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### Section A

1. [8 marks]

Given that the polynomial  $P(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + kx + 15$  has a zero at  $x = -3$

- determine the value of  $k$ .
- factor the polynomial completely.
- sketch the graph of  $y = P(x)$ , marking all intercepts on the axes clearly.
- state the domain over which  $P(x) > 0$ .

2. [8 marks]

If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of  $2x^3 - 10x^2 - 8x + 5 = 0$ ,

- evaluate
  - $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$
  - $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha$
  - $\alpha\beta\gamma$
  - $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2$
  - $\alpha^2\beta^2 + \beta^2\gamma^2 + \gamma^2\alpha^2$
- write down the equation (with simplest integral coefficients) whose roots are  $\alpha^2, \beta^2, \gamma^2$

### Section B (New page please)

3. [9 marks]

A particle moves according to the following rule:  $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 16(4 - x)$ .

- Given that  $V = 0$  when  $x = 8$ , show that  $V^2 = -16\{(4 - x)^2 - 16\}$ .
- Establish where the velocity is again zero.
- Find the centre of oscillation and period of the motion.
- Where is acceleration a maximum?
- Graph the motion of the particle.

[7 marks]

- 4.
- Explain why the equation  $x^3 - 6x + 1 = 0$  has a root between  $x = 2$  and  $x = 3$ .
  - By taking the better of these approximations as the first approximation, find, using Newton's Method twice, a third approximation for the root. [Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.]
  - Indicate, by checking, whether the third approximation is better than the first.

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**Section C (New page please)**

5. [3 marks]

For the parabola  $x = -8p$ ,  $y = -4p^2$

- (a) derive the Cartesian form of the equation
- (b) write down the equation of the directrix

6. [8 marks]

The chord PQ of a parabola  $x^2 = 4ay$  passes through the focus S. The tangents at P and Q meet at T.

- (a) Derive the equation of the chord PQ.
- (b) Find the relationship between the parameters at P and Q ( $p, q$  respectively).
- (c) Given the equation of the tangent at P is  $y = px - ap^2$  find the point of intersection T of the tangents at P and Q.
- (d) Prove that TS is perpendicular to PQ.

7. [5 marks]

The normal to the parabola  $x^2 = 4ay$  at the point  $P(2ap, ap^2)$  on it cuts the axis of the parabola at G.

- (a) Derive the equation of this normal.
- (b) Find the equation of the locus of the midpoint of PG.

**Section D (New page please)**

8. [16 marks - 4, 4, 2, 3, 3]

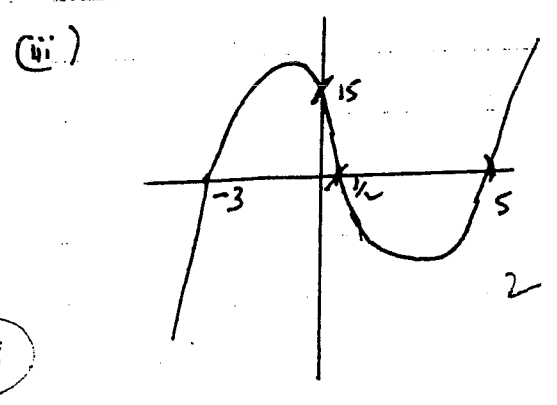
A rocket is fired with a velocity of 90 km/h from the origin, O at an angle of  $\theta$  to the positive direction of the  $x$  - axis. It just misses a bird flying at an altitude of 10 m which is 5 m horizontally from the origin. If we assume that air resistance can be neglected and that the acceleration due to gravity is  $g = 10ms^{-2}$  :

- (a) Prove that the parametric equations describing the particle's motion are :  
$$x = 25t \cos\theta \quad \text{and} \quad y = 25t \sin\theta - 5t^2$$
- (b) Prove that  $\theta$  satisfies the equation  $\tan^2 \theta - 25 \tan \theta + 51 = 0$
- (c) Find the value(s) of  $\theta$  to the nearest minute.
- (d) The shortest time for the particle to reach the horizontal plane in seconds to 2 decimal places.
- (e) The maximum height reached by the projectile to the nearest m.

