

A Level Sample Paper 2 (Edexcel)
Worked Solutions

$$1) \quad f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + ax + a$$

$$f(-2) = 2(-8) - 5(4) + a(-2) + a$$

$$= -16 - 20 - 2a + a = 0$$

$$\text{factor} \Rightarrow -36 - a = 0$$

$$-a = 36 \Rightarrow a = -36 //$$

$$2) a) \quad \cos \theta = 2 \sin \theta$$

$$1 = \frac{2 \sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \Rightarrow 2 \tan \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

Student divided wrongly, should be $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ not $\tan \theta = 2 //$

$$b) \quad \text{If } \theta = -26.6, \quad \text{LHS} = \cos(-26.6) = 0.89... \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{not the same} \\ \text{RHS} = 2 \sin(-26.6) = -0.89... \end{array} \right\} \therefore \text{not a solution} //$$

ii) the student squared both sides in their first step of working //

$$3) \quad y = x \cdot (2x+1)^4$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x \cdot 4(2x+1)^3 \cdot 2 + (2x+1)^4 \cdot 1$$

$$= 8x(2x+1)^3 + (2x+1)^4$$

$$= (2x+1)^3 [8x + (2x+1)]$$

$$= (2x+1)^3 (10x+1) //$$

$$4) a) \quad gf(x) = g(f(x))$$

$$= g(e^x) = 3 \ln(e^x)$$

$$= 3x //$$

$$b) \quad fg(x) = f(g(x))$$

$$= f(3 \ln x) = e^{3 \ln x} = e^{\ln(x^3)} = x^3$$

$$\text{If } fg(x) = gf(x)$$

$$3x = x^3 \Rightarrow x^3 - 3x = 0$$

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

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = \pm \sqrt{3}$$

However $x > 0$ so $x = \sqrt{3}$ is the only solution //

5a) $m = 25e^{-0.05t}$ — ①

If $t = 0.5$, $m = 25e^{-0.05(0.5)}$ ← Note: t is in years (not months)

$= 24.3827...$

$= 24.4 \text{ g} \quad (3 \text{ s.f.})$

b) $\frac{dm}{dt} = 25(-0.05)e^{-0.05t}$

$= 1.25e^{-0.05t}$ — ②

Rearrange ① $e^{-0.05t} = \frac{m}{25}$

Sub in ② $\frac{dm}{dt} = 1.25 \frac{m}{25} \Rightarrow \frac{dm}{dt} = \frac{1}{20} m //$

6i) Let $y = x^2 - 6x + 10$

$y = (x-3)^2 - 9 + 10$

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

Statement is ALWAYS TRUE because $x^2 - 6x + 10$ has minimum value of 1 (when $x=3$).

ii) If $ax > b$ then $x > \frac{b}{a}$

Statement is SOMETIMES TRUE because, when $a > 0$ then $x > \frac{b}{a}$ however when $a < 0$ then $x < \frac{b}{a} //$

iii) Examples: If numbers = 2 and 3 then $3^2 - 2^2 = 9 - 4 = 5$ (odd) } seems to be true

If numbers = 9 and 10 then $10^2 - 9^2 = 100 - 81 = 19$ (odd)

Let numbers = n and $n+1$

then $(n+1)^2 - n^2 = n^2 + 2n + 1 - n^2 = 2n + 1$

$2n$ is always even, so $(2n+1)$ is always odd.

Statement is ALWAYS TRUE - see proof above //

7a) $\sqrt{4-x} = (4-x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 4^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 + \left(-\frac{x}{4}\right)\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$= 2 \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{x}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{x}{4}\right)^2 + \dots \right\}$

$= 2 \left\{ 1 - \frac{x}{8} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{x^2}{16} + \dots \right\}$

$= 2 - \frac{x}{4} - \frac{x^2}{64} + \dots //$

b) Valid for $|x| < 4$ i.e. $-4 < x < 4$
 Expansion IS VALID for $x=1$ //

8)a) At A, $x=0$ so $5y + 2(0) = 10$
 $y = 2 \therefore A = (0, 2)$

For $5y + 2x = 10$,
 $5y = -2x + 10$
 $y = -\frac{2x}{5} + 2 \therefore \text{Grad}(\text{given line}) = -\frac{2}{5}$

Line through $(0, 2)$ with grad $= \frac{5}{2}$ ← note: perpendicular gradient

$$y - 2 = \frac{5}{2}(x - 0)$$

$$2y - 4 = 5x \Rightarrow 2y - 5x = 4 //$$

b) At B, $y=0$ so $5(0) + 2x = 10$
 $x = 5 \therefore B = (5, 0)$

At D, $y=0$ so $2(0) - 5x = 4$
 $x = -\frac{4}{5} \therefore D = (-0.8, 0)$

$$AB = \sqrt{(5-0)^2 + (0-2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{29}$$

$$AD = \sqrt{(-0.8-0)^2 + (0-2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{29}}{5}$$

