



HIGHER MATHS

2015 Exam

Question Paper with Solutions

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2015 Non Calculator Paper

1. Vectors $\mathbf{u} = 8\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{v} = -3\mathbf{i} + t\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$ are perpendicular.

Determine the value of t .

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$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \underline{\mathbf{v}} &= 8(-3) + 2(t) + (-1)(-6) \\ &= -24 + 2t + 6 \\ &= -18 + 2t\end{aligned}$$

PERPENDICULAR VECTORS $\underline{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \underline{\mathbf{v}} = 0$

$$-18 + 2t = 0$$

$$2t = 18$$

$$t = 9$$

2. Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $y = 2x^3 + 3$ at the point where $x = -2$.

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2$$

POI

$$\begin{aligned}y &= 2(-2)^3 + 3 \\ &= -16 + 3 \\ &= -13\end{aligned}$$

$$(-2, -13)$$

GRADIENT

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= 6(-2)^2 \\ &= 24\end{aligned}$$

$$m = 24$$

TANGENT

$$y - b = m(x - a)$$

$$y + 13 = 24(x + 2)$$

$$y = 24x + 48 - 13$$

$$y = 24x + 35$$

3. Show that $(x + 3)$ is a factor of $x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 24$ and hence factorise $x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 24$ fully.

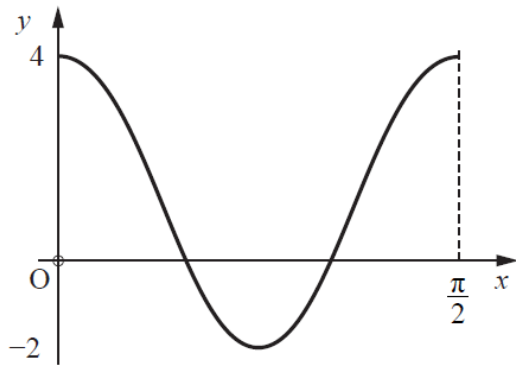
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$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 1 & -3 & -10 & 24 \\ & & -3 & 18 & -24 \\ \hline & 1 & -6 & 8 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 24 \\ &= (x + 3)(x^2 - 6x + 8) \\ &= (x + 3)(x - 4)(x - 2)\end{aligned}$$

Rem = 0 so $(x + 3)$ is a factor

4. The diagram shows part of the graph of the function $y = p \cos qx + r$.



Write down the values of p , q and r .

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$$p = \frac{4 - (-2)}{2} = 3$$

$$q = 4 \quad (4 \text{ graphs in } 360^\circ (2\pi))$$

$$r = +1$$

$$y = 3 \cos 4x + 1$$

5. A function g is defined on \mathbb{R} , the set of real numbers, by $g(x) = 6 - 2x$.

(a) Determine an expression for $g^{-1}(x)$.

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(b) Write down an expression for $g(g^{-1}(x))$.

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$$(a) \quad y = 6 - 2x$$

$$(b) \quad g(g^{-1}(x)) = x$$

$$2x + y = 6$$

$$2x = 6 - y$$

$$x = \frac{6 - y}{2}$$

$$g^{-1}(x) = \frac{6 - x}{2}$$

6. Evaluate $\log_6 12 + \frac{1}{3} \log_6 27$.

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$$\log_6 12 + \frac{1}{3} \log_6 27$$

$$= \log_6 12 + \log_6 27^{1/3}$$

$$= \log_6 12 + \log_6 3$$

$$= \log_6 12 \times 3$$

$$= \log_6 36$$

$$= 2$$

$$\log_6 12 + \frac{1}{3} \log_6 27 = 2$$

7. A function f is defined on a suitable domain by $f(x) = \sqrt{x} \left(3x - \frac{2}{x\sqrt{x}} \right)$.

Find $f'(4)$.

