

2004 VCAA Specialist Math Exam 1 Solutions

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PART I

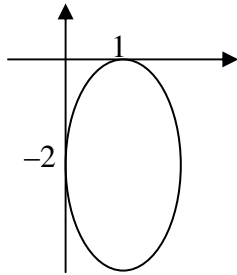
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
B	B	D	A	B	A	C	C	E	C

Q1 $y = \frac{-x^2}{2x} + \frac{1}{2x} = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2x}$. Oblique asymptote $y = -\frac{1}{2}x$ and vertical asymptote $x = 0$. ∴ E

Q2



$$\frac{(x-1)^2}{1^2} + \frac{(y+2)^2}{2^2} = 1, \quad (x-1)^2 + \frac{(y+2)^2}{4} = 1, \quad \therefore C$$

Q3 $\tan A = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A}, \quad \tan A = \frac{1}{\cot A},$

$$\cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - A\right) = \tan A, \quad \tan A = \frac{2 \tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}{1 - \tan^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)}. \quad \therefore E$$

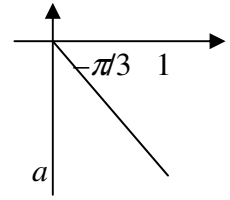
Q4 Comparing with the graph of $y = \sec x$, the given graph is the image of $y = \sec x$ under the transformations (in order): reflection in the x-axis; horizontal dilation by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$, ∴ $a = 2$;

translation to the right by $\frac{\pi}{4}$, ∴ $b = \frac{\pi}{4}$. ∴ D

Q5 $\frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{\bar{z}} = \frac{\bar{z} + z}{z\bar{z}} = \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2}$ is a real number. ∴ E

Q6 $\tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{a}{1}, \quad a = -\sqrt{3}.$

∴ C



Q7 Degree 4, ∴ 4 roots (fundamental theorem of algebra). Real coefficients, according to the conjugate roots theorem, the complex roots come in pairs (conjugate pairs) or there are no complex roots at all. ∴ B

Q8 $w^{-1} = \frac{1}{w} = \frac{\bar{w}}{w\bar{w}} = \frac{\bar{w}}{|w|^2} = \frac{\bar{w}}{2.25}$. Point S represents \bar{w} and point P represents w^{-1} . ∴ A

Q9 The shaded region is a set of complex numbers with $\frac{\pi}{3} < \text{Arg}(z) < \frac{\pi}{2}$. ∴ C

Q10 $\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 16} dx = \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{4}{x^2 + 4^2} dx = \frac{1}{4} \text{Tan}^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) + c$

∴ D

Q11 $\int_0^a (\sin^2(\frac{3x}{2}) - \cos^2(\frac{3x}{2})) dx$
 $= -\int_0^a (\cos^2(\frac{3x}{2}) - \sin^2(\frac{3x}{2})) dx = -\int_0^a \cos(3x) dx$
 $= -\left[\frac{\sin(3x)}{3}\right]_0^a = -\frac{\sin(3a)}{3}$. ∴ B

Q12 $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos^2(x) \sin^3(x) dx$
 $= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos^2(x) \sin^2(x) \sin(x) dx$
 $= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \cos^2(x) (1 - \cos^2(x)) \sin(x) dx$ Let $u = \cos(x)$
 $-du = \sin(x) dx$
 $= \int_1^{\frac{1}{2}} -u^2 (1 - u^2) du$
 $= \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 u^2 (1 - u^2) du$. ∴ A

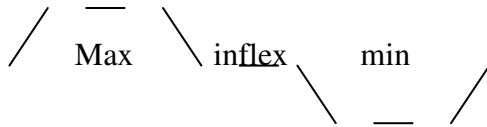
Q13 $\int \frac{2}{(3-x)^2} - \frac{1}{3-x} dx = \frac{2}{3-x} + \log_e(3-x) + c$. ∴ D

Q14 $F(x) = \int f(x)dx \therefore \frac{dF(x)}{dx} = f(x)$.

