



2012 HSC Mathematics 'Sample Answers'

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Section II**Question 11 (a)**

$$2x^2 - 7x + 3 = (2x - 1)(x - 3)$$

Question 11 (b)

$$|3x - 1| < 2$$

$$-2 < 3x - 1 < 2$$

$$-1 < 3x < 3$$

$$\text{Hence } -\frac{1}{3} < x < 1$$

Question 11 (c)

$$y = x^2, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$$

slope of tangent at $x = 3$ is $2 \times 3 = 6$

$$\therefore 6 = \frac{y - 3^2}{x - 3} = \frac{y - 9}{x - 3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence the equation of the tangent is } y &= 6(x - 3) + 9 \\ &= 6x - 9 \end{aligned}$$

Question 11 (d)

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= 5(3 + e^{2x})^4 \times 2e^{2x} \\ &= 10e^{2x}(3 + e^{2x})^4 \end{aligned}$$

Question 11 (e)

$$x^2 = 16(y - 2) = 4 \cdot 4(y - 2), \text{ so } a = 4$$

the vertex is at $(0, 2)$, so the focus is at $(0, 2 + 4) = (0, 6)$

Question 11 (f)

Area of the sector is given by $A = \frac{\theta}{2}r^2$

$$\text{ie } 50 = \frac{\theta}{2}r^2$$

$$= \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot 6^2$$

$$= \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot 36$$

$$= 18\theta$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{50}{18}$$

now, $l = r\theta$

$$= 6 \times \frac{50}{18}$$

$$\text{length of arc} = \frac{50}{3} \text{ cm}$$

Question 11 (g)

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sec^2 \frac{x}{2} dx = \left[2 \tan \frac{x}{2} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= 2 \tan \frac{\pi}{4} - 2 \tan 0$$

$$= 2 \times 1 - 0$$

$$= 2$$

Question 12 (a) (i)

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \log_e x + (x-1) \frac{1}{x} \\ &= \log_e x + 1 - \frac{1}{x} \end{aligned}$$

Question 12 (a) (ii)

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \frac{-x^2 \sin x - 2x \cos x}{x^4} \\ &= \frac{-(x \sin x + 2 \cos x)}{x^3} \end{aligned}$$

Question 12 (b)

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{4x}{x^2+6} dx &= 2 \int \frac{2x}{x^2+6} dx \\ &= 2 \log_e (x^2+6) + C \end{aligned}$$

Question 12 (c) (i)

Every row has two tiles more than the previous row and the first row has three tiles.

It is an arithmetic sequence and $T_{20} = 3 + 19 \times 2$

$$= 41$$

ie There are 41 tiles in row 20.

Question 12 (c) (ii)

The number of tiles for the 20 rows is

$$\begin{aligned} S_{20} &= \frac{20}{2}(3 + T_{20}) \\ &= 10(3 + 41) \\ &= 440 \end{aligned}$$

Question 12 (c) (iii)

We want $\frac{n}{2}(3 + T_n) = 200$,

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

Hence

$$\frac{n}{2}(3 + 2n + 1) = 200$$

$$\text{ie } n(n + 2) = 200$$

$$n^2 + 2n - 200 = 0$$

$$\therefore n = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 800}}{2}$$

$$= -1 \pm \sqrt{201}$$

$$= 13.1774$$

Hence Jay can make 13 complete rows.

Question 12 (d) (i)

If $f(x)$ denotes depth at distance x from the river bank then, by Simpson's rule, the approximate area is:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{3}{3}(f(0) + 4f(3) + 2f(6) + 4f(9) + f(12)) \\ &= 1(0.5 + 4 \times 2.3 + 2 \times 2.9 + 4 \times 3.8 + 2.1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{area} = 32.8 \text{ m}^2$$

Question 12 (d) (ii)

Volume through the cross-section in 10 seconds is

$$(32.8 \times 0.4 \times 10) \text{ m}^3 = 131.2 \text{ m}^3$$

Question 13 (a) (i)

Coordinates of A : $y = 0$, $2x = 8$, so
 $x = 4$

ie $A(4, 0)$

coordinates of B : $x = 0$, $y = 8$

ie $B(0, 8)$

By Pythagoras' theorem $AB = \sqrt{4^2 + 8^2}$
 $= \sqrt{80}$
 $= 4\sqrt{5}$

Question 13 (a) (ii)

By the cosine rule

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 - 2AB \times BC \cos(\angle ABC)$$

$$25 = 80 + 65 - 2 \times 4\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{65} \cos(\angle ABC)$$

$$40\sqrt{13} \cos(\angle ABC) = 120$$

$$\cos(\angle ABC) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}$$

Hence $\angle ABC \approx 33.69^\circ$,

so the angle is 34° to the nearest degree.