1 (i)  $P(-3) = 0 \therefore -54 - 45 - 3k + 15 = 0$

$-3k = +84$   
 $k = -28$

(ii)  $2x^3 - 5x^2 - 28x + 15 = (x+3)(2x^2 - 11x + 5)$   
 $= (x+3)(x-5)(2x-1)$



(iv)  $P(x) > 0$   
if  $-3 < x < \frac{1}{2}$  or  $x > 5$

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2 (a)

(i)  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 5$   
(ii)  $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = -4$   
(iii)  $\alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{5}{2}$

$2x^3 - 10x^2 - 8x + 5 = 0$   
is  $x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x + \frac{5}{2} = 0$

(iv)  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 = (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)^2 - 2(\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha)$   
 $= 25 - 2(-4)$   
 $= 33$

(v)  $\alpha^2\beta^2 + \beta^2\gamma^2 + \gamma^2\alpha^2 = (\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha)^2 - 2\alpha\beta\gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$   
 $= 16 - 2 \times (-\frac{5}{2}) \times 5$   
 $= 16 + 25$   
 $= 41$

(b)  $\alpha^2\beta^2\gamma^2 = \frac{25}{4} \therefore$  Equation is  $x^3 - 33x^2 + 41x - \frac{25}{4} = 0$

is  $4x^3 - 132x^2 + 164x - 25 = 0$

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q1 [8 marks]

A particle moves according to the following rule  $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 16(4-x)$ .

- (i) Show that  $V^2 = -16((4-x)^2 - 16)$  if  $V=0$  when  $x=8$ .
- (ii) Establish where the velocity is again zero.
- (iii) Find the centre of oscillation and period of the motion.
- (iv) Where is acceleration a maximum.
- (v) Graph the motion of the particle.

$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{d(\frac{1}{2}v^2)}{dx} = 16(4-x)$  alternative treatment through  
let  $-X = (4-x)$   
etc  
ie  $\frac{d(\frac{1}{2}v^2)}{d(-X)} = -16X$   
etc

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}v^2 = -\frac{16}{2}(4-x)^2 + C$  or  $V^2 = -16(4-x)^2 + C_1$

But when  $x=8$   $v=0 \Rightarrow C_1 = 16 \times 16$

$\therefore V^2 = -16(4-x)^2 + 16 \times 16$  (2)  
 $= -16[(4-x)^2 - 16]$

b  $V=0$  when  $x=0$  (1)

c for centre of oscillation  $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0 \Rightarrow x=4$  (1)

For period  $\omega^2 = 16 \therefore T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$  or  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  is period (1)

d Acc max at  $x=0$  &  $x=8$  (2)

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q2 [8 marks]

The equation  $x^3 - 6x + 1 = 0$  is known to have a root between  $x=2$  and  $x=3$ . Find, using Newton's Method twice, a better approximation for the root. Is it a better approximation for the root?

let  $P(x) = x^3 - 6x + 1$

$P(2) = 8 - 12 + 1 = -3$  &  $P(3) = 27 - 18 + 1 = 10$

$\therefore x=2$  is closer to zero of polynomial (1)

$P'(x) = 3x^2 - 6$

let first approximation to zero be  $x_0 = 2$

$x_1 \doteq x_0 - \frac{P(x_0)}{P'(x_0)}$

$\therefore x_1 \doteq 2 - \frac{(-3)}{6}$  or  $2\frac{1}{2}$  (2)

$x_2 \doteq 2\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1.625}{12.75}$  or  $x_2 \doteq 2.5 - 0.1275$   
 $\doteq 2.3725$  (2)

Which is the best approximation of  $x_0 = 2$ ,  $x_1 = 2\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $x_2 \doteq 2.37$

we are looking for "approximations" symbol is  $\doteq$  or  $\approx$  i.e. equality

$\therefore x_2 \doteq 2.37$  is a better approximation for the zero of  $P(x)$ .

