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# A-level
# MATHEMATICS

## Paper 1

Time allowed: 2 hours

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- You should have a graphical or scientific calculator that meets the requirements of the specification.

**Instructions**
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Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

**1** A curve is defined by the parametric equations

$$x = \cos\theta \quad \text{and} \quad y = \sin\theta \qquad \text{where } 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

Which of the options shown below is a Cartesian equation for this curve?

Circle your answer.

**[1 mark]**

$\frac{y}{x} = \tan\theta$ $\qquad$ $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ $\qquad$ $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ $\qquad$ $x^2y^2 = 1$

**2** A periodic sequence is defined by

$$U_n = (-1)^n$$

State the period of the sequence.

Circle your answer.

**[1 mark]**

$-1$ $\qquad$ $0$ $\qquad$ $1$ $\qquad$ $2$

**3** The curve

$$y = \log_4 x$$

is transformed by a stretch, scale factor 2, parallel to the $y$-axis.

State the equation of the curve after it has been transformed.

Circle your answer.

**[1 mark]**

$y = \frac{1}{2}\log_4 x$ $\qquad$ $y = 2\log_4 x$ $\qquad$ $y = \log_4 2x$ $\qquad$ $y = \log_8 x$

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**4** The graph of

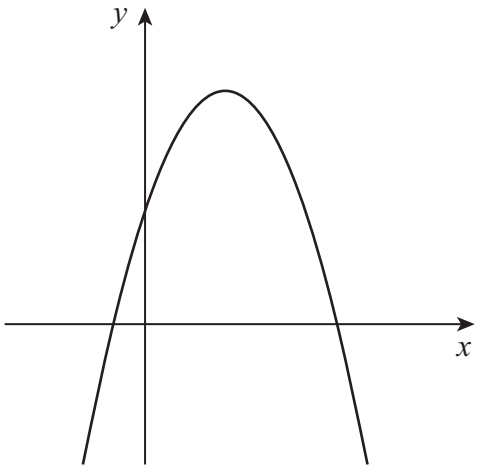
$$y = \mathrm{f}(x)$$

where

$$\mathrm{f}(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

is shown in **Figure 1**.

**Figure 1**



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Which of the following shows the graph of $y = f'(x)$?

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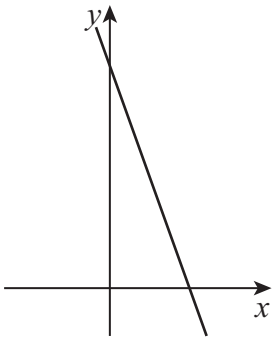


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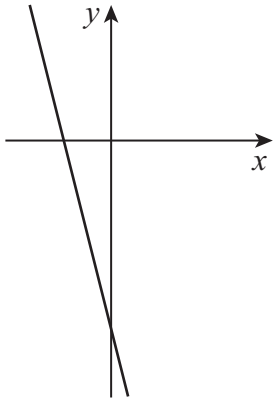


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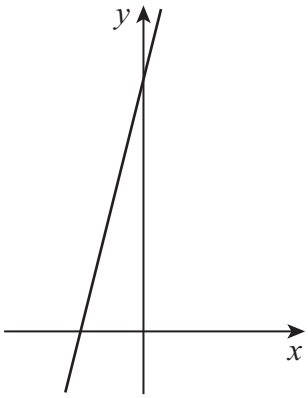


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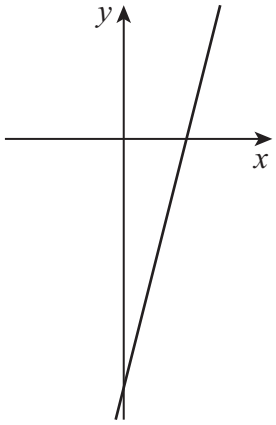


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**5** Find an equation of the tangent to the curve

$$y = (x - 2)^4$$

at the point where $x = 0$

**[3 marks]**

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**6 (a)** Find the first two terms, in ascending powers of $x$, of the binomial expansion of

$$\left(1 - \frac{x}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

**[2 marks]**

**6 (b)** Hence, for small values of $x$, show that

$$\sin 4x + \sqrt{\cos x} \approx A + Bx + Cx^2$$

where $A$, $B$ and $C$ are constants to be found.

