

**O-LEVEL A-MATHS 2020 – PAPER 1**

Question 1

[ Ans:  $16x^2 + 7x + 16 = 0$  ]For  $2x^2 - 5x + 8 = 0$ ,

$$\text{Sum of roots} = \alpha + \beta = -\frac{(-5)}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{Product of roots} = \alpha\beta = \frac{8}{2} = 4$$

For the new quadratic equation,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sum of new roots} &= \frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} = \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta}{\alpha\beta} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 - 2(4)}{4} = -\frac{7}{16} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Product of new roots} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right)\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right) = 1$$

New equation:

$$x^2 - \left(-\frac{7}{16}\right)x + 1 = 0$$

$$16x^2 + 7x + 16 = 0$$

Question 2

[ Ans: (a)  $a = -1$ ,  $b = \frac{7}{2}$ ,  $c = -5$  (b) \$1500000 ]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad & \left[ \left(\frac{50}{3}\right)^{-2} \times \sqrt{3^3} \right] \div \frac{5}{2} \\ &= \left[ (2 \times 5^2 \times 3^{-1})^{-2} \times 3^{\frac{3}{2}} \right] \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \\ &= \left( 2^{-2} 3^2 3^{\frac{3}{2}} 5^{-4} \right) \times (2^1 5^{-1}) = 2^{-1} 3^{\frac{7}{2}} 5^{-5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a = -1, b = \frac{7}{2}, c = -5$$

(b) Value of painting at beginning of 2014 = 1000000

Value of painting at beginning of 2015 = 1000000(1.07)

Value of painting at beginning of 2016 = 1000000(1.07)(1.07) = 1000000(1.07)<sup>2</sup>Value of painting at beginning of 2017 = 1000000(1.07)<sup>3</sup>

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Value of painting at beginning of 2020 = 1000000(1.07)<sup>6</sup> = 1500730.352 ≈ 1500000

## Question 3

$$[ \text{Ans: } 2 + \frac{3}{2x-3} - \frac{4}{x+1} ]$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 - x - 3 \overline{) 4x^2 - 7x + 9} \\ \underline{-(4x^2 - 2x - 6)} \\ -5x + 15 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{4x^2 - 7x + 9}{2x^2 - x - 3} = 2 + \frac{-5x + 15}{2x^2 - x - 3} = 2 + \frac{-5x + 15}{(2x - 3)(x + 1)}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{-5x + 15}{(2x - 3)(x + 1)} = \frac{A}{2x - 3} + \frac{B}{x + 1}$$

$$-5x + 15 = A(x + 1) + B(2x - 3)$$

When  $x = -1$ ,

$$-5(-1) + 15 = 0 + B[2(-1) - 3]$$

$$-5B = 20 \Rightarrow B = -4$$

When  $x = 0$ ,

$$0 + 15 = A(0 + 1) + (-4)(0 - 3)$$

$$12 + A = 15 \Rightarrow A = 3$$

$$\therefore 2 + \frac{-5x + 15}{(2x - 3)(x + 1)} = 2 + \frac{3}{2x - 3} - \frac{4}{x + 1}$$

## Question 4

$$[ \text{Ans: } -1 < x < 4 ]$$

$$\text{Given } y = \frac{2x - 3}{x^2 + 4}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x^2 + 4)(2) - (2x - 3)(2x)}{(x^2 + 4)^2} = \frac{-2x^2 + 6x + 8}{(x^2 + 4)^2}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{-2x^2 + 6x + 8}{(x^2 + 4)^2} = 0$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$$

$$(x + 1)(x - 4) = 0$$

$$x = -1 \text{ or } x = 4$$

From the graph of  $y = \frac{2x - 3}{x^2 + 4}$ ,  $y$  is increasing when  $-1 < x < 4$ .

## Question 5

[ Ans: explain ]

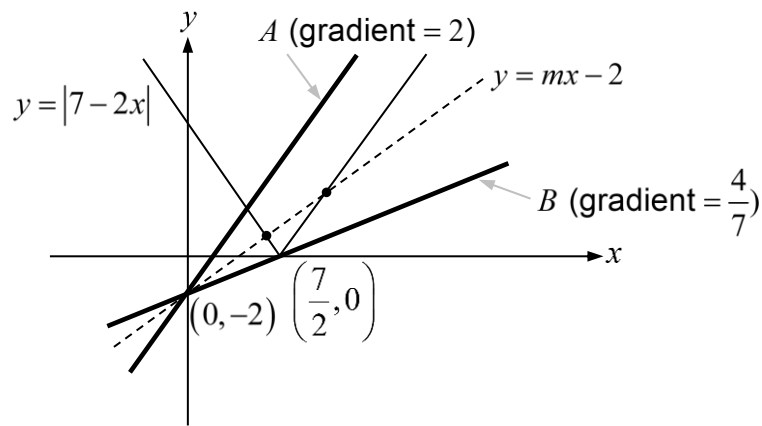
For  $y = |7 - 2x|$ , when  $y = 0$ ,

$$|7 - 2x| = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{7}{2}$$

Gradient of line passing through  $(0, -2)$  and  $(\frac{7}{2}, 0)$

$$= \frac{0 - (-2)}{\frac{7}{2} - 0} = \frac{4}{7}$$

For line  $y = mx - 2$  to cut  $y = |7 - 2x|$  at two distinct points, line  $y = mx - 2$  will need to be pivoted at  $(0, -2)$  and being between the two lines  $A$  and  $B$ .



