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Q1a $x^2 = 4x, x^2 - 4x = 0, x(x-4) = 0, x = 0$ or 4

Q1b $a + b\sqrt{5} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}-2} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}+2}{\sqrt{5}+2} = 2 + \sqrt{5}, \therefore a = 2, b = 1$

Q1c $(x+1)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 25$

Q1d $|2x+3| = 9, 2x+3 = -9$ or $2x+3 = 9, \therefore x = -6$ or 3

Q1e By the product rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 \tan x) = \left(\frac{d}{dx} x^2\right)(\tan x) + x^2 \frac{d}{dx} \tan x = 2x \tan x + x^2 \sec^2 x$$

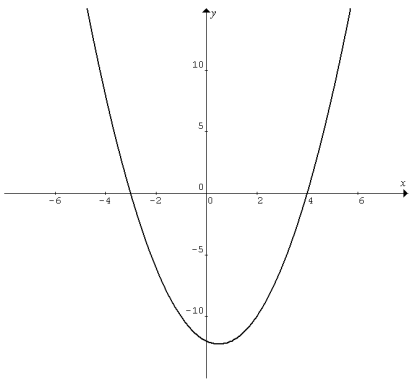
Q1f Geometric series: $a = 1, r = -\frac{1}{3}, S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{3}{4}$

Q1g $f(x) = \sqrt{x-8}, x-8 \geq 0, x \geq 8, \text{dom } f(x) \text{ is } [8, \infty)$

Q2a By the quotient rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\cos x}{x} \right) = \frac{x(-\sin x) - \cos x}{x^2} = \frac{-x \sin x - \cos x}{x^2}$$

Q2b $x^2 - x - 12 < 0, (x+3)(x-4) < 0, -3 < x < 4$



Q2c $y = \ln(3x), m = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$. At $x = 2, m = \frac{1}{2}$

Q2di $\int \sqrt{5x+1} dx = \int (5x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx = \frac{2(5x+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{15} + c$

Q2dii Let $u = 4 + x^2, \frac{1}{2} \frac{du}{dx} = x$

$$\int \frac{x}{4+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{du}{u} = \frac{1}{2} \ln(4+x^2) + c$$

Q2e $\int_0^6 (x+k) dx = 30, \left[\frac{(x+k)^2}{2} \right]_0^6 = 30, \frac{(6+k)^2}{2} - \frac{k^2}{2} = 30,$
 $(6+k)^2 - k^2 = 60, 6(6+2k) = 60, k = 2$

Q3ai Midpoint $M\left(\frac{-2+12}{2}, \frac{-4+6}{2}\right) = M(5,1)$

Q3aii Gradient of $BC = \frac{8-6}{6-12} = -\frac{1}{3}$

Q3aiii Gradient of $MN = \frac{2-1}{2-5} = -\frac{1}{3}$

$\therefore MN$ and BC are parallel

\therefore corresponding angles $\angle AMN = \angle ABC$ and corresponding angles $\angle ANM = \angle ACB$

Hence $\triangle AMN, \triangle ABC$ are similar.

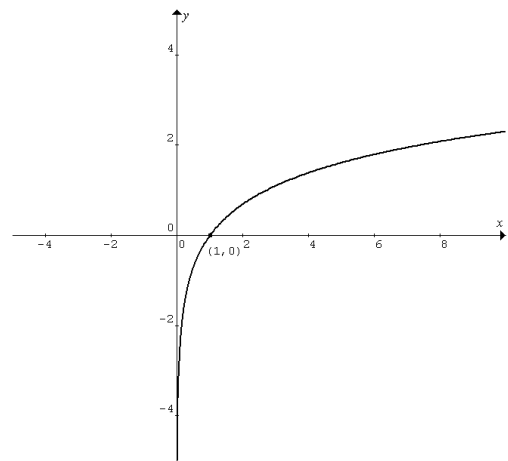
Q3aiv Equation of $MN: y - 2 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 2), y = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{8}{3}$ or $x + 3y = 8$

Q3av Length of $BC = \sqrt{(12-6)^2 + (6-8)^2} = \sqrt{40} = 2\sqrt{10}$

Q3avi Let h be the perpendicular distance from A to BC .