**[4 marks]**

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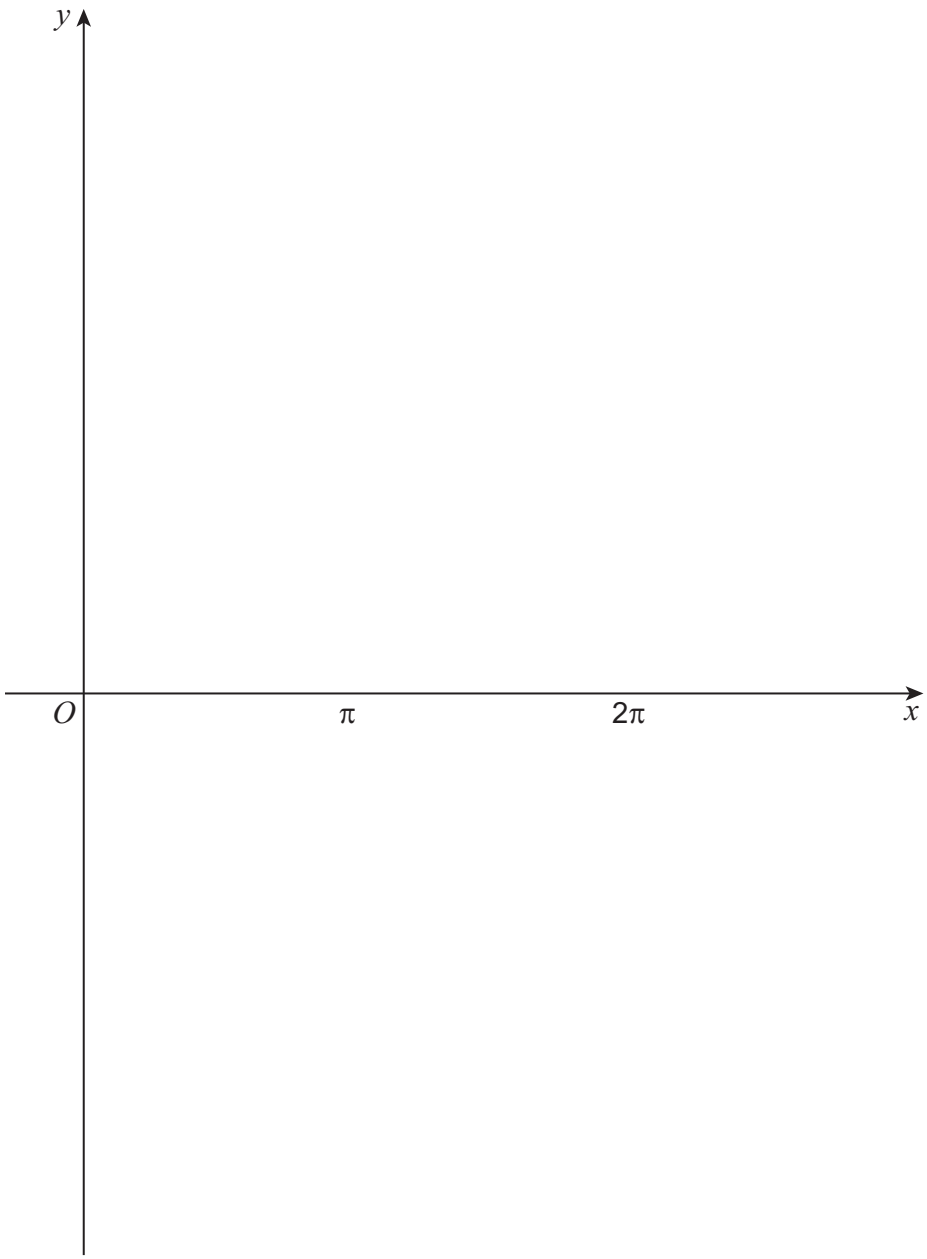
**7** Sketch the graph of

$$y = \cot\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

**[3 marks]**



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**8** The lines $L_1$ and $L_2$ are parallel.

