

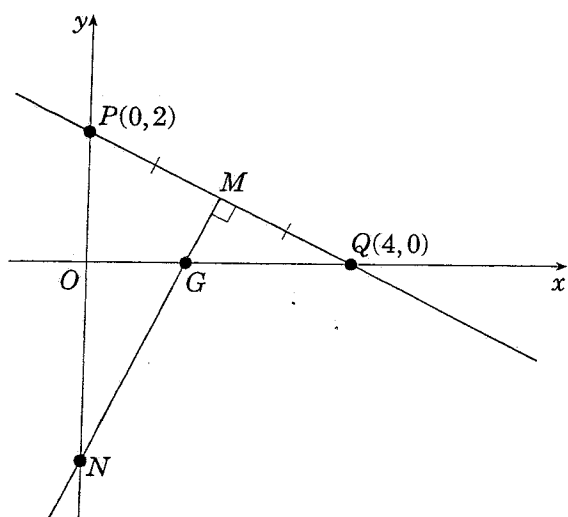
2000 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION PAPER

2/3 UNIT (COMMON) MATHEMATICS

QUESTION 1

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|---|-------|
| (a) Find the value of $\log_e 8$ correct to two decimal places. | 2 |
| (b) Solve $x+7 \geq 3$ and graph the solution on the number line. | 2 |
| (c) What is the exact value of $\cos \frac{\pi}{6}$? | 1 |
| (d) A bag contains red marbles and blue marbles in the ratio 2 : 3. A marble is selected at random.
What is the probability that the marble is blue? | 1 |
| (e) Solve the pair of simultaneous equations:
$x - y = 2$ $3x + 2y = 1.$ | 2 |
| (f) Solve $ x-5 = 3$. | 2 |
| (g) Sketch the line $y = 2x+3$ in the Cartesian plane. | 2 |

QUESTION 2

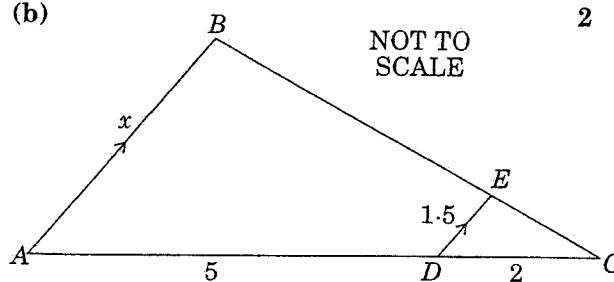


The diagram shows the points $P(0, 2)$ and $Q(4, 0)$. The point M is the midpoint of PQ . The line MN is perpendicular to PQ and meets the x axis at G and the y axis at N .

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| (a) Show that the gradient of PQ is $-\frac{1}{2}$. | 1 |
| (b) Find the coordinates of M . | 2 |
| (c) Find the equation of the line MN . | 2 |
| (d) Show that N has coordinates $(0, -3)$. | 1 |
| (e) Find the distance NQ . | 1 |
| (f) Find the equation of the circle with centre N and radius NQ . | 2 |
| (g) Hence show that the circle in part (f) passes through the point P . | 1 |
| (h) The point R lies in the first quadrant, and $PNQR$ is a rhombus. Find the coordinates of R . | 2 |

QUESTION 3

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| (a) Differentiate the following: | 4 |
| (i) $3xe^x$ | |
| (ii) $\sin(x^2+1)$ | |
| (b) | 2 |



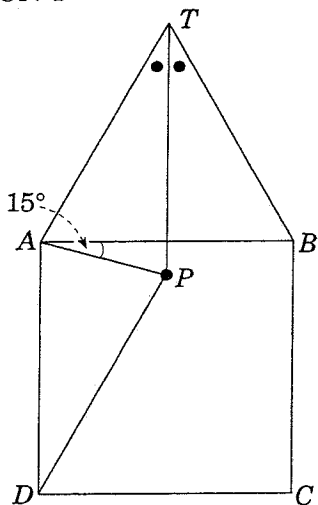
In the diagram, AB is parallel to DE , AD is 5 cm, DC is 2 cm and DE is 1.5 cm. Find the length of AB .

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| (c) Find: | 3 |
| (i) $\int \sec^2 5x \, dx$ | |
| (ii) $\int_{-2}^1 \frac{2}{x+3} \, dx$ | |
| (d) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $y = 2\log_e x$ at $(1, 0)$. | 3 |

QUESTION 4

(a)

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In the diagram, $ABCD$ is a square and ABT is an equilateral triangle. The line TP bisects $\angle ATB$, and $\angle PAB = 15^\circ$.

- (i) Copy the diagram and explain why $\angle PAT = 75^\circ$.
 - (ii) Prove that $\triangle TAP \cong \triangle DAP$.
 - (iii) Prove that triangle DAP is isosceles.
- (b) In the construction of a 5 km expressway 6 a truck delivers materials from a base. After depositing each load, the truck returns to the base to collect the next load. The first load is deposited 200 m from the base, the second 350 m from the base, the third 500 m from the base. Each subsequent load is deposited 150 m from the previous one.
- (i) How far is the fifteenth load deposited from the base?
 - (ii) How many loads are deposited along the total length of the 5 km expressway? (The last load is deposited at the end of the expressway.)
 - (iii) How many kilometres has the truck travelled in order to make all the deposits and then return to the base?

