



2019 NSW ESA Mathematics Exam Solutions

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Section I

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B	D	B	C	A	C	D	C	A	C

Q1 **B**

Q2 **D**

Q3 **B**

Q4 **C**

Q5 $\frac{\log_2 9}{\log_2 3} = \frac{2 \log_2 3}{\log_2 3} = 2$ **A**

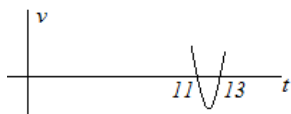
Q6 $\Pr(\text{winning}) = \Pr(ET) + \Pr(EH) + \Pr(OT) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$ **C**

Q7 $\frac{2\pi}{b} = \pi$ **D**

Q8 Velocity increases from $t=0$ to $t=3$ and decreases from $t=3$ to $t=5$. **C**

Q9 $\int \sec^2 x - 1 dx = \tan x - x + C$ **A**

Q10 A possible velocity-time graph is shown below. **C**



Section II

Q11a $\frac{x}{\sin 40^\circ} = \frac{8}{\sin 110^\circ}$, $x = 5.5$

Q11b $\frac{d}{dx} x^2 \sin x = 2x \sin x + x^2 \cos x$

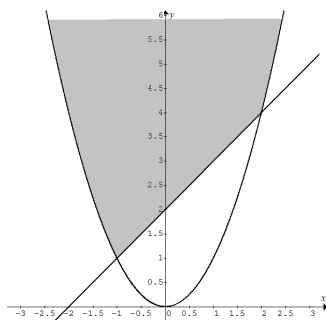
Q11c $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{2x+1}{x+5} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(2 - \frac{9}{x+5} \right) = \frac{9}{(x+5)^2}$

Q11d $a = 2000$, $r = -0.6$, $S_\infty = \frac{2000}{1 - (-0.6)} = 1250$

Q11e $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{(3x+2)^2} dx = \left[\frac{-1}{3(3x+2)} \right]_0^1 = -\frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{10}$

Q11f $\Pr(2 \text{ the same colour}) = \frac{5}{12} \times \frac{4}{11} + \frac{7}{12} \times \frac{6}{11} = \frac{31}{66}$

Q11g



Q12ai Gradient of $\ell = \frac{1}{2}$, line AC $\frac{y-6}{x-8} = -2$, $y = -2x + 22$

Q12aii $B(-4,0)$, $C(11,0)$, area $\Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2}(11 - (-4)) \times 6 = 45$

Q12b Solve the simultaneous equations $t_4 = a + 3d = 6$

and $S_{16} = 8(2a + 15d) = 120$, $\therefore d = \frac{1}{3}$

Q12ci $L(31) = 200\,000 e^{-0.14 \times 31} \approx 2607$

Q12cii $L'(31) = -0.14 \times 200\,000 e^{-0.14 \times 31} \approx -365$ i.e. dropping 365 leaves per day when $t = 31$

Q12ciii $200\,000 e^{-0.14t} = 100$, $-0.14t = \log_e \left(\frac{100}{200\,000} \right)$, $t \approx 54.3$

Q12d Area = $\int_0^3 \frac{\frac{3}{2} \times 2x}{x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{3}{2} [\log_e u]_1^{10} = \frac{3}{2} \log_e 10$ where $u = x^2 + 1$.

Q13a $2 \sin x \cos x - \sin x = 0$, $\sin x(2 \cos x - 1) = 0$ and $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

$\therefore \sin x = 0$ or $\cos x = \frac{1}{2}$ $\therefore x = 0, \frac{\pi}{3}, \pi, \frac{5\pi}{3}, 2\pi$

Q13b Perimeter = arc AB + chord AB

$= \frac{70}{360} \times 2\pi \times 20 + 2 \times 20 \sin 35^\circ \approx 47.4$ cm

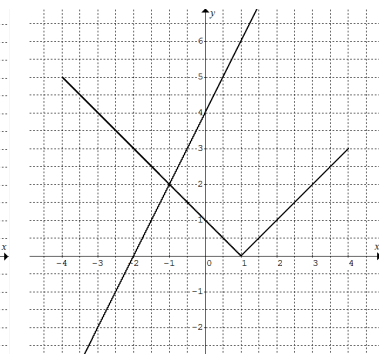
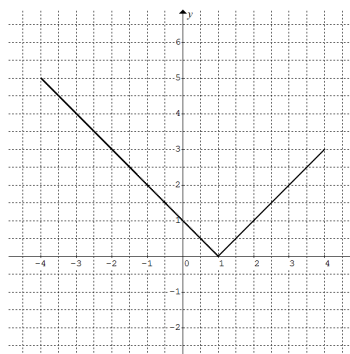
Q13ci $\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x)^2 = 2(\ln x) \frac{1}{x} = \frac{2 \ln x}{x}$

Q13cii $\int \frac{2 \ln x}{x} dx = (\ln x)^2 + c$, $\int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx = \frac{1}{2} (\ln x)^2 + C$

Q13d Volume = $\int_0^1 \pi(x - x^3)^2 dx = \pi \int_0^1 x^2 - 2x^4 + x^6 dx$
 $= \pi \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{2x^5}{5} + \frac{x^7}{7} \right]_0^1 = \frac{8\pi}{105}$

Q13ei

Q13eii $x = -1$





Q14a $t=0, v=0, \frac{dv}{dt} = e^{2t} - 4 \therefore v = \int e^{2t} - 4 dt = \frac{1}{2}e^{2t} - 4t - \frac{1}{2}$

Q14bi Let $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 1 = (3x-1)(x+1) = 0$

\therefore stationary points are at $x = -1, x = \frac{1}{3}$

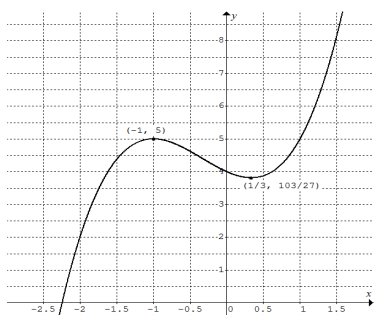
Since $f'(x) > 0$ for $x > \frac{1}{3}, f'(x) < 0$ for $-1 < x < \frac{1}{3}$ and $f'(x) > 0$ for $x < -1, \therefore$ the stationary point at $x = -1$ is a local maximum and the stationary point at $x = \frac{1}{3}$ is a local minimum.