(2) check all values other 3rd may jump away from 2.1 or 1.5

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a)  $x = -8p$   
 ②  $\therefore p = \frac{x}{-8}$

$\sqrt{=1 \text{ MINUS } x}$

$M_{PQ} = \frac{p+q}{2}$

$M_{TS} \times M_{PQ} = \frac{-2}{pq} \times \frac{p+q}{2}$   
 $= -1$

$y = -4p^2$   
 $= -4\left(\frac{x}{-8}\right)^2$   
 $= -\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{x^2}{64 \times 16}$

$x^2 = -16y$

(b) Directrix is  $y = 4$

b) a) Let P be  $(2ap, ap^2)$   
 Q  $(2aq, aq^2)$

$M_{PQ} = \frac{a(p^2 - q^2)}{2ap - 2aq}$   
 $= \frac{a(p+q)(p-q)}{2a(p-q)}$   
 $= \frac{p+q}{2}$

Eqn of PQ is  
 $y - ap^2 = \frac{p+q}{2}(x - 2ap)$   
 $y = \left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right)x + ap^2 - ap^2 - apq$

b)  $y = \left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right)x - apq$   
 c)  $(0, a)$   
 $a = -apq$   
 $\therefore pq = -1$

d)  $y = px - ap^2$  ①  
 $y = qx - aq^2$  ②

① - ②  
 $(p - q)x = a(p^2 - q^2)$   
 $x = a(p + q)$

subst into ①  
 $y = p(a(p+q)) - ap^2$   
 $= ap^2 + apq - ap^2$   
 $= apq = -a$  (From (b)  $pq = -1$ )

$\therefore T$  is  $(a(p+q), apq)$  or  $(a(p+q), -a)$   
 S  $(0, a)$   
 ③  $M_{TS} = \frac{apq - a}{a(p+q) - 0}$

$= \frac{p(pq - 1)}{a(p+q)}$   
 Since  $pq = -1$   
 $= \frac{-1 - 1}{p+q} = \frac{-2}{p+q}$

7. a)  $x^2 = 4ay$   
 $\therefore y = \frac{x^2}{4a}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x}{4a}$   
 $= \frac{x}{2a}$

at  $x = 2ap$   
 $m_T = \frac{2ap}{2a}$   
 $= p$

$\therefore M_N = -\frac{1}{p}$   
 $y - ap^2 = -\frac{1}{p}(x - 2ap)$

$py - ap^3 = -x + 2ap$   
 $x + py - ap^3 - 2ap = 0$   
 FOR G  
 $x = 0$

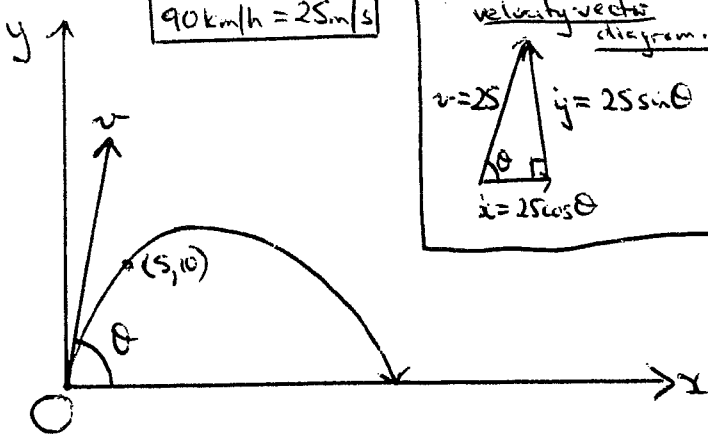
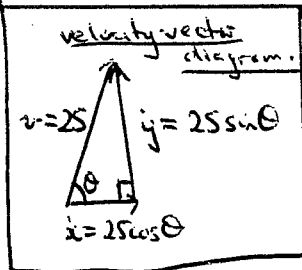
$y = \frac{ap^3 + 2ap}{p}$   
 $= ap^2 + 2a$