Area of rectangle = $AB \times AD$
 $= \sqrt{29} \times \frac{2\sqrt{29}}{5} = 11.6 //$

Alternative method for (b)

Area of $\triangle ADB = \frac{1}{2} \times DB \times OA$
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times (5.8) \times 2 = 5.8$

Area of rectangle = $2 \times \triangle ADB = 2 \times 5.8 = 11.6 //$

9a) $\int_1^4 (3\sqrt{x} + A) dx = \int_1^4 (3x^{\frac{1}{2}} + A) dx$

$$= \left[\frac{3(2)x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{3} + Ax \right]_1^4 = \left[2(\sqrt{x})^3 + Ax \right]_1^4$$

$$= (2(4)^3 + A(4)) - (2(1)^3 + A)$$

$$= 16 + 4A - 2 - A$$

$$= 14 + 3A$$

If integral $= 2A^2$ then $14 + 3A = 2A^2$

$$2A^2 - 3A - 14 = 0$$

$$(2A - 7)(A + 2) = 0$$

$$A = \frac{7}{2} \text{ or } A = -2 //$$

10) Let GP $= a, ar, ar^2, \dots$

then $S_6 = \frac{a(1-r^6)}{1-r}$ and $S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$

If $S_{\infty} = \frac{8}{7} \times S_6$ then $\frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{8}{7} \cdot \frac{a(1-r^6)}{1-r}$

$$7 = 8(1-r^6)$$

$$7 = 8 - 8r^6$$

$$8r^6 = 1$$

$$r^6 = \frac{1}{8} \Rightarrow r = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt[6]{8}} = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} //$$

11a) Branches are $y = 2(3-x)+5$ and $y = -2(3-x)+5$

$$y = 6 - 2x + 5 \text{ and } y = -6 + 2x + 5$$

$$y = -2x + 11 \text{ ① and } y = 2x - 1 \text{ ②}$$

Find intersection by solving ① and ②

Range $y \geq -2x + 11 = 2x - 1$

$$-2x - 2x = -1 - 11$$

$$-4x = -12 \Rightarrow x = 3$$

Sub in ① $y = -2(3) + 11 = 5$

$\therefore$ Range $f(x) \geq 5 //$

b) ① $-2x + 11 = \frac{1}{2}x + 30$

$$-2x - \frac{1}{2}x = 30 - 11$$

$$-\frac{5}{2}x = 19$$

$$x = -\frac{38}{5}$$

(INVALID as $x \geq 0$)

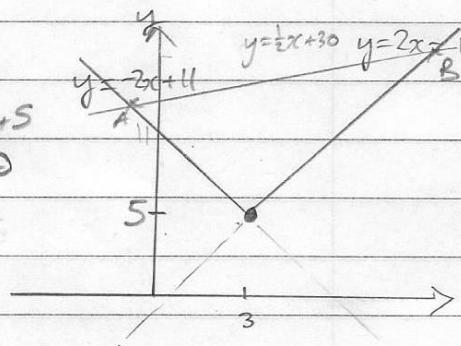
② $2x - 1 = \frac{1}{2}x + 30$

$$2x - \frac{1}{2}x = 30 + 1$$

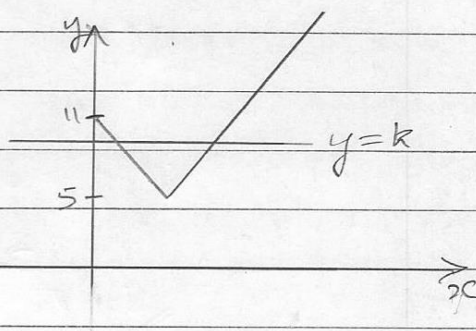
$$\frac{3}{2}x = 31$$

$$x = \frac{62}{3}$$

Ans: $x = \frac{62}{3}$ only //



- 9) For two distinct roots,
must have $5 < k \leq 11$
(see sketch)