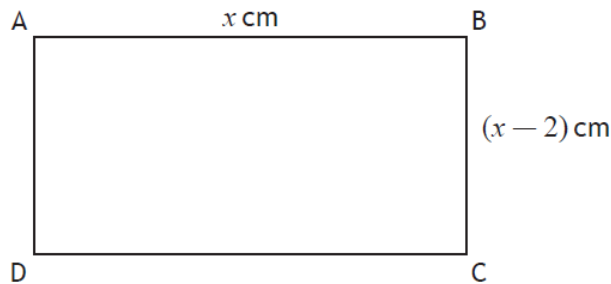
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$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sqrt{x} \left(3x - \frac{2}{x\sqrt{x}} \right) \\ &= 3x\sqrt{x} - \frac{2\sqrt{x}}{x\sqrt{x}} \\ &= 3x^1 x^{1/2} - \frac{2}{x} \\ &= 3x^{3/2} - 2x^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 3x^{3/2} - 2x^{-1} \\ f'(x) &= \frac{9}{2}x^{1/2} + 2x^{-2} \\ &= \frac{9\sqrt{x}}{2} + \frac{2}{x^2} \\ f'(4) &= \frac{9\sqrt{4}}{2} + \frac{2}{(4)^2} \\ &= 9 + \frac{2}{16} \\ &= 9\frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{f'(4) = 9\frac{1}{8}}$$

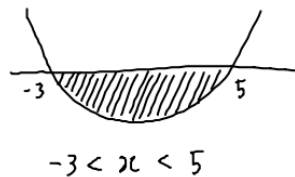
8. ABCD is a rectangle with sides of lengths x centimetres and $(x - 2)$ centimetres, as shown.



If the area of ABCD is less than 15 cm^2 , determine the range of possible values of x .

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$$\begin{aligned} A &= x(x-2) \\ &= x^2 - 2x \\ x^2 - 2x &< 15 \\ x^2 - 2x - 15 &< 0 \\ (x+3)(x-5) &< 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$\boxed{x \text{ MUST BE GREATER THAN } 2, \text{ so } 2 < x < 5}$$

9. A, B and C are points such that AB is parallel to the line with equation $y + \sqrt{3}x = 0$ and BC makes an angle of 150° with the positive direction of the x -axis.

Are the points A, B and C collinear?

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$$y + \sqrt{3}x = 0$$

$$y = -\sqrt{3}x$$

$$m_{AB} = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$m = \tan \theta$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$$

$$\tan 60 = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\theta = 120^\circ$$

LINE AB MAKES AN ANGLE OF 120° WITH X AXIS SO A, B & C ARE NOT COLLINEAR

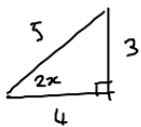
10. Given that $\tan 2x = \frac{3}{4}$, $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{4}$, find the exact value of

(a) $\cos 2x$

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(b) $\cos x$.

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(a) $\cos 2x = \frac{A}{H} = \frac{4}{5}$

(b) $\cos 2x = 2\cos^2 x - 1$

$$2\cos^2 x - 1 = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$2\cos^2 x = \frac{9}{5}$$

$$(\cos^2)x = \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\cos x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{9}{10}}$$

BECAUSE $x < \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$\cos x = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$$

11. T(-2, -5) lies on the circumference of the circle with equation

$$(x + 8)^2 + (y + 2)^2 = 45.$$

(a) Find the equation of the tangent to the circle passing through T. 4

(b) This tangent is also a tangent to a parabola with equation $y = -2x^2 + px + 1 - p$, where $p > 3$.

Determine the value of p . 6

(a) T(-2, -5) CENTRE (-8, -2)

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\text{RADIUS}} &= \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} & m_1 \times m_2 &= -1 \\ &= \frac{-2 - (-5)}{-8 - (-2)} & m_{\perp} &= 2 \\ &= \frac{3}{-6} & & \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} & & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y - b &= m(x - a) \\ y + 5 &= 2(x + 2) \\ y + 5 &= 2x + 4 \\ y &= 2x - 1 \end{aligned}$$

(b) POI $2x - 1 = -2x^2 + px + 1 - p$

$$2x^2 + 2x - px - 1 - 1 + p = 0$$

$$2x^2 + (2-p)x + p - 2 = 0$$

FOR TANGENT $b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$$(2-p)^2 - (4 \times 2 \times (p-2)) = 0$$

$$4 - 4p + p^2 - 8p + 16 = 0$$

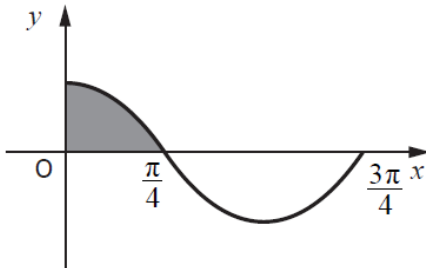
$$p^2 - 12p + 20 = 0$$

$$(p - 10)(p - 2) = 0$$

$$p = 10 \quad p = 2$$

12. The diagram shows part of the graph of $y = a \cos bx$.

The shaded area is $\frac{1}{2}$ unit².