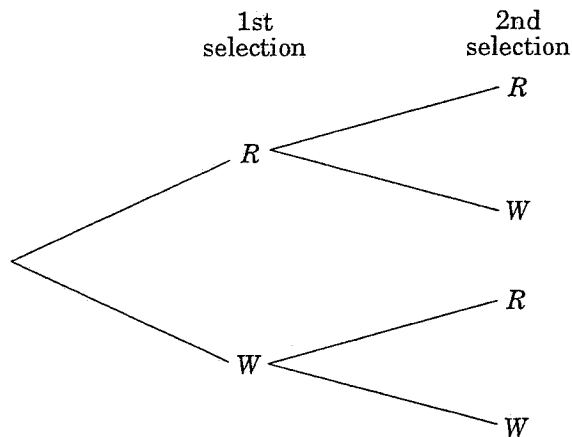
QUESTION 5

- (a) Solve $\tan x = 2$ for $0 < x < 2\pi$. 2

Express your answer in radian measure correct to two decimal places.

- (b) Four white (W) balls and two red (R) 5 balls are placed in a bag. One ball is selected at random, removed and replaced by a ball of the other colour. The bag is then shaken and another ball is randomly selected.

- (i) Copy the tree diagram. Complete the tree diagram, showing the probability on each branch.



- (ii) Find the probability that both balls selected are white.
 - (iii) Find the probability that the second ball selected is white.
- (c) The population of a certain insect is 5 growing exponentially according to $N = 200e^{kt}$, where t is the time in weeks after the insects are first counted. At the end of three weeks the insect population has doubled.
- (i) Calculate the value of the constant k .
 - (ii) How many insects will there be after 12 weeks?
 - (iii) At what rate is the population increasing after three weeks?

QUESTION 6

- (a) Sketch the curve 3 $y = 1 - \sin 2x$ for $0 \leq x \leq \pi$.

- (b) The number N of students logged onto 9 a website at any time over a five-hour period is approximated by the formula

$$N = 175 + 18t^2 - t^4, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 5.$$

- (i) What was the initial number of students logged onto the website?
- (ii) How many students were logged onto the website at the end of the five hours?
- (iii) What was the maximum number of students logged onto the website?
- (iv) When were the students logging onto the website most rapidly?
- (v) Sketch the curve $N = 175 + 18t^2 - t^4, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 5.$

QUESTION 7

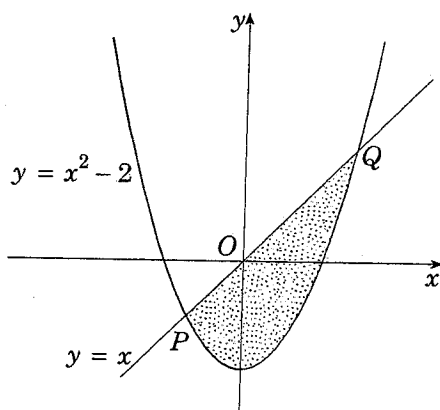
- (a) The area under the curve 4

$$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}, \text{ for } 1 \leq x \leq e^2,$$

is rotated about the x axis. Find the exact volume of the solid of revolution.

- (b) Estimate $\int_0^1 \sin(1+x^2) dx$ by using 3
Simpson's rule with three function values.

- (c) The diagram shows the graphs of 5
 $y = x^2 - 2$ and $y = x$.



- (i) Find the x values of the points of intersection, P and Q .
(ii) Calculate the area of the shaded region.

QUESTION 8

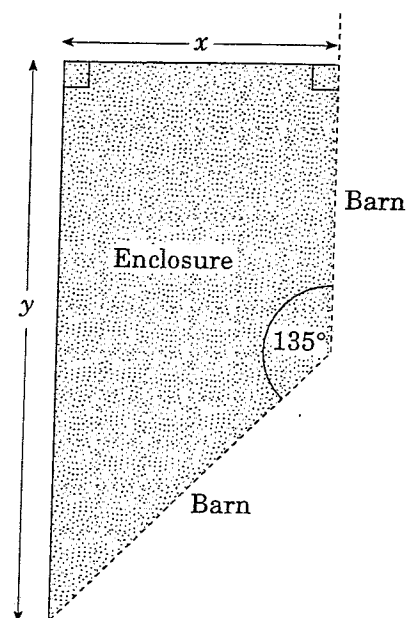
- (a) A particle is moving in a straight line, 7
starting from the origin. At time t seconds the particle has a displacement of x metres from the origin and a velocity v m s⁻¹. The displacement is given by $x = 2t - 3 \log_e(t+1)$.

- (i) Find an expression for v .
(ii) Find the initial velocity.
(iii) Find when the particle comes to rest.
(iv) Find the distance travelled by the particle in the first three seconds.

- (b) An enclosure is to be built adjoining a barn, 5
as in the diagram. The walls of the barn meet at 135° , and 117 metres of fencing is available for the enclosure, so that $x + y = 117$ where x and y are as shown in the diagram.

- (i) Show that the shaded area of the enclosure in square metres is given by

$$A = 117x - \frac{3}{2}x^2.$$

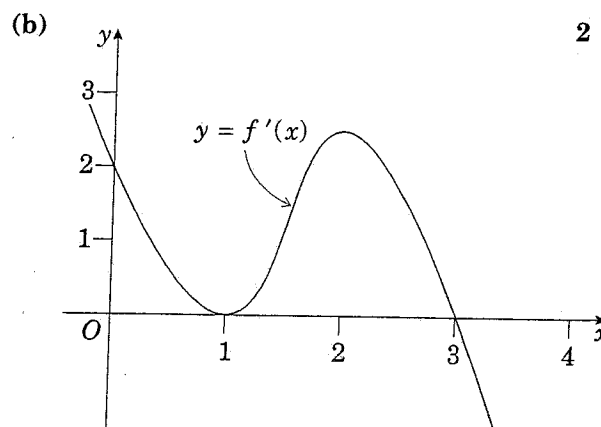


- (ii) Show that the largest area of the enclosure occurs when $y = 2x$.

