

1 The expression $7 \cos \theta + 4 \sin \theta$ is defined for $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ radians.

(i) Using $R \cos(\theta - \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$, solve the equation $7 \cos \theta + 4 \sin \theta = 6$. [4]

$$R \cos \theta \cos \alpha + R \sin \theta \sin \alpha = 7 \cos \theta + 4 \sin \theta$$

$$R \cos \alpha = 7 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$R \sin \alpha = 4 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\frac{(2)}{(1)}: \tan \alpha = \frac{4}{7}$$

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{7} = 0.51915$$

$$R = \sqrt{7^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{65}$$

$$7 \cos \theta + 4 \sin \theta = 6$$

$$\sqrt{65} \cos(\theta - 0.51915) = 6$$

$$\cos(\theta - 0.51915) = \frac{6}{\sqrt{65}}$$

$$\theta - 0.51915 = 0.73145 \quad \text{or} \quad 5.5517$$

$$\therefore \underline{\theta = 1.25} \quad \text{or} \quad 6.07 \text{ (Rej.)}$$

(ii) State the largest and smallest values of $80 - (7 \cos \theta + 4 \sin \theta)^2$ and find the corresponding values of θ . [4]

$$80 - (7 \cos \theta + 4 \sin \theta)^2 = 80 - 65 [\cos(\theta - 0.51915)]^2$$

$$\text{Max. } 80 - 65 [\cos(\theta - 0.51915)]^2 = \underline{80}$$

$$\text{when } \theta - 0.51915 = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta = 2.0899$$

$$= \underline{2.09 \text{ rad.}}$$

$$\text{Min. } 80 - 65 [\cos(\theta - 0.51915)]^2 = \underline{15}$$

$$\text{when } \theta - 0.51915 = 0$$

$$\theta = \underline{0.519 \text{ rad.}}$$

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2 (a) Solve the simultaneous equations

$$y = 2x^2 - 7,$$

$$y = 3x + 20.$$

$$\text{---} \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{---} \textcircled{2}$$

[3]

Sub $\textcircled{2}$ into $\textcircled{1}$:

$$3x + 20 = 2x^2 - 7$$

$$2x^2 - 3x - 27 = 0$$

$$(2x - 9)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{9}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad -3$$

When $x = \frac{9}{2}$, $y = 3\left(\frac{9}{2}\right) + 20$
 $= \frac{67}{2}$

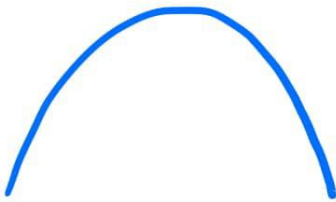
When $x = -3$, $y = 11$

(b) Find the greatest value of the integer a for which $ax^2 + 5x - 2$ is negative for all x .

[3]

firstly, $a < 0$.

————— $\rightarrow x$



secondly, the curve doesn't touch the x -axis,
 i.e. no real roots.

$$\text{Here, } b^2 - 4ac < 0$$

$$25 - 4a(-2) < 0$$

$$8a < -25$$

$$a < \frac{-25}{8}$$

\therefore greatest value of integer $a = \underline{-4}$



- (c) Find the values of the constant c for which the line $y = 4x + c$ is a tangent to the curve $y = x^2 + cx + \frac{21}{4}$. [3]

$$\text{Let } x^2 + cx + \frac{21}{4} = 4x + c$$

$$4x^2 + 4cx + 21 = 16x + 4c$$

$$4x^2 + (4c - 16)x + (21 - 4c) = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$(4c - 16)^2 - 4(4)(21 - 4c) = 0$$

$$16c^2 - 128c + 256 - 336 + 64c = 0$$

$$16c^2 - 64c - 80 = 0$$

$$c^2 - 4c - 5 = 0$$

$$(c - 5)(c + 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{c = -1 \text{ or } 5}$$

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- 3 (i) By considering the general term in the binomial expansion of $\left(\frac{3}{x^2} + x\right)^8$, explain why every term is dependent on x . [3]

