



# Math A Level

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# QUIZ 2

Vectors

Complex Numbers

Differentiation



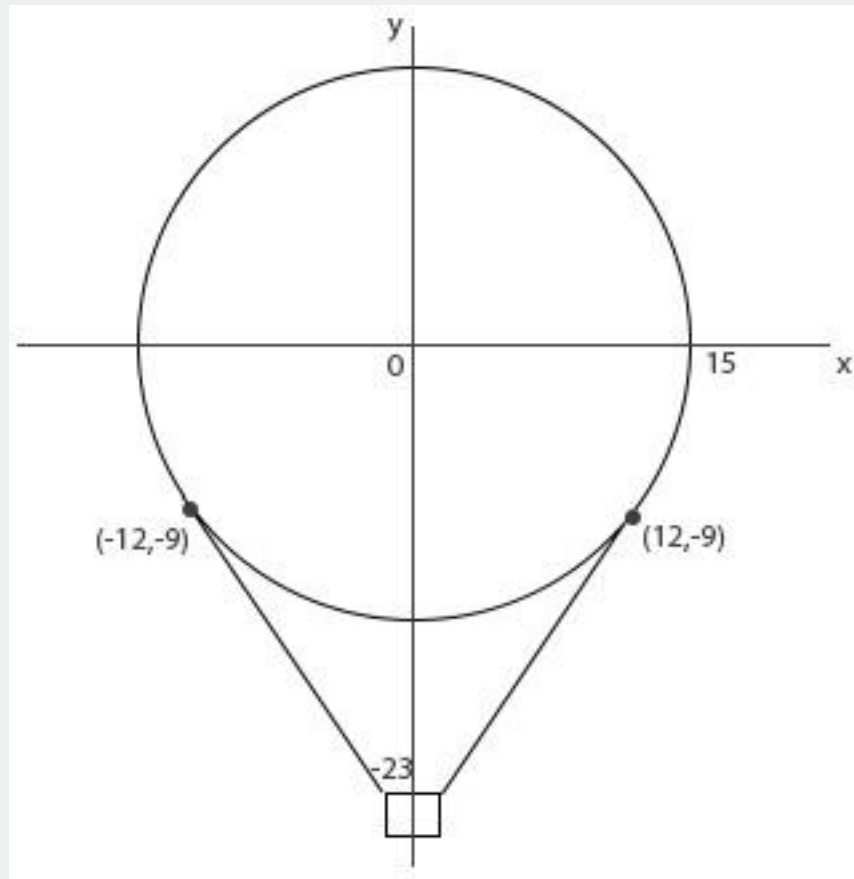
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a. Show that

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{x}{1+x^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

for every value of  $x$ .

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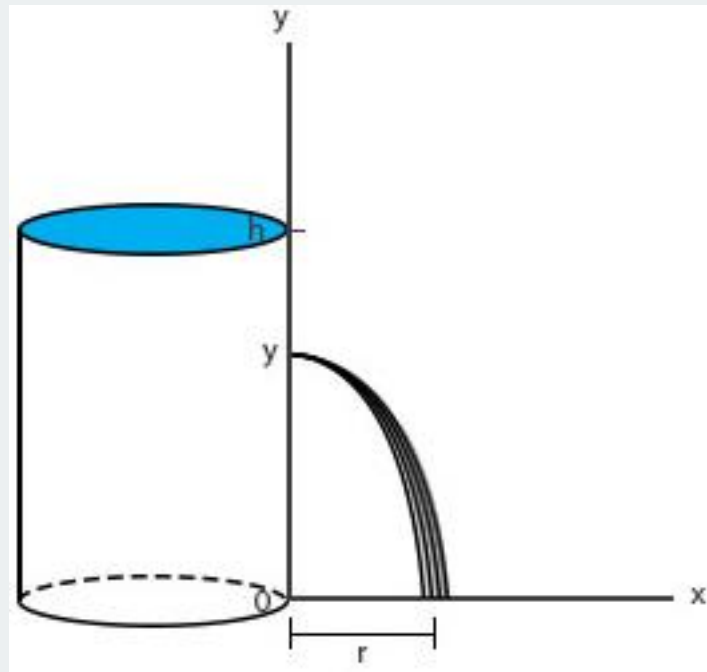




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- What is the width of the box below the circle balloon? The cables connecting the box and balloon are tangent to the balloon.

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C. In what value of  $y$  that the water gushing from the tank will hit the ground as far as possible? (Hint: how long does it take for water to hit ground after flowing out of tank?)

The exit velocity of the water is  $\sqrt{64(h - y)}$



# Question 2

a. If an external force  $F$  acts upon a system whose mass varies with time, Newton's law of motion is

$$\frac{d(mv)}{dt} = F + (v + u) \frac{dm}{dt}$$

In this equation,  $m$  is the mass of the system at time  $t$ ,  $v$  is its velocity, and  $v + u$  is the velocity of the mass that is entering (or leaving) the system at the rate  $dm/dt$ . Suppose that a rocket of initial mass  $m_0$  mass starts from rest, but is driven upward by firing some of its mass directly backward at the constant rate of  $dm/dt = -b$  units per second and at constant speed relative to the rocket  $u = -c$ . The only external force acting on the rocket is  $F = -mg$  due to gravity. Under these assumptions, show that the height of the rocket above the ground at the end of  $t$  seconds ( $t$  is small compared to  $m_0/b$ ) is

$$y = c \left[ t + \frac{m_0 - bt}{b} \ln \frac{m_0 - bt}{m_0} \right] - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$





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b. The result of the movement of a dissolved substance across a cell's membrane is described by the equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = k \frac{A}{V} (c - y)$$

where  $y$  is the changing variable and  $k$ ,  $A$ ,  $V$ , and  $c$  are all constants. Solve the equation for  $y(t)$ , using  $y_0$  to denote  $y(0)$  and find the steady-state concentration,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t)$ .



## Question 3

a. Show that the distance between the parallel planes  $Ax + By + Cz = D_1$  and  $Ax + By + Cz = D_2$  is

$$d = \frac{|D_1 - D_2|}{|A\mathbf{i} + B\mathbf{j} + C\mathbf{k}|}$$

b. Find the distance between the planes  $2x + 3y - z = 6$  and  $2x + 3y - z = 12$ .

c. Find an equation for the plane parallel to the plane  $2x - y + 2z = -4$  if the point  $(3, 2, -1)$  is equidistant from the two planes.

d. Write equations for the planes that lie parallel to and 5 units away from the plane  $x - 2y + z = 3$



# Question 4

a. Solve the equation

$$(1 - \sqrt{3}i)z^3 = -4 + 4i$$

Express  $z$  as  $r(\cos q\pi + i \sin q\pi)$ , where  $r > 0$ ,  $q$  is a rational number and  $q \in (-1, 1]$

b. Let  $\alpha = 1 + \sqrt{3}i$  and  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{i}{2}$ .

(i.) Express the complex numbers  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in trigonometric form,  $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$  where  $r > 0$  and  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$

(ii) Simplify  $\alpha^3\beta^4$ , in the form  $x + iy$ .

(iii) Find a non-zero polynomial  $P(z)$  with real coefficients such that

$$P(\alpha) = P(\beta) = 0$$



# References

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