What is the value of $\int_0^{\frac{3\pi}{4}} (a \cos bx) dx$? 2

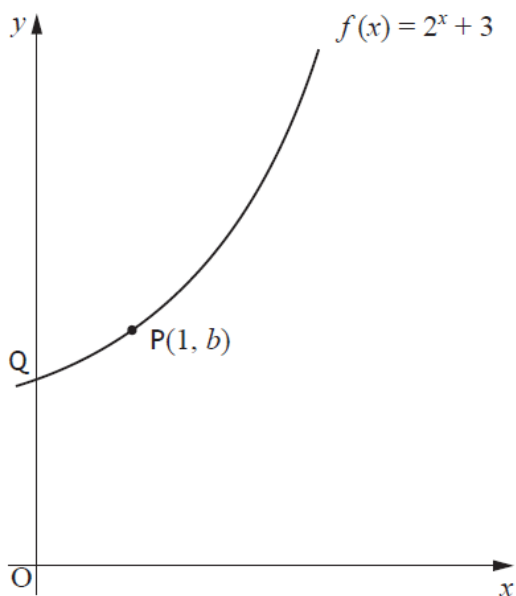
AREA ABOVE AXIS = $\frac{1}{2}$

AREA BELOW AXIS = -1

$$\int_0^{\frac{3\pi}{4}} (a \cos bx) dx = -\frac{1}{2}$$

13. The function $f(x) = 2^x + 3$ is defined on \mathbb{R} , the set of real numbers.

The graph with equation $y = f(x)$ passes through the point $P(1, b)$ and cuts the y -axis at Q as shown in the diagram.

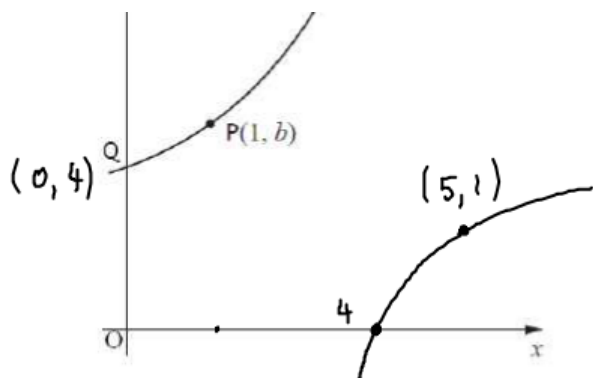


(a) What is the value of b ? $b = 5$ 1

(b) (i) Copy the above diagram.
On the same diagram, sketch the graph with equation $y = f^{-1}(x)$. 1

(ii) Write down the coordinates of the images of P and Q . 3

(c) $R(3, 11)$ also lies on the graph with equation $y = f(x)$.
Find the coordinates of the image of R on the graph with equation $y = 4 - f(x + 1)$. 2



$(3, 11)$ on $-f(x)$ $(3, -11)$
 $-f(x+1)$ $(2, -11)$
 $-f(x+1)+4$ $(2, -7)$
 $(2, -7)$

14. The circle with equation $x^2 + y^2 - 12x - 10y + k = 0$ meets the coordinate axes at exactly three points.

What is the value of k ?

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CENTRE $(6, 5)$

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 &= 6^2 + 5^2 \\ &= 36 + 25 \\ &= 61 \end{aligned}$$

$$r = \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c}$$

$$\text{So } g^2 + f^2 - c = 61$$

$$(-6)^2 + (-5)^2 - k = 61$$

$$61 - k = 61$$

$$\boxed{k = 0}$$

15. The rate of change of the temperature, T °C of a mug of coffee is given by

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{1}{25}t - k, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 50$$

- t is the elapsed time, in minutes, after the coffee is poured into the mug
- k is a constant
- initially, the temperature of the coffee is 100 °C
- 10 minutes later the temperature has fallen to 82 °C.

