



2009

SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS Written examination 1

Worked solutions

This book presents:

- worked solutions, giving you a series of points to show you how to work through the questions.
- mark allocations
- tips on how to approach the questions.

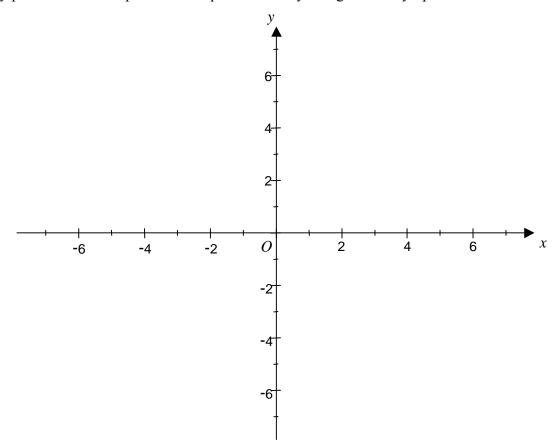
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Sketch the graph of $y = \frac{1}{2-x} - x$ on the axes below. Give the exact coordinates of any stationary points and intercepts and the equations of any straight line asymptotes.



Worked solution

$$y = \frac{1}{2-x} - x$$
 has a vertical asymptote at $x = 2$ and an oblique asymptote at $y = -x$

Stationary points occur where $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

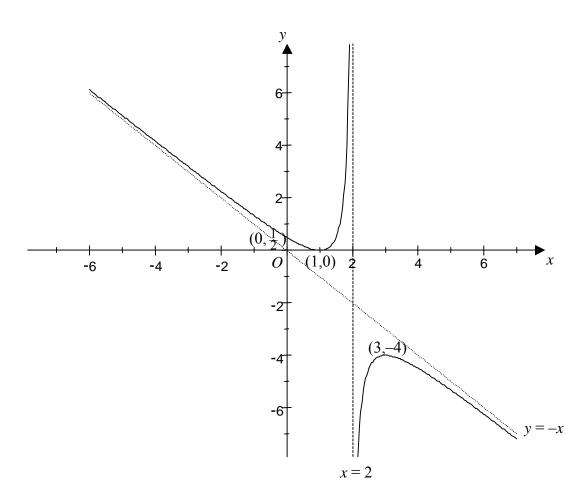
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(2-x)^2} - 1$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{(2-x)^2} - 1$$

$$(2-x)^2 = 1$$

$$2-x = \pm 1$$

$$x = 1, 3$$
Stationary points are at (1, 0) and (3, -4)
x-intercept, $x = 1, y = 0$
y-intercept, $x = 0, y = \frac{1}{2}$



4 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for the equations of both straight line asymptotes.
- 1 mark for the coordinates of both stationary points.
- 1 mark for correct intercepts.
- 1 mark for correct shape.

Find all solutions of $z^3 + z + 10 = 0$, $z \in C$.

Worked solution

Let $P(z) = z^3 + z + 10$ Find a factor of P(z) $P(1) \neq 0$, $P(-1) \neq 0$, $P(2) \neq 0$ $P(-2) = (-2)^3 + (-2) + 10 = 0$ $\therefore z + 2$ is a factor

Find the quadratic factor

$$\frac{z^{2}-2z+5}{z+2)z^{3}+0z^{2}+z+10}$$

$$\frac{z^{3}+2z^{2}}{-2z^{2}+z+10}$$

$$\frac{-2z^{2}-4z}{5z+10}$$

$$\frac{5z+10}{0}$$

$$P(z) = (z+2)(z^{2}-2z+5)$$

= $(z+2)((z^{2}-2z+1)+4)$
= $(z+2)((z-1)^{2}+4)$
= $(z+2)((z-1)^{2}-(2i)^{2})$
= $(z+2)(z-1+2i)(z-1-2i)$

Solving (z+2)(z-1+2i)(z-1-2i) = 0z = -2, z = 1-2i, z = 1+2i

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for z = -2.
- 1 mark for correct method.
- 1 mark for three correct solutions.

3 marks

Find the cube roots of $4i - 4\sqrt{3}$ in polar form.

