

VCE Specialist Mathematics Units 3 & 4

Written Examination 2

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SECTION 1**Question 1 C**

Both graphs have a vertical axis of symmetry at $x = -\frac{b}{2a}$ and so **A** is true.

$f(0) = c$ and $g(0) = \frac{1}{c}$ so **B** is true.

As $f(x) \rightarrow 0$, $\frac{1}{f(x)} \rightarrow \pm\infty$ and so **D** is true.

If $f(x) > 0$ then $\frac{1}{f(x)} > 0$, and if $f(x) < 0$ then $\frac{1}{f(x)} < 0$. Hence **E** is true.

Option **C** is true except where $f'(x) = 0$ and $f(x) = 0$ simultaneously. This situation occurs for $g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$, i.e. $f(x) = x^2$, and in this case, the reciprocal graph has a vertical asymptote at $x = 0$.

Question 2 D

We require $4k + 1 > 0$, $k + 3 > 0$ and $k + 1 > 0$, or $4k + 1 < 0$, $k + 3 < 0$ and $k + 1 < 0$.

From the first set of conditions we require $k > -\frac{1}{4}$, $k > -3$ and $k > -1$. Hence $k > -\frac{1}{4}$.

From the second set of conditions we require $k < -\frac{1}{4}$, $k < -3$ and $k < -1$. Hence $k < -3$.

So the curve is an ellipse for $k < -3$ or $k > -\frac{1}{4}$.

Question 3 C

The vertical asymptote has equation $x = 0$.

As $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$, $\frac{4}{x^2} \rightarrow 0$.

Hence, as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$, the graph of the function $g(x) = 4x - \frac{4}{x^2}$ approaches the graph of $y = 4x$.

So the non-vertical asymptote has equation $y = 4x$.

Hence we can disregard options **D** and **E**.

$$g'(x) = 4 + \frac{8}{x^3}$$

Solving $g'(x) = 0$ for x gives $x = -\sqrt[3]{2}$.

Hence we can disregard option **A**.

$g''(-\sqrt[3]{2}) < 0$ and so a local maximum occurs at $x = -\sqrt[3]{2}$.

Question 4 **B**

We require $-1 \leq \frac{x-1}{2} \leq 1$.

Multiplying through by 2 we obtain $-2 \leq x-1 \leq 2$.

So $-2+1 \leq x \leq 2+1$, i.e. $-1 \leq x \leq 3$.

Question 5 **E**

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \cos(2x) &= 2(1 - 2\sin^2(x)) \\ &= 2 - 4\sin^2(x) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $2 - 4\sin^2(x) - \sin(x) - 1 = 0$.

Multiplying both sides by -1 , we obtain $4\sin^2(x) + \sin(x) - 1 = 0$.

Question 6 **A**

To form OC from OA , we rotate OA anticlockwise through an angle of $\frac{\pi}{2}$ and then double the length of OA .
Anticlockwise rotation through $\frac{\pi}{2}$ is equivalent to multiplying by i .

Therefore the complex number that corresponds to vertex C is equal to $2iu$.

Question 7 **E**

Substituting $z = x + yi$ into $\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{z-4}{z}\right) = 0$ gives $\frac{x^2 - 4x + y^2}{x^2 + y^2} = 0$.

Given that $x^2 + y^2$ forms the denominator, $x \neq 0$ and $y \neq 0$ simultaneously, and so $(0, 0)$ is excluded.

By completing the square, $x^2 - 4x + y^2 = 0$ can be written as $(x-2)^2 + y^2 = 4$, i.e. a circle with centre $(2, 0)$ with radius 2.

Question 8 **E**

Note that $z = 0$ is a solution.

For $z \neq 0$, $|z|^{n-1} = |z|$, i.e. $|z| = 1$.

$z^{n-1} = i\bar{z}$ is equivalent to $z^n = (i\bar{z})z$.

As $z\bar{z} = 1$, the equation reduces to $z^n = i$.

For $|z| = 1$, this equation has n solutions and for $z = 0$, this equation has 1 solution.

