



**MATH135 S115**  
**Mathematics IA**  
**Assignment 1**

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**Due 14:00, 02/04 2015**

*Please sign the declaration below, and staple this sheet to the front of your solutions. Your assignment must be submitted at the Science Centre, E7A Level 1.*

**Your assignment must be STAPLED, please do not put it in a plastic sleeve.**

**PLAGIARISM** Plagiarism involves using the work of another person and presenting it as one's own. For this assignment, the following acts constitute plagiarism:

- a) Copying or summarizing another person's work.
- b) Where there was collaborative preparatory work, submitting substantially the same final version of any material as another student.

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**STATEMENT TO BE SIGNED BY STUDENT**

- 1. I have read the definition of plagiarism that appears above.
- 2. In my assignment I have carefully acknowledged the source of any material which is not my own work.
- 3. I am aware that the penalties for plagiarism can be very severe.
- 4. If I have discussed the assignment with another student, I have written the solutions independently.

**SIGNATURE** .....

FEEDBACK		
Work	Presentation	Total

- Find the exact values of  $\sin \frac{7\pi}{12}$  and  $\cos \frac{7\pi}{12}$ . Do not use a calculator, and explain your reasoning carefully.
- A picture supposedly painted by the Flemish painter [Pieter Bruegel the Elder](#) ( $\pm 1525$ –1569) contains currently 97.5% of its carbon-14 (half-life 5730 years). From this information decide whether the picture is a fake. Explain your reasoning.
- (Hughes-Hallett *et al.*, 2013) The power output,  $P$ , of a solar panel varies with the position of the sun. Let  $P(\theta) = 10 \sin \theta$  Watts, where  $\theta$  is the angle between the sun's rays and the panel,  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ . On a typical summer day in Ann Arbor, Michigan, the sun rises at 6 am and sets at 8 pm and the angle is  $\theta(t) = \pi t/14$ , where  $t$  is time in hours since 6 am and  $0 \leq t \leq 14$ .
  - Write a formula for a function,  $f(t)$ , giving the power output of the solar panel (in watts)  $t$  hours after 6 am on a typical summer day in Ann Arbor.
  - Graph the function  $f(t)$  in part (a) for  $0 \leq t \leq 14$ .
  - At what time is the power output greatest? What is the power output at this time?
  - On a typical winter day in Ann Arbor, the sun rises at 8 am and sets at 5 pm. Write a formula for a function,  $g(t)$ , giving the power output of the solar panel (in watts)  $t$  hours after 8 am on a typical winter day.
- Calculate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x^3 + x^2 + 42}{3|x|^3 + |x| + 1}$  if it exists. Check your result on an appropriate graph of the function.
- For  $t$  in months, a population, in thousands, is approximated by a continuous function

$$P(t) = \begin{cases} e^{kt} & 0 \leq t \leq 12 \\ 1000 & t > 12. \end{cases}$$

- What is the initial value of the population?
- What must be the value of  $k$ ?
- Describe in words how the population is changing.