Question 13 (a) (iii)

Slope of AB is -2 , so the slope of CN is $\frac{1}{2}$.

Equation of CN is $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{y-4}{x-7}$,

$$\text{so } y = \frac{1}{2}(x-7) + 4$$

$$= \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2}.$$

The coordinates of N are obtained by the intersection of AB and CN :

$$y = -2x + 8 = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$-4x + 16 = x + 1$$

$$15 = 5x$$

$$3 = x$$

Since $y = -2x + 8$

$$y = -6 + 8$$

$$= 2$$

Hence N has coordinates $(3, 2)$

Question 13 (b) (i)

For the x -coordinate at the intersection of the two parabolas

$$x^2 - 3x = 5x - x^2$$

$$2x^2 - 8x = 0$$

$$2x(x-4) = 0$$

$$x = 0, 4$$

so $x = 4$ is the x -coordinate of point A .

Question 13 (b) (ii)

Area is given by

$$\int_0^4 (5x - x^2) - (x^2 - 3x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^4 8x - 2x^2 dx$$

$$= \left[4x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^3 \right]_0^4$$

$$= 64 - \frac{128}{3}$$

$$= \frac{192 - 128}{3}$$

$$\text{area} = \frac{64}{3} \text{ units}^2$$

Question 13 (c) (i)

$$\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{3}{7} = \frac{9}{35}$$

Question 13 (c) (ii)

$$\text{Complement of (i)} : 1 - \frac{9}{35} = \frac{26}{35}$$

Question 13 (c) (iii)

Probability of 2 red + probability of 2 white:

$$\frac{9}{35} + \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{4}{7} = \frac{17}{35}$$

Question 14 (a) (i)

$$f'(x) = 12x^3 + 12x^2 - 24x$$

$$= 12x(x^2 + x - 2)$$

$$= 12x(x + 2)(x - 1)$$

Hence the stationary points are at $x = 0$, $x = 1$, $x = -2$

$$\text{Now } f(0) = 0, \quad f(1) = 3 + 4 - 12 \quad \text{and} \quad f(-2) = 316 - 48 - 124$$

$$= -5$$

$$= -32$$

Hence the stationary points are

$$(-2, -32), (0, 0), (1, -5)$$

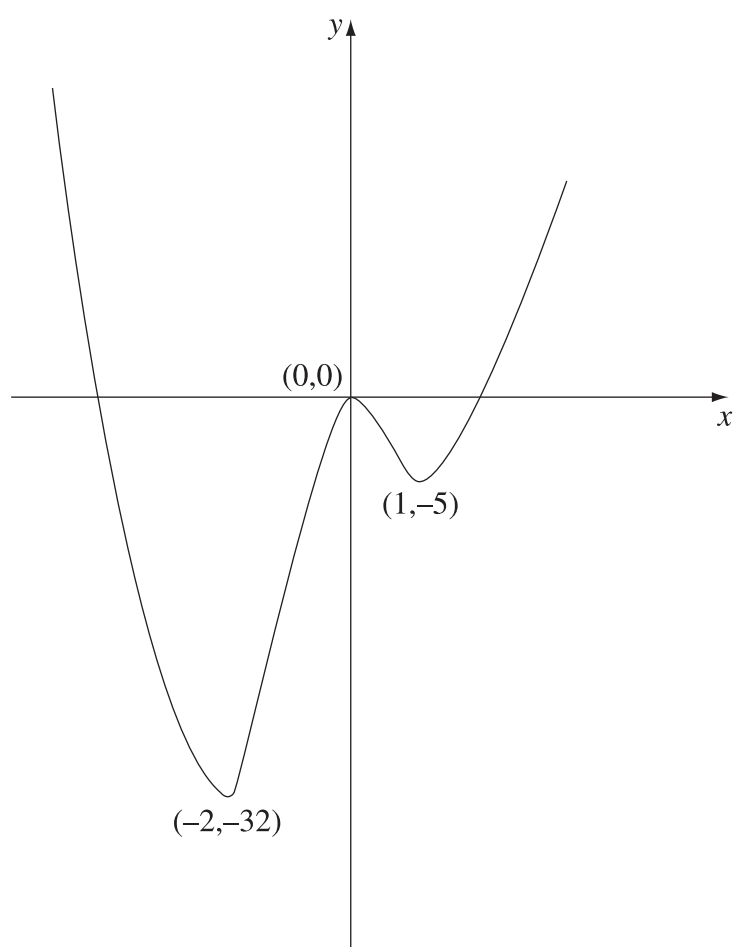
$$\text{Now } f''(x) = 12(3x^2 + 2x - 2)$$

$$f''(0) = -24 < 0, \text{ so } (0, 0) \text{ is a maximum}$$

$$f''(1) = 12 \times 3 > 0, \text{ so } (1, -5) \text{ is a minimum}$$

$$f''(-2) = 12 \times 6 > 0, \text{ so } (-2, -32) \text{ is a minimum}$$

Question 14 (a) (ii)



Question 14 (a) (iii)

$f(x)$ is increasing for $-2 < x < 0$ or for $x > 1$

Question 14 (a) (iv)

k is the vertical shift of the graph of f .