Express T in terms of t .

6

$$T = \int \frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{1}{50}t^2 - kt + c$$

when $t=0$ $T=100$

$$\begin{aligned} 100 &= \frac{1}{50}(0)^2 - k(0) + c \\ c &= 100 \end{aligned}$$

when $t=10$ $T=82$

$$82 = \frac{1}{50}(10)^2 - k(10) + 100$$

$$82 = 2 - 10k + 100$$

$$10k = 102 - 82$$

$$10k = 20$$

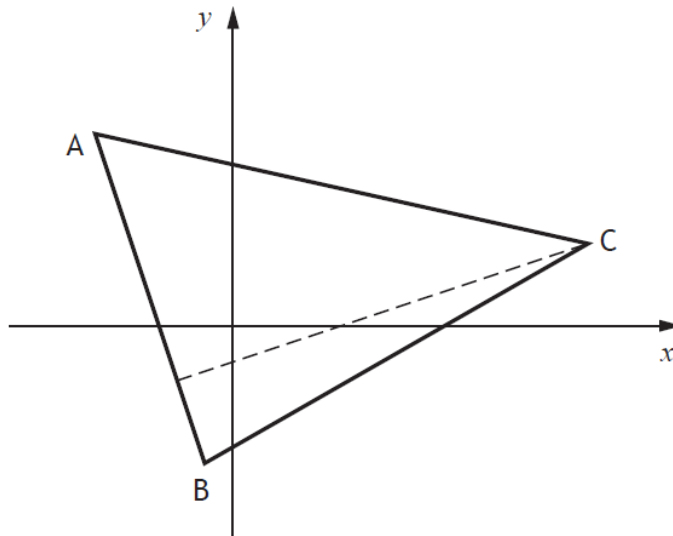
$$k = 2$$

$$\boxed{T = \frac{1}{50}t^2 - 2t + 100}$$

2015 Calculator Paper

1. The vertices of triangle ABC are $A(-5, 7)$, $B(-1, -5)$ and $C(13, 3)$ as shown in the diagram.

The broken line represents the altitude from C.



- (a) Show that the equation of the altitude from C is $x - 3y = 4$. 4
- (b) Find the equation of the median from B. 3
- (c) Find the coordinates of the point of intersection of the altitude from C and the median from B. 2

(a)
$$m_{AB} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$= \frac{-5 - 7}{-1 - (-5)}$$

$$= \frac{-12}{4}$$

$$= -3$$

$m_1 \times m_2 = -1$
 $m_{\perp} = \frac{1}{3}$

$y - b = m(x - a)$
 $y - 3 = \frac{1}{3}(x - 13)$
 $3y - 9 = x - 13$
 $-x + 3y + 4 = 0$

$x - 3y = 4$

(b) $Q = \text{mid}_{AC} = \left(\frac{-5+13}{2}, \frac{7+3}{2} \right)$
 $= (4, 5)$

$m_{BQ} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
 $= \frac{5 - (-5)}{4 - (-1)}$
 $= \frac{10}{5}$
 $= 2$

$y - b = m(x - a)$
 $y + 5 = 2(x + 1)$
 $y + 5 = 2x + 2$

$y = 2x - 3$

(c) PoI $3y = x - 4$
 $3y = 6x - 9$
 $6x - 9 = x - 4$
 $5x = 5$
 $x = 1$

$y = 2(1) - 3$
 $= -1$

PoI $(1, -1)$

2. Functions f and g are defined on suitable domains by

$$f(x) = 10 + x \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = (1 + x)(3 - x) + 2.$$

(a) Find an expression for $f(g(x))$. 2

(b) Express $f(g(x))$ in the form $p(x + q)^2 + r$. 3

(c) Another function h is given by $h(x) = \frac{1}{f(g(x))}$.