$L_1$ has equation

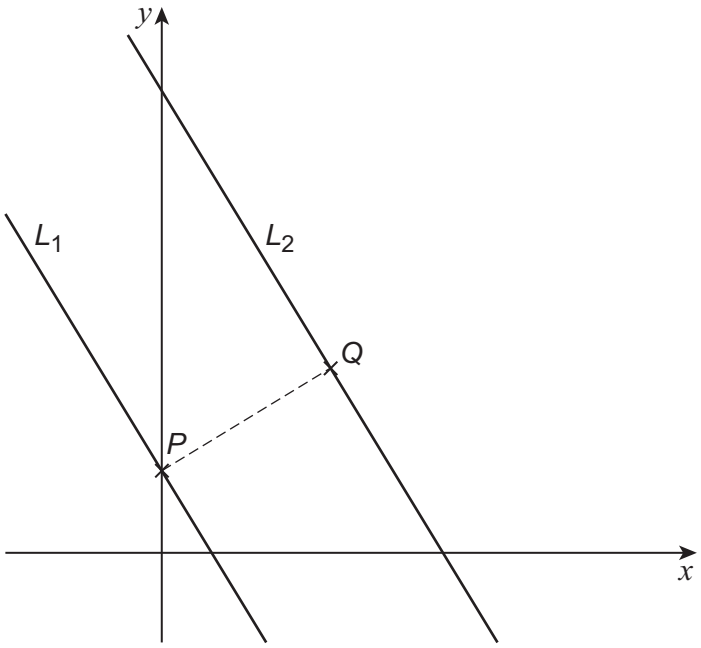
$$5x + 3y = 15$$

and $L_2$ has equation

$$5x + 3y = 83$$

$L_1$ intersects the $y$-axis at the point $P$.

The point $Q$ is the point on $L_2$ closest to $P$, as shown in the diagram.




**8 (a) (i)** Find the coordinates of $Q$.

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**8 (a) (ii)** Hence show that $PQ = k\sqrt{34}$, where $k$ is an integer to be found.

**[2 marks]**

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**8 (b)** A circle, $C$, has centre $(a, -17)$.

$L_1$ and $L_2$ are both tangents to $C$.

**8 (b) (i)** Find $a$.

**[2 marks]**

**8 (b) (ii)** Find the equation of $C$.

**[2 marks]**

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**9** The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are given by

$$2x + 5 \qquad 5x + 1 \qquad 6x + 7$$

**9 (a)** Show that $x = 5$ is the only value which gives an arithmetic sequence.

**[3 marks]**

**9 (b) (i)** Write down the value of the first term of the sequence.

**[1 mark]**

**9 (b) (ii)** Find the value of the common difference of the sequence.

**[1 mark]**

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**9 (c)** The sum of the first $N$ terms of the arithmetic sequence is $S_N$ where

$$S_N < 100\,000$$

$$S_{N+1} > 100\,000$$

Find the value of $N$.

**[4 marks]**

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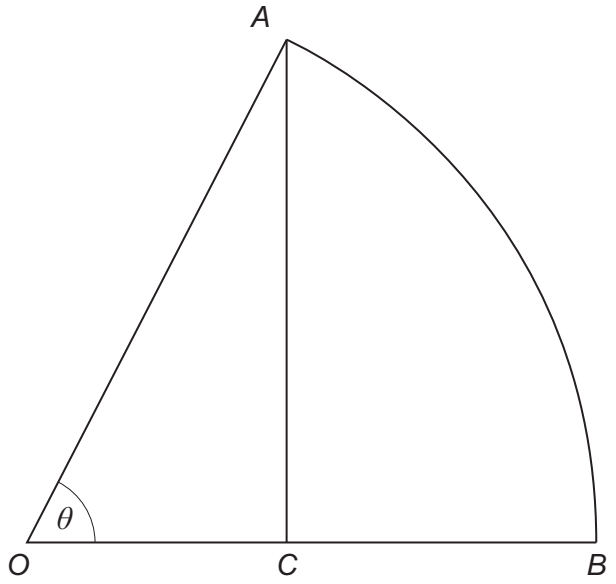
**10** The diagram shows a sector of a circle *OAB*.




The point *C* lies on *OB* such that *AC* is perpendicular to *OB*.

Angle *AOB* is $\theta$ radians.

