

HSC Mathematics 2008 Solutions

Question 1 :

a) $2\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) = \underline{1.62}$ (3 sig figs)

b) $3x^2 + x - 2 = \underline{(3x-2)(x+1)}$

c) $\frac{2}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{2(n+1)-n}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n+2}{n(n+1)}$

d) $|4x-3| = 7$
 $\therefore 4x-3 = 7 \quad \text{or} \quad 4x-3 = -7$
 $4x = 10 \quad \quad \quad 4x = -4$
 $\underline{x = 2\frac{1}{2}} \quad \quad \quad \underline{x = -1}$

e) $(\sqrt{3}-1)(2\sqrt{3}+5) = 2 \times 3 + 5\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{3} - 5$
 $= \underline{1+3\sqrt{3}}$

f) $S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d]$ with $a=3$, $d=4$, $n=21$

$$S_{21} = \frac{21}{2}[6 + 20 \times 4] = \underline{903}$$

Question 2 :

a) (i) $\frac{d}{dx}(x^2+3)^9 = 9(x^2+3)^8 \times 2x = \underline{18x(x^2+3)^8}$

(ii) $\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 \ln x) = 2x \cdot \ln x + x^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \underline{2x \ln x + x}$

(iii) $\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{\sin x}{x+4}\right) = \frac{(x+4)\cos x - \sin x}{(x+4)^2}$

b) midpoint is given by $\left(\frac{-1+5}{2}, \frac{4+8}{2}\right)$
 $\therefore M \equiv \underline{(2, 6)}$

Equation of line with gradient $-\frac{1}{2}$ is :

$$\begin{aligned} y-6 &= -\frac{1}{2}(x-2) \\ 2y-12 &= -x+2 \\ \underline{x+2y-14} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

c) (i) $\int \frac{1}{x+5} dx = \underline{\ln(x+5) + c}$

(ii) $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{12}} \sec^2 3x dx = \left[\frac{1}{3}\tan 3x\right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{12}} = \frac{1}{3} \times 1 - 0$
 $= \underline{\frac{1}{3}}$

Question 3 :

a) (i) gradient of BC , $m_1 = \frac{5-3}{1-0} = 2$

gradient of AD : $2x - y - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 2x - 1$
 $\therefore m_2 = 2$

since $m_1 = m_2$ then $BC \parallel AD$

$\therefore ABCD$ is a trapezium with a pair of opposite sides parallel.

(ii) For D, substitute 5 for y in $2x - y - 1 = 0$.

ie $2x - 5 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 3$

\therefore D is (3, 5)

(iii) $BC = \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (5-3)^2} = \sqrt{5}$

(iv) $d = \left| \frac{2 \times 0 - 1 \times 3 - 1}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2}} \right| = \left| \frac{-4}{\sqrt{5}} \right| = \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$

(v) $AD = \sqrt{(3-0)^2 + (5+1)^2} = \sqrt{45} = 3\sqrt{5}$

Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{5}) \times \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{4\sqrt{5} \times 4}{2 \times \sqrt{5}} = \underline{8 \text{ units}^2}$

b) (i) $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(\cos x)) = \frac{-\sin x}{\cos x} = -\tan x$

(ii) $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan x \, dx = [-\ln(\cos x)]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = -\ln\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \ln 1$
 $= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2} \ln 2}}$

Question 4 :

a) $\angle YRX = \angle XRQ$ (given)
 $\angle YXR = \angle XRQ$ (alternate angles, $XY \parallel QR$)

$\therefore \angle YRX = \angle YXR$

\therefore the base angles of $\triangle XYR$ are equal and $\triangle XYR$ is isosceles.

b) (i) height = $50 \times (1.2)^8$ after 8 zoom applications.
 $= \underline{215 \text{ mm}}$ (nearest mm)

(ii) need $50 \times (1.2)^n > 400 \Rightarrow (1.2)^n > 8$

$\therefore n \cdot \ln(1.2) > \ln 8$

$n > 11.405$

The least number of zoom applications needed is 12 times.