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{r+1} &= \binom{8}{r} \left(\frac{3}{x^2}\right)^{8-r} x^r \\
 &= \binom{8}{r} 3^{8-r} (x^{-2})^{8-r} x^r \\
 &= \binom{8}{r} 3^{8-r} x^{-16+2r+r} \\
 &= \binom{8}{r} 3^{8-r} x^{-16+3r}
 \end{aligned}$$

for a term to be independent,

$$-16 + 3r = 0$$

$$3r = 16$$

$$r = \frac{16}{3} \text{ (not a positive integer).}$$

Hence, every term in the expansion is dependent on x .

- (ii) Find the term independent of x in the expansion of $\left(\frac{3}{x^2} + x\right)^8 (5 - 2x)$. [3]

$$\text{Let } -16 + 3r = -1$$

$$3r = 15$$

$$r = 5$$

$$\therefore T_6 = \binom{8}{5} 3^{8-5} x^{-1}$$

$$= 56 \cdot 27 x^{-1}$$

$$= 1512 x^{-1}$$

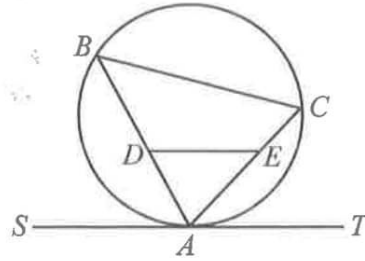
Hence, independent term in this expansion = $1512 \times (-2)$
 $= \underline{\underline{-3024}}$

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The diagram shows a circle passing through the points A , B and C . The straight line SAT is a tangent to the circle. The points D and E lie on AB and AC respectively and are such that $BCED$ is a cyclic quadrilateral. Prove that DE is parallel to ST . [5]

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5 (a) Represent the solution set of $15(1+2x) \geq x(19-2x)$ on a number line.

[4]

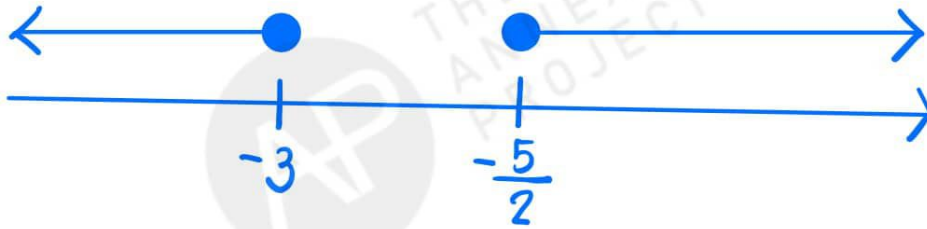
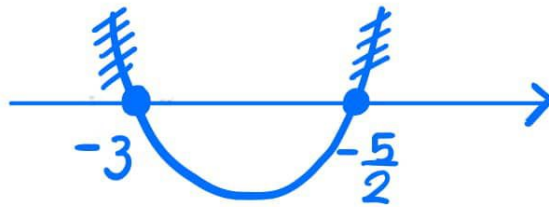
$$15(1+2x) \geq x(19-2x)$$