The stationary points are at (where $\frac{dF(x)}{dx} = f(x) = 0$)

$x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi$ and $\frac{3\pi}{2}$.

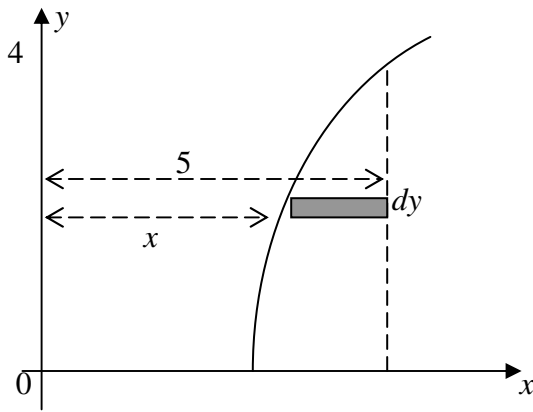
x		$\frac{\pi}{2}$		π		$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	
$\frac{dF(x)}{dx}$	+	0	-	0	-	0	+



\therefore D

Q15 At $x = 3.5$, $y = 1.803$, at $x = 4.5$, $y = 3.354$.
Estimated area $\approx 1.803 \times 1 + 3.354 \times 1 = 5.16 \therefore$ C

Q16



$y = \sqrt{x^2 - 9}, \therefore x^2 = y^2 + 9$.

Vol of solid $= \int_0^4 \pi 5^2 - \pi x^2 dy$

$= \pi \int_0^4 25 - (y^2 + 9) dy = \pi \int_0^4 (16 - y^2) dy \therefore$ D

Q17 $2^2 + x^2 + 3^2 = 4^2, \therefore x = \sqrt{3}$. Since \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{q} are parallel, $\therefore \mathbf{q} = m\mathbf{p}$.

Hence $-4\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k} = m(2\mathbf{i} + x\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$.

$\therefore 2m = -4, m = -2,$

$y = mx = -2\sqrt{3} \therefore$ A

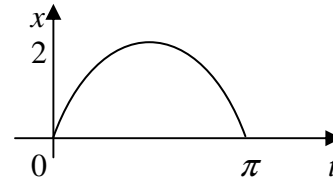
Q18 $\mathbf{u} \bullet (\mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v}$
 $= 3^2 + (-4)^2 + 5^2 - 2(3 \times 2 - 4 \times 3 - 5 \times 1)$
 $= 72. \therefore$ D

Q19 $\mathbf{b} \bullet (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{b} \bullet \mathbf{c} = 0$ because $\mathbf{b} \perp \mathbf{c}. \therefore$ C

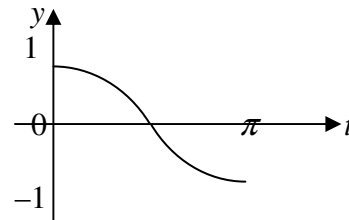
Q20 Parametric equations are $x = 2\sin(t), y = \cos(t)$.

Since $\sin^2(t) + \cos^2(t) = 1, \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 + y^2 = 1,$

$\therefore \frac{x^2}{4} + y^2 = 1. \text{ Since } 0 \leq t \leq \pi,$

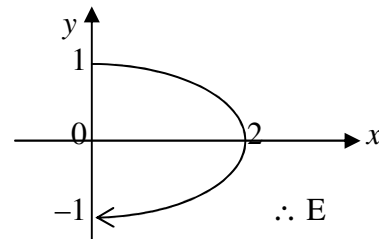


$\therefore 0 \leq x \leq 2,$



$\therefore -1 \leq y \leq 1$ and cannot be B.

The path of the particle is shown below.