To make sure the equation has no solution (ie the new graph should not cut the x -axis) move the graph up by the smallest minimum, so $k > 32$.

Question 14 (b)

Volume is given by $V = \int \pi y^2 dx$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \pi \int_0^1 \frac{9}{(x+2)^4} dx \\ &= 9\pi \int_0^1 (x+2)^{-4} dx \\ &= \left[-\frac{9\pi}{3} (x+2)^{-3} \right]_0^1 \\ &= -3\pi (3^{-3} - 2^{-3}) \\ &= -3\pi \left(\frac{1}{27} - \frac{1}{8} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume} = \frac{19\pi}{72} \text{ units}^3$$

Question 14 (c) (i)

$$\begin{aligned} N(20) &= 1000e^{20k} = 2000 \\ e^{20k} &= 2 \\ 20k &= \ln 2 \\ k &= \frac{\ln 2}{20} \approx 0.0347 \end{aligned}$$

Question 14 (c) (ii)

$$\begin{aligned} N(120) &= 1000e^{120k} \\ &= 1000 e^{120 \times 0.0347} \end{aligned}$$

Number of bacteria $\approx 64\,328$

Question 14 (c) (iii)

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = kN, \text{ so from (ii)}$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = 0.0347 \times 64\,328 \approx 2232 \text{ when } t = 120$$

rate of change ≈ 2232 bacteria/minute

Question 14 (c) (iv)

$$\text{At } t = 0 \quad N = 1000$$

$$\text{Find } t \text{ so that } 100\,000 = 1000e^{kt}$$

$$100 = e^{kt}$$

$$\ln 100 = kt$$

$$\text{Hence } t = \frac{\ln 100}{k}$$

$$= \frac{\ln 100}{0.0347}$$

$$\text{time} \approx 132.7 \text{ minutes}$$

Question 15 (a) (i)

Length in cm is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &10 + 10 \times 0.96 + 10 \times 0.96^2 + \dots + 10 \times 0.96^9 \\
 &= 10(1 + 0.96 + \dots + 0.96^9) \\
 &= 10 \left(\frac{1 - 0.96^{10}}{1 - 0.96} \right) \\
 &\approx 83.79
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 15 (a) (ii)

Since $0.96 < 1$ the limiting sum $10(1 + 0.96 + 0.96^2 + \dots)$ exists.

$$\text{The limiting sum is } 10 \left(\frac{1}{1 - 0.96} \right) = \frac{10}{0.04} = 250$$

As $250 \text{ cm} < 300 \text{ cm}$, a strip of length 3 m is sufficient.

Question 15 (b) (i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Initial velocity is } \dot{x}(0) &= 1 - 2\cos 0 \\
 &= -1 \text{ m/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 15 (b) (ii)

$$\ddot{x} = 2\sin t = 0 \text{ if } t = 0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots$$

The first maximum velocity is at $t = \pi$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{x}(\pi) &= 1 - 2\cos \pi \\
 &= 3 \text{ m/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 15 (b) (iii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \int \dot{x} \, dt = \int 1 - 2\cos t \, dt \\
 &= t - 2\sin t + C
 \end{aligned}$$

We are given that $x(0) = 3$, so

$$x(0) = -2\sin 0 + C = 3$$

Hence $C = 3$ and the displacement is

$$x = t - 2\sin t + 3$$

Question 15 (b) (iv)

The particle is at rest if $\dot{x} = 0$, so

$$\dot{x} = 1 - 2\cos t = 0$$

$$\text{ie } \cos t = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence } t = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{The displacement is } x\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) &= \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 2\sin\frac{\pi}{3} + 3\right) \text{ metres} \\
 &= \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \sqrt{3} + 3\right) \text{ metres}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 15 (c) (i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_2 &= [360\,000(1 + 0.005) - M](1 + 0.005) - M \\
 &= 360\,000(1.005)^2 - M(1 + 1.005)
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 15 (c) (ii)

Generalising from (i)

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= 360\,000(1.005)^n - M(1 + 1.005 + \dots + 1.005^{n-1}) \\ &= 360\,000(1.005)^n - M \frac{(1.005^n - 1)}{(1.005 - 1)} \end{aligned}$$

