

# HKDSE MATH M2 Practice Paper

## 1. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q1

Find the coefficient of  $x^5$  in the expansion of  $(2 - x)^9$ .

(4 marks)

## 2. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q2

Consider the following system of linear equation in  $x, y, z$

$$\begin{cases} x - 7y + 7z = 0 \\ x - ky + 3z = 0 \\ 2x + y + kz = 0 \end{cases}, \text{ where } k \text{ is a real number.}$$

If the system has non-trivial solutions, find the two possible values of  $k$ .

(4 marks)

## 3. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q3

Prove by mathematical induction that  $4^n + 15n - 1$  is divisible by 9 for all positive integers  $n$ .

(5 marks)

## 4. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q4

(a) Let  $x = \tan \theta$ , show that  $\frac{2x}{1+x^2} = \sin 2\theta$ .

(b) Using (a), find the greatest value of  $\frac{(1+x)^2}{1+x^2}$ , where  $x$  is real.

(5 marks)

## 5. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q5

(a) It is given that  $\cos(x+1) + \cos(x-1) = k \cos x$  for any real  $x$ . Find the value of  $k$ .

(b) Without using a calculator, find the value of  $\begin{vmatrix} \cos 1 & \cos 2 & \cos 3 \\ \cos 4 & \cos 5 & \cos 6 \\ \cos 7 & \cos 8 & \cos 9 \end{vmatrix}$ .

(6 marks)

## 6. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q6

Find  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{x} \right)$  from first principles.

(4 marks)

## 7. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q7

Let  $f(x) = e^x(\sin x + \cos x)$ .

(a) Find  $f'(x)$  and  $f''(x)$ .

(b) Find the value of  $x$  such that  $f''(x) - f'(x) + f(x) = 0$  for  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ .

(5 marks)

**8. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q8**

(a) Using integration by substitution, find  $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{4-x^2}}$ .

(b) Using integration by parts, find  $\int \ln x \, dx$ .

(5 marks)

**9. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q9**

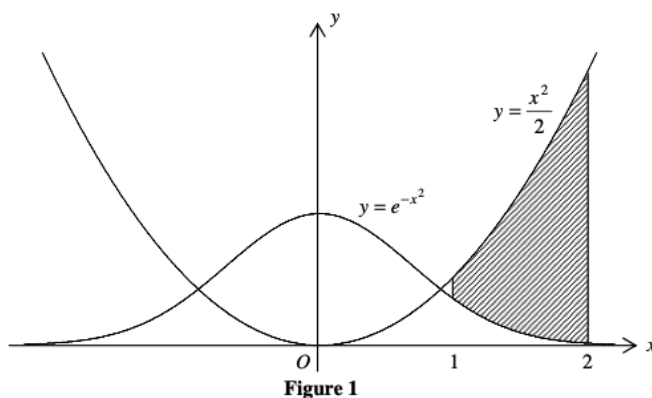
Find the equations of the two tangents to the curve  $x^2 - xy - 2y^2 - 1 = 0$  which are parallel to the straight line  $y = 2x + 1$ .

(6 marks)

**10. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q10**

(a) Find  $\int x e^{-x^2} \, dx$ .

(b) In Figure 1, the shaded region is bounded by the curves  $y = \frac{x^2}{2}$  and  $y = e^{-x^2}$ , where  $1 \leq x \leq 2$ . Find the volume of the solid generated by revolving the shaded region about the  $y$ -axis.



(6 marks)

**11. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q11**

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha + \beta & -\alpha\beta \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are distinct real numbers. Let  $I$  be the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.

(a) Show that  $A^2 = (\alpha + \beta)A - \alpha\beta I$ .

(2 marks)

(b) Using (a), or otherwise, show that  $(A - \alpha I)^2 = (\beta - \alpha)(A - \alpha I)$  and  $(A - \beta I)^2 = (\alpha - \beta)(A - \beta I)$ .

(3 marks)

- (c) Let  $X = s(A - \alpha I)$  and  $Y = t(A - \beta I)$  where  $s$  and  $t$  are real numbers.

Suppose  $A = X + Y$ .

- (i) Find  $s$  and  $t$  in terms of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
- (ii) For any positive integer  $n$ , prove that  

$$X^n = \frac{\beta^n}{\beta - \alpha}(A - \alpha I) \text{ and } Y^n = \frac{\alpha^n}{\alpha - \beta}(A - \beta I).$$
- (iii) For any positive integer  $n$ , express  $A^n$  in the form of  $pA + qI$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are real numbers. [Note: It is known that for any  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $H$  and  $K$ ,  
 if  $HK = KH = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $(H + K)^n = H^n + K^n$  for any positive integer  $n$ .]

(9 marks)

## 12. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q12

Let  $\overrightarrow{OA} = \mathbf{i}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{OB} = \mathbf{j}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OC} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$  (see Figure 2). Let  $M$  and  $N$  be points on the straight lines  $AB$  and  $OC$  respectively such that  $AM : MB = a : (1 - a)$  and  $ON : NC = b : (1 - b)$ , where  $0 < a < 1$  and  $0 < b < 1$ . Suppose that  $MN$  is perpendicular to both  $AB$  and  $OC$ .