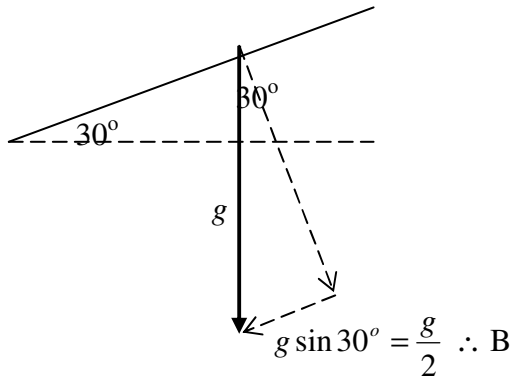
Q21 $\mathbf{r}(t) = \int 3\sin(2t)\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} dt,$

$\mathbf{r}(t) = -\frac{3}{2}\cos(2t)\mathbf{i} + 4t\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{c}$

$\mathbf{r}(0) = -\frac{3}{2}\cos(0)\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{c} = \frac{3}{2}\mathbf{i}, \therefore \mathbf{c} = 3\mathbf{i}.$

Hence $\mathbf{r}(t) = \left(3 - \frac{3}{2}\cos(2t)\right)\mathbf{i} + 4t\mathbf{j}. \therefore$ B

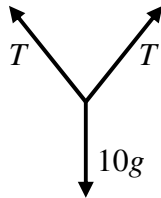
Q22



Q23 $+2T \cos 30^\circ +^{-} 10g = 0,$

$$T = \frac{10g}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{10\sqrt{3}g}{3}$$

\therefore D



Q24 Resultant force = $\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{T}$

$$= (2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}) + (\mathbf{i} + 10\mathbf{j}) + (3\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}) = 6\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}$$

$$\therefore m\mathbf{a} = 6\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{a} = \frac{1}{m} (6\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}) = \frac{1}{5} (6\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}).$$

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \frac{1}{5} \sqrt{6^2 + 8^2} = 2, \therefore \text{A}$$

Q25 $u = + 21, a = - 9.8, t = 10, s = - h$

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2, -h = + 21 \times 10 + \frac{1}{2}(-9.8) \times 10^2$$

$\therefore h = 280, \therefore \text{B}$

Q26 Since the body is on the point of sliding down, the friction force points up the plane. $\therefore \text{A}$

Q27 Velocity v is a vector quantity. In one dimension (straight line motion) the $+/-$ signs indicate the direction (e.g. forward/backward) of motion. 'the minimum value of v ' makes sense when it refers to the minimum speed of the particle.

$$v = \dot{x} = 2.5 - \frac{9}{2} \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right), \therefore -2 \leq v \leq + 7, \text{ but the speed}$$

is $|v|$ where $0 \leq |v| \leq 7. \therefore \text{C}$

Note: Some may disagree with the writer's interpretation.

Q28 $y = \sin(2x), \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \cos(2x), \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -4 \sin(2x)$

$\therefore \text{C}$

Q29 Excess in temperature is $(y - 4)$. At $t = 0, y = 20$.

$\therefore \text{E}$

Q30 $a = 16x, \frac{d(\frac{1}{2}v^2)}{dx} = 16x, \frac{1}{2}v^2 = \int 16x dx,$

$$\frac{1}{2}v^2 = 8x^2 + c. \text{ When } x = 0, v = -5, \therefore c = \frac{25}{2}.$$

Hence $v^2 = 16x^2 + 25$ and $v = -\sqrt{16x^2 + 25}$ satisfies the requirement $x = 0, v = -5. \therefore \text{C}$

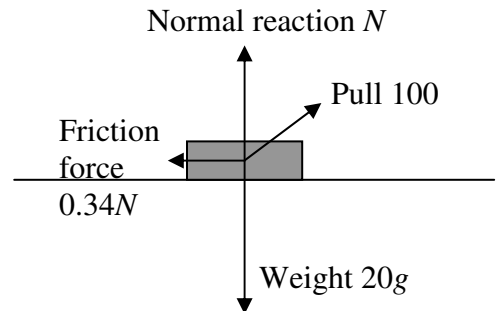
PART II

Q1a. Let $u = \sqrt{2x}, \frac{d}{dx}(\text{Sin}^{-1}(\sqrt{2x})) = \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d}{du}(\text{Sin}^{-1}(u))$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x(1-2x)}}.$$