12a) $3 \sin^2 x + \sin x + 8 = 9 \cos^2 x$
 $3 \sin^2 x + \sin x + 8 = 9 - 9 \sin^2 x$

$$12 \sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 = 0$$

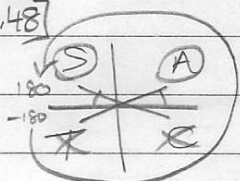
$$(4 \sin x - 1)(3 \sin x + 1) = 0$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{4} \text{ or } \sin x = -\frac{1}{3} \quad -180 \leq x < 180$$

$$[\sin^{-1}(\frac{1}{4}) = 14.48]$$

$$x = 14.48$$

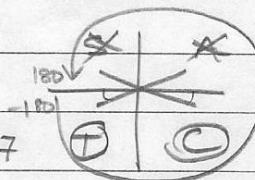
$$\text{or } 180 - 14.48$$



$$\sin^{-1}(-\frac{1}{3}) = -19.47$$

$$\text{RAA} = 19.47$$

$$x = -19.47, -180 + 19.47$$



$$x = 14.48^\circ, 165.52^\circ, -19.47^\circ, -160.53^\circ$$

b) $3 \sin^2(2\theta - 30) + \sin(2\theta - 30) + 8 = 9 \cos^2(2\theta - 30)$
 from (a) $2\theta - 30 = 14.48, 162.52, -19.47, -160.53$
 $2\theta = 44.48, 192.52, 10.53, -130.53$
 $\therefore$ Smallest positive solution $= \frac{10.53}{2} = 5.27^\circ$

13a) $R \cos(\theta + \alpha) = 10 \cos \theta - 3 \sin \theta$

$$R \cos \theta \cos \alpha - R \sin \theta \sin \alpha = 10 \cos \theta - 3 \sin \theta$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} R \cos \alpha = 10 \\ R \sin \alpha = 3 \end{array} \right\} R = \sqrt{10^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{109}$$

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{3}{\sqrt{109}} \Rightarrow \alpha = 16.699 \dots$$

$$\therefore \text{Ans } \sqrt{109} \cos(\theta + 16.70)$$

b) i) $H = a - 10 \cos(80t) + 3 \sin(80t)$
 $= a - [10 \cos(80t) - 3 \sin(80t)]$

$$H = a - \sqrt{109} \cos(80t + 16.70)$$

If $t=0, H=1$ so $1 = a - \sqrt{109} \cos(16.70)$

$$1 = a - 9.99996 \dots$$

$$a = 10.99996 \dots$$

$$a = 11.0 \text{ (3sf)}$$

$$H = 11.0 - \sqrt{109} \cos(80t + 16.70)$$

$$ii) \quad H = 11.0 - \sqrt{109} \cos(80t + 16.70)$$

$$\begin{cases} H_{\max} = 11.0 + \sqrt{109} \\ H_{\min} = 11.0 - \sqrt{109} \end{cases}$$

$\therefore$ max height = 21.4 m

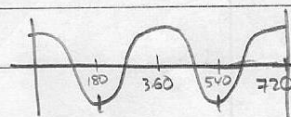
c) If $H = H_{\max}$, $\cos(80t + 16.70) = -1$

$$80t + 16.70 = 180 \text{ or } 540$$

$$80t = 540 - 16.70$$

$$t = 6.541 \text{ mins}$$

$$t = 6 \text{ min, } 32 \text{ secs (nearest sec)}$$



look at second cycle

d) Period T (time to complete one cycle) is $80T = 360^\circ \Rightarrow T = \frac{360}{80}$

If we increase the speed, we decrease the period.

To decrease the period, we need to increase the "80"

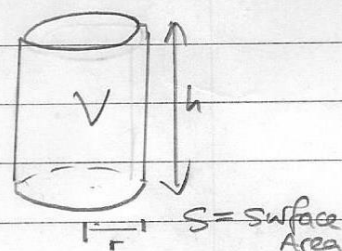
(i.e. the coefficient of t)

11a) $V = \pi r^2 h$ ①

$$S = 2\pi r h + 2\pi r^2$$
 ②

If $V = 500$, $\pi r^2 h = 500$

$$h = \frac{500}{\pi r^2}$$
 ③



Sub ③ into ② $S = 2\pi r \left(\frac{500}{\pi r^2} \right) + 2\pi r^2$

$$S = \frac{1000}{r} + 2\pi r^2$$

b) $S = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{1000}{r} = 2\pi r^2 + 1000r^{-1}$

$$\frac{dS}{dr} = 4\pi r - 1000r^{-2} = 4\pi r - \frac{1000}{r^2}$$

If $\frac{dS}{dr} = 0$, $4\pi r - \frac{1000}{r^2} = 0$

$$4\pi r^3 - 1000 = 0$$

$$r^3 = \frac{1000}{4\pi} \Rightarrow r^3 = \frac{250}{\pi} \Rightarrow r = 4.30127...$$

Sub in ③ $h = \frac{500}{\pi (4.30127)^2} = 8.6025...$ $\therefore$ can has radius 4.30m, height 8.60m

c) The shape of this can may not fit in standard vending machines //

$$15) \quad y = 5x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 9x + 11$$
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{15}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 9 = \frac{15}{2}\sqrt{x} - 9$$

$$\text{If } x=4, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{15}{2}\sqrt{4} - 9 = 6$$