QUESTION 9

- (a) (i) Without using calculus, sketch 3
 $y = \log_e x$.

- (ii) On the same sketch, find, graphically, the number of solutions of the equation $\log_e x - x = -2$.

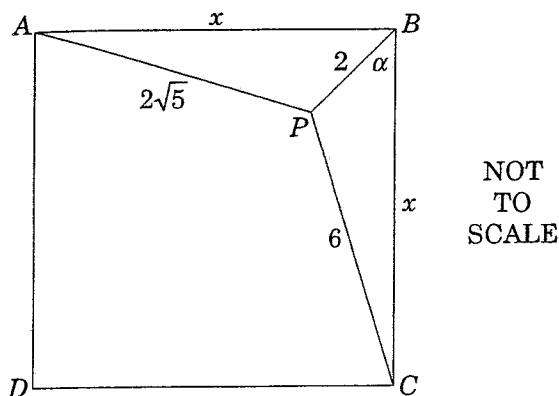


The above diagram shows a sketch of the gradient function of the curve $y = f(x)$.

Draw a sketch of the function $y = f(x)$ given that $f(0) = 0$.

- (c) The diagram on page 4 shows a square 7
 $ABCD$ of side x cm, with a point P within the square, such that $PC = 6$ cm, $PB = 2$ cm and $AP = 2\sqrt{5}$ cm.

Let $\angle PBC = \alpha$.



- (i) Using the cosine rule in triangle PBC , show that
- $$\cos \alpha = \frac{x^2 - 32}{4x}.$$
- (ii) By considering triangle PBA , show that
- $$\sin \alpha = \frac{x^2 - 16}{4x}.$$
- (iii) Hence, or otherwise, show that the value of x is a solution of $x^4 - 56x^2 + 640 = 0$.
- (iv) Find x . Give reasons for your answer.

QUESTION 10

- (a) A store offers a loan of \$5000 on a computer for which it charges interest at the rate of 1% per month. As a special deal, the store does not charge interest for the first three months, however the first repayment is due at the end of the first month. A customer takes out the loan and agrees to repay the loan over three years by making 36 equal monthly repayments of \$ M .

Let $\$A_n$ be the amount owing at the end of the n th repayment.

- (i) Find an expression for A_3 .
- (ii) Show that
- $$A_5 = (5000 - 3M)1.01^2 - M(1 + 1.01).$$
- (iii) Find an expression for A_{36} .
- (iv) Find the value of M .

- (b) The first snow of the season begins to fall during the night. The depth of the snow, h , increases at a constant rate through the night and the following day. At 6 am a snow plough begins to clear the road of snow. The speed, v km/h, of the snow plough is inversely proportional to the depth of snow.

(This means $v = \frac{A}{h}$ where A is a constant.)

Let x km be the distance the snow plough has cleared and let t be the time in hours from the beginning of the snowfall.

Let $t = T$ correspond to 6 am.

- (i) Explain carefully why, for $t \geq T$,
- $$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{k}{t}, \text{ where } k \text{ is a constant.}$$
- (ii) In the period from 6 am to 8 am the snow plough clears 1 km of road, but it takes a further 3.5 hours to clear the next kilometre.
- At what time did it begin snowing?

2000 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE SOLUTIONS 2/3 UNIT (COMMON) MATHEMATICS

QUESTION 1

(a) $\log_e 8 = 2.079\ 441\ 542 \dots$
 $\div 2.08$ (2 d.p.).

(b) $x + 7 \geq 3$
 $x \geq -4$.



(c) $\cos \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

(d) $P(\text{blue}) = \frac{3}{5}$.

(e) By substitution:

$$\begin{aligned} x - y &= 2 && \textcircled{1} \\ 3x + 2y &= 1. && \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

From $\textcircled{1}$, $x = y + 2$.

Substitute for x in $\textcircled{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} 3(y+2) + 2y &= 1 \\ 5y + 6 &= 1 \\ 5y &= -5 \\ y &= -1. \end{aligned}$$

Substitute for y in $\textcircled{1}$:

$$\begin{aligned} x - (-1) &= 2 \\ x &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

Solution: $x = 1$, $y = -1$.

OR By elimination:

$$\begin{aligned} x - y &= 2 && \textcircled{1} \\ 3x + 2y &= 1. && \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

Multiply $\textcircled{1}$ by 2:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x - 2y &= 4 && \textcircled{3} \\ 3x + 2y &= 1. && \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

Add $\textcircled{3} + \textcircled{2}$: $5x = 5$

$\therefore x = 1$.

Substitute into $\textcircled{1}$:

$$1 - y = 2$$

$\therefore y = -1$.

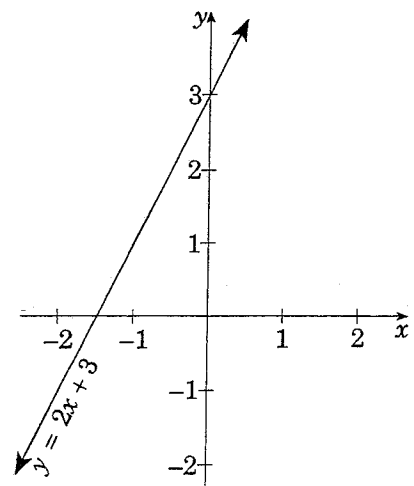
Solution: $x = 1$, $y = -1$.