Therefore the total number of solutions is $n + 1$.

Question 9 **A**

The required (shaded) region is the intersection of a circle and a region bounded by two rays.

$|z - i| \leq 2$ describes the set of points inside or on a circle with centre $(0, 1)$ and radius 2.

$\text{Arg}(z + 1) = 0$ describes a horizontal ray starting at $z = -1$ but excluding $z = -1$.

The cartesian equation of this horizontal ray is $y = 0, x > -1$.

$\text{Arg}(z + 1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ describes a ray also starting at $z = -1$ but also excluding $z = -1$.

The cartesian equation of this second ray is $y = x + 1, x > -1$.

Hence, the shaded region of the complex plane is $\{z : |z - i| \leq 2\} \cap \left\{0 \leq \text{Arg}(z + 1) \leq \frac{\pi}{4}\right\}$.

Question 10 **A**

All gradients on the line $y = -x$ appear to be zero.

Question 11 **D**

Let $u = x - 2$ and so $\frac{du}{dx} = 1$.

If $u = x - 2$, then $u + 3 = x + 1$.

When $x = 6$, $u = 4$ and when $x = 2$, $u = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^6 (x + 1)\sqrt{x - 2} dx &= \int_0^4 (u + 3)\sqrt{u} du \\ &= \int_0^4 \left(u^{\frac{3}{2}} + 3u^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) du \end{aligned}$$

Question 12 **C**

If the graph of f touches the x -axis at $x = a$, i.e. $f(x) = 0$, then the graph of F has a stationary point of inflexion at $x = a$.

Hence **C** is not true.

Question 13 **C**

We are given $(x_0, y_0) = (0, 1)$ and $h = 0.25$.

$$y_1 = 1 + 0.25 \times \cos^2(0) = 1.25$$

$$y_2 = 1.25 + 0.25 \times \cos^2(0.25) = 1.4847\dots$$

$$y_3 = 1.4847\dots + 0.25 \times \cos^2(0.5) = 1.6772\dots$$

So the value of y , correct to two decimal places, when $x = 0.75$, is 1.68.

Question 14 B

$$\text{If } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{(x+1)^2}, \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dx} = \int \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} dx.$$

$$\text{So } \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x+1} + c, \text{ where } c \text{ is an arbitrary constant.}$$

$$\text{When } x = 0, \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \text{ and so } c = 1.$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \frac{1}{x+1}.$$

$$\text{If } \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \frac{1}{x+1}, \text{ then } y = \int \left(1 - \frac{1}{x+1}\right) dx.$$

$$\text{So } y = x - \log_e|x+1| + d, \text{ where } d \text{ is an arbitrary constant.}$$

$$\text{When } x = 0, y = 0 \text{ and so } d = 0.$$

$$\text{So } y = x - \log_e|x+1|.$$

$$\text{When } x = 2, y = 2 - \log_e(3).$$

Question 15 B

Let $\hat{\underline{u}} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ be a unit vector perpendicular to both vectors.

$$\text{From } (x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}) \cdot (2\underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k}) = 0, \text{ we obtain } 2x - y + z = 0. \quad (1)$$

$$\text{From } (x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}) \cdot (\underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k}) = 0, \text{ we obtain } x - y + z = 0. \quad (2)$$

$$\text{From } |\hat{\underline{u}}| = 1, \text{ we obtain } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1. \quad (3)$$

$$(1) - (2) \text{ gives } x = 0 \text{ and so } y = z.$$

$$\text{Substituting } x = 0, y = z \text{ into (3) and solving for } y \text{ gives } y = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

$$\text{Hence } z = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

$$\text{So } \hat{\underline{u}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\underline{j} + \underline{k}).$$

Question 16 D

The scalar resolute of \underline{a} in the direction of \underline{b} is given by $\underline{a} \cdot \hat{\underline{b}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{a} \cdot \hat{\underline{b}} &= \frac{1}{5}(3\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} - 3\underline{k}) \cdot (4\underline{i} - 3\underline{k}) \\ &= \frac{1}{5}(12 + 9) \\ &= \frac{21}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Question 17 **A**

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{r}(t) &= \int ((4 - 2 \cos(t))\underline{i} - 3 \sin(t)\underline{j}) dt \\ &= (4t - 2 \sin(t))\underline{i} + 3 \cos(t)\underline{j} + \underline{d}\end{aligned}$$

When $t = 0$, $\underline{r} = 2\underline{j}$ and so $\underline{d} = -\underline{j}$.