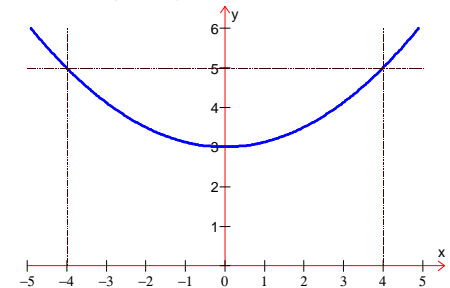
c) (i) vertex is (0, 3)

(ii) focal length is 2 units \Rightarrow focus is (0, 5)

(iii) $x^2 = 8(y - 3)$

becomes

$y = \frac{x^2}{8} + 3$



(iv) Area = area of rectangle - area under parabola ($-4 < x < 4$)

$= 5 \times 8 - 2 \times \int_0^4 \left(\frac{x^2}{8} + 3 \right) dx$

$= 40 - 2 \times \left[\frac{x^3}{24} + 3x \right]_0^4 = \underline{\underline{\frac{10}{3} \text{ units}^2}}$

Question 5 :

$$a) \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - 6 \sin 3x \Rightarrow y = x + 2 \cos 3x + c$$

when $x=0, y=7$

$$\therefore 7 = 0 + 2 \times 1 + c \Rightarrow c = 5$$

Equation of curve is $y = x + 2 \cos 3x + 5$

b) (i) to have a limiting sum, $|r| < 1$

$$\therefore |2x| < 1 \Rightarrow -1 < 2x < 1$$

$$\underline{-\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$(ii) S_{\infty} = \frac{5}{1-2x} = 100$$

$$\therefore 1 = 20 - 40x \Rightarrow \underline{x = \frac{19}{40}}$$

c) (i) $A = 6000$

$$(ii) e^{-6k} = \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow e^{6k} = 6$$

$$\therefore \underline{k = \frac{1}{6} \ln 6}$$

$$(iii) \frac{dI}{ds} = -1000 \ln 6 \times e^{(-\frac{\ln 6}{6})s}$$

$$\text{when } s = 6, \frac{dI}{ds} = -1000 \ln 6 \times e^{(-\ln 6)}$$

$$= \frac{-1000 \ln 6}{6} \approx -298.6$$

the light intensity is decreasing at a rate of 298.6 lux / m

Question 6 :

$$a) \sin^2 \frac{x}{3} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \sin \frac{x}{3} = \frac{\pm 1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{3} = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{-\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \underline{x = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{-3\pi}{4}}$$

b) (i) initial velocity is 20 m/s

(ii) when $t=10$

(iii) acceleration is zero at the maximum TP of $v = f(t)$

ie when $t=6$

$$(iv) \text{ distance travelled} = \int_0^8 v \, dt$$

$$d \approx \frac{2}{3} \{ 20 + 60 + 4 \times (50 + 80) + 2 \times 70 \}$$

$$= \underline{493\frac{1}{3} \text{ metres}}$$

$$c) V = \pi \int_3^6 \left(\frac{5}{x-2} \right)^2 dx$$

$$= \pi \int_3^6 25(x-2)^{-2} dx$$

$$= 25\pi \left[\frac{(x-2)^{-1}}{-1 \times 1} \right]_3^6 = 25\pi \left(-\frac{1}{4} + 1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{75\pi}{4} \text{ units}^3$$

Question 7 :

a) let $u = \ln x$

$$\therefore u - \frac{3}{u} = 2 \Rightarrow u^2 - 2u - 3 = 0$$

$$(u-3)(u+1) = 0$$

$$\therefore u = 3 \Rightarrow x = e^3$$

$$\text{or } u = -1 \Rightarrow x = e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}$$

b) (i) since $\theta \leq 2\pi$ then $r\theta \leq 2\pi r$

$$\text{and } l = r\theta = \frac{10\pi}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{10\pi}{3} \leq 2\pi r$$

$$\therefore r \geq \frac{5}{3}$$

(ii) when $r = 4$ in $l = r\theta$, $\frac{10\pi}{3} = 4\theta \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{5\pi}{6}$

$$\text{Now, using } A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta, \quad \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 4^2 \times \frac{5\pi}{6} = \frac{20\pi}{3} \text{ units}^2$$

c) (ii) $P(G \text{ wins}) = P(XGG) + P(GXG) + P(GG)$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{7}{27}$$

(iii) $P(3 \text{ games played}) = P(XG) + P(GX)$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{9}$$

Question 8 :

a) (i) $y = x^4 - 8x^2$ crosses the coordinate axes at $(-2\sqrt{2}, 0)$ $(2\sqrt{2}, 0)$
and touches the axes at the point $(0, 0)$