What values of x cannot be in the domain of h ? 2

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad f(g(x)) &= f((1+x)(3-x)+2) \\ &= 10 + (1+x)(3-x) + 2 \\ &= 12 + (3-x+3x-x^2) \\ &= 15 + 2x - x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad f(g(x)) &= -x^2 + 2x + 15 \\ &= -[x^2 - 2x] + 15 \\ &= -[(x-1)^2 - 1] + 15 \\ &= -(x-1)^2 + 1 + 15 \\ &= -(x-1)^2 + 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad &-(x-1)^2 + 16 \neq 0 \\ &-(x-1)^2 \neq -16 \\ &(x-1)^2 \neq 16 \\ &(x-1) \neq \pm 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$x \neq -3 \quad x \neq 5$$

3. A version of the following problem first appeared in print in the 16th Century.

A frog and a toad fall to the bottom of a well that is 50 feet deep.

Each day, the frog climbs 32 feet and then rests overnight. During the night, it slides down $\frac{2}{3}$ of its height above the floor of the well.

The toad climbs 13 feet each day before resting.

Overnight, it slides down $\frac{1}{4}$ of its height above the floor of the well.

Their progress can be modelled by the recurrence relations:

$$\bullet \quad f_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3}f_n + 32, \quad f_1 = 32$$

$$\bullet \quad t_{n+1} = \frac{3}{4}t_n + 13, \quad t_1 = 13$$

where f_n and t_n are the heights reached by the frog and the toad at the end of the n th day after falling in.

(a) Calculate t_2 , the height of the toad at the end of the second day. 1

(b) Determine whether or not either of them will eventually escape from the well. 5

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad t_2 &= \frac{3}{4} \times 13 + 13 \\ &= \frac{39}{4} + \frac{52}{4} \\ &= \frac{91}{4} \text{ ft} \quad \left(22\frac{3}{4} \text{ ft}\right) \end{aligned}$$

(b) FROG

LIMIT EXISTS AS $-1 < \frac{1}{3} < 1$

$$L = \frac{1}{3}L + 32$$

$$L - \frac{1}{3}L = 32$$

$$\frac{2}{3}L = 32$$

$$2L = 96$$

$$L = 48$$

FROG DOES NOT
ESCAPE

TOAD

LIMIT EXISTS AS $-1 < \frac{3}{4} < 1$

$$L = \frac{3}{4}L + 13$$

$$L - \frac{3}{4}L = 13$$

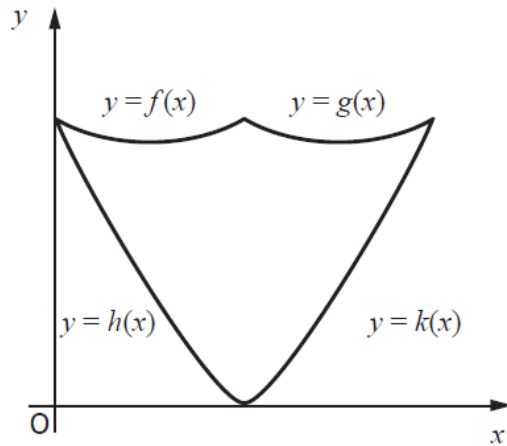
$$\frac{1}{4}L = 13$$

$$L = 52$$

TOAD DOES ESCAPE

4. A wall plaque is to be made to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the publication of "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland".

The edges of the wall plaque can be modelled by parts of the graphs of four quadratic functions as shown in the sketch.



- (a) Find the x -coordinate of the point of intersection of the graphs with equations $y=f(x)$ and $y=g(x)$.

2

The graphs of the functions $f(x)$ and $h(x)$ intersect on the y -axis.

The plaque has a vertical line of symmetry.

- (b) Calculate the area of the wall plaque.

