## Solomon Practice Paper

Further Pure Mathematics 2D

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1.

$$y = \frac{\operatorname{cosech}(x)}{x^2 + 1}$$
(a) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ . [4]  
(b) Find the value of  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  when  $x = 0.5$ , giving your answer to 2 decimal places. [1]  
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2. A curve has intrinsic coordinates  $(s, \psi)$  and radius of curvature  $\rho$ .

Given that  $\rho = 2(s + a)$ , where a is constant, show that the intrinsic equation of the curve can be written in the form

$$s = A e^{2\psi} - a,$$

where A is constant.



3. (a) Prove that

 $\sinh(3x) \equiv 4\sinh^3(x) + 3\sinh(x).$ 

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve the equation

$$\sinh(3x) \equiv 7\sinh^2(x),$$

giving your answers in terms of natural logarithms where appropriate.

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4. (a) Find

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-4x^2}} \,\mathrm{d}x.$$
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(b) Find

$$\int \frac{1-2x}{\sqrt{9-4x^2}} \,\mathrm{d}x.$$
[3]

(c) Hence, or otherwise, solve the differential equation

$$\sqrt{9 - 4x^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = y(1 - 2x),$$

given that y = 1 when x = 0.

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- 5. The curve C has equation  $y^2 = 4ax$ , where a is a positive constant.
  - (a) Show that an equation of the tangent to C at the point  $P(ap^2, 2ap), p \neq 0$ , is

$$yp = x + ap^2$$

The point  $Q(aq^2, 2aq)$ , is on C where  $q \neq 0$  and  $p \neq q$ . The chord PQ passes through the focus of C.

Show that

(b) pq = -1,

(c) the tangent to C at P and the tangent to C at Q meet on the directrix of C.

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6.

$$I_n = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec^n(x) \,\mathrm{d}x, \qquad n \neq 0.$$

(a) Show that

$$(n-1)I_n = \left(\sqrt{2}\right)^{n-2} + (n-2)I_{n-2}, \qquad n \ge 2.$$

(b) Hence find the exact value of  $I_3$ , giving your answer in terms of natural logarithms.

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7. (a) Show that

$$\int \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} \, \mathrm{d}x = \frac{x}{2}\sqrt{a^2 + x^2} + \frac{a^2}{2}\operatorname{arcsinh}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c.$$

The parametric equations of the curve C are

$$x = 2t$$
 and  $y = t^2$ ,  $0 \le t \le 3$ .

(b) Show that the length of C is given by

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

(c) Find the length of C.

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