(b) MIDPOINT of PG  
 $P(2ap, ap^2)$   
 $G(0, ap^2 + 2a)$   
 $= \left(\frac{2ap + 0}{2}, \frac{ap^2 + ap^2 + 2a}{2}\right)$

$= (ap, ap^2 + a)$   
 $x = ap$  i  $p = \frac{x}{a}$   
 $y = ap^2 + a$

$y = a\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2 + a$   
 $y = \frac{x^2}{a} + a$  or  $x^2 = a(y - a)$

$90 \text{ km/h} = 25 \text{ m/s}$



(iii) Now  $\tan\theta = \frac{25 \pm \sqrt{25^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 51}}{2}$   
 $= \frac{25 \pm \sqrt{421}}{2}$

$\therefore \tan\theta = 22.75914226 \dots$   
 or  $2.240857736 \dots$   
 $\therefore \angle\theta = 87^\circ 29'$  or  $65^\circ 57'$   
 (to nearest minute)

i) Initially  $\ddot{x} = 0$ ,  $\ddot{y} = -g$   
 $\therefore \dot{x} = c_1$ ,  $\dot{y} = -gt + c_2$

when  $t=0$ ,  $\dot{x} = 25\cos\theta$ ,  $\dot{y} = 25\sin\theta$   
 $\therefore 25\cos\theta = c_1$ ,  $25\sin\theta = c_2$

$\therefore \dot{x} = 25\cos\theta$ ,  $\dot{y} = 25\sin\theta - gt$   
 $\therefore x = 25t\cos\theta + c_3$ ,  $y = 25t\sin\theta - \frac{gt^2}{2} + c_4$

when  $t=0$ ,  $x=0$ ,  $y=0$ .  
 $\therefore c_3 = 0$ ,  $c_4 = 0$

$\therefore x = 25t\cos\theta$ ,  $y = 25t\sin\theta - 5t^2$   
 (as  $g=10$ ).

∴ the parametric equations describing the particle's motion are;

$x = 25t\cos\theta$  and  $y = 25t\sin\theta - 5t^2$ .

(ii) Now coordinates of bird are (5, 10)

$\therefore 5 = 25t\cos\theta \quad \therefore t = \frac{\sec\theta}{5}$  — (1)

and  $10 = 25t\sin\theta - 5t^2$  — (2)

sub (1) into (2):

$\therefore 10 = 25\left(\frac{\sec\theta}{5}\right)\sin\theta - 5\left(\frac{\sec\theta}{5}\right)^2$

$\therefore 10 = 5\tan\theta - \frac{\sec^2\theta}{5}$

$\therefore 50 = 25\tan\theta - (1 + \tan^2\theta)$

$\therefore \tan^2\theta - 25\tan\theta + 51 = 0$

(iv) Now rocket hits the ground when  $y=0$

$\therefore 0 = 25t\sin\theta - 5t^2$   
 $\therefore 5t(5\sin\theta - t) = 0$   
 $\therefore t = 0$  or  $t = 5\sin\theta$   
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∴ shortest time taken will be when  $\angle\theta = 65^\circ 57'$  (approx)

$\therefore t = 5\sin\theta$

$\therefore t = 4.565979801 \dots$

∴ time taken is 4.57 s (2 d.p.)

(v) For greatest height  $\dot{y} = 0$

$\therefore 0 = 25\sin\theta - 10t$

$\therefore t = \frac{25\sin\theta}{10} = \frac{5\sin\theta}{2}$

$\therefore y_{\text{max}} = 25\left(\frac{5\sin\theta}{2}\right)\sin\theta - 5\left(\frac{5\sin\theta}{2}\right)^2$

$= \frac{125}{2}\sin^2\theta - \frac{125\sin^2\theta}{4}$

$= \frac{125\sin^2\theta}{4}$

Now for greatest height  $\angle\theta = 87^\circ$

$\therefore$  greatest height =  $31.18978557$ .

= 31 m (to nearest m)