Q1b. $\int_{\frac{1}{8}}^{\frac{1}{4}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x(1-2x)}} dx = [\text{Sin}^{-1}(\sqrt{2x})]_{\frac{1}{8}}^{\frac{1}{4}}$
 $= \text{Sin}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) - \text{Sin}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{12}.$

Q2a.



Q2b. Vertical component:

$$+N + 100 \sin 40^\circ +^{-} 20g = 0 \quad (1)$$

Horizontal component:

$$+100 \cos 40^\circ +^{-} 0.34N = 20a \quad (2)$$

From (1), $N = -100 \sin 40^\circ + 20g$, sub. in (2), $a = 1.59.$

Q3 $f(x) = \int 15x\sqrt{2-x} dx$, let $u = 2 - x$, $\therefore x = 2 - u$
and $dx = -du$.

$$f(x) = \int 15(2-u)\sqrt{u}(-du) = \int (-30u^{\frac{1}{2}} + 15u^{\frac{3}{2}}) du$$

$$= \frac{-30u^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{15u^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}} + c = -20(2-x)^{\frac{3}{2}} + 6(2-x)^{\frac{5}{2}} + c.$$

Since $f(2) = 0$, $\therefore c = 0$.

$$f(x) = -20(2-x)^{\frac{3}{2}} + 6(2-x)^{\frac{5}{2}} = (2-x)^{\frac{3}{2}}[-20 + 6(2-x)]$$

$$= (-6x-8)(2-x)^{\frac{3}{2}}. \therefore a = -6 \text{ and } b = -8.$$

Q4a. Let (\hat{b}) be a unit vector in the direction of \mathbf{b} .

$$(\hat{b}) = \frac{1}{b} \mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4^2 + (-3)^2}} (4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}) = \frac{1}{5} (4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j})$$

Scalar resolute of \mathbf{a} in the direction of $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\hat{b})$

$$= \frac{1}{5} (6 \times 4 - 2 \times 3) = \frac{18}{5}$$

$$\text{Q4b. } \mathbf{AP} = \mathbf{OP} - \mathbf{OA} = \frac{18}{5} (\hat{b}) - \mathbf{a}$$

$$= \frac{18}{5} \times \frac{1}{5} (4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}) - (6\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j})$$

$$= -\frac{78}{25} \mathbf{i} - \frac{104}{25} \mathbf{j}$$

$$= \frac{26}{25} (-3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}),$$

$$\therefore |\mathbf{AP}| = \frac{26}{25} \times \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-4)^2} = \frac{26}{5}.$$

Q5a. w is in the third quadrant of the complex plane,

$$\text{Arg } w = \text{Tan}^{-1} \left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \right) = \text{Tan}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) = -\frac{5\pi}{6},$$

$$|w| = \sqrt{\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} = 1. \therefore w = \text{cis} \left(-\frac{5\pi}{6} \right).$$

$$\text{Q5b. } w^k = 1, \left[\text{cis} \left(-\frac{5\pi}{6} \right) \right]^k = 1, \text{cis} \left(-\frac{5k\pi}{6} \right) = 1,$$

$$\text{i.e. } \cos \left(-\frac{5k\pi}{6} \right) + i \sin \left(-\frac{5k\pi}{6} \right) = 1,$$

$$\text{hence } \cos \left(-\frac{5k\pi}{6} \right) = 1 \text{ and } \sin \left(-\frac{5k\pi}{6} \right) = 0,$$

\therefore the smallest positive integer k that satisfies both equations is 12.

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