$$15 + 30x \geq 19x - 2x^2$$

$$2x^2 + 30x - 19x + 15 \geq 0$$

$$2x^2 + 11x + 15 \geq 0$$

$$(2x+5)(x+3) \geq 0$$

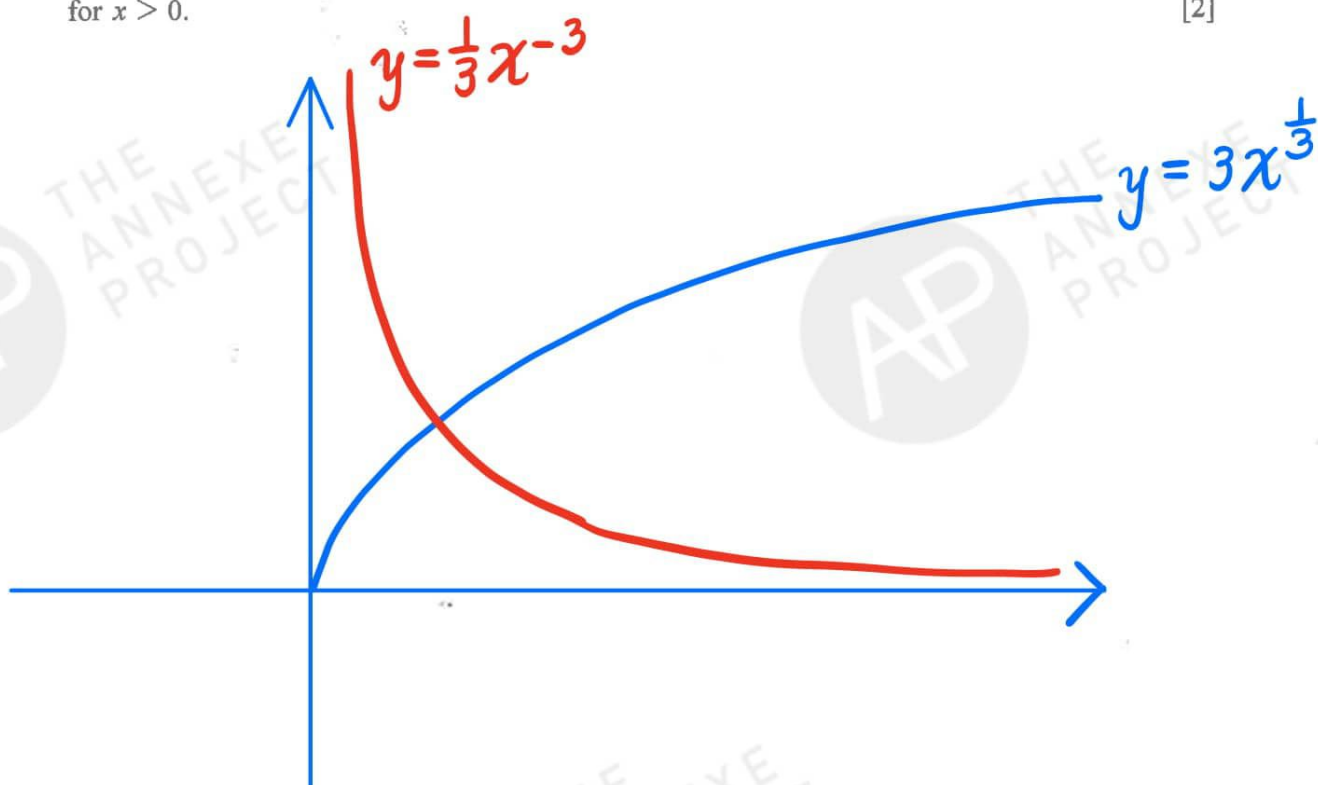


$$\underline{x \leq -3 \text{ or } x \geq -\frac{5}{2}}$$

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- (b) (i) Clearly labelling each graph, sketch, on the same axes, the graphs of $y = 3x^{\frac{1}{3}}$ and $y = \frac{1}{3}x^{-3}$ for $x > 0$. [2]



- (ii) Show that the x -coordinate of the point of intersection of your graphs satisfies the equation $x^{10} = \frac{1}{729}$. [2]

$$\text{Let } 3x^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{3x^3}$$

$$9x^{\frac{10}{3}} = 1$$

$$x^{\frac{10}{3}} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$x^{10} = \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^3$$