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(a) POI $f(x) = g(x)$

$$\frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x + 3 = \frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{3}{2}x + 5$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{2}x = 5 - 3$$

$$x = 2$$

(b) AREA = $\int_0^2 f(x) - h(x) dx$

$$= \int_0^2 \left(\frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x + 3 \right) - \left(\frac{3}{8}x - \frac{9}{4}x + 3 \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 \left(-\frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{7}{4}x \right) dx$$

$$= \left[-\frac{1}{24}x^3 + \frac{7}{8}x^2 \right]_0^2$$

$$= \left(-\frac{(2)^3}{24} + \frac{7(2)^2}{8} \right) - 0$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{3} + \frac{7}{2} \right) - 0$$

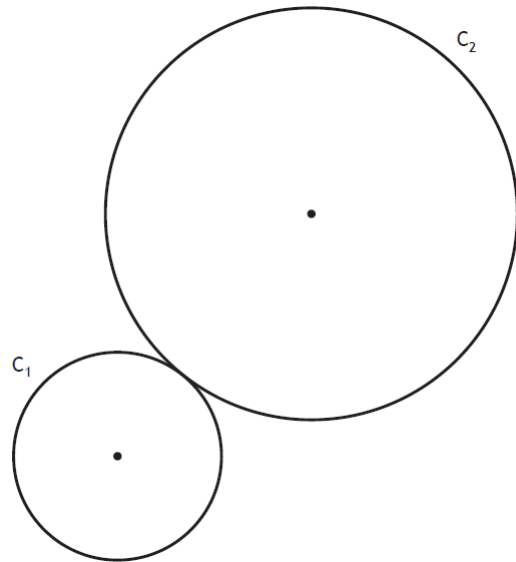
$$= \frac{19}{6}$$

TOTAL AREA = $2 \times \frac{19}{6} = \frac{19}{3} \text{ UNITS}^2$

5. Circle C_1 has equation $x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 10y + 9 = 0$.

The centre of circle C_2 is $(9, 11)$.

Circles C_1 and C_2 touch externally.



(a) Determine the radius of C_2 .

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A third circle, C_3 , is drawn such that:

- both C_1 and C_2 touch C_3 internally
- the centres of C_1 , C_2 and C_3 are collinear.

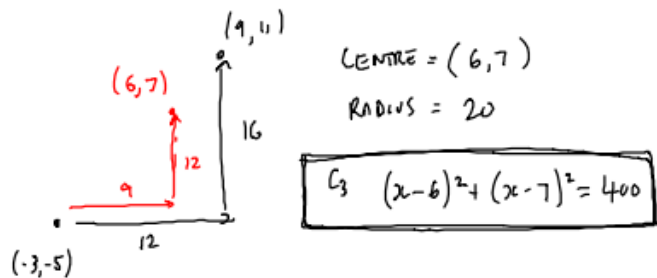
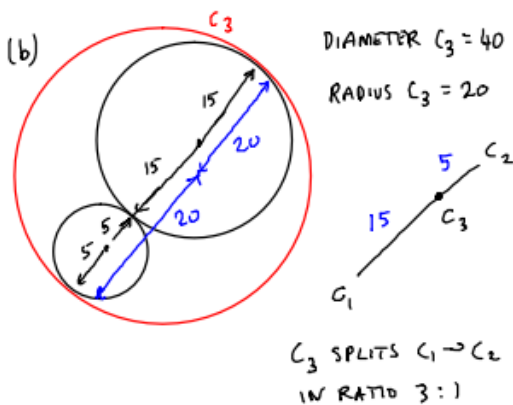
(b) Determine the equation of C_3 .

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(a) C_1 CENTRE $(-3, -5)$ C_2 CENTRE $(9, 11)$
 RADIUS = $\sqrt{(3)^2 + (5)^2} - 4$
 = 5 UNITS

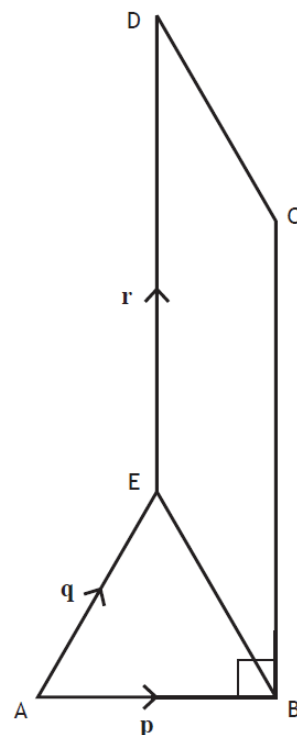
$$\begin{aligned} \text{DISTANCE BETWEEN CENTRES} &= \sqrt{((-3) - 9)^2 + ((-5) - 11)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{144 + 256} \\ &= \sqrt{400} \\ &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

RADIUS $C_2 = 20 - 5$
 = 15 UNITS



6. Vectors \mathbf{p} , \mathbf{q} and \mathbf{r} are represented on the diagram as shown.

- BCDE is a parallelogram
- ABE is an equilateral triangle
- $|\mathbf{p}| = 3$
- Angle $ABC = 90^\circ$



(a) Evaluate $\mathbf{p} \cdot (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{r})$.

