



MA1301 INTRODUCTORY MATHEMATICS

TEST REVISION

September/October 2021 – Time allowed: 1 hour

Question 1 [10 marks]

(a) Given that $100x^2 - 90xy + 36y^2 = 1575$, _____ (1)

(i) find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y ,

[2]

$$200x - 90y - 90x \frac{dy}{dx} + 72y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{90y - 200x}{72y - 90x} \\ &= \frac{45y - 100x}{36y - 45x} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) find the equations of the tangents parallel to the x -axis.

[3]

For tangents \parallel to x -axis, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{45y - 100x}{36y - 45x} = 0$$

$$45y - 100x = 0$$

$$9y - 20x = 0$$

$$x = \frac{9}{20}y \quad (2)$$

Solving (1) and (2),

$$y = \pm 10$$

Question 1 [continued]

- (b) A curve is defined by the parametric equations

$$x = \frac{6k}{t^2}, \quad y = 12kt^2,$$

$$x = 6kt^{-2}$$

where $t > 0$ and k is a non-zero constant.

(i) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. $\frac{dx}{dt} = 6k(-2)t^{-3} = -\frac{12k}{t^3}$ $\frac{dy}{dt} = 24kt$ [2]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= 24kt \div \frac{-12k}{t^3} \\ &= -24kt \times \frac{t^3}{12k} = -2t^4 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) Find the value of k for which $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2017$ when $t = 1$. [3]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} (-2t^4) \times \frac{t^3}{-12k} \\ &= \frac{-8t^3 \times t^3}{-12k} \\ &= \frac{2t^6}{3k} \end{aligned}$$

put $t=1$, $\frac{2(1)^6}{3k} = 2017$

$$k = \frac{2}{6051}$$

Question 2 [10 marks]

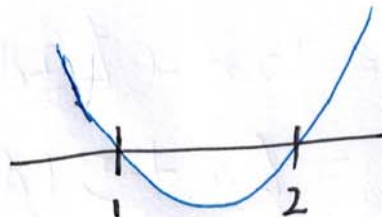
Let $f(x) = 8x^3 - 36x^2 + 48x - 7$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

(i) Find the intervals on which f is

(a) increasing (b) decreasing.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 24x^2 - 72x + 48 \\ &= 24(x^2 - 3x + 2) \\ &= 24(x-1)(x-2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 0 \\ x &= 1, 2 \end{aligned}$$



[2]

$$(a) \ x < 1 \text{ or } x > 2$$

$$(b) \ 1 < x < 2$$

(ii) Find the coordinates and nature (local maximum or local minimum or saddle point) of the stationary points of the curve $y = f(x)$.

[4]

$$f''(x) = 48x - 72$$

$$f(1) = 13$$

$$f''(1) = 48 - 72 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{max point}$$

$$f(2) = 9$$

$$f''(2) = 96 - 72 > 0 \Rightarrow \text{min point}$$

$$(1, 13) \text{ max point}$$

$$(2, 9) \text{ min point}$$

Question 2 [continued]

(iii) Find the interval on which the graph of f is

(a) concave down (b) concave up.

[2]

$$f''(x) = 48 - 72x \quad f''(x) = 0 \quad x = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$(a) \quad x < \frac{3}{2}$$

$$(b) \quad x > \frac{3}{2}$$

(iv) Write down the coordinates of the inflexion point of the curve $y = f(x)$.

[2]

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}, 11\right)$$

Question 3 [16 marks]**(a)(i)** Show that for any positive integer n ,

$$n(n+1)(n+2) - (n-1)(n)(n+1) = 3n(n+1).$$

[2]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S} &= n(n+1)(n+2) - (n-1)(n)(n+1) \\ &= n(n+1) \{ n+2 - (n-1) \} \\ &= n(n+1) \{ n+2 - n+1 \} = 3n(n+1) = \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

(a)(ii) Use the result in (a)(i) to find the sum:

$$1017 \times 1018 + 1018 \times 1019 + 1019 \times 1020 + \dots + 2016 \times 2017.$$

[4]

$$= (1017)(1017+1) + (1018)(1018+1) + \dots + (2016)(2016+1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=1017}^{2016} 3n(n+1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=1017}^{2016} \{ n(n+1)(n+2) - (n-1)(n)(n+1) \}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &\cancel{(1017)(1018)(1019)} - \cancel{(1016)(1017)(1018)} \\ &+ \cancel{(1018)(1019)(1020)} - \cancel{(1017)(1018)(1019)} \\ &\vdots \\ &\vdots \end{aligned} \right\}$$

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$$+ \{ (2016)(2017)(2018) - (2015)(2016)(2017) \}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \{ (2016)(2017)(2018) - (1016)(1017)(1018) \}$$

Question 3 [continued]