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 2\sqrt{10} \times h = 44, h = \frac{44}{\sqrt{10}} = \frac{22\sqrt{10}}{5}$$

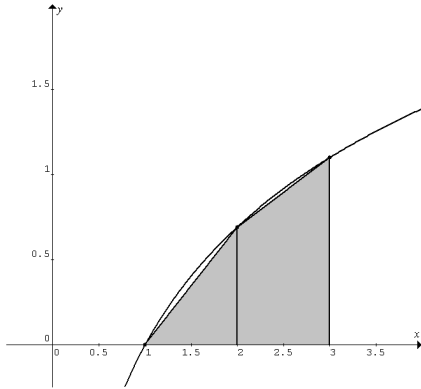
Q3bi $y = \ln x$



Q3bii $x = 1, y = 0; x = 2, y = \ln 2; x = 3, y = \ln 3$

$$\int_1^3 \ln x dx \approx \frac{1}{2} (0 + 2 \ln 2 + \ln 3)(1) = \ln 2 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 3$$

Q3biii The approximation (total area of the two trapeziums) is less than the exact value of $\int_1^3 \ln x dx$ (the area under $y = \ln x$ between $x=1$ and $x=3$).



Q4ai Arithmetic sequence:
 $a = 1$, $d = 0.75$, $t_9 = 1 + 8 \times 0.75 = 7$
 \therefore 7 km in the 9th week

Q4aii $t_n = 1 + (n-1)0.75 = 10$, $n = 13$, \therefore the 13th week

Q4aiii $S_{13} = \frac{13}{2}(2(1) + (13-1)0.75) = 71.5$
 Total distance = $71.5 + 13 \times 10 = 201.5$ km

Q4b Area of the enclosed region = $\int_0^2 (e^{2x} - e^{-x}) dx$
 $= \left[\frac{e^{2x}}{2} - \frac{e^{-x}}{-1} \right]_0^2 = \left(\frac{e^4}{2} + e^{-2} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1 \right) = \frac{e^4}{2} + e^{-2} - \frac{3}{2}$

Q4ci $\Pr(\text{both.m.centres}) = \frac{{}^4C_2}{{}^{12}C_2} = \frac{6}{66} = \frac{1}{11}$

Q4cii $\Pr(\text{same centre}) = 3 \times \frac{1}{11} = \frac{3}{11}$

Q4ciii $\Pr(\text{different centres}) = 1 - \frac{3}{11} = \frac{8}{11}$

Q4d $f(x) = 1 + e^x$
 $f(x) \times f(-x) = (1 + e^x)(1 + e^{-x}) = 1 + e^x + e^{-x} + 1 = f(x) + f(-x)$

Q5ai $V = \pi r^2 h = 10$, $\therefore h = \frac{10}{\pi r^2}$
 $\therefore A = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r h = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r \left(\frac{10}{\pi r^2} \right) = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{20}{r}$

Q5aii As $r \rightarrow 0^+$, $A \rightarrow \infty$; as $r \rightarrow \infty$, $A \rightarrow \infty$.

Also $A = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{20}{r}$ is a continuous function of r for $r > 0$.

$\therefore A$ has a minimum value.

Let $\frac{dA}{dr} = 4\pi r - \frac{20}{r^2} = 0$, $\therefore r^3 = \frac{5}{\pi}$, $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{5}{\pi}} \approx 1.17$ m

The minimum value occurs when $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{5}{\pi}} \approx 1.17$ m.