We require $A_{300} = 0$, so

$$\begin{aligned} 360\,000(1.005)^{300} &= M \frac{(1.005^{300} - 1)}{(1.005 - 1)} \\ M &= \frac{360\,000(1.005)^{300} \cdot 0.005}{(1.005^{300} - 1)} \approx 2319.50 \end{aligned}$$

Question 15 (c) (iii)

We want to find the smallest n so that $A_n < 180\,000$

$$\begin{aligned} 360\,000(1.005)^n - M \frac{(1.005^n - 1)}{0.005} &= 180\,000 \\ 360\,000(1.005)^n - 463\,900(1.005^n - 1) &= 180\,000 \\ 103\,900(1.005)^n &= 283\,900 \\ (1.005)^n &= 2.7324 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } n = \frac{\log 2.7324}{\log 1.005} = 201.5$$

After 202 months $\$A_n$ will be less than $\$180\,000$ for the first time.

Question 16 (a) (i)

$EF \parallel CD$ since $CDEF$ is a rhombus

$ED \parallel FC$ since $CDEF$ is a rhombus

$\angle FEB = \angle DAE$ (corresponding angles, $EF \parallel CA$)

$\angle FBE = \angle DEA$ (corresponding angles, $ED \parallel BC$)

Hence $\triangle EBF$ is similar to $\triangle AED$ since two (and therefore all) angles are equal.

Question 16 (a) (ii)

Using that $\triangle EBF$ is similar to $\triangle AED$,

$$\frac{x}{a-x} = \frac{b-x}{x} \quad (\text{corresponding sides of similar triangles})$$

$$x^2 = (b-x)(a-x)$$

$$x^2 = ba - ax - bx + x^2$$

$$0 = ba - x(a+b)$$

$$x = \frac{ab}{a+b}$$

Question 16 (b) (i)

T has coordinates $(\cos\theta, \sin\theta)$

The line OT has slope $\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}$

Hence the line PT perpendicular to OT has slope $-\frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta}$ and passes through T .

Hence the equation of PT is:

$$-\frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} = \frac{y - \sin\theta}{x - \cos\theta}$$

$$-x\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta = y\sin\theta - \sin^2\theta$$

$$x\cos\theta + y\sin\theta = \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta$$

$$= 1$$

Question 16 (b) (ii)

Q is the point of intersection of the line $y = 1$ with the line from (i).

Hence the x -coordinates of Q satisfies

$$x \cos \theta + 1 \sin \theta = 1$$

$$x = \frac{1 - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

The length of BQ is $\frac{1 - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$

Question 16 (b) (iii)

Area of trapezium is given by

$$A = \frac{1}{2} OB(OP + BQ)$$

P is on the line $x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta = 1$ with $y = 0$,

$$\text{so } x = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \quad \text{ie } OP = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$OB = 1 \text{ and from (ii) } BQ = \frac{1 - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\cos \theta} + \frac{1 - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2 - \sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2 - \sin \theta}{2 \cos \theta}$$

Question 16 (b) (iv)

Differentiate area with respect to θ :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dA}{d\theta} &= \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\frac{2 - \sin\theta}{2\cos\theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{-\cos^2\theta + (2 - \sin\theta)\sin\theta}{2\cos^2\theta} \\ &= \frac{2\sin\theta - (\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta)}{2\cos^2\theta} \\ &= \frac{2\sin\theta - 1}{2\cos^2\theta}\end{aligned}$$

Need to solve $2\sin\theta - 1 = 0$

$$\text{ie } \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$ is a critical point

If $\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$ then the area of the trapezium becomes very large: $A \rightarrow \infty$

If $\theta = 0$, then $\frac{dA}{d\theta} = -\frac{1}{2} < 0$, so the area is decreasing.

As there is only one stationary point it must be minimum.

Hence $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$ gives the minimum area.

Question 16 (c) (i)

Find the points of intersection of the parabola $y = x^2$ and a circle $x^2 + (y - c)^2 = r^2$:

$$y + (y - c)^2 = r^2$$

$$y + y^2 - 2cy + c^2 = r^2$$

$$y^2 + (1 - 2c)y + c^2 - r^2 = 0$$

The circle is tangent if there is precisely one solution, so the discriminant has to vanish.

$$(1 - 2c)^2 - 4(c^2 - r^2) = 0$$

$$(1 - 2c)^2 = 4(c^2 - r^2)$$

$$1 - 4c + 4c^2 = 4c^2 - 4r^2$$

$$4c = 1 + 4r^2 \text{ as required}$$

Question 16 (c) (ii)

y must be positive to be a solution since the circle is inside the parabola.

As the discriminant is zero

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}(1 - 2c) \geq 0$$

$$\text{so } 1 - 2c \leq 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq c$$

If $c = \frac{1}{2}$ there is only one point, so $c > \frac{1}{2}$.