Solomon Practice Paper

Core Mathematics 4A

Time allowed: 90 minutes

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Question	Points	Score
1	6	
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1. A curve has the equation

$$x^2(2+y) - y^2 = 0.$$

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Find an expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y.



2.

$$f(x) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{1-x}}, \quad |x| < 1.$$

- (a) Show that $f(\frac{1}{10}) = \sqrt{10}$. [2]
- (b) Expand f(x) in ascending powers of x up to and including the term in x^3 , simplifying each coefficient.
- (c) Use your expansion to find an approximate value for $\sqrt{10}$, giving your answer to 8 significant figures. [1]
- (d) Find, to 1 significant figure, the percentage error in your answer to part (c).

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3. Relative to a fixed origin, O, the line l has the equation

$$\mathbf{r} = (\mathbf{i} + p\mathbf{j} - 5\mathbf{k}) + \lambda(3\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + q\mathbf{k}),$$

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where p and q are constants and λ is a scalar parameter.

Given that the point A with coordinates (-5, 9, -9) lies on l,

(a) find the values of p and q,

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(b) show that the point B with coordinates (25, -1, 11) also lies on l.

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The point C lies on l and is such that OC is perpendicular to l.

(c) Find the coordinates of C.

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(d) Find the ratio AC: CB.

4. During a chemical reaction, a compound is being made from two other substances. At time t hours after the start of the reaction, x g of the compound has been produced.

Assuming that x = 0 initially, and that

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}t} = 2(x-6)(x-3),$$

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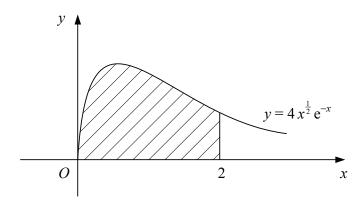
(a) show that it takes approximately 7 minutes to produce 2 g of the compound.

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(b) Explain why it is not possible to produce 3 g of the compound.



5. Figure shows the curve with equation $y = 4x^{\frac{1}{2}}e^{-x}$.



The shaded region is bounded by the curve, the x-axis and the line x=2.

(a) Use the trapezium rule with four intervals of equal width to estimate the area of the shaded region.

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The shaded region is rotated through 2π radians about the x-axis.

(b) Find, in terms of π and e, the exact volume of the solid formed.

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- 6. (a) Find $\int 2\sin(3x)\sin(2x)\,\mathrm{d}x. \tag{4}$
 - (b) Use the substitution $u^2 = x + 1$ to evaluate [8]

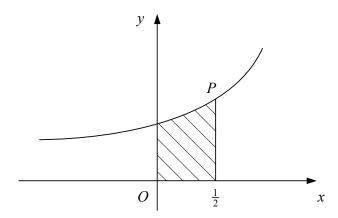
$$\int_0^3 \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x+1}} \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

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7. Figure shows the curve with parametric equations

$$x = \cos(2t)$$
 and $y = \csc(t)$, $0 < t < \frac{\pi}{2}$.



The point P on the curve has x-coordinate $\frac{1}{2}$.

- (a) Find the value of the parameter t at P.
- (b) Show that the tangent to the curve at P has the equation y = 2x + 1.

The shaded region is bounded by the curve, the coordinate axes and the line $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

(c) Show that the area of the shaded region is given by

$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} k \cos(t) \, \mathrm{d}t,$$

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where k is a positive integer to be found.

(d) Hence find the exact area of the shaded region.

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