Q5bi $RHS = \frac{1 + \sin x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x}$
 $= \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) \left(\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right) = \sec^2 x + \sec x \tan x = LHS$

Q5bii $\sec^2 x + \sec x \tan x$
 $= \frac{1 + \sin x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1 + \sin x}{1 - \sin^2 x} = \frac{1 + \sin x}{(1 - \sin x)(1 + \sin x)} = \frac{1}{1 - \sin x}$

Q5biii $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{1 - \sin x} dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (\sec^2 x + \sec x \tan x) dx$

$[\tan x + \sec x]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \left(\tan \frac{\pi}{4} + \sec \frac{\pi}{4} \right) - (\tan 0 + \sec 0)$
 $= 1 + \sqrt{2} - 1 = \sqrt{2}$

Q5c $\int_a^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = [\ln x]_a^1 = \ln 1 - \ln a = -\ln a = 1$, $a = e^{-1}$

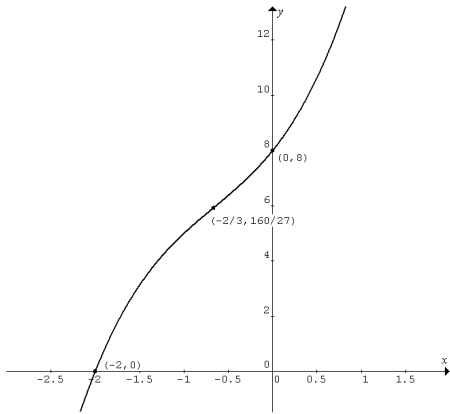
$\int_1^b \frac{1}{x} dx = [\ln x]_1^b = \ln b - \ln 1 = \ln b = 1$, $b = e$

Q6ai $f(x) = (x+2)(x^2+4)$,
 $f'(x) = (x+2)(2x) + (x^2+4) = 3x^2 + 4x + 4 \neq 0$ because
 $\Delta = 4^2 - 4(3)(4) < 0$
 $\therefore f(x)$ has no stationary points.

Q6aii $f''(x) = 6x + 4 = 0$, $x = -\frac{2}{3}$.

The graph of $y = f(x)$ is concave down for $x < -\frac{2}{3}$, and it is concave up for $x > -\frac{2}{3}$.

Q6aii x -intercept: Let $y = 0$, $(x+2)(x^2+4) = 0$, $\therefore x = -2$
 y -intercept: Let $x = 0$, $y = (0+2)(0^2+4) = 8$



Q6bi $9 = 5\angle POQ$, $\therefore \angle POQ = \frac{9}{5} = 1.8$

Q6bii $OP = OQ = \text{radius}$
 OT is a common side for $\triangle OPT$ and $\triangle OQT$
 $\angle OPT = \angle OQT = 90^\circ$, $\therefore PT = QT$ (Pythagoras)
 $\therefore \triangle OPT$ and $\triangle OQT$ are congruent because they have equal corresponding sides.

Q6biii $\angle POT = \frac{1.8}{2} = 0.9$, length of $PT = 5 \tan(0.9) \approx 6.30$ cm

Q6biv Area of the shaded region
 $= 5 \times 6.3 - \frac{1.8}{2\pi} \times \pi \times 5^2 \approx 9.00$ cm²

Q7ai $\ddot{x} = 4 \cos 2t$, $\dot{x} = 1$ and $x = 0$ when $t = 0$
 $\therefore \dot{x} = \int_0^t 4 \cos 2t dt + 1 = [2 \sin 2t]_0^t + 1 = 2 \sin 2t + 1$

Q7aii Let $\dot{x} = 2 \sin 2t + 1 = 0$,
 $\sin 2t = -0.5$, $2t = \frac{7\pi}{6}$, $\therefore t = \frac{7\pi}{12}$

Q7aiii $\dot{x} = 2 \sin 2t + 1$,
 $x = \int_0^t (2 \sin 2t + 1) dt = [-\cos 2t + t]_0^t = 1 - \cos 2t + t$