(b) Express \vec{EC} in terms of \mathbf{p} , \mathbf{q} and \mathbf{r} .

(c) Given that $\vec{AE} \cdot \vec{EC} = 9\sqrt{3} - \frac{9}{2}$, find $|\mathbf{r}|$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad & \mathbf{p} \cdot (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{r}) \\
 &= \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} \\
 &= |\mathbf{p}||\mathbf{q}|\cos\theta + |\mathbf{p}||\mathbf{r}|\cos\theta \\
 &= 3 \times 3 \times \cos 60 + 3|\mathbf{r}|\cos 90 \\
 &= 9 \times \frac{1}{2} + 0 \\
 &= \frac{9}{2} \quad \boxed{\mathbf{p} \cdot (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{r}) = \frac{9}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \vec{EC} = -\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(c)} \quad & \vec{AE} \cdot \vec{EC} \\
 &= \mathbf{q} \cdot (-\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{r}) \\
 &= \mathbf{q} \cdot -\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$-9 + \frac{9}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}|\mathbf{r}| = 9\sqrt{3} - \frac{9}{2}$$

$$-\frac{9}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}|\mathbf{r}| = 9\sqrt{3} - \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}|\mathbf{r}| = 9\sqrt{3}$$

$$3\sqrt{3}|\mathbf{r}| = 18\sqrt{3}$$

$$3|\mathbf{r}| = 18$$

$$\boxed{|\mathbf{r}| = 6}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{q} \cdot -\mathbf{q} &= |\mathbf{q}||-\mathbf{q}|\cos\theta \\
 &= 3 \times 3 \times \cos 180 \\
 &= -9
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p} = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r} &= |\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{r}|\cos\theta \\
 &= 3|\mathbf{r}|\cos 30 \\
 &= \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}|\mathbf{r}|
 \end{aligned}$$

7. (a) Find $\int(3\cos 2x+1)dx$. 2

(b) Show that $3\cos 2x+1=4\cos^2x-2\sin^2x$. 2

(c) Hence, or otherwise, find $\int(\sin^2x-2\cos^2x)dx$. 2

(a)
$$\int(3\cos 2x+1)dx$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}\sin 2x+x+C$$

(b)
$$3\cos 2x+1$$

$$= 3(\cos^2x-\sin^2x)+1$$

$$= 3\cos^2x-3\sin^2x+1$$

$$= 3\cos^2x-2\sin^2x+(1-\sin^2x)$$

$$= 3\cos^2x-2\sin^2x+\cos^2x$$

$$= 4\cos^2x-2\sin^2x$$

(c)
$$\int(\sin^2x-2\cos^2x)dx$$

$$= \int-\frac{1}{2}(4\cos^2x-2\sin^2x)dx$$

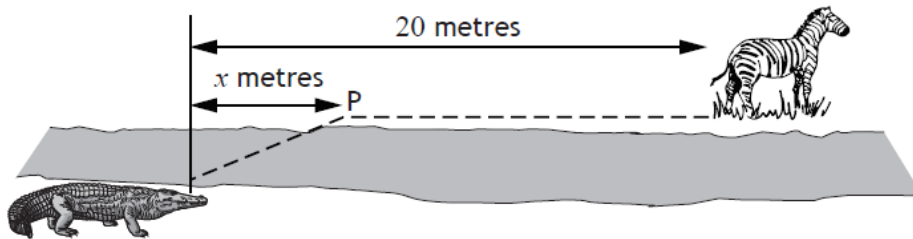
$$= -\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{3}{2}\sin 2x+x\right)+C$$

$$= -\frac{3}{4}\sin 2x-\frac{1}{2}x+C$$

8. A crocodile is stalking prey located 20 metres further upstream on the opposite bank of a river.

Crocodiles travel at different speeds on land and in water.