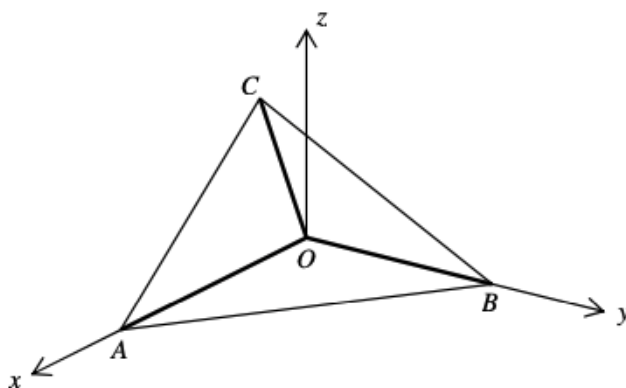


Figure 2

- (a) (i) Show that  $\overrightarrow{MN} = (a + b - 1)\mathbf{i} + (b - a)\mathbf{j} + b\mathbf{k}$ .
- (ii) Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .
- (iii) Find the shortest distance between straight lines  $AB$  and  $OC$ .
- (8 marks)
- (b) (i) Find  $\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC}$ .
- (ii) Let  $G$  be the projection of  $O$  on the plane  $ABC$ , find the coordinates of the intersecting point of the two straight lines  $OG$  and  $MN$ .
- (5 marks)

## 13. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q13

- (a) Let  $f(x)$  be an odd function for  $-p \leq x \leq p$ , where  $p$  is a positive constant.

Prove that  $\int_0^{2p} f(x - p) dx = 0$ .

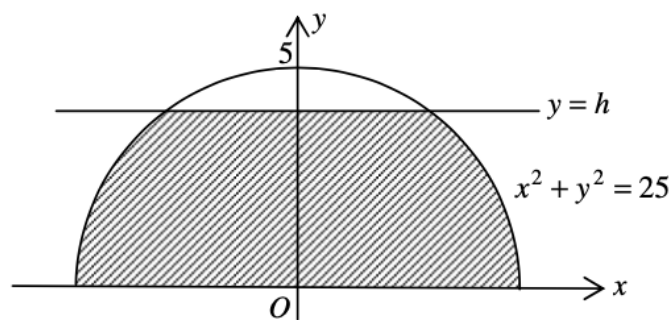
Hence evaluate  $\int_0^{2p} [f(x-p) + q] dx$ , where  $q$  is a constant.  
(4 marks)

(b) Prove that  $\frac{\sqrt{3} + \tan\left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)}{\sqrt{3} - \tan\left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{3}\tan x}{2}$ .  
(2 marks)

(c) Using (a) and (b), or otherwise, evaluate  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \ln(1 + \sqrt{3}\tan x) dx$ .  
(4 marks)

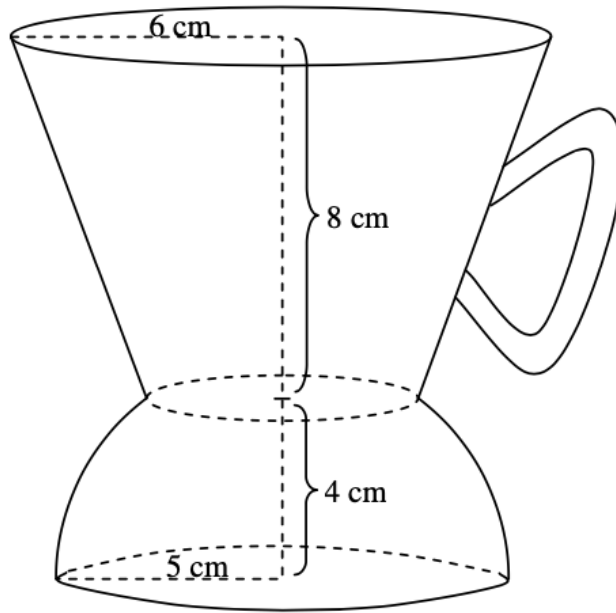
#### 14. HKDSE Math M2 Practice Paper Q14

- (a) In Figure 3, the shaded region enclosed by the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ , the  $x$ -axis and the straight line  $y = h$  (where  $0 \leq h \leq 5$ ) is revolved about the  $y$ -axis. Show that the volume of the solid of revolution is  $\left(25h - \frac{h^3}{3}\right)\pi$ .  
(2 marks)



**Figure 3**

- (b) In Figure 4, an empty coffee cup consists of two portions. The lower portion is in the shape of the solid described in (a) with height 4 cm. The upper portion is a frustum of a circular cone. The height of the frustum is 8 cm. The radius of the top of the cup is 6 cm. Hot coffee is poured into the cup to a depth  $h$  cm at a rate of  $8 \text{ cm}^3\text{s}^{-1}$ , where  $0 \leq h \leq 12$ . Let  $V \text{ cm}^3$  be the volume of coffee in the cup.



**Figure 4**

- (i) Find the rate of increase of the depth of coffee when the depth is 3 cm.
- (ii) Show that  $V = \frac{164\pi}{3} + \frac{3\pi}{64}(h + 4)^3$  for  $4 \leq h \leq 12$ .
- (iii) After the cup is fully filled, suddenly it cracks at the bottom. The coffee leaks at a rate of  $2 \text{ cm}^3\text{s}^{-1}$ . Find the rate of decrease of the depth of coffee after 15 seconds of leaking, giving your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

(11 marks)