Hence $\underline{r}(t) = (4t - 2 \sin(t))\underline{i} + (3 \cos(t) - 1)\underline{j}$.

$$\text{So } \underline{r}\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = 3(2\pi + 1)\underline{i} - \underline{j}.$$

Question 18 **A**

Let the resultant force have components F_1 parallel to AB and F_2 perpendicular to AB .

Parallel to AB : $F_1 = 3 + 4 \cos(30^\circ) - 6 \cos(60^\circ)$, i.e. $F_1 = 4 \cos(30^\circ)$

Perpendicular to AB : $F_2 = 4 \sin(30^\circ) - 2 + 6 \sin(60^\circ)$, i.e. $F_2 = 6 \sin(60^\circ)$

Hence the magnitude of the resultant force is $\sqrt{16 \cos^2(30^\circ) + 36 \sin^2(60^\circ)}$.

Question 19 **C**

Using $R = ma$ we obtain $a = 2\pi \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{3}\right)$.

$$\begin{aligned}v &= 2\pi \int \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{3}\right) dt \\ &= -6 \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{3}\right) + c \text{ where } c \text{ is an arbitrary constant}\end{aligned}$$

When $t = 0$, $v = 0$ and so $c = 6$.

Hence $v = 6\left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{3}\right)\right)$.

After 3 seconds, the particle's velocity is 12 m/s.

Question 20 E

Specifying the equation of motion for each particle:

$$4 \text{ kg particle: } T - 4g = 4a \quad (1)$$

$$m \text{ kg particle: } mg - T = ma \quad (2)$$

Solving (1) and (2) simultaneously we obtain $T = \frac{8mg}{m+4}$ and $a = \frac{(m-4)g}{m+4}$.

Solving $T = \frac{8mg}{m+4}$ for m with $T = 5.5g$ gives $m = 8.8 \text{ kg}$.

Alternative 2: Treating the string as a line.

We have a force mg newtons in one direction (positive direction) and $4g$ newtons in the other direction.

The equation of motion is $mg - 4g = (m+4)a$ and so $a = \frac{(m-4)g}{m+4}$.

Substituting $a = \frac{(m-4)g}{m+4}$ into $T - 4g = 4a$ and solving for m with $T = 5.5g$ gives $m = 8.8 \text{ kg}$.

Question 21 B

The initial momentum (p_i) is 10×12 , i.e. 120 kg m/s .

To calculate the final momentum (p_f), we need to find the particle's final velocity.

Given $u = 12$, $s = 80$ and $t = 5$ we can find v using $s = \frac{1}{2}(u+v)t$.

Solving $80 = \frac{5}{2}(12+v)$ for v we obtain $v = 20$.

The final momentum (p_f) is 10×20 , i.e. 200 kg m/s .

Change in momentum (Δp) = $p_f - p_i = 80 \text{ kg m/s}$

Question 22 D

The distance travelled by a bicycle is represented by the area under a velocity–time graph.

Let d_A be the distance travelled by bicycle A, and d_B be the distance travelled by bicycle B.

$$\text{Bicycle A: } d_A = \frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times \frac{3V}{2} + \frac{3V}{2} \times (t-3).$$

$$\text{So } d_A = \frac{9V}{4} + \frac{3V}{2}(t-3).$$

$$\text{Bicycle B: } d_B = Vt$$

Each bicycle will again share the same position when $d_A = d_B$.

Solving $\frac{9V}{4} + \frac{3V}{2}(t-3) = Vt$ for t ($V \neq 0$) gives $t = 4.5$ (mins).