Q7bi $y = x^2$: At $A(-1,1)$, $m = \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x = -2$
 Equation of the tangent: $y - 1 = -2(x + 1)$, $2x + y = -1$

Q7bii Midpoint of $AB = M\left(\frac{-1+2}{2}, \frac{1+4}{2}\right) = M\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right)$

Gradient of $AB = \frac{4-1}{2-(-1)} = 1$

At C , $m = \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x = 1$, $\therefore x = \frac{1}{2}$

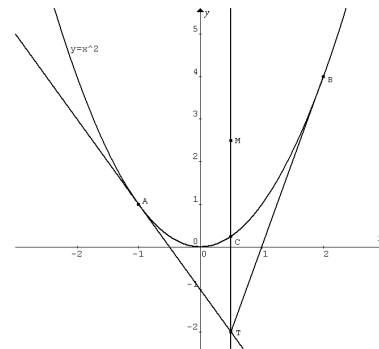
M and C have the same x -coordinate, $\therefore MC$ is vertical.

Q7biii At $B(2,4)$, $m = \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x = 4$

Tangent at A : $2x + y = -1$; line MC : $x = \frac{1}{2}$

\therefore intersection $T\left(\frac{1}{2}, -2\right)$

Gradient of $BT = \frac{4-(-2)}{2-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{6}{\frac{3}{2}} = 4$, same as the gradient of the tangent at B , \therefore line BT is a tangent to the parabola.



Q8a Let 1935 be $t = 0$, and P is in millions.

$t = 0$, $P = 0.000102$; $t = 75$, $P = 200$; $\frac{dP}{dt} = kP$

$\frac{dt}{dP} = \frac{1}{k} \times \frac{1}{P}$, $t = \frac{1}{k} \int \frac{1}{P} dP$, $kt = \ln P + c$

$t = 0$, $P = 0.000102$, $\therefore 0 = \ln 0.000102 + c$, $c = -\ln 0.000102$

$\therefore kt = \ln \frac{P}{0.000102}$

$t = 75$, $P = 200$, $\therefore 75k = \ln \frac{200}{0.000102}$, $k = 0.193185$

$\therefore 0.193185t = \ln \frac{P}{0.000102}$

$\therefore P = 0.000102e^{0.193185t}$

In 2035, $t = 100$, $P \approx 25033$ millions

Q8b $\Pr(2\text{heads}) = [\Pr(\text{head})]^2 = 0.36$

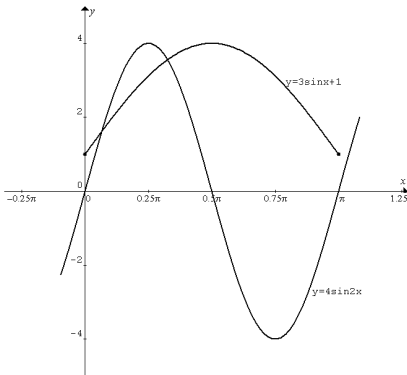
$\therefore \Pr(\text{head}) = 0.6$, $\Pr(\text{tail}) = 1 - 0.6 = 0.4$

$\therefore \Pr(2\text{tails}) = [\Pr(\text{tail})]^2 = 0.16$

Q8ci $y = A \sin bx$, amplitude $A = 4$

Q8cii Period $T = \frac{2\pi}{b} = \pi, b = 2$

Q8ciii



Q8d $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + kx + 8, f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x + k$
 $f(x)$ is an increasing function, $f'(x) > 0$, when the discriminant of $3x^2 - 6x + k$ is less than 0, i.e. $\Delta = 36 - 12k < 0, k > 3$

