

16. It is given that

$$1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n = \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{1 - x}, \quad x \neq 1.$$

(a) By differentiating this identity with respect to x , or otherwise, obtain a formula for the sum $1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots + nx^{n-1}$.

(b) Let $S(n) = 2 + 3x + 4x^2 + \dots + (n+2)x^n$. By making use of the earlier series, or otherwise, show that $S(20)$ can be expressed in the form $ka^2 + kb^{20} + c$, where a, b, c and k are constants.

$S(20) = \frac{(x-1)^2}{x^2} + kx^{20} + c + d$, where a, b, c and d are constants.

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SECTION I

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1. Differentiate the functions

(a) $\frac{\sin x}{x}$, $x \neq 0$, 2

(b) $\sin^{-1}(2 \cos x)$. 3

2. Use Bayes' theorem to find the probability that a particular component will be used with a given system, given the probabilities that the system will be used with either of the two components, that the system will be used with either component, and the probabilities that the system will be used with either component, given that the system will be used with either component. 4

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is zero. 3

6. A ship A is moving with speed t kilometres per hour due south and another ship B is moving with speed 15 kilometres per hour due east. Find the velocity of A relative to B. 4

7. (a) The number of solutions of the equation $x^2 - px - 2x - 1 = (x^2 + px - 1)(x^2 + qx + 1)$ is 4 . Hence find all four solutions of the equation and show them on an Argand diagram. 3

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8. Apply the central difference method, with $h = 0.01$, to the function $f(x) = \sin x$ and approximate $f'(x)$ at $x = 0.5$. Give your answer correct to four decimal places. 3

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10. A series of 27 marks each were Mathematics tests in 1993 and the other in 1994. For example, the cross at (15, 17) represents a pupil who scored 15 in 1993 and 17 in 1994.

Use the information contained in the diagram to sketch a box plot of the results of the 1993 examination. State the number of pupils who scored 10 marks, and your sketch the value of the median and of the upper and lower quartiles and also the range(s).

11. Use the substitution $x = 1 - \sin \theta$ to evaluate the definite integral

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2x-x^2}}$$

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12. Obtain the derivative of the function $f(x) = x \ln x$ ($x > 0$). Hence, or otherwise, find the indefinite integral $\int \ln x dx$. Work out the exact value of $\int_1^e \ln x dx$, expressing your answer in terms of $\ln 2$.

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SECTION II

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13. Consider the function $f(x) = \frac{x^3 + 3x + 6}{x^2 + 2}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq -2$.

(a) Show that $y = f(x)$ has a non-vertical asymptote and obtain its equation. 3

(b) Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$, indicating all asymptotes and stationary values. 4

(c) For what values of k does the equation $f(x) = k$ have no real solutions? 2

14. For any angle α , define A_α and B_α to be matrices

$$A_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) Show that $(B_\alpha)^2 = I$, where I is the 2×2 identity matrix. 2

(b) Show that for any angles α, β , $A_\alpha A_\beta = A_{\alpha+\beta}$. 2

(c) Show also that, for any angle α , there is an angle t such that $A_\alpha B_t = B_t$ and that for this angle t it is also true that $A_\alpha B_t = B_t$. 3

(You may use the identities $\sin(\alpha \pm \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta \pm \cos \alpha \sin \beta$ and $\cos(\alpha \pm \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta \mp \sin \alpha \sin \beta$.)

15. (a) Use integration by parts to evaluate $\int_0^1 x \sin x dx$. 3

(b) Let $O_n = \int_0^1 x^n \sin x dx$, where n is a positive integer. Show that, for $n \geq 3$, $O_n = n^2 - n(n-1)O_{n-2}$. 5

(c) Use this result to find the value of $\int_0^1 x^4 \sin x dx$. 2

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