(f) $|x - 5| = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} x - 5 &= 3 \quad \text{or} \quad -(x - 5) = 3 \\ \therefore x &= 8. && x - 5 = -3 \\ &&& \therefore x = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Solution: $x = 8$ or $x = 2$.

(g)



QUESTION 2

(a) Gradient of $PQ = \frac{0-2}{4-0} = -\frac{1}{2}$.

(b) M , midpoint of PQ is $M\left(\frac{0+4}{2}, \frac{2+0}{2}\right)$.
 $\therefore M(2, 1)$.

(c) $MN \perp PQ$,
 \therefore gradient of $MN = 2$ ($m_1 m_2 = -1$).

Equation of MN is

$$\begin{aligned} y - 1 &= 2(x - 2) \\ &= 2x - 4 \\ 2x - y - 3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

(d) Substitute $x = 0$ in equation of MN .

$$\begin{aligned} 2(0) - y - 3 &= 0 \\ y &= -3. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore N$ has coordinates $(0, -3)$.

(e) $NQ = \sqrt{(4-0)^2 + (0+3)^2} = 5$.

\therefore distance $NQ = 5$ units.

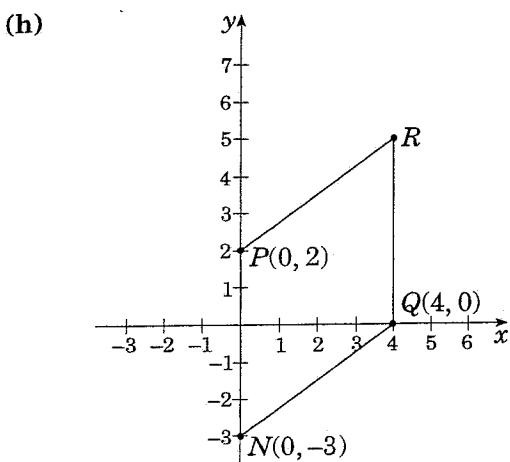
(f) $r = 5$. Centre is $(0, -3)$.
 \therefore Equation of circle is $(x-0)^2 + (y+3)^2 = 5^2$
 or $x^2 + (y+3)^2 = 25$.

(g) $PN = 2 - (-3)$
 $= 5$
 $=$ radius of circle.
 \therefore Circle passes through P .

OR Substitute coordinates of P in the equation of the circle.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= 0^2 + (2+3)^2 \\ &= 25 \\ &= \text{RHS.} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Circle passes through P .



By observation: R is $(4, 5)$, since Q is 4 units to the right of PN and P is 5 units up the y axis from N .

QUESTION 3

- (a) (i) $\frac{d}{dx}(3xe^x) = 3e^x + 3xe^x$
 $= 3e^x(1+x)$.
- (ii) $\frac{d}{dx}[\sin(x^2+1)] = 2x \cos(x^2+1)$.

(b) $\triangle ABC \parallel \triangle DEC$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{AB}{DE} &= \frac{AC}{DC} \\ \frac{x}{1.5} &= \frac{7}{2} \\ x &= 5.25. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore AB = 5.25$ cm.

(c) (i) $\int \sec^2 5x \, dx = \frac{1}{5} \tan 5x + C$.

(ii) $\int_{-2}^1 \frac{2}{x+3} \, dx = 2 \left[\ln(x+3) \right]_{-2}^1$
 $= 2(\ln 4 - \ln 1)$
 $= 2 \ln 4$.

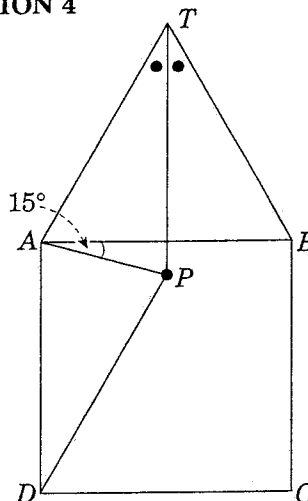
(d) $y = 2 \log_e x, \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x}$.

At $x = 1, \frac{dy}{dx} = 2$.

\therefore Equation of the tangent is $y - 0 = 2(x - 1)$
 $y = 2x - 2$.

QUESTION 4

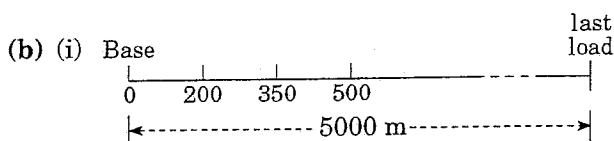
(a)



- (i) $\angle TAB = 60^\circ$ ($\triangle TAB$ is equilateral.)
 $\angle PAT = \angle TAB + \angle PAB$
 $= 60^\circ + 15^\circ$
 $= 75^\circ$.

- (ii) In $\triangle TAP$ and $\triangle DAP$,
 $AT = AD$ ($\triangle TAB$ equilateral;
 $ABCD$ square)
 AP is common.
 $\angle DAP = \angle DAB - \angle PAB$
 $= 90^\circ - 15^\circ$
 $= 75^\circ$
 $= \angle PAT$.
 $\therefore \triangle TAP \cong \triangle DAP$ (SAS).

- (iii) $\angle ATB = 60^\circ$ ($\triangle ABT$ is equilateral.)
 $\angle ATP = 30^\circ$ (TP bisects $\angle APB$).
 $\angle ADP = \angle ATP$ (corresponding \angle s
 in congruent \triangle s)
 $= 30^\circ$.
 $\angle APD = 180^\circ - 75^\circ - 30^\circ$ (\angle sum of a \triangle)
 $= 75^\circ$
 $= \angle DAP$.
 $\therefore \triangle DAP$ is isosceles.