Worked solution

Let $z^3 = -4\sqrt{3} + 4i = r \operatorname{cis}(\theta)$				
Where $r = \sqrt{k}$	$(-4\sqrt{3})^2 + 4^2$	and	$\tan(\theta) = \frac{4}{-4\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	
$r = \sqrt{1}$	$6 \times 3 + 16$		$\theta = \pi - \frac{\pi}{6}$	
<i>r</i> = 8			$\theta = \frac{5\pi}{6}$	
$\therefore z^3 = 8 \operatorname{cis} \left(\right)$	$\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$			
$z = \left(8 \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\right)$	$\left(\right) \right) \right) \right) \frac{1}{3}$			
$z = 8^{\frac{1}{3}} \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}+2k\pi\right)$	by De Moivre's Theo	rem	
k = 0	$z = 2 \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{5\pi}{18}\right)$			
<i>k</i> = 1	$z = 2 \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{5\pi}{18}\right)$	$\left(+\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = 2\operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{17\pi}{18}\right)$		
k = -1	$z = 2 \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{5\pi}{18}\right)$	$-\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = 2\operatorname{cis}\left(-\frac{7\pi}{18}\right)$		
In polar form the cube roots of $4i - 4\sqrt{3}$ are: $2 \operatorname{cis}\left(-\frac{7\pi}{18}\right)$, $2 \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{5\pi}{18}\right)$, $2 \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{17\pi}{18}\right)$				

3 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for finding $8 \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$.
- 1 mark for applying De Moivre's Theorem.
- 1 mark for three correct solutions.

Find the point of intersection of the normals to the curve $x^2y + y^2 = 5$ at y = 1.

Worked solution

When y = 1, $x^2 \times 1 + 1^2 = 5$ $x^2 = 4$ $x = \pm 2$

Need to find the gradient of the normals at the points (2, 1) and (-2, 1) $x^2y + y^2 = 5$

Using implicit differentiation to find the gradient of the tangent at these points

$$2xy + x^{2} \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (x^{2} + 2y) = -2xy$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2xy}{x^{2} + 2y}$$
At (2, 1)
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2 \times 2 \times 1}{2^{2} + 2 \times 1} = -\frac{2}{3} \implies \text{gradient of normal is } \frac{3}{2}$$
At (-2, 1)
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2 \times -2 \times 1}{(-2)^{2} + 2 \times 1} = \frac{2}{3} \implies \text{gradient of normal is } -\frac{3}{2}$$
Equation of the normal at (2, 1):
$$y = \frac{3}{2}x + c \implies 1 = \frac{3}{2} \times 2 + c, \ c = -2$$

$$y = \frac{3}{2}x - 2$$
Equation of the normal at (-2, 1):
$$y = -\frac{3}{2}x + c \implies 1 = -\frac{3}{2} \times (-2) + c, \ c = -2$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{2}x - 2$$

The normal equations $y = \frac{3}{2}x - 2$ and $y = -\frac{3}{2}x - 2$ intersect on the y-axis at (0, -2)

5 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for finding the points (2, 1) and (-2, 1).
- 1 mark for a correct method used to find derivative.
- 1 mark for finding the correct derivative.
- 1 mark for correct normal equations.
- 1 mark for correct answer (0, -2).

Given
$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\arctan\left(\frac{2x}{x^2-1}\right)\right) = \frac{a}{x^2+b}, |x| \neq 1$$

Find the real numbers *a* and *b*.

Worked solution

Let
$$y = \arctan(u)$$
 where $u = \frac{2x}{x^2 - 1}$ \Rightarrow $\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{2(x^2 - 1) - 2x(2x)}{(x^2 - 1)^2}$
 $\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{-2x^2 - 2}{(x^2 - 1)^2}$
 $\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{-2(x^2 + 1)}{(x^2 - 1)^2}$

Applying the chain rule

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+u^2} \times \frac{-2(x^2+1)}{(x^2-1)^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{2x}{x^2-1}\right)^2} \times \frac{-2(x^2+1)}{(x^2-1)^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2(x^2+1)}{(x^2-1)^2+(2x)^2}$$

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2(x^2+1)}{(x^2+1)^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2(x^2+1)}{(x^2+1)^2}$$

Hence a = -2 and b = 1

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for applying the chain rule correctly. 1 mark for simplifying algebra.
- 1 mark for two correct answers.