Q9ai The balance after n deposits is given by

$$B_n = \frac{Q(R^n - 1)}{R - 1} \text{ where } Q = \$500 \text{ and } R = 1.005$$

$$\therefore B_{240} = \frac{500(1.005^{240} - 1)}{0.005} = 231020.4476$$

\therefore at the end of the 240th month,

$$\$P = 231020.4476 \times 1.005 = \$232175.55$$

Q9aii(1) $A_n = PR^n - \frac{Q(R^n - 1)}{R - 1}$ where $Q = \$2000$ and $R = 1.005$

$$\therefore A_n = P \times 1.005^n - \frac{2000(1.005^n - 1)}{0.005}$$

$$= P \times 1.005^n - 400000(1.005^n - 1)$$

$$= (P - 400000) \times 1.005^n + 400000$$

Q9aii(2) Let $A_n = (P - 400000) \times 1.005^n + 400000 = 0$

$$\therefore 1.005^n = \frac{-400000}{P - 400000} = \frac{-400000}{232175.55 - 400000} = 2.383443$$

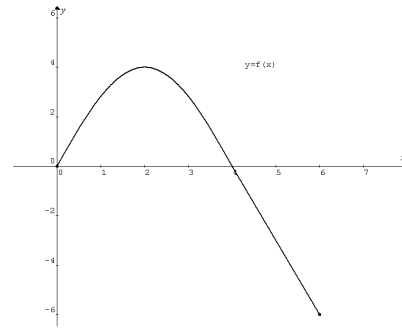
$n = \frac{\ln 2.383443}{\ln 1.005} \approx 174.14, \therefore$ there will be money left in the account 174 months after retirement.

Q9bi $f'(x) > 0$, i.e. $f(x)$ is increasing for $0 \leq x < 2$

Q9bii Given $f(0) = 0, \max f(x) = f(2) = \int_0^2 f'(x) dx = A_1 = 4$

Q9biii $f(6) = A_1 - A_2 - 3 \times 2 = -6$

Q9biv



Q10ai $\angle DAC = \angle CAB$ (common angle)
 $\therefore \angle DCA = \angle CBA$ (both triangles are isosceles)
 $\therefore \angle ADC = \angle ACB = \theta$
 $\therefore \triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ACD$ are similar.

Q10aai $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ACD$ are similar,

$$\therefore \frac{x}{a} = \frac{a+y}{x}, x^2 = a(a+y), \therefore x^2 = a^2 + ay$$

Q10aiii Apply the cosine rule to $\triangle ABC$:

$$(a+y)^2 = x^2 + x^2 - 2x^2 \cos \theta$$

$$\therefore (a+y)^2 = 2x^2(1 - \cos \theta), (a+y)^2 = 2a(a+y)(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$a+y = 2a(1 - \cos \theta), \therefore y = a(1 - 2 \cos \theta)$$

Q10aiv Maximum of $1 - 2 \cos \theta$ is 3 when $\theta = -\pi, \therefore y \leq 3a$

Q10bi $x^2 + y^2 = r^2, \therefore y^2 = r^2 - x^2$

$$V = \int_{r \sin \theta}^r \pi y^2 dx = \int_{r \sin \theta}^r \pi (r^2 - x^2) dx = \pi \left[r^2 x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{r \sin \theta}^r$$

$$= \pi \left(\frac{2r^3}{3} - r^3 \sin \theta + \frac{r^3 \sin^3 \theta}{3} \right) = \frac{\pi r^3}{3} (2 - 3 \sin \theta + \sin^3 \theta)$$

Q10ii(1) Original depth = r m, final depth = $\frac{r}{2}$ m at angle θ

$$\therefore r \sin \theta = \frac{r}{2}, \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Q10ii(2) Original volume = $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4\pi r^3}{3} = \frac{2\pi r^3}{3}$

$$\text{Final volume} = \frac{\pi r^3}{3} \left(2 - 3 \sin \frac{\pi}{6} + \sin^3 \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \frac{\pi r^3}{3} \left(\frac{5}{8} \right)$$

$$\text{Fraction} = \frac{\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{\pi r^3}{3}}{\frac{2\pi r^3}{3}} = \frac{5}{16}$$

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