

Worked Solutions

Edexcel C3 Paper K

1.
$$\frac{(2x-3)(x+2)}{(2x-3)(2x+3)} \times \frac{(x-1)}{(x+2)^2} = \frac{x-1}{(2x+3)(x+2)}$$
 (5)

2. (a) $fg(x) = \frac{2}{x-3} + 2 = \frac{2x-4}{x-3}$, domain $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 3$
 $gf(x) = \frac{2}{x+2-3} = \frac{2}{x-1}$, domain $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 1$ (4)

(b) $\frac{2x-4}{x-3} = \frac{2}{x-1} \Rightarrow 2x^2 - 6x + 4 = 2x - 6 \quad x^2 - 4x + 5 = 0$

“ $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ ” \therefore no real solution. (3)

3. (a)
$$\frac{(1-x^2) - x(-2x)}{(1-x^2)^2} = \frac{x^2+1}{(1-x^2)^2}$$
 (3)

(b) $x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 2x \cdot \ln x = x(1 + 2\ln x)$ (3)

(c) $\cos x \cdot e^{\sin x}$ (3)

4. (a) $\frac{1}{\sin \theta} - \sin \theta = \frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta}$
 $\cos^2 \theta \geq 0 \quad \therefore$ squared term

$\sin \theta > 0$ because $0 < \theta < 180^\circ$ (4)

(b) $1 + \tan^2 x - 4 \tan x + 2 = 0$
 $\tan^2 x - 4 \tan x + 3 = 0$

$(\tan x - 3)(\tan x - 1) = 0$

$\therefore \begin{cases} \tan x = 3 \Rightarrow x = 71.6^\circ (1 \text{ d.p.}), 251.6^\circ (1 \text{ d.p.}) \\ \tan x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 45^\circ, 225^\circ \end{cases}$ (5)

5. (a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^3 + 3x^2 - 3$

Let $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 3$
 $f(0) = -3$
 $f(1) = 1$ } sign change $\therefore \alpha$ lies in $[0, 1]$ (4)

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

$x^3 + 3x^2 = 3$

$x^2(x+3) = 3$

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

$x = \sqrt{\frac{3}{x+3}}$ (2)

(c) $x_1 = 0.8660, x_2 = 0.8809, x_3 = 0.8792, x_4 = 0.8794$ (2)

(d) $\alpha = 0.879$ (1)

6. (a) asymptote to $\ln(x+2)$ is $x = -2$, asymptote to $\ln 3x$ is $x = 0$. (2)

(b) $B(-1, 0); C\left(\frac{1}{3}, 0\right)$ (2)

(c) $3x = x+2, A$ is $(1, \ln 3)$ (1)

(d) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$ and $\frac{1}{x+2}$ gradients of curves at $A : 1$ & $\frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \theta &= \frac{1 - \frac{1}{3}}{1 + 1 \times \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{4}{3}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$
 (6)

7. (a) $2A = P + Q, 2B = P - Q$

$$\sin(A+B) - \sin(A-B)$$

$$= \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B - \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$$

$$= 2 \cos A \sin B$$

$$= 2 \cos\left(\frac{P+Q}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{P-Q}{2}\right)$$

(b) $\sin 4\theta - \sin 2\theta + \cos 3\theta = 0$

$$2 \cos 3\theta \sin \theta + \cos 3\theta = 0$$

$$\cos 3\theta(2 \sin \theta + 1) = 0$$

$$\cos 3\theta = 0 \Rightarrow 3\theta = 90, 270, 450, 630, 810, 990$$

$$\theta = 30, 90, 150, 210, 270, 330$$

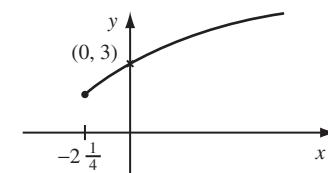
$$\sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = 210, 330$$

(5)

8. (a) $f(x) = \left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{9}{4}$ $\therefore f(x) \geq -2\frac{1}{4}$

(b) f^{-1} : (domain) $x \geq -2\frac{1}{4}$, (range) $f^{-1} \geq 1\frac{1}{2}$

(c)



(1)

(2)

(4)

(2)

(d) gf: $x \mapsto |x^2 - 3x - 4|, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq \frac{3}{2}$

(e) either $x^2 - 3x - 4 = 6$

$$x^2 - 3x - 10 = 0 \quad (x-5)(x+2) = 0 \quad x = 5, \quad x = -2$$

$$\text{or } x^2 - 3x - 4 = -6 \quad x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$$

$$(x-2)(x-1) = 0 \quad x = 2, x = 1$$

solutions are $x = 2, 5$ $\left(\text{since } x \geq \frac{3}{2}\right)$

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