This is an arithmetic series, with $a = 200$,
 $d = 150$.

$$T_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\therefore T_{15} = 200 + 14 \times 150$$

$$= 2300.$$

\therefore The fifteenth load is deposited 2300 m from the base.

(ii) $T_n = 5000$,

$$5000 = 200 + (n-1) \times 150$$

$$150(n-1) = 4800$$

$$n-1 = 32$$

$$n = 33.$$

\therefore There are 33 loads.

(iii) Using $S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a+l)$,
total distance travelled

$$= 2 \times \left[\frac{33}{2}(200+5000) \right]$$

$$= 171600 \text{ m}$$

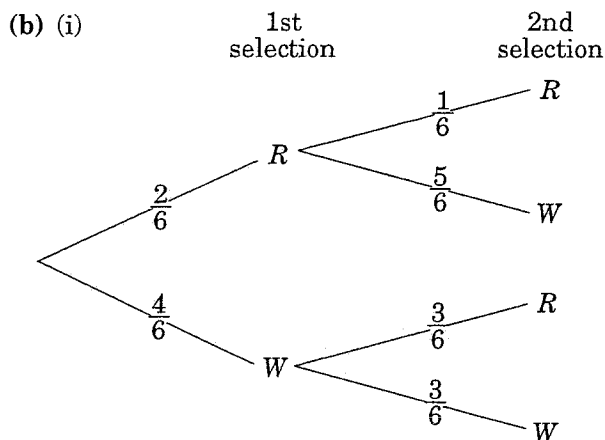
$$= 171.600 \text{ km.}$$

QUESTION 5

(a) $\tan x = 2$.

1st quadrant: $x = 1.10714\dots$
 $\doteq 1.11$ (2 d.p.).

3rd quadrant: $x = 1.10714 + \pi$
 $= 4.24874\dots$
 $\doteq 4.25$ (2 d.p.).



(ii) $P(WW) = \frac{4}{6} \times \frac{3}{6}$
 $= \frac{1}{3}$.

(iii) $P(RW) + P(WW) = \frac{2}{6} \times \frac{5}{6} + \frac{4}{6} \times \frac{3}{6} = \frac{11}{18}$.

(c) (i) At $t = 0$, $N = 200$.
At $t = 3$, $N = 400$.

$$N = 200e^{kt}$$

$t = 3$: $400 = 200e^{3k}$

$$e^{3k} = 2$$

$$3k = \ln 2.$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{3} \ln 2$$

$$= 0.2104906$$

$$\doteq 0.210 \text{ (4 d.p.)}$$

(ii) At $t = 12$, $N = 200e^{k \times 12}$
 $= 3198.116643\dots$
 $\doteq 3200$ (2 sig. figs).

(iii) $\frac{dN}{dt} = kN$.

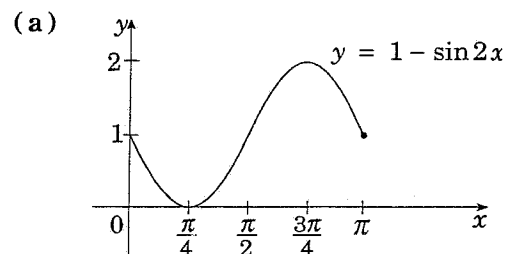
When $t = 3$, $N = 400$,

$$\therefore \frac{dN}{dt} = k \times 400$$

$$\doteq 92.4 \text{ (3 sig. figs).}$$

\therefore The rate is 92.4 insects per week.

QUESTION 6



(b) $N = 175 + 18t^2 - t^4$, $0 \leq t \leq 5$.

(i) When $t = 0$, $N = 175$.

\therefore The initial number of students was 175.

(ii) When $t = 5$, $N = 175 + 18(5)^2 - (5)^4$
 $= 0$.

\therefore There were no students logged on at the end of five hours.

(iii) $\frac{dN}{dt} = 36t - 4t^3$

Let $\frac{dN}{dt} = 0$, $36t - 4t^3 = 0$
 $4t(9 - t^2) = 0$.

$\therefore t = 0$ or $t = 3$ or $t = -3$ (out of domain).

At $t = 0$, $N = 175$.

At $t = 3$, $N = 256$.

$$\frac{d^2N}{dt^2} = 36 - 12t^2 < 0 \text{ when } t = 3.$$

\therefore Maximum value of N occurs at $t = 3$.

\therefore The maximum value of N is 256.

(iv) Students are logging onto the website most rapidly when $\frac{dN}{dt}$ is a maximum.

That is, when $\frac{d^2N}{dt^2} = 0$

$$36t - 12t^2 = 0$$

$$t = +\sqrt{3} \text{ or } -\sqrt{3}$$

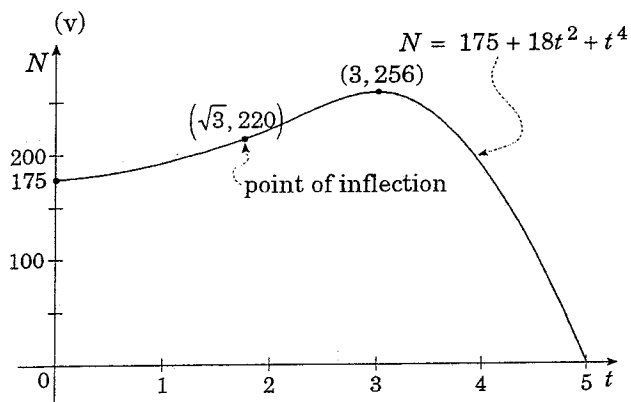
(not in domain).