3 marks

8

Find $\int e^{6x} \sqrt{e^{2x} + 1} \, dx$.

Worked solution

Let
$$u = e^{2x} + 1$$

 $\frac{du}{dx} = 2e^{2x}$
 $du = 2e^{2x}dx$
 $\int e^{6x}\sqrt{e^{2x} + 1}dx$
 $= \frac{1}{2}\int e^{4x}\sqrt{e^{2x} + 1} (2e^{2x}dx)$
 $= \frac{1}{2}\int (e^{2x})^2 \sqrt{e^{2x} + 1} (2e^{2x}dx)$ If $u = e^{2x} + 1$, $\Rightarrow e^{2x} = u - 1$
 $= \frac{1}{2}\int (u - 1)^2 \sqrt{u} du$
 $= \frac{1}{2}\int (u^2 - 2u + 1)u^{\frac{1}{2}} du$
 $= \frac{1}{2}\int (u^{\frac{5}{2}} - 2u^{\frac{3}{2}} + u^{\frac{1}{2}}) du$
 $= \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{2}{7}u^{\frac{7}{2}} - 2 \times \frac{2}{5}u^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{2}{3}u^{\frac{3}{2}}\right) + c$
 $= \frac{1}{7}u^{\frac{7}{2}} - \frac{2}{5}u^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{1}{3}u^{\frac{3}{2}} + c$
 $= \frac{1}{7}(e^{2x} + 1)^{\frac{7}{2}} - \frac{2}{5}(e^{2x} + 1)^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{1}{3}(e^{2x} + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} + c$ where *c* is constant

4 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for selecting correct substitution.
- 1 mark for simplifying integral in terms of *u*.
- 1 mark for integrating correctly.
- 1 mark for correct answer.

Tip

• Use substitution.

An object in a refrigerator cools according to differential equation $\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T-3), k \in R$,

where $T \,^{\circ}C$ is the temperature of the object *t* hours after it being placed in the refrigerator. A drink with an initial temperature of 18°C is placed in the refrigerator for 1 hour, and it cools to 8°C in that time.

a. Show that $T = 15e^{-kt} + 3$ is a solution to this differential equation.

Worked solution

Given $T = 15e^{-kt} + 3$ (1) $\Rightarrow \frac{dT}{dt} = -15k e^{-kt}$ $\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(15e^{-kt})$ (2)

From (1) $15e^{-kt} = T - 3$

Substituting into (2)

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T-3)$$

Therefore $T = 15e^{-kt} + 3$ is a solution of $\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T-3)$.

Alternative method:

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T-3)$$

$$\frac{dt}{dT} = \frac{1}{-k(T-3)}$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{k} \int \frac{1}{T-3} dt$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{k} \log_e (T-3) + c, \qquad T > 3$$

$$t = 0, T = 18, \qquad 0 = -\frac{1}{k} \log_e (18-3) + c$$

$$c = \frac{1}{k} \log_e (15)$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{k} \log_e (T-3) + \frac{1}{k} \log_e (15)$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{k} \log_e \left(\frac{T-3}{15}\right)$$

$$e^{-kt} = \frac{T-3}{15}$$

$$T = 15e^{-kt} + 3$$

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for method used.
- 1 mark for showing correct answer.

2 marks

b. Find the exact value of *k*.

Worked solution

When
$$t = 1$$
, $T = 8$
 $8 = 15e^{-k \times 1} + 3$
 $e^{-k} = \frac{5}{15}$
 $k = -\log_e\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$
 $k = \log_e(3)$

1 mark

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for correct answer.
- c. Find the exact temperature of the drink after 2 hours.