SECTION 2**Question 1**

- a. For particle *A*, the parametric equations are $x = 4t$ and $y = 2t$.

Substituting $t = \frac{x}{4}$ into $y = 2t$ gives $y = \frac{x}{2}$. A1

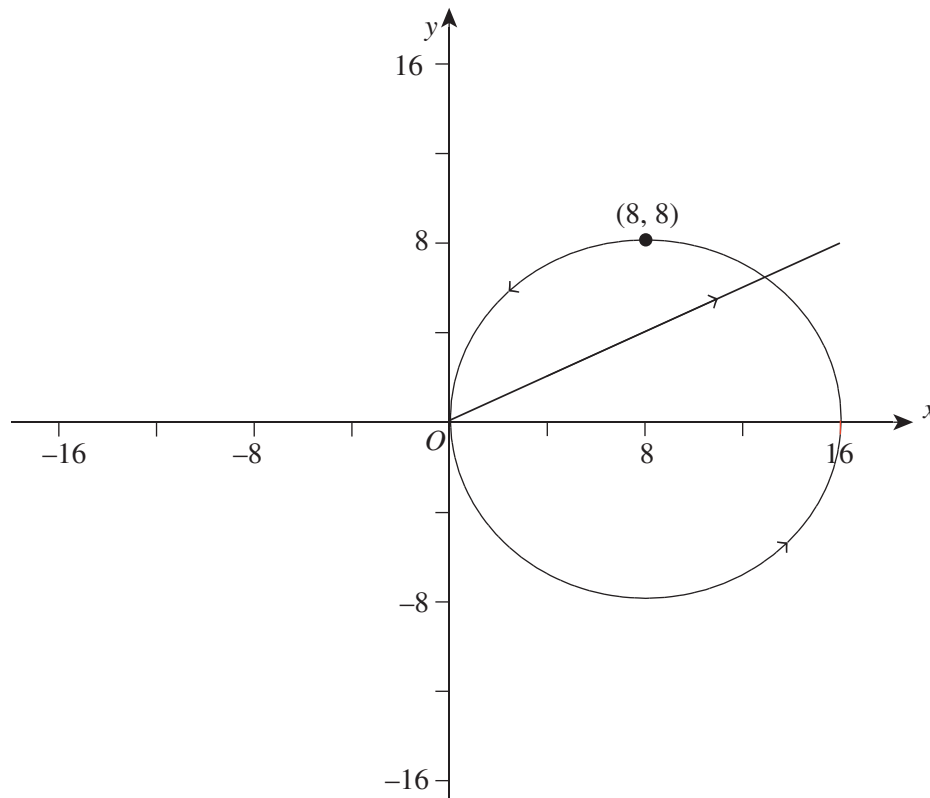
- b. For particle *B*, the parametric equations are $x = 8 - 8 \sin(nt)$ and $y = 8 \cos(nt)$.

Rearranging both equations, we obtain $\sin(nt) = \frac{8-x}{8}$ and $\cos(nt) = \frac{y}{8}$. M1

Since $\sin^2(nt) + \cos^2(nt) = 1$, we obtain $\left(\frac{8-x}{8}\right)^2 + \frac{y^2}{64} = 1$.

Multiplying both sides by 64, we obtain $(x-8)^2 + y^2 = 64$. A1

- c.



Two correct graph shapes, i.e. $y = \frac{x}{2}$ for $x \geq 0$ and $(x-8)^2 + y^2 = 64$ for $0 \leq x \leq 16$. A1

Particle *A*: as t increases, both x and y increase. A1

Particle *B*: at $t = 0$, particle *B* is at $(8, 8)$. Substituting a value of t just greater than zero, results in $x < 8$, i.e. x decreases. Hence particle *B* travels in an anti-clockwise direction. A1

- d. Solving $y = \frac{x}{2}$ and $(x - 8)^2 + y^2 = 64$ for x and y , we obtain $x = 0$ and $y = 0$ or $x = \frac{64}{5}$ and $y = \frac{32}{5}$. M1

