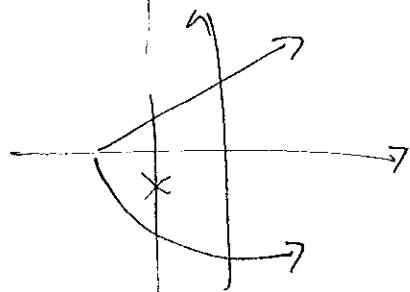
$p(0) = -1$

$p(-2) = |-2| = 2$

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

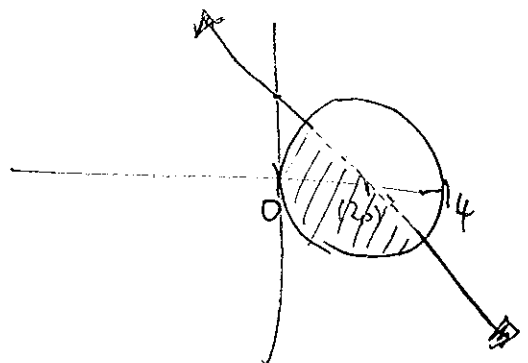


c).



Any line drawn that does not pass the straight line test will suffice.

d).



$$e) f(x) = 8x^3 - 7x.$$

$$f(-x) = 8(-x)^3 - 7(-x)$$

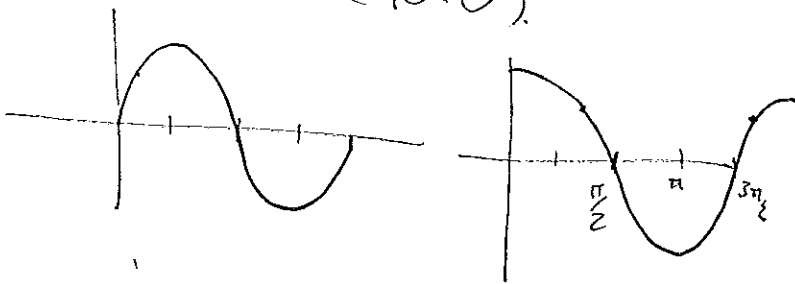
$$= -8x^3 + 7x$$

$$= -(8x^3 - 7x)$$

$$= -f(x)$$

$\therefore$  ODD FUNCTION.

f.  $\sin 40 = \cos(90 - \theta)$



$$\theta = 40, 140$$

$$ii) \sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta: 210^\circ, 330^\circ$$

g) i) Check it yourself!

$$ii) \frac{1}{AC} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{1}{AC} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{3} \text{ units}$$

$$AD = \sqrt{3} - 1$$

$$\frac{ED}{\sqrt{3} - 1} = \sin 30$$

$$ED = \frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{3} - 1)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{2}$$

$$V. \sin 15 = \frac{ED}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{2}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}$$

$$4$$