$$= \frac{1}{729}$$

Hence, the x -coordinate of the point of intersection of both graphs satisfies

$$x^{10} = \frac{1}{729}.$$

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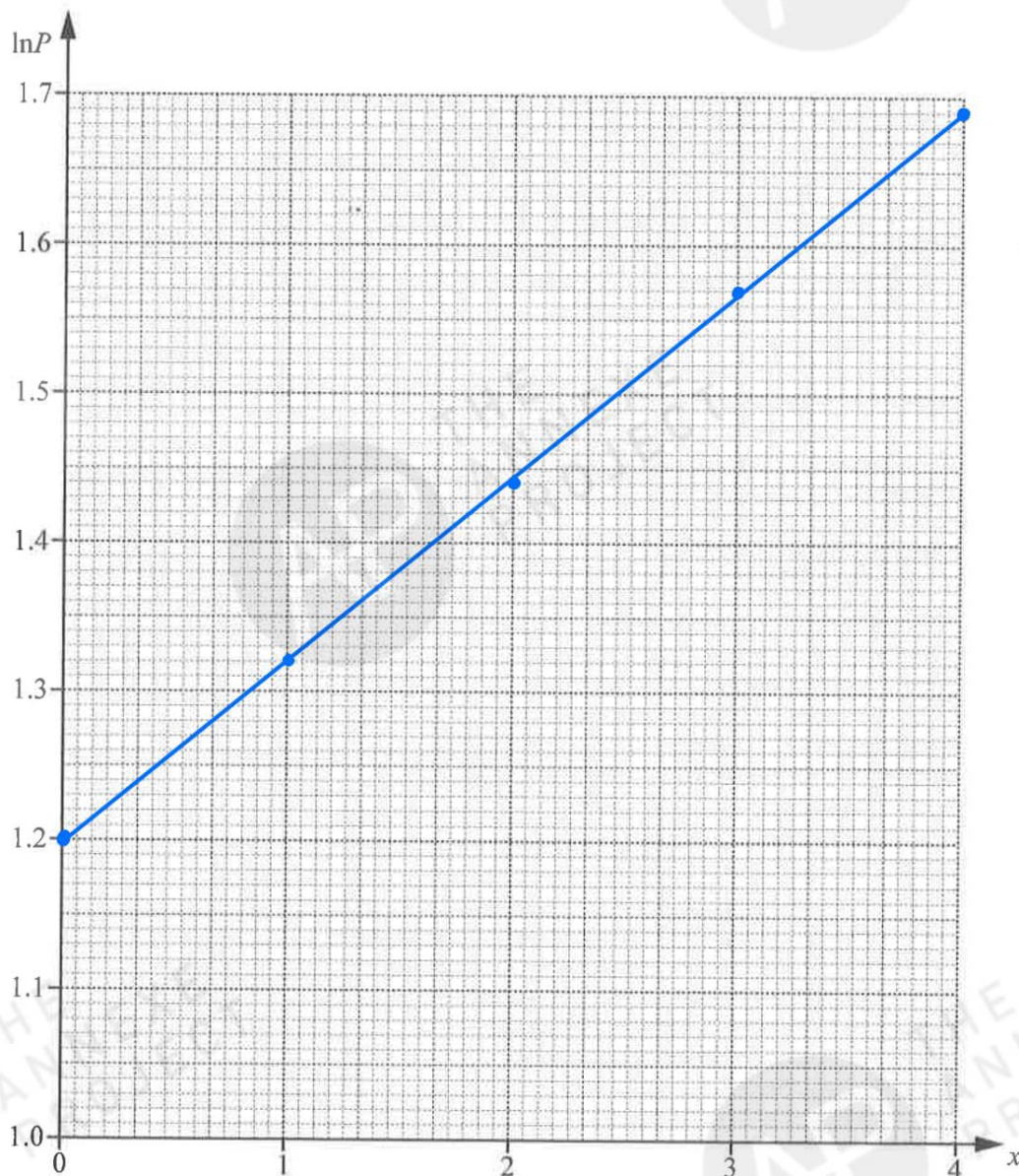


- 6 The table shows, to 3 significant figures, the population, P , in millions, of a country on January 1st at intervals of five years from 1995 to 2015. The variable x is measured in units of 5 years.

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|---------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Year | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2015 |
| x | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| P | 3.32 | 3.75 | 4.24 | 4.80 | 5.43 |
| $\ln P$ | 1.20 | 1.32 | 1.44 | 1.57 | 1.69 |

- (i) On the grid below plot $\ln P$ against x and draw a straight line graph.

[2]



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