So the paths of A and B meet at $(0, 0)$ and $(\frac{64}{5}, \frac{32}{5})$. A1

- e. Attempting to solve $8 - 8 \sin(nt) = 4t$ and $8 \cos(nt) = 2t$ simultaneously for n when $t = \frac{16}{5}$. M1

Solving $8 - 8 \sin(nt) = \frac{64}{5}$ for n when $t = \frac{16}{5}$ gives $n = 1.1828\dots, 1.7624\dots, \dots$ A1

Solving $8 \cos(nt) = \frac{32}{5}$ for n when $t = \frac{16}{5}$ gives $n = 0.2010\dots, 1.7624\dots, \dots$ A1

So the smallest value of n for which particle A and particle B will collide is 1.76, correct to two decimal places. A1

- f. We need to show that $\underline{a}_B(t) \cdot \underline{v}_B(t) = 0$.

$$\underline{v}_B(t) = -8n \cos(nt) \underline{i} - 8n \sin(nt) \underline{j} \text{ and } \underline{a}_B(t) = 8n^2 \sin(nt) \underline{i} - 8n^2 \cos(nt) \underline{j} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{a}_B(t) \cdot \underline{v}_B(t) &= (8n^2 \sin(nt) \underline{i} - 8n^2 \cos(nt) \underline{j}) \cdot (-8n \cos(nt) \underline{i} - 8n \sin(nt) \underline{j}) \quad \text{M1} \\ &= -64n^3 \sin(nt) \cos(nt) + 64n^3 \sin(nt) \cos(nt) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

As $\underline{a}_B(t) \cdot \underline{v}_B(t) = 0$ and $\underline{a}_B(t), \underline{v}_B(t) \neq 0$, the acceleration is always perpendicular to the velocity. A1

Question 2

- a. $N = 8g \cos(20^\circ)$ M1

So $N = 73.7$ (newtons) (correct to one decimal place). A1

- b. Using $F = \mu N$ we obtain $F = 0.3 \times 73.7\dots$

Hence $F = 22.1$ (newtons) (correct to one decimal place). A1

- c. $T = 8g \sin(20^\circ) - 0.3 \times 8g \cos(20^\circ)$ M1 A1

So $T = 4.7$ (newtons) (correct to one decimal place). A1

- d. $8a = 8g \sin(20^\circ) - 0.3 \times 8g \cos(20^\circ)$ M1 A1

So $a = 0.6$ (m/s^2) (correct to one decimal place). A1

Question 3

- a. $z \text{cis}(\theta)$ is a rotation by θ anticlockwise about the origin of the point represented by z . A1

- b. Solving $z^3 = -8i$ for z , gives $t = 2i$, $u = -\sqrt{3} - i$ and $v = \sqrt{3} - i$. M1 A1

- c. One approach to show that TUV is an equilateral triangle is to use the result:

$$|t - u| = |u - v| = |v - t|$$

$$|t - u| = |u - v| = |v - t| = 2\sqrt{3} \quad \text{A1}$$

Hence TUV is an equilateral triangle.

- d. $k = 2$ A1
- e. $\bar{v} = \sqrt{3} + i$ A1
 $|\bar{v}| = 2$ and so $\bar{v} \in S$. A1
- f. Expanding $(z - a)(\bar{z} - a)$ we obtain $z\bar{z} - (z + \bar{z})a + a^2$. M1
 Given that $z = x + yi$ and $\bar{z} = x - yi$, the LHS becomes $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax + a^2$. A1
 Comparing $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax + a^2 = b$ to $(x - a)^2 + y^2 = 4$, we obtain $a = 0$ and $b = 4$. A1

