

Solomon Practice Paper

Core Mathematics 3K

Time allowed: 90 minutes

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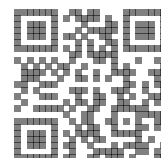
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1. (a) Find the exact value of x such that [3]

$$3 \arctan(x - 2) + \pi = 0.$$

- (b) Solve, for $-\pi < \theta < \pi$, the equation [5]

$$\cos(2\theta) - \sin(\theta) - 1 = 0,$$

giving your answers in terms of π .

Total: 8

2. (a) Express [4]

$$\frac{4x}{x^2 - 9} - \frac{2}{x + 3}$$

as a single fraction in its simplest form.

- (b) Simplify [5]

$$\frac{x^3 - 8}{3x^2 - 8x + 4}.$$

Total: 9

3. Differentiate each of the following with respect to x and simplify your answers.

(a) $\cot(x^2)$ [2]

(b) $x^2 e^{-x}$ [3]

(c) $\frac{\sin(x)}{3 + 2 \cos(x)}$ [4]

Total: 9

4. (a) Find, as natural logarithms, the solutions of the equation [4]

$$e^{2x} - 8e^x + 15 = 0.$$

- (b) Use proof by contradiction to prove that $\log_2(3)$ is irrational. [6]

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5. The function f is defined by

$$f: x \rightarrow 3e^{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

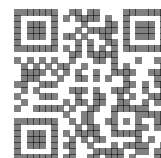
- (a) State the range of f . [1]

- (b) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ and state its domain. [4]

The function g is defined by

$$g: x \rightarrow 5x - 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Find, in terms of e ,



(c) the value of $gf(\ln(2))$, [3]

(d) the solution of the equation $f^{-1}g(x) = 4$. [4]

Total: 12

6.

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 3\ln(2 - x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x < 2.$$

(a) Show that the equation $f(x) = 0$ can be written in the form [3]

$$x = 2 - e^{kx^2},$$

where k is a constant to be found.

The root, α , of the equation $f(x) = 0$ is 1.9 correct to 1 decimal place.

(b) Use the iteration formula [5]

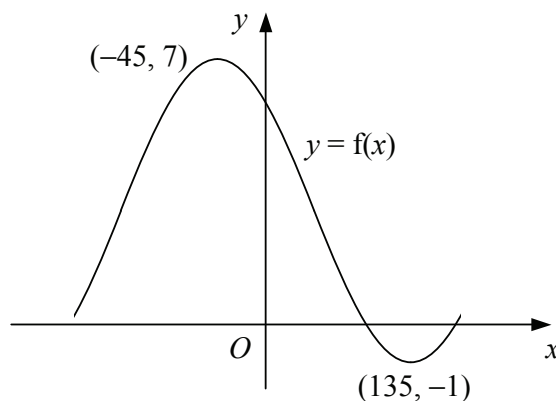
$$x_{n+1} = 2 - e^{kx_n^2},$$

with $x_0 = 1.9$ and your value of k , to find α to 3 decimal places and justify the accuracy of your answer.

(c) Solve the equation $f'(x) = 0$. [5]

Total: 13

7. Figure shows the curve $y = f(x)$ which has



a maximum point at $(-45, 7)$ and a minimum point at $(135, -1)$.

(a) Showing the coordinates of any stationary points, sketch on separate diagrams the graphs [6]
of

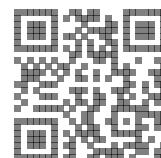
i. $y = f(|x|)$,

ii. $y = 1 + 2f(x)$.

Given that

$$f(x) = A + 2\sqrt{2}\cos(x^\circ) - 2\sqrt{2}\sin(x^\circ), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, -180 \leq x \leq 180,$$

where A is a constant,



- (b) show that $f(x)$ can be expressed in the form [3]

$$f(x) = A + R \cos(x + \alpha)^\circ,$$

where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90$,

- (c) state the value of A , [1]
- (d) find, to 1 decimal place, the x -coordinates of the points where the curve $y = f(x)$ crosses [4]
the x -axis.

Total: 14