Worked solution

$$T = 15e^{-kt} + 3$$

$$T = 15e^{-\log_{e}(3)t} + 3$$

$$T = 15e^{-t\log_{e}(3)} + 3$$

$$T = 15e^{\log_{e}(3)^{-t}} + 3$$

$$T = 15(3)^{-t} + 3$$

When $t = 2$ $T = 15(3)^{-2} + 3$

$$T = \frac{15}{9} + 3$$

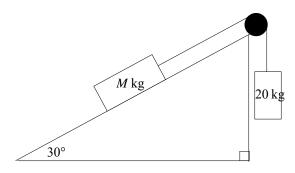
$$T = 4\frac{2}{3} \circ C$$

1 markTotal 2 + 1 + 1 = 4 marks

Mark allocation

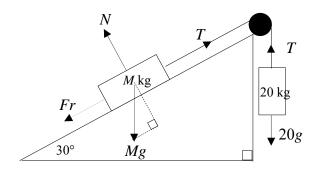
• 1 mark for correct answer.

A mass of *M* kg is connected to a 20 kg mass by a light string passing over a smooth pulley. The rough plane is inclined at 30° to the horizontal level and has coefficient of friction $\mu = \frac{1}{5}$. The tension in the string connecting the two masses is 150 newtons.



a. Show that the *M* kg mass is accelerating up the inclined plane at 2.3 m/s^2 .

Worked solution



Resolving forces around the 20 kg mass. Assume this mass is moving downwards

20g - T = 20a T = 150 newtons $20 \times 9.8 - 150 = 20a$ 20a = 46 $a = 2.3 \text{ m/s}^2$

Since the acceleration is positive, the 20 kg mass is moving downwards. The masses are connected so the M kg mass on the inclined plane must be moving upwards with the same acceleration.

2 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for equation of motion for vertical mass.
- 1 mark for correct answer.

Tip

• Show all forces acting on the diagram.

b. Determine the exact value of *M*.

Worked solution

Resolving forces around the *M* kg mass on the inclined plane.

This is moving upwards with an acceleration of 2.3 m/s^2 .

$$T - Mg \sin(30^{\circ}) - Fr = Ma$$

$$N = Mg \cos(30^{\circ}) = \frac{\sqrt{3}Mg}{2} \text{ newtons}$$

$$150 - \frac{Mg}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}Mg}{10} = 2.3M$$

$$Fr = \mu N = \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}Mg}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}Mg}{10} \text{ newtons}$$

$$\frac{23M}{10} + \frac{Mg}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}Mg}{10} = 150$$

$$\frac{M}{10} (23 + 5g + \sqrt{3}g) = 150$$

$$M = \frac{1500}{23 + (5 + \sqrt{3})g} \text{ kg}$$

$$3 \text{ marks}$$

$$Total 2 + 3 = 5 \text{ marks}$$

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for resolving forces correctly.
- 1 mark for correct substitution into the equation of motion.
- 1 mark for correct answer.

Question 9

The position of a particle at time t is given by $r = (1 - 2\sin(\pi t))i + (\cos(2\pi t) + 2)j$

a. Find the Cartesian equation of the path of the particle.

Worked solution

Find *y* in terms of *x*:

$$x = 1 - 2\sin(\pi t) \qquad y = \cos(2\pi t) + 2$$

$$\sin(\pi t) = \frac{1 - x}{2} \quad \dots (1) \qquad y = 1 - 2\sin^2(\pi t) + 2$$

$$y = 3 - 2\sin^2(\pi t) \quad \dots (2)$$

Substitute (1) into (2)

$$y = 3 - 2\left(\frac{1-x}{2}\right)^2$$
$$y = -\frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2 + 3$$

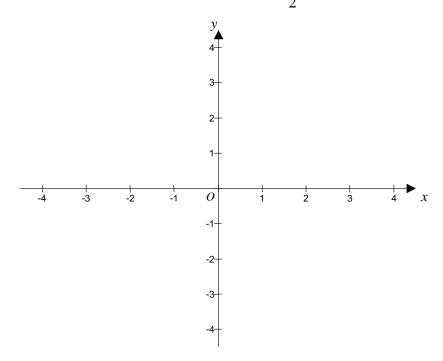
Mark allocation

- 1 mark for selecting correct substitution.
- 1 mark for simplifying integral in terms of *u*.