**10 (a)** Given the area of the triangle *OAC* is half the area of the sector *OAB*, show that

$$\theta = \sin 2\theta$$

**[4 marks]**

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**10 (b)** Use a suitable **change of sign** to show that a solution to the equation

$$\theta = \sin 2\theta$$

lies in the interval given by $\theta \in \left[\frac{\pi}{5}, \frac{2\pi}{5}\right]$

**[2 marks]**

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**10 (c)** The Newton-Raphson method is used to find an approximate solution to the equation

$$\theta = \sin 2\theta$$

**10 (c) (i)** Using $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{5}$ as a first approximation for $\theta$ apply the Newton-Raphson method twice to find the value of $\theta_3$

Give your answer to three decimal places.

**[3 marks]**

**10 (c) (ii)** Explain how a more accurate approximation for $\theta$ can be found using the Newton-Raphson method.

**[1 mark]**

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**10 (c) (iii)** Explain why using $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{6}$ as a first approximation in the Newton-Raphson method does not lead to a solution for $\theta$.

**[2 marks]**

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**11** The polynomial $p(x)$ is given by

$$p(x) = x^3 + (b+2)x^2 + 2(b+2)x + 8$$

where $b$ is a constant.

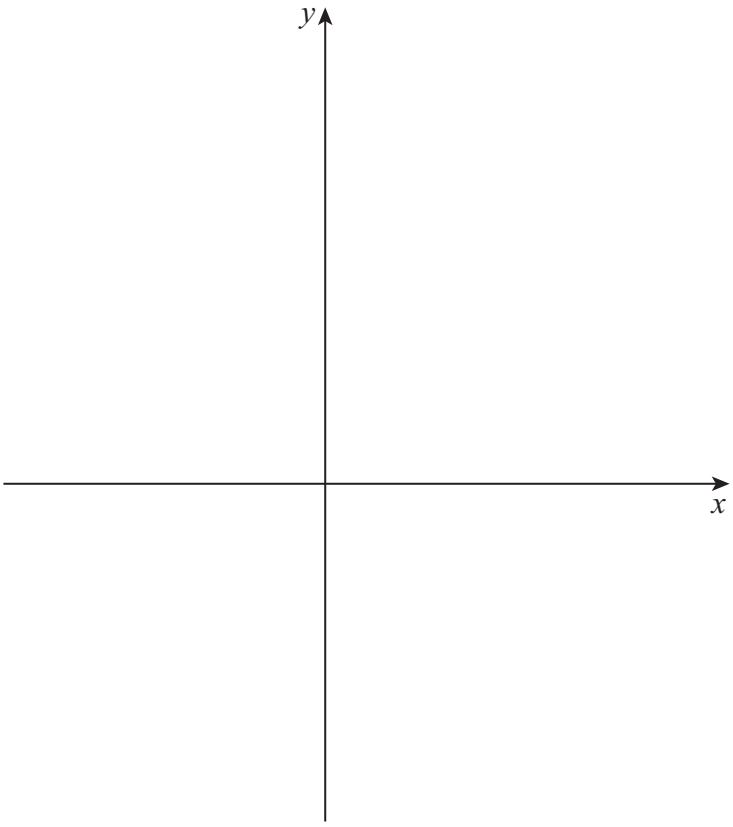
**11 (a)** Use the factor theorem to prove that $(x+2)$ is a factor of $p(x)$ for **all** values of $b$.

**[3 marks]**

**11 (b)** The graph of $y = p(x)$ meets the $x$-axis at exactly two points.

**11 (b) (i)** Sketch a possible graph of $y = p(x)$

**[3 marks]**



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**11 (b) (ii)** Given $p(x)$ can be written as

$$p(x) = (x + 2)(x^2 + bx + 4)$$

find the value of $b$.

Fully justify your answer.

**[4 marks]**

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**12 (a)** A geometric sequence has first term 1 and common ratio $\frac{1}{2}$

**12 (a) (i)** Find the sum to infinity of the sequence.

**[2 marks]**

**12 (a) (ii)** Hence, or otherwise, evaluate

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\sin 30°)^n$$

**[2 marks]**

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**12 (b)** Find the smallest positive exact value of $\theta$, in **radians**, which satisfies the equation

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\cos\theta)^n = 2 - \sqrt{2}$$

**[4 marks]**

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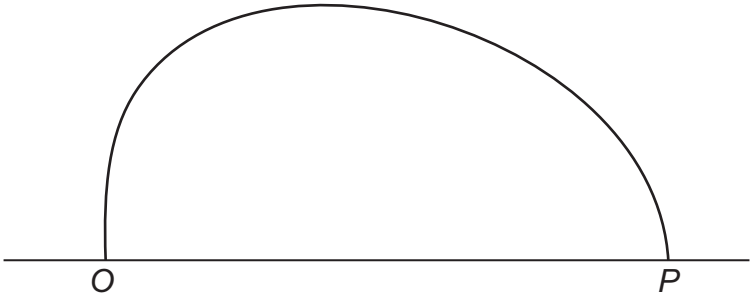
**13** **Figure 2** shows the approximate shape of the vertical cross section of the entrance to a cave. The cave has a horizontal floor.