(ii) $f(-x) = (-x)^4 - 8(-x)^2$

$$= x^4 - 8x^2$$

$$= f(x)$$

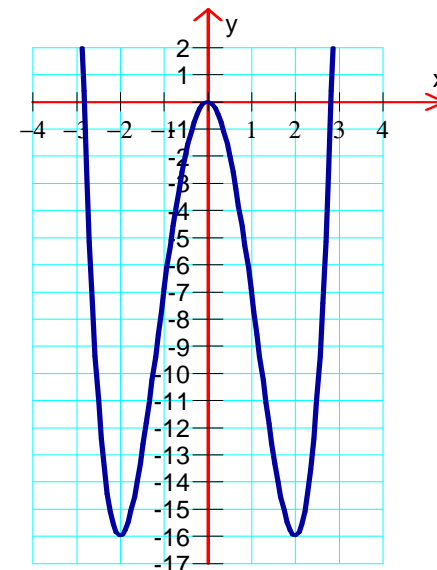
$$\therefore f(x) \text{ is an even function.}$$

(iii) $(0, 0)$ is a maximum turning point

$(-2, -16)$ is a minimum TP

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(iv) see graph ----->



b) (i) $CD = AD$ (Opposite sides of a parallelogram equal)

$AD = EB$ ($ABEF$ is a square, all sides equal)

$$\therefore CD = BE$$

(ii) In $\triangle BDC$, $\triangle HEB$

$CD = BE$ (from part (i))

$BC = HB$ (sides of square $BCGH$ are equal)

$\angle BCD = \angle EBH$ ($\angle BCD = 180^\circ - \angle ABC$ and
 $\angle EBH = 360^\circ - (180^\circ + \angle ABC)$
 $= 180^\circ - \angle ABC$)

$\therefore \triangle BDC \equiv \triangle HEB$ (SAS)

$\therefore BD = EH$ (corresponding sides of 2 congruent triangles equal)

Question 9 :

a) (i) $0.15 \times 0.15 = 0.0225 = \underline{2.25\%}$

(ii) $0.85 \times 0.2 = 0.17 = \underline{17\%}$

b) (i) $A_n = 100\,000 \times 1.005^n - M(1 + 1.005 + 1.005^2 + \dots + 1.005^{n-1})$

$$= 100\,000 \times 1.005^n - M \frac{(1.005^n - 1)}{1.005 - 1}$$

$$= 100\,000 \times 1.005^n - \frac{M(1.005^n - 1)}{0.005}$$

(ii) $A_{144} = 0 \Rightarrow 100\,000 \times 1.005^{144} = \frac{M(1.005^{144} - 1)}{0.005}$
 $\therefore \underline{M = \$975.85}$

c) (i) $f'(x) = kb^2x - \frac{kx^3}{3} + c$

$$f'(-b) = -f'(b) \Rightarrow c = 0, \therefore f'(x) = k \left(b^2x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right)$$

(ii) $f(x) = \frac{kb^2x^2}{2} - \frac{kx^4}{12} + c_2$

since $f(b) = 0$ from graph,

$$\frac{kb^2b^2}{2} - \frac{kb^4}{12} + c_2 = 0 \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{-5kb^4}{12}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{kb^2x^2}{2} - \frac{kx^4}{12} - \frac{5kb^4}{12} \Rightarrow f(0) = -\frac{5kb^4}{12}$$

\therefore The beam is $\frac{5kb^4}{12}$ units below the x axis.

Question 10 :

a) $y = \ln(x-2) \Rightarrow x = e^y + 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= 7 \times \ln 5 - \int_0^{\ln 5} (e^y + 2) dy = 7 \ln 5 - [e^y + 2y]_0^{\ln 5} \\ &= \underline{(5 \ln 5 - 4) \text{ unit}^2} \end{aligned}$$

b) (i) $\triangle KJO \parallel \triangle PMO$ (equiangular)

$$\therefore \frac{MP}{KJ} = \frac{OM}{OJ} \Rightarrow \frac{MP}{s} = \frac{l-x}{x} \Rightarrow MP = \frac{s}{x}(l-x)$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(sx) \sin \alpha + \frac{1}{2}(l-x)MP \sin \alpha$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sin \alpha \left\{ xs + (l-x) \frac{s(l-x)}{x} \right\} = \underline{s(\sin \alpha) \left\{ x - l + \frac{l^2}{2x} \right\}}$$

(ii) $\frac{dA}{dx} = s(\sin \alpha) \left(1 - \frac{l^2}{2x^2} \right) = 0$, to minimise A .

$$\therefore 1 - \frac{l^2}{2x^2} = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}$$

and $\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} = s(\sin \alpha) \left(\frac{l^2}{x^3} \right) > 0$ for all $x > 0$.

$\therefore x = \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}$ gives a minimum value for A .

(iii) $MP = \frac{s}{\left(\frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}\right)} \left(l - \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = \frac{s\sqrt{2}}{\cancel{l}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\cancel{\sqrt{2}}} \right) \cancel{l}$

$$\therefore \underline{MP = s(\sqrt{2}-1)}$$