2 marks

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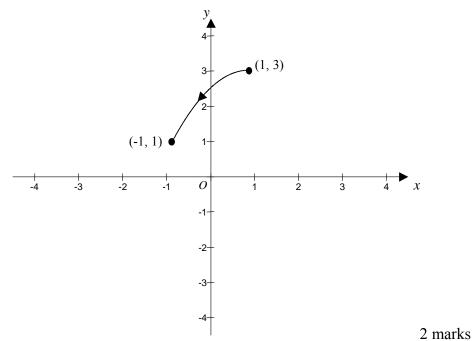
b. Sketch a graph of the path of the particle for $0 \le t \le \frac{1}{2}$ indicating its direction of motion.



Worked solution

When t = 0 $x = 1 - 2\sin(0)$ $y = \cos(0) + 2$ x = 1 y = 3When $t = \frac{1}{2}$ $x = 1 - 2\sin(\frac{\pi}{2})$ $y = \cos(\pi) + 2$ x = -1 y = 1

At t = 0 the particle starts at the point (1, 3). It moves anticlockwise along the parabola $y = -\frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2 + 3$ to reach the point (-1, 1) at $t = \frac{1}{2}$.



Mark allocation

- 1 mark for drawing their curve.
- 1 mark for correct answer with direction of motion shown.

c. Determine the speed at which the particle is travelling when $t = \frac{1}{4}$.

Worked solution

Speed =
$$|\dot{x}|$$

 $\underline{r} = (1 - 2\sin(\pi t))\dot{\underline{i}} + (\cos(2\pi t) + 2)\dot{\underline{j}}$
 $\dot{\underline{r}} = -2\pi\cos(\pi t)\dot{\underline{i}} - 2\pi\sin(2\pi t)\dot{\underline{j}}$
 $|\dot{\underline{r}}| = \sqrt{(-2\pi\cos(\pi t))^2 + (-2\pi\sin(2\pi t))^2}$
 $|\dot{\underline{r}}| = 2\pi\sqrt{\cos^2(\pi t) + \sin^2(2\pi t)}$

When
$$t = \frac{1}{4}$$
, $|\dot{r}| = 2\pi \sqrt{\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}$
 $|\dot{r}| = 2\pi \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + 1^2}$
 $|\dot{r}| = \sqrt{6}\pi$

1 markTotal 2 + 2 + 1 = 5 marks

Mark allocation

• 1 mark for correct answer.

Tip

• Differentiate to find velocity vector.

A cyclist of mass 72 kg is travelling on a straight track with a velocity of 1 m/s when he passes *O*. At that instant he applies a variable force of $v^3 + 3v$ newtons, where *v* m/s is his velocity *t* seconds after passing *O*. Calculate the exact distance of the cyclist from *O* when his velocity reaches $\sqrt{3}$ m/s. Assume air resistance is negligible.

4 marks

Worked solution

$$F = ma$$

$$v^{3} + 3v = 72a$$

$$a = \frac{v^{3} + 3v}{72}$$

$$v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v^{3} + 3v}{72}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v^{3} + 3v}{72v}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{72}{v^{2} + 3}$$

$$x = \int \frac{72}{v^{2} + 3} dv$$

$$x = \frac{72}{\sqrt{3}} \int \frac{\sqrt{3}}{v^{2} + 3} dv$$

$$x = \frac{72\sqrt{3}}{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{v}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + c$$

$$x = 24\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{v}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + c$$
When $x = 0$, $v = 1$ m/s
 $0 = 24\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + c$
When $x = 0$, $v = 1$ m/s
 $0 = 24\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + c$

$$c = -24\sqrt{3} \times \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$c = -4\sqrt{3}\pi$$

$$x = 24\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{v}{\sqrt{3}}\right) - 4\sqrt{3}\pi$$
Find x when $v = \sqrt{3}$ m/s
 $x = 24\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}\right) - 4\sqrt{3}\pi$

$$x = 24\sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}\right) - 4\sqrt{3}\pi$$

$x = 2\sqrt{3}\pi$

The cyclist is $2\sqrt{3}\pi$ m from *O* when his velocity is $\sqrt{3}$ m/s.

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for finding the acceleration in terms of v.
- 1 mark for establishing correct integral.
- 1 mark for finding correct expression for x in terms of v.
- 1 mark for answer.

Tip

• Write down the equation of motion and find the acceleration in terms of v.