(b) The first three terms of a geometric progression are $x+5$, $x+1$ and x . Calculate(i) the value of x , [2]

$$r = \frac{x+1}{x+5} = \frac{x}{x+1}$$

$$(x+1)^2 = x(x+5)$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 = x^2 + 5x$$

$$1 = 3x$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}$$

(ii) the common ratio, [1]

$$r = \frac{x}{x+1} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{3} + 1} = \frac{1}{4}$$

(iii) the sum to infinity of the geometric progression. [2]

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{16}{3}}{1 - \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{16}{3}}{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{64}{9}$$

$$a = T_1$$

$$= x+5$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + 5$$

$$= \frac{16}{3}$$

Question 3 [continued]

- (c) An arithmetic progression has 12 terms. The sum of the last six terms is three times the sum of the first 5 terms. Find the ratio of the sixth term to the fourth term. [5]

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{12} - S_6 &= \frac{12}{2} \{2a + (12-1)d\} - \frac{6}{2} \{2a + (6-1)d\} \\
 &= 6(2a + 11d) - 3(2a + 5d) \\
 &= 6a + 51d
 \end{aligned}$$

$$S_5 = \frac{5}{2} \{2a + (5-1)d\} = 5a + 10d$$

$$S_{12} - S_6 = 3S_5$$

$$6a + 51d = 3(5a + 10d)$$

$$21d = 9a$$

$$a = \frac{7d}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{T_6}{T_4} &= \frac{a + 5d}{a + 3d} = \frac{\frac{7d}{3} + \frac{15d}{3}}{\frac{7d}{3} + \frac{9d}{3}} = \frac{22d}{16d} = \frac{11}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 4 [14 marks]

(a) Given that the term which is independent of x in the binomial expansion of $\left(x^2 + \frac{k}{x}\right)^6$ is

240, calculate the possible values of k .

[6]

$$\begin{aligned} & \binom{6}{r} (x^2)^{6-r} \left(\frac{k}{x}\right)^r \\ &= \binom{6}{r} x^{12-2r} k^r \frac{1}{x^r} \\ &= \binom{6}{r} x^{12-2r} k^r x^{-r} \\ &= \binom{6}{r} x^{12-3r} k^r \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x^{12-3r} = x^0$$

$$12-3r=0$$

$$r=4$$

$$\binom{6}{4} k^4 = 240$$

$$15 k^4 = 240$$

$$k^4 = 16$$

$$k = \pm 2$$

Question 4 [continued]

(b) Find the values of a, b, c and d if the binomial expansion, in ascending powers of x , up to x^4 term, of $\sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}}$ is $1 + ax + bx^2 + cx^3 + dx^4$.

[8]

$$\sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} = \frac{(1+x)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = (1+x)^{\frac{1}{2}} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$(1+x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 - \frac{5}{128}x^4 + \dots$$

$$(1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 + \frac{5}{16}x^3 + \frac{35}{128}x^4 + \dots$$

$$\therefore (1+x)^{\frac{1}{2}} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^3 + \frac{3}{8}x^4 + \dots$$

Method 2

$$\frac{\sqrt{1+x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} \times \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} = \frac{\sqrt{(1-x^2)}}{1-x} = (1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right)$$

$$(1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(-x^2) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(-\frac{1}{2})(-x^2)^2}{2} + \dots$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{8}x^4 + \dots$$

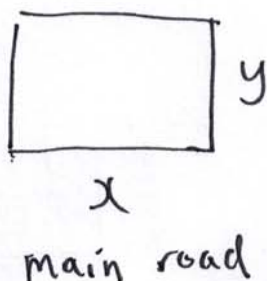
$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots$$

$$\therefore (1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right) = (1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{8}x^4 + \dots)(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots)$$

$$= 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^3 + \frac{3}{8}x^4 + \dots$$

Question 5 [10 marks]

An event organizer needs to build a fence to enclose a rectangular region of area 2400 square meters. As one side of the region is facing a main road, the organizer decides to make that side more attractive by using higher quality fencing that costs \$6 per meter. For the other three sides, he intends to use fencing that costs \$3 per meter. What dimensions of the rectangular region will minimize the cost of the fence?



$$xy = 2400$$

$$y = \frac{2400}{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost } C &= 6x + 3y + 3x + 3y \\ &= 9x + 6y \end{aligned}$$

$$= 9x + 6\left(\frac{2400}{x}\right)$$

$$= 9x + \frac{14400}{x}$$

$$\frac{dC}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(9x + \frac{14400}{x} \right)$$

$$= 9 - \frac{14400}{x^2}$$

$$\frac{dC}{dx} = 0$$

$$9 = \frac{14400}{x^2}$$

$$x^2 = 1600$$

$$x = 40$$

$$y = 60$$