Q14bii $(0, 4)$ is a point of $f(x),$

$\therefore f(x) = \int 3x^2 + 2x - 1 dx = x^3 + x^2 - x + 4$

Q14biii

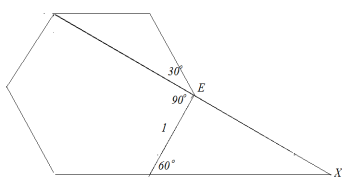
$x = -1, y = f(-1) = 5, x = \frac{1}{3}, y = \frac{103}{27}$



Q14biv The point of inflection is at $x = \frac{-1 + \frac{1}{3}}{2} = -\frac{1}{3}$

The curve is concave down for $x < -\frac{1}{3}.$

Q14c $EX = \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$



Q14d $y = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 4 = x - 4$ at $x = 2, \therefore 2a + b = -7$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 + 2ax + b = 1$ at $x = 2, \therefore 4a + b = -11$

Solve simultaneous equations, $a = -2, b = -3$

Q15a $e^{2\ln x} = x + 6$ and $x > 0, e^{\ln(x^2)} = x + 6, x^2 = x + 6$
 $x^2 - x - 6 = 0, \therefore x = 3$

Q15b $\overline{AC}^2 + \overline{BC}^2 = \overline{AB}^2, \therefore p^2 + h^2 + h^2 + q^2 = (p+q)^2$

$\therefore h^2 = pq, h = \sqrt{pq}$

Q15ci Let $\overline{BR} = a, \frac{a}{8} = \frac{1}{x}$ (similar triangles), $a = \frac{8}{x}$

$D^2 = (x+8)^2 + (a+1)^2, \therefore D^2 = (x+8)^2 + \left(\frac{8}{x} + 1\right)^2$

Q15cii Let $\frac{d}{dx} D^2 = 2(x+8) + 2\left(\frac{8}{x} + 1\right)\left(-\frac{8}{x^2}\right) = 0$

$\therefore (x+8)\left(1 - \frac{8}{x^2}\right) = 0, \therefore x = 2$

For $0 < x < 2, \frac{d}{dx} D^2 < 0,$ for $x > 2, \frac{d}{dx} D^2 > 0$

$\therefore x = 2$ gives the minimum value of $D^2.$

Q15di $\Pr(\text{at least one}) = 1 - \Pr(\text{none}) = 1 - 0.98^2 = 0.0396$

Q15dii $\Pr(\text{at least one}) = 1 - \Pr(\text{none}) = 1 - 0.98^n > 0.4$

$\therefore 0.98^n < 0.6, n > 25.285$ (3 dec. places), \therefore the smallest n is 26.

Q16ai $A_1 = 1000000\left(1 + \frac{6}{4 \times 100}\right)^4 - 80000 = 1000000 \times 1.015^4 - 80000$

$A_2 = (1000000 \times 1.015^4 - 80000) \times 1.015^4 - 80000$
 $= 1000000 \times 1.015^8 - 80000 \times 1.015^4 - 80000$
 $= 1000000 \times 1.015^8 - 80000(1 + 1.015^4)$

Q16aii $A_3 = 1000000 \times 1.015^{4 \times 3} - 80000(1 + 1.015^{4 \times 1} + 1.015^{4 \times 2})$

$A_n = 1000000 \times 1.015^{4n} - 80000(1 + 1.015^{4 \times 1} + 1.015^{4 \times 2} + \dots + 1.015^{4(n-1)}) > 0$

$1000000 \times 1.015^{4n} - 80000 \left(\frac{(1.015^4)^n - 1}{1.015^4 - 1} \right) > 0, n \leq 24$

The full amount of \$80000 can be withdrawn for 24 years.

Q16b $t=0, x=0, v = e^{\cos t} - 1$

When $v=0, e^{\cos t} - 1 = 0, \cos t = 0, t = \frac{\pi}{2}$

Estimation $= \frac{\pi}{6} \left((e-1) + 4 \left(e^{\cos \frac{\pi}{4}} - 1 \right) + 0 \right) \approx 1.53$

Particle's position is 1.53 m from the origin.

Q16ci $\frac{dy}{dx} = rx^{r-1} = r$ at $x=1,$ equation of tangent is $\frac{y-1}{x-1} = r.$

x -intercept: $\frac{-1}{x-1} = r, x = 1 - \frac{1}{r} = \frac{r-1}{r} \left(\frac{r-1}{r}, 0 \right)$

Q16cii Area of region $R = A = \int_0^1 x^r dx - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{r-1}{r} \right)$

$= \left[\frac{x^{r+1}}{r+1} \right]_0^1 - \frac{1}{2r} = \frac{1}{r+1} - \frac{1}{2r} = \frac{r-1}{2r(r+1)}$

Q16ciii Let $\frac{dA}{dr} = \frac{2r(r+1) - (r-1)(4r+2)}{4r^2(r+1)^2} = \frac{-2(r^2 - 2r - 1)}{4r^2(r+1)^2} = 0$

$\therefore r = 1 + \sqrt{2}$

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