Test for maximum or minimum of $\frac{dN}{dt}$:

t	$\sqrt{3}^-$	$\sqrt{3}$	$\sqrt{3}^+$
$\frac{d^2N}{dt^2}$	+	0	-

N.B. This is checking the first derivative of $\frac{dN}{dt}$.

\therefore Students are logging onto the website most rapidly when $t = \sqrt{3}$ hours.



QUESTION 7

(a) $V = \pi \int_1^{e^2} y^2 dx$
 $= \pi \int_1^{e^2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^2 dx$
 $= \pi \int_1^{e^2} \frac{1}{x} dx$
 $= \pi [\ln x]_1^{e^2}$
 $= \pi (\ln e^2 - \ln 1)$
 $= \pi (2 \ln e - \ln 1)$

\therefore Volume = 2π unit³.

(b)

x	0	0.5	1
y	$\sin 1$	$\sin 1.25$	$\sin 2$

$\int_0^1 \sin(1+x^2) dx$
 $\doteq \frac{1-0}{6} (\sin 1 + 4 \sin 1.25 + \sin 2)$
 $\doteq 0.924 451 148$
 $\doteq 0.92$ (2 d.p.).

(c) (i) $y = x^2 - 2$ ①
 $y = x$ ②

Substitute for y in ①:

$x = x^2 - 2$
 $x^2 - x - 2 = 0$
 $(x+1)(x-2) = 0$
 $x = -1$ or $x = 2$.

\therefore At P , $x = -1$ and at Q , $x = 2$.

(ii) Area = $\int_{-1}^2 x - (x^2 - 2) dx$
 $= \int_{-1}^2 x - x^2 + 2 dx$
 $= \left[\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} + 2x \right]_{-1}^2$
 $= \left(\frac{2^2}{2} - \frac{2^3}{3} + 2 \times 2 \right) - \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - 2 \right)$
 $= 4 \frac{1}{2}$.

\therefore Area is $4 \frac{1}{2}$ square units.

QUESTION 8

(a) (i) $x = 2t - 3 \log_e(t+1)$

$v = \frac{dx}{dt}$
 $= 2 - \frac{3}{t+1}$

(ii) Let $t = 0$, $v = 2 - 3 = -1$.
 \therefore Initial velocity is -1 m s⁻¹.

(iii) Let $v = 0$, $2 - \frac{3}{t+1} = 0$
 $2t + 2 - 3 = 0$
 $t = \frac{1}{2}$.

\therefore Particle is at rest when $t = \frac{1}{2}$ s.

(iv) At $t = 0$, $x = 2(0) - 3 \ln 1 = 0$.

At $t = \frac{1}{2}$, $x = 2(0.5) - 3 \ln 1.5$
 $= 1 - 3 \ln 1.5$
 $= -0.2164$.

At $t = 3$, $x = 2 \times 3 - 3 \ln 4$
 $= 6 - 3 \ln 4$
 $= 1.8411$.

A	O	B
$t = \frac{1}{2}$	$t = 0$	$x = 1.8411$
$x = -0.2164$	$x = 0$	$t = 3$

Distance $OA = 0.2164$ m.

Distance $OB = 1.8411$ m.

Distance travelled = $2OA + OB$
 $= 2 \times 0.2164 + 1.8411$
 $= 2.2739...$
 $= 2.27$ m (3 sig. figs).

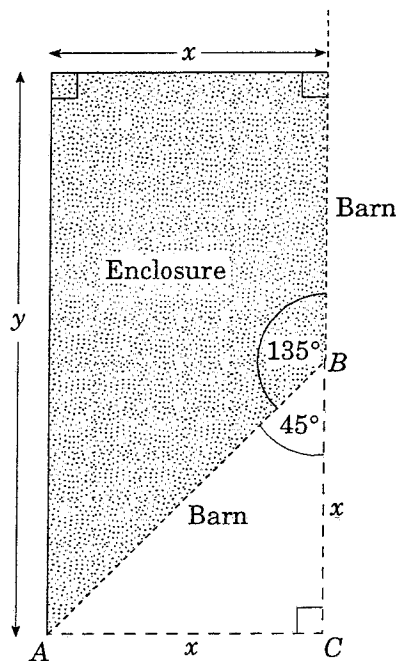
OR At $t = 0$, $x = 0$.

At $t = \frac{1}{2}$, $x = 1 - 3 \ln 1.5$.

At $t = 3$, $x = 6 - 3 \ln 4$.

Distance travelled in the first 3 seconds
 $= |1 - 3 \ln 1.5 - 0| + |6 - 3 \ln 4 - (1 - 3 \ln 1.5)|$
 $= 3 \ln 1.5 - 1 + 6 - 3 \ln 4 - 1 + 3 \ln 1.5$
 $= 2.27 \text{ m.}$

(b)



(i) Since $\angle ABC = 45^\circ$, ABC is a right-angled isosceles triangle.

$$\therefore AC = BC = x.$$

$$A = xy - \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$A = x(117 - x) - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \quad (\text{since } x + y = 117)$$

$$A = 117x - \frac{3}{2}x^2.$$

(ii) $A = 117x - \frac{3}{2}x^2$

$$\frac{dA}{dx} = 117 - 3x.$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{dA}{dx} = 0, \quad 117 - 3x = 0$$

$$x = 39.$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{d^2A}{dx^2} = -3.$$

\therefore Area is a maximum when $x = 39$.