Question 4

- a. When $x = 4, y = 0$ and when $x = 8, y = 12$.
 So the height of the bowl is 12 cm. A1
- b. Using $V = \pi \int_0^h x^2 dy$, where $x^2 = 4y + 16$, we obtain $V = 4\pi \int_0^h (y + 4) dy$ (or equivalent). A1

$$V = 4\pi \int_0^h (y + 4) dy$$

$$= 4\pi \left[\frac{y^2}{2} + 4y \right]_0^h$$
 So $V = 4\pi \left(\frac{h^2}{2} + 4h \right)$. A1
- c. Solving $4\pi \left(\frac{h^2}{2} + 4h \right) = 120\pi$ for h , we obtain $h = 2(\sqrt{19} - 2)$ (cm), since $0 \leq h \leq 12$. M1 A1
 So the exact depth is $2(\sqrt{19} - 2)$ cm when the bowl is exactly one-quarter full.
- d. $\frac{dV}{dh} = 4\pi(h + 4)$ A1

$$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{dV}{dt} \times \frac{dh}{dV}$$

$$= \frac{50}{4\pi(h + 4)}$$
 M1
 When $h = 2(\sqrt{19} - 2)$, $\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{25\sqrt{19}}{76\pi}$ (cm per second). A1
 So the height of the water is increasing at $\frac{25\sqrt{19}}{76\pi}$ cm per second when the bowl is exactly one-quarter full.

e. $\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T - 20)$ A1

Either using CAS or a by-hand approach to solve the differential equation, we obtain

$T = Ae^{-kt} + 20$, where A is an arbitrary constant. M1

When $t = 0$, $T = 70$ and so $A = 50$.

When $t = 10$, $T = 55$ and so solving $55 = 50e^{-10k} + 20$, for k gives:

$k = -\frac{1}{10}\log_e\left(\frac{7}{10}\right)$ (or equivalent) M1 A1

Evaluating $T = 50e^{-25k} + 20$ where $k = -\frac{1}{10}\log_e\left(\frac{7}{10}\right)$, gives 40.5°C (correct to one decimal place). A1

Question 5

a. The rope always points in the direction of the speedboat and is always tangent to the curve. The gradient of the tangent, $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is given by $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{20t - y}{0 - x}$, i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - 20t}{x}$. A1

b. From Pythagoras' theorem, we obtain $x^2 + (20t - y)^2 = 100$. A1

Solving this equation for $20t - y$ we obtain $20t - y = \sqrt{100 - x^2}$ and substituting this into

$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{20t - y}{x}$, we obtain $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-\sqrt{100 - x^2}}{x}$. A1

c. Let $u^2 = 100 - x^2$ and so $u = \sqrt{100 - x^2}$.

Now $2udu = -2xdx$ and so $dx = \frac{-2u}{2x} du$. M1

Hence $dx = \frac{-u}{\sqrt{100 - u^2}} du$. A1

Making the required substitutions we obtain $-\int\left(\frac{-u}{\sqrt{100 - u^2}}\right)\left(\frac{u}{\sqrt{100 - u^2}}\right) du = \int\left(\frac{u^2}{100 - u^2}\right) du$. A1

d. By division we find that $\int\left(\frac{u^2}{100 - u^2}\right) du = \int\left(-1 + \frac{100}{100 - u^2}\right) du$.

Hence $m = -1$. A1

Using partial fractions, we can express $\frac{100}{100 - u^2}$ as $\frac{A}{10 - u} + \frac{B}{10 + u}$.

So $A(10 + u) + B(10 - u) = 100$. M1

When $u = 10$, $A = 5$ and when $u = -10$, $B = 5$.

So $\int\left(\frac{u^2}{100 - u^2}\right) du = \int\left(-1 + \frac{5}{10 - u} + \frac{5}{10 + u}\right) du$, i.e. $n = 5$. A1

e.
$$\int \left(-1 + \frac{5}{10-u} + \frac{5}{10+u} \right) du = -u - 5\log_e(10-u) + 5\log_e(10+u) + c$$
$$= -u + 5\log_e\left(\frac{10+u}{10-u}\right) + c \quad (c \text{ is an arbitrary constant}) \quad \text{A1}$$

When $x = 10$, $y = 0$ and so $c = 0$.

Hence $y = -\sqrt{100-x^2} + 5\log_e\left(\frac{10+\sqrt{100-x^2}}{10-\sqrt{100-x^2}}\right)$. A1