The time taken for the crocodile to reach its prey can be minimised if it swims to a particular point, P, x metres upstream on the other side of the river as shown in the diagram.



The time taken, T , measured in tenths of a second, is given by

$$T(x) = 5\sqrt{36+x^2} + 4(20-x)$$

- (a) (i) Calculate the time taken if the crocodile does not travel on land. 1
(ii) Calculate the time taken if the crocodile swims the shortest distance possible. 1
(b) Between these two extremes there is one value of x which minimises the time taken. Find this value of x and hence calculate the minimum possible time. 8

(a)(i)

$$\begin{aligned} T(20) &= 5\sqrt{36+(20)^2} + 4(20-20) \\ &= 5\sqrt{436} \\ &= 104.4 \text{ tenths} \\ &= \boxed{10.4 \text{ seconds}} \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} T(0) &= 5\sqrt{36+(0)^2} + 4(20-0) \\ &= 30 + 80 \\ &= 110 \text{ tenths} \\ &= \boxed{11.0 \text{ seconds}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) $T(x) = 5\sqrt{36+x^2} + 4(20-x)$ for SP $T'(x) = 0$ $T(8) = 5\sqrt{36+(8)^2} + 4(20-8)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 5(36+x^2)^{1/2} + 80 - 4x \\ T'(x) &= \frac{5}{2}(36+x^2)^{-1/2}(2x) - 4 \\ &= \frac{5x}{\sqrt{36+x^2}} - 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{5x}{\sqrt{36+x^2}} - 4 &= 0 \\ \frac{5x}{\sqrt{36+x^2}} &= 4 \\ \frac{5x}{4} &= \sqrt{36+x^2} \\ \frac{25x^2}{16} &= 36+x^2 \\ 25x^2 &= 576+16x^2 \\ 9x^2 &= 576 \\ x^2 &= 64 \\ x &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 5\sqrt{100} + 4(12) \\ &= 50 + 48 \\ &= 98 \text{ tenths} \\ &= \boxed{9.8 \text{ seconds}} \end{aligned}$$

9. The blades of a wind turbine are turning at a steady rate.

The height, h metres, of the tip of one of the blades above the ground at time, t seconds, is given by the formula

$$h = 36\sin(1.5t) - 15\cos(1.5t) + 65.$$

Express $36\sin(1.5t) - 15\cos(1.5t)$ in the form

$$k\sin(1.5t - a), \text{ where } k > 0 \text{ and } 0 < a < \frac{\pi}{2},$$

and hence find the two values of t for which the tip of this blade is at a height of 100 metres above the ground during the first turn.

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$$\begin{aligned} 36\sin(1.5t) - 15\cos(1.5t) &= k\sin(1.5t - \alpha) \\ &= k\underline{\sin 1.5t} \cos \alpha - k\underline{\cos 1.5t} \sin \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$-k \sin \alpha = -15$$

$$k \sin \alpha = 15$$

$$k \cos \alpha = 36$$

$$\tan \alpha = \left(\frac{15}{36}\right)$$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{15}{36}\right) = 22.6^\circ$$

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$$\begin{aligned} k &= \sqrt{36^2 + (15)^2} \\ &= 39 \end{aligned}$$

$$36\sin(1.5t) - 15\cos(1.5t) = 39\sin(1.5t - 22.6)^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} h &= 36\sin(1.5t) - 15\cos(1.5t) + 65 \\ &= 39\sin(1.5t - 22.6)^\circ + 65 \end{aligned}$$

for HEIGHT = 100

$$39\sin(1.5t - 22.6)^\circ + 65 = 100$$

$$39\sin(1.5t - 22.6)^\circ = 35$$

$$\sin(1.5t - 22.6)^\circ = \frac{35}{39}$$

$$(1.5t - 22.6)^\circ = 63.8^\circ, 116.2^\circ$$

$$1.5t = 86.4, 138.8^\circ$$

$$t = 57.6, 92.5^\circ$$

$$t = 1.005, 1.615 \text{ radians}$$

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{35}{39}\right) = 63.8^\circ$$

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