$$x + y = 117$$

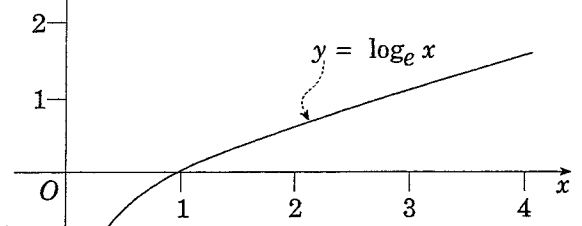
$$y = 78$$

$$= 2 \times 39.$$

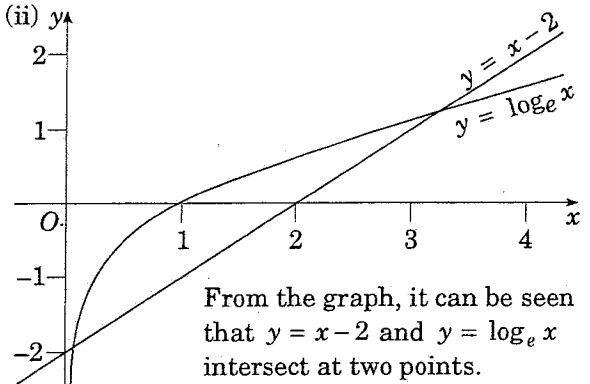
Hence area is a maximum when $y = 2x$.

QUESTION 9

(a) (i) y



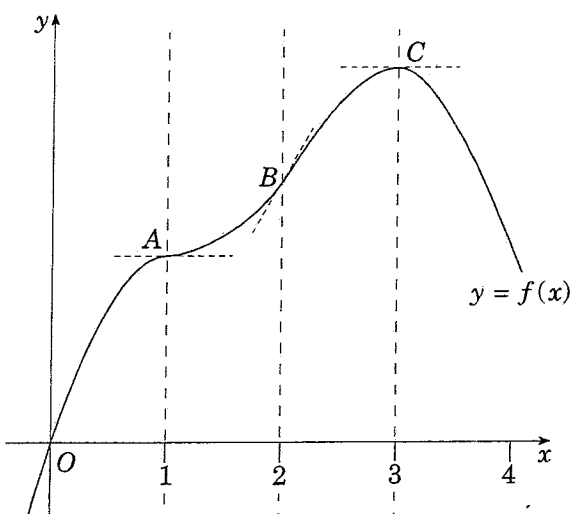
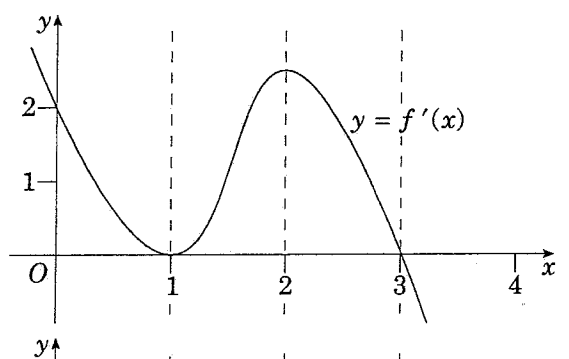
(ii) y



\therefore There are two solutions to $\log_e x = x - 2$.

That is, there are two solutions to $\log x - x = -2$.

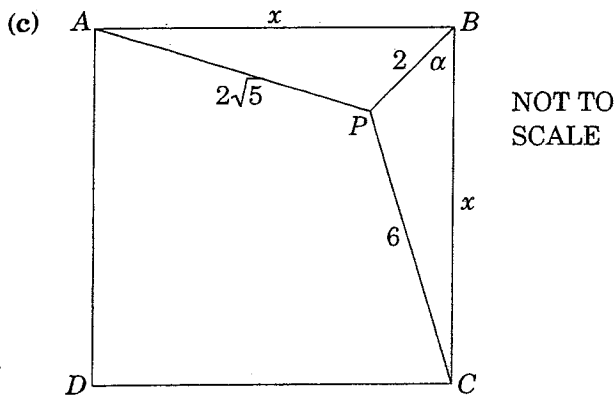
(b)



A: Horizontal point of inflection.

B: Point of inflection.

C: Maximum turning point.



(i) In $\triangle PBC$, $\cos \alpha = \frac{PB^2 + CB^2 - PC^2}{2 \times PB \times CB}$
 $= \frac{2^2 + x^2 - 6^2}{2 \times 2 \times x}$
 $= \frac{x^2 - 32}{4x}$

(ii) Since $\angle ABC$ is an angle in a square and $\angle PBC = \alpha$, then $\angle ABP = 90^\circ - \alpha$.

Using the cosine rule in $\triangle ABP$:

$$\cos \angle ABP = \frac{x^2 + 2^2 - (2\sqrt{5})^2}{2 \times x \times 2}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 - 16}{4x}$$

But $\cos(90^\circ - \alpha) = \sin \alpha$

$$\therefore \sin \alpha = \frac{x^2 - 16}{4x}$$

(iii) From (i), $\cos \alpha = \frac{x^2 - 32}{4x}$.

From (ii), $\sin \alpha = \frac{x^2 - 16}{4x}$.

But $\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha = 1$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{x^2 - 32}{4x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x^2 - 16}{4x}\right)^2 = 1.$$

$$\therefore x^4 - 64x^2 + 1024 + x^4 - 32x^2 + 256 = 16x^2$$

$$\therefore 2x^4 - 112x^2 + 1280 = 0$$

$$\therefore x^4 - 56x^2 + 640 = 0.$$

That is,

$$x \text{ is a solution of } x^4 - 56x^2 + 640 = 0.$$

(iv) $x^4 - 56x^2 + 640 = 0$.