$\therefore$  based on gradient of  $y = mx - 2$ ,  $\frac{4}{7} < m < 2$ .

## Question 6

[ Ans:  $(-\sqrt[4]{4}, 4)$ , minimum;  $(\sqrt[4]{4}, 4)$ , minimum ]

$$y = x^2 + \frac{4}{x^2} = x^2 + 4x^{-2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x + 4(-2x^{-3}) = 2x - 8x^{-3} = 2x - \frac{8}{x^3}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 - 8(-3x^{-4}) = 2 + 24x^{-4} = 2 + \frac{24}{x^4}$$

Let  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$2x - \frac{8}{x^3} = 0$$

$$2x = \frac{8}{x^3}$$

$$x^4 = 4 \Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt[4]{4}$$

When  $x = -\sqrt[4]{4}$ ,

$$y = \left(-\sqrt[4]{4}\right)^2 + \frac{4}{\left(-\sqrt[4]{4}\right)^2} = 2 + \frac{4}{2} = 4$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 + \frac{24}{\left(-\sqrt[4]{4}\right)^4} = 2 + \frac{24}{4} = 8 > 0$$

$\therefore$  There is a stationary point at  $(-\sqrt[4]{4}, 4)$ , and it is a minimum point.

When  $x = \sqrt[4]{4}$ ,

$$y = \left(\sqrt[4]{4}\right)^2 + \frac{4}{\left(\sqrt[4]{4}\right)^2} = 2 + \frac{4}{2} = 4$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 + \frac{24}{\left(\sqrt[4]{4}\right)^4} = 2 + \frac{24}{4} = 8 > 0$$

$\therefore$  There is a stationary point at  $(\sqrt[4]{4}, 4)$ , and it is a minimum point.

## Question 7

[ Ans: 199.5° or 340.5° ]

$$3 \cos A = \sec A - 5 \tan A$$

$$3 \cos A = \frac{1}{\cos A} - \frac{5 \sin A}{\cos A}$$

$$3 \cos^2 A = 1 - 5 \sin A$$

$$3(1 - \sin^2 A) = 1 - 5 \sin A$$

$$3 \sin^2 A - 5 \sin A - 2 = 0$$

$$(3 \sin A + 1)(\sin A - 2) = 0$$

$$3 \sin A + 1 = 0$$

$$\sin A = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Basic } \sphericalangle = \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{3}$$

$$A = 180^\circ + \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{3}, 360^\circ - \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= 199.5^\circ, 340.5^\circ$$

$$\text{or} \quad \begin{aligned} \sin A - 2 &= 0 \\ \sin A &= 2 \text{ (NA)} \end{aligned}$$

## Question 8

[ Ans: (a)  $a = -3$  (b)  $x = 3, \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$  or  $\frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$  ]

(a) Let  $f(x) = x^3 + ax$

$$f(2) = f(-1)$$

$$(2)^3 + a(2) = (-1)^3 + a(-1)$$

$$8 + 2a = -1 - a$$

$$3a = -9 \Rightarrow a = -3$$

(b) Let  $g(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 3$

$$g(3) = (3)^3 - 2(3)^2 - 4(3) + 3 = 0$$

$\therefore x - 3$  is a factor of  $g(x)$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + x - 1 \\ x - 3 \overline{) x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 3} \\ \underline{-(x^3 - 3x^2)} \phantom{+ 3} \\ x^2 - 4x \phantom{+ 3} \\ \underline{-(x^2 - 3x)} \phantom{+ 3} \\ -x + 3 \phantom{+ 3} \\ \underline{-(-x + 3)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore g(x) = 0$$

$$(x - 3)(x^2 + x - 1) = 0$$

$$x = 3 \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 + x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

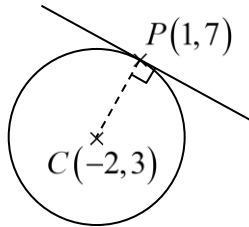
## Question 9

[ Ans: (i) 5, (-2,3) (ii)  $y = -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{31}{4}$  ]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 6y - 12 = 0 \\ & (x^2 + 4x) + (y^2 - 6y) - 12 = 0 \\ & (x+2)^2 - 2^2 + (y-3)^2 - 3^2 - 12 = 0 \\ & (x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 25 \\ & [x - (-2)]^2 + (y-3)^2 = 5^2 \end{aligned}$$

Radius = 5, center is at (-2,3)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad & (1)^2 + (7)^2 + 4(1) - 6(7) - 12 = 0 \\ & \therefore (1,7) \text{ lies on the circumference of the circle.} \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{Gradient of } CP = \frac{7-3}{1-(-2)} = \frac{4}{3}$$

