

Worked Solutions

Edexcel C4 Paper A

1. (a) $\frac{3x}{(x-1)(x+2)} = \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2}{x+2}$ (using 'cover up' rule) (3)

(b) $\int_2^3 \left(\frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2}{x+2} \right) dx = \left[\ln(x-1) + 2\ln(x+2) \right]_2^3$
 $= \ln 2 + 2\ln 5 - (\ln 1 + 2\ln 4)$
 $= \ln 2 + 2\ln \frac{5}{4}$
 $= \ln 2 + \ln \frac{25}{16}$
 $= \ln \frac{25}{8}$ (4)

2. (a) $x = 1 - t^3$ and $x = 2$

$\therefore 1 - t^3 = 2$
 $t^3 = -1$
 $t = -1$ (1)

(b) $\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = -3t^2$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2t}{-3t^2} = \frac{-2}{3t}$

when $t = -1$, gradient of tangent = $\frac{2}{3}$.

equation of tangent is $y - 2 = \frac{2}{3}(x - 2)$

$3y = 2x + 2$ (4)

3. (a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x - 3$

at M $e^x = 3$

$x = \ln 3$

(b) area = $\int_0^{\ln 3} (e^x - 3x) dx = \left[e^x - \frac{3}{2}x^2 \right]_0^{\ln 3}$
 $= e^{\ln 3} - \frac{3}{2}(\ln 3)^2 - (1 - 0)$
 $= 3 - \frac{3}{2}(\ln 3)^2 - 1$
 $= 2 - \frac{3}{2}(\ln 3)^2$

4. (a) $8x + 6y \frac{dy}{dx} - \left(2x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cdot 2 \right) = 0$

$\frac{dy}{dx}(6y - 2x) = 2y - 8x$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2y - 8x}{6y - 2x} = \frac{y - 4x}{3y - x}$

(b) at (2, 4), $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4 - 8}{12 - 2} = -\frac{2}{5}$

equation of tangent at (2, 4) is

$y - 4 = -\frac{2}{5}(x - 2)$

$5y - 20 = -2x + 4$

$5y + 2x = 24$

5. (a) $(1+kx)^n = 1+nkx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \cdot k^2x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3 \cdot 2} \cdot k^3x^3 + \dots$

$nk = -6 \quad \dots[A]$

$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}k^2 = 27 \quad \dots[B]$

from [A] $k = \frac{-6}{n}$.

substitute in [B] $\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \left(\frac{-6}{n}\right)^2 = 27$

hence $n = -2$ and $k = 3 \quad (4)$

(b) coef. of $x^3 = \frac{-2 \cdot -3 \cdot -4}{3 \cdot 2} \cdot 27 = -108 \quad (3)$

(c) valid for $-1 < 3x < 1$

i.e. $-\frac{1}{3} < x < \frac{1}{3} \quad (1)$

6. (a) Separating the variables, $y^{-2}dy = \frac{4x^5-1}{x^2}dx$

$\int y^{-2} dy = \int (4x^3 - x^{-2}) dx$

$-\frac{1}{y} = x^4 + \frac{1}{x} + c$

$y = \frac{1}{2}, x = 1 \Rightarrow -2 = 1 + 1 + c \quad c = -4$

$\therefore -\frac{1}{y} = x^4 + \frac{1}{x} - 4 \quad (7)$

or $-\frac{1}{y} = \frac{x^5 + 1 - 4x}{x}$

$y = -\left(\frac{x}{x^5 + 1 - 4x}\right)$

(b) Let $I = \int_0^2 \frac{x^3}{(1+x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} dx$

$\therefore I = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^5 \frac{(t-1)dt}{t^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

$= \frac{1}{2} \int_1^5 \left(t^{\frac{1}{2}} - t^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) dt$

$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2}{3}t^{\frac{3}{2}} - 2t^{\frac{1}{2}}\right]_1^5 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2}{3} \cdot 5\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{5} - \left(\frac{2}{3} - 2\right)\right]$

$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{10\sqrt{5} - 6\sqrt{5} - 2 + 6}{3}\right]$

$= \frac{1}{6} [4\sqrt{5} + 4] = \frac{2}{3} (1 + \sqrt{5})$

7. (a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - \left(x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \ln x\right) = 1 - \ln x$

at Q $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \therefore \ln x = 1 \quad x = e$

at $x = e, \quad y = 2e - e \ln e = e$

Q is at (e, e)

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{x}, \quad \text{so } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0 \quad \text{at } x = e$

(b) at P $2x - x \ln x = 0$

$x(2 - \ln x) = 0$

$\ln x = 2$

$x = e^2$

coordinates of P are $(e^2, 0)$

(c) (i) $\int_1^{e^2} x \ln x \, dx = \int_1^{e^2} \ln x \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right) dx$ [By parts]

$$= \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \ln x \right]_1^{e^2} - \int_1^{e^2} \frac{1}{2} x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \ln x \right]_1^{e^2} - \left[\frac{1}{4} x^2 \right]_1^{e^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^4 \ln e^2 - \frac{1}{2} 1^2 \cdot \ln 1 - \left[\frac{1}{4} e^4 - \frac{1}{4} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^4 \cdot 2 \ln e - 0 - \frac{1}{4} e^4 + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3e^4 + 1}{4} \quad (\ln e = 1) \quad (6)$$

(ii) shaded area = $\int_1^{e^2} (2x - x \ln x) dx = \int_1^{e^2} 2x dx - \int_1^{e^2} x \ln x dx$

$$= \left[x^2 \right]_1^{e^2} - \left(\frac{3e^4 + 1}{4} \right)$$

$$= e^4 - 1 - \left(\frac{3e^4 + 1}{4} \right)$$

$$= \frac{4e^4 - 4 - 3e^4 - 1}{4} = \frac{e^4 - 5}{4} \quad (3)$$

8. (a) $\vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

l_1 has equation $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) $\vec{AD} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, l_2 is $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(c) At point of intersection $2 + 7\lambda = 6 - 2\mu$
 $4 - \lambda = 2 + 6\mu$
 $1 - \lambda = 0 + 2\mu$

from [A] and [B] $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\mu = \frac{1}{4}$

check in [C] $1 - \frac{1}{2} = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4}$

l_1 and l_2 intersect at $\left(5\frac{1}{2}, 3\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$.

(d) we require the angle between $\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

let angle between lines be θ

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{7^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} \times \sqrt{2^2 + 6^2}$$

$$-14 - 6 - 2 = \sqrt{51} \sqrt{44} \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-22}{\sqrt{51} \sqrt{44}} \quad \theta = 1$$

acute angle between lines = 62.3° (1 d.p.)