That is, $(x^2 - 16)(x^2 - 40) = 0$

$$\therefore x = \pm 4 \text{ or } x = \pm \sqrt{40}.$$

But x cm is the length of the side of a square, so $x > 0$.

$$\therefore x = 4 \text{ or } \sqrt{40} (= 2\sqrt{10}).$$

If $x = 4$, $\cos \alpha = \frac{4^2 - 32}{4 \times 4} < 0$.

But α is acute, so $\cos \alpha > 0$.

$$\text{If } x = 2\sqrt{10}, \cos \alpha = \frac{(2\sqrt{10})^2 - 32}{4 \times 2\sqrt{10}} > 0.$$

\therefore Solution is $x = 2\sqrt{10}$.

QUESTION 10

(a) (i) $A_1 = 5000 - M$.

$$A_2 = 5000 - 2M.$$

$$A_3 = 5000 - 3M.$$

(ii) $A_4 = (5000 - 3M) \times 1.01 - M$.

$$A_5 = A_4 \times 1.01 - M.$$

$$\therefore A_5 = [(5000 - 3M) \times 1.01 - M] \times 1.01 - M$$

$$= (5000 - 3M) \times 1.01^2 - M \times 1.01 - M$$

$$= (5000 - 3M) \times 1.01^2 - M(1 + 1.01).$$

(iii) $A_6 = A_5 \times 1.01 - M$

$$= (5000 - 3M) \times 1.01^3$$

$$- M(1 + 1.01 + 1.01^2).$$

Continuing the pattern,

$$A_{36} = (5000 - 3M) \times 1.01^{33}$$

$$- M(1 + 1.01 + \dots + 1.01^{32})$$

$$= (5000 - 3M) \times 1.01^{33}$$

$$- M \times \frac{(1.01^{33} - 1)}{(1.01 - 1)}.$$

(iv) But $A_{36} = 0$.

$$\therefore (5000 - 3M) \times 1.01^{33} - \frac{M \times (1.01^{33} - 1)}{0.01} = 0,$$

$$\therefore 5000 \times 1.01^{33} - 3M \times 1.01^{33}$$

$$- M \times \frac{1.01^{33} - 1}{0.01} = 0,$$

$$\therefore 5000 \times 1.01^{33}$$

$$- M \left(3 \times 1.01^{33} + \frac{1.01^{33} - 1}{0.01} \right) = 0,$$

$$\therefore M = \frac{5000 \times 1.01^{33}}{\left(3 \times 1.01^{33} + \frac{1.01^{33} - 1}{0.01} \right)},$$

$$\therefore M = 161343.9692.$$

\therefore The monthly repayment is \$161.34 to the nearest cent.

(b) (i) The depth of the snow increases at a constant rate.

Let $\frac{dh}{dt} = c$, where c is a constant.

Then $h = ct + d$, where d is a constant.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But at } t = 0, \quad h &= 0, \\ \therefore \quad h &= ct. \end{aligned}$$

It is given that $v = \frac{A}{h}$, where A is a constant.

Since $v = \frac{dx}{dt}$ and $h = ct$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{A}{ct} \\ &= \frac{k}{t}, \text{ where } k = \frac{A}{c}. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) *Without calculus:*

- 1st km of road takes 2 hours to clear (6 am to 8 am),
- 2nd km of road takes $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

This is a difference of $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

This means that it took an extra $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours to clear the snow which fell during the 2nd km clearing time; that is, it took an extra $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours to clear $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours of snow.

This is a rate of 1 hour to clear

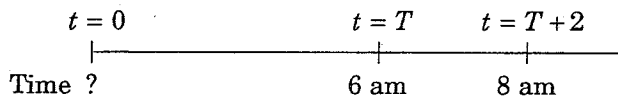
$$\frac{3\frac{1}{2}}{1\frac{1}{2}} = 2\frac{1}{3} \text{ hours of snow.}$$

\therefore The first km taking 2 hours must have cleared $2 \times 2\frac{1}{3}$ hours, that is, $4\frac{2}{3}$ hours of snow. This time finished at 8 am.

\therefore The snow started falling at $4\frac{2}{3}$ hours before 8 am. That is, it began to snow at 3:20 am.

OR x = distance in km that the snow plough has cleared.

t = time in hours that the snow has been falling.



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{k}{t}$$

$$\therefore x = \int \frac{k}{t} dt.$$

From 6 am (time T) to 8 am (time $T + 2$), 1 km of snow was cleared.

$$\text{Using } x = \int \frac{k}{t} dt, \quad 1 = \int_T^{T+2} \frac{k}{t} dt.$$

Similarly in the next 3.5 hours, that is, from $t = T + 2$ to $t = T + 5.5$, another 1 km of snow was cleared.

$$\therefore 1 = \int_{T+2}^{T+5.5} \frac{k}{t} dt.$$

$$\therefore \int_T^{T+2} \frac{k}{t} dt = \int_{T+2}^{T+5.5} \frac{k}{t} dt,$$

$$\text{that is, } k \left[\ln t \right]_T^{T+2} = k \left[\ln t \right]_{T+2}^{T+5.5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{that is, } k \left[\ln(T+2) - \ln T \right] \\ = k \left[\ln(T+5.5) - \ln(T+2) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \ln\left(\frac{T+2}{T}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{T+5.5}{T+2}\right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{T+2}{T} = \frac{T+5.5}{T+2}$$

$$\therefore (T+2)^2 = T(T+5.5)$$

$$\therefore T = 2\frac{2}{3}.$$

\therefore The snow started falling $2\frac{2}{3}$ hours before time T (6 am).

\therefore The snow started at 3:20 am.

END OF 2/3 UNIT (COMMON) MATHEMATICS SOLUTIONS