Tangent through (4,15) grad=6

$$y-15 = 6(x-4)$$

$$y-15 = 6x-24$$

$$y = 6x-9$$

$$\text{If } y=0, \quad 6x-9=0$$

$$x = \frac{9}{6} = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$$

$$\text{Area under curve} = \int_0^4 (5x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 9x + 11) dx \quad \leftarrow \text{A+B+C}$$

$$= \left[\frac{20}{7}x^{\frac{5}{2}} - \frac{9}{2}x^2 + 11x \right]_0^4 = \left[2(\sqrt{x})^5 - \frac{9}{2}x^2 + 11x \right]_0^4$$

$$= \left(2(32) - \frac{9(16)}{2} + 11(4) \right) - (0-0+0) = 36$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle C = \frac{1}{2}(4-1.5)(15) = 18.75$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle D = \frac{1}{2}(1.5)(9) = 6.75$$

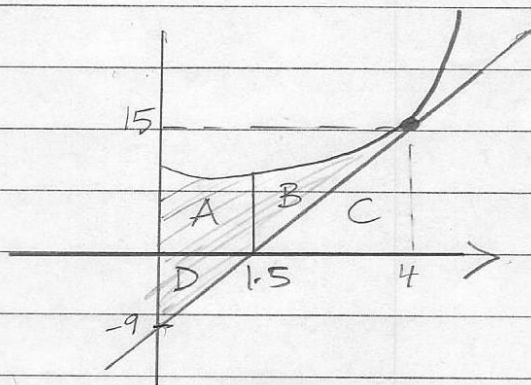
$$\therefore \text{Area required} = \text{Area under curve} - \text{Area } \triangle C + \text{Area } \triangle D$$
$$= 36 - 18.75 + 6.75 = 24 //$$

Alternative method

$$\text{Use Area between Curves} = \int_{x=0}^4 (\text{upper} - \text{lower}) dx$$

$$= \int_0^4 ((5x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 9x + 11) - (6x - 9)) dx$$

$$= \int_0^4 (5x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 15x + 20) dx = 24$$



16a) Let $\frac{1}{P(11-2P)} = \frac{A}{P} + \frac{B}{11-2P}$

$$1 \equiv A(11-2P) + BP$$

If $P=0$, $1 = 11A + 0 \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{11}$

If $P=\frac{11}{2}$, $1 = 0 + B(\frac{11}{2}) \Rightarrow B = \frac{2}{11}$

$$\text{Ans} = \frac{1}{11P} + \frac{2}{11(11-2P)}$$

b) $\frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{1}{22} P(11-2P)$

$$\int \frac{1}{P(11-2P)} dP = \int \frac{1}{22} dt$$

$$\int \frac{1}{11P} + \frac{2}{11(11-2P)} dP = \int \frac{1}{22} dt$$

$$\frac{1}{11} \ln P + \frac{2}{11} \ln(11-2P) = \frac{1}{22} t + C$$

$$(xii) \ln P - \ln(11-2P) = \frac{1}{2} t + C$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{P}{11-2P}\right) = \frac{1}{2} t + C$$

(GS) $\frac{P}{11-2P} = Ae^{\frac{1}{2}t}$

Note: P measured in thousands

If $t=0$, $P=1$ so $\frac{1}{9} = Ae^0 \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{9}$

(PS) $\frac{P}{11-2P} = \frac{1}{9} e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$

If $P=2$, $\frac{2}{7} = \frac{1}{9} e^{\frac{1}{2}t} \Rightarrow t = 1.89 \text{ years}$

$$\ln\left(\frac{P}{11-2P}\right) = \frac{1}{2} t$$

$$\frac{1}{2} t = \ln\left(\frac{18}{7}\right) \Rightarrow t = 1.88892...$$

$$t = 1.89 \text{ years}$$

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Rearrange

$$9P = (11 - 2P)e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$$

$$9P = 11e^{\frac{1}{2}t} - 2Pe^{\frac{1}{2}t}$$

$$9P + 2Pe^{\frac{1}{2}t} = 11e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$$

$$P(9 + 2e^{\frac{1}{2}t}) = 11e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$$

$$P = \frac{(11e^{\frac{1}{2}t}) \times e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}}{(9 + 2e^{\frac{1}{2}t}) \times e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}}$$

$$P = \frac{11}{9e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} + 2}$$

$$P = \frac{11}{2 + 9e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}}$$

GOAL

$$P = \frac{A}{B + Ce^{-\frac{1}{2}t}}$$