The entrance to the cave joins the floor at the points *O* and *P*.

**Figure 2**




Garry models the shape of the cross section of the entrance to the cave using the equation

$$x^2 + y^2 = a\sqrt{x} - y$$

where $a$ is a constant, and $x$ and $y$ are the horizontal and vertical distances respectively, in metres, measured from *O*.

**13 (a)** The distance *OP* is 16 metres.

Find the value of $a$ that Garry should use in the model.

**[2 marks]**

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**13 (b)** Show that the maximum height of the cave above *OP* is approximately 10.5 metres.

**[6 marks]**

**13 (c)** Suggest one limitation of the model Garry has used.

**[1 mark]**

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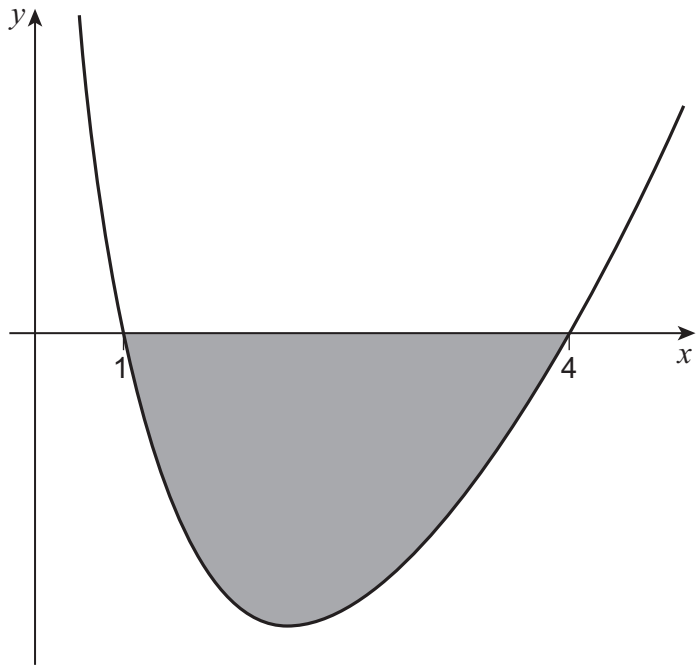
**14** The region bounded by the curve

$$y = (2x - 8)\ln x$$

and the $x$-axis is shaded in the diagram below.




**14 (a)** Use the trapezium rule with **5 ordinates** to find an estimate for the area of the shaded region.

Give your answer correct to three significant figures.

**[3 marks]**

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**14 (b)** Show that the exact area is given by

$$32\ln 2 - \frac{33}{2}$$

Fully justify your answer.

**[6 marks]**

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**15 (a)** Given that

$$y = \operatorname{cosec}\theta$$

**15 (a) (i)** Express $y$ in terms of $\sin\theta$.

**[1 mark]**

**15 (a) (ii)** Hence, prove that

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}\theta} = -\operatorname{cosec}\theta\cot\theta$$

**[3 marks]**

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**15 (a) (iii)** Show that

$$\frac{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}}{y} = \cos\theta \qquad \text{for } 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

**[3 marks]**

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**15 (b) (i)** Use the substitution

$$x = 2\operatorname{cosec} u$$

to show that

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2\sqrt{x^2-4}}\,\mathrm{d}x \qquad \text{for } x > 2$$

can be written as

$$k\int \sin u \;\mathrm{d}u$$

where $k$ is a constant to be found.

**[6 marks]**

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**15 (b) (ii)** Hence, show

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2\sqrt{x^2-4}}\,\mathrm{d}x = \frac{\sqrt{x^2-4}}{4x} + c \qquad \text{for } x > 2$$

where $c$ is a constant.

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