Equation of tangent:

$$\begin{aligned} y-7 &= -\frac{3}{4}(x-1) \\ y &= -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{31}{4} \end{aligned}$$

## Question 10

[ Ans: (i)  $\frac{5\pi}{12}, \frac{7\pi}{12}$  (ii)  $\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{12}\right)$  units<sup>2</sup> ]

(i) Let  $\cos 2x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$$\text{Basic } \angle = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$2x = \pi - \frac{\pi}{6}, \pi + \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{5\pi}{12}, \frac{7\pi}{12}$$

$x$ -coordinate of  $A$  is  $\frac{5\pi}{12}$ , and of  $B$  is  $\frac{7\pi}{12}$ .

(ii) Area

$$= \int_{\frac{5\pi}{12}}^{\frac{7\pi}{12}} \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \cos 2x\right) dx$$

$$= \left[-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}\sin 2x\right]_{\frac{5\pi}{12}}^{\frac{7\pi}{12}}$$

$$= \left[-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right) - \frac{1}{2}\sin 2\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right)\right] - \left[-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\left(\frac{5\pi}{12}\right) - \frac{1}{2}\sin 2\left(\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{6}\right)\right] + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(\frac{5\pi}{12} - \frac{7\pi}{12}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{2} - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right] - \frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{12}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{12}$$



## Question 11

[ Ans: (i) 30m/s (ii) 222 m (iii) 1.41m/s<sup>2</sup> ]

$$(i) \text{ At } A, v = 15 \left( \frac{0}{20} + e^0 \right) = 15$$

$$\text{At } B, v = 2(15) = 30$$

(ii) Distance,  $s$ 

$$= \int 15 \left( \frac{t}{20} + e^{kt} \right) dt = 15 \left( \frac{t^2}{40} + \frac{e^{kt}}{k} \right) + C$$

When  $t = 0$ ,

$$s = 0$$

$$15 \left( \frac{0^2}{40} + \frac{e^0}{k} \right) + C = 0 \Rightarrow C = -\frac{15}{k}$$

When  $t = 10$ 

$$v = 30$$

$$15 \left( \frac{10}{20} + e^{10k} \right) = 30$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + e^{10k} = 2$$

$$e^{10k} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$10k = \ln \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{3}{2}$$

At  $B$ ,  $t = 10$ ,

$$s = 15 \left[ \frac{10^2}{40} + \frac{e^{\left(\frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{3}{2}\right)(10)}}{\left(\frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{3}{2}\right)} \right] - \frac{15}{\frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{3}{2}} = 222$$

$$(iii) \text{ Acceration, } a = \frac{dv}{dt} = 15 \left( \frac{1}{20} + ke^{kt} \right)$$

When  $t = 2$ ,

$$a = 15 \left[ \frac{1}{20} + \left( \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{3}{2} \right) e^{\left(\frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{3}{2}\right)(2)} \right] = 1.41$$

## Question 12

[ Ans: (i) show (ii)  $B > A$  (iii)  $\frac{4}{5}$  (iv)  $\frac{24}{25}$  (v) show (vi)  $\frac{13}{9}$  ]

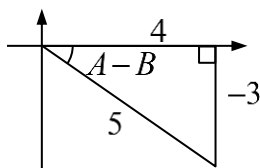
(i) LHS

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta)}{\cos(\alpha + \beta) + \cos(\alpha - \beta)} \\ &= \frac{(\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta) + (\sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta)}{(\cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta) + (\cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta)} \\ &= \frac{2 \sin \alpha \cos \beta}{2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta} \\ &= \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha} = \tan \alpha = \text{RHS (shown)} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Since  $\sin(A - B) < 0$  and angles  $A$  and  $B$  are acute,

$$A - B < 0 \Rightarrow A < B$$

$\therefore \angle B$  must be bigger than  $\angle A$

(iii) Given  $\sin(A - B) = -\frac{3}{5}$ 

$$\cos(A - B) = \frac{4}{5}$$

(iv)  $\tan(A + B) = \frac{24}{7}$ 

$$\frac{\sin(A + B)}{\cos(A + B)} = \frac{24}{7}$$

$$\sin(A + B) = \frac{24}{7} \cos(A + B)$$

$$= \frac{24}{7} \left( \frac{7}{25} \right) = \frac{24}{25}$$

(v)  $\tan A$ 

$$= \frac{\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B)}{\cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{24}{25} + \left( -\frac{3}{5} \right)}{\frac{7}{25} + \frac{4}{5}} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ (shown)}$$

$$(vi) \tan(A + B) = \frac{24}{7}$$

$$\frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} = \frac{24}{7}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{3} + \tan B}{1 - \frac{1}{3} \tan B} = \frac{24}{7}$$

$$\frac{7}{3} + 7 \tan B = 24 - 8 \tan B$$

$$15 \tan B = \frac{65}{3}$$

$$\tan B = \frac{13}{9}$$