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MATHEMATICS

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Paper 3 Pure Mathematics 3

October/November 2024

1 hour 50 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: List of formulae (MF19)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
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- You should use a calculator where appropriate.
- You must show all necessary working clearly; no marks will be given for unsupported answers from a calculator.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures, or 1 decimal place for angles in degrees, unless a different level of accuracy is specified in the question.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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- Find the values of a and b .

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- (b) Show by calculation that this root lies between 7 and 9. [2]

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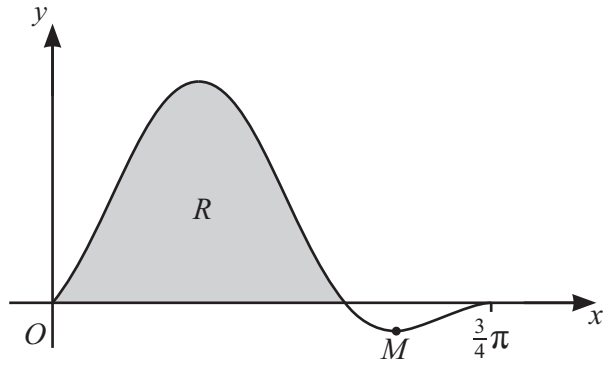


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to determine the root correct to 2 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places.

[3]

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- (a) Given that the x -coordinate of M lies in the interval $\frac{1}{2}\pi < x < \frac{3}{4}\pi$, find the exact coordinates of M . [4]

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[4]

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Let $f(x) = \frac{5x^2 + 8x + 5}{(1 + 2x)(2 + x^2)}$.

(a) Express $f(x)$ in partial fractions.

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- (c) On a single Argand diagram, sketch the loci given by the equations $\text{Re}(z) = 1$ and $\left|z - \frac{1}{2}\right| = \frac{1}{2}$, where z is a complex number. [3]

- (d) The complex number z is such that $\text{Re}(z) = 1$. Use your answer to part (b) to give a geometrical description of the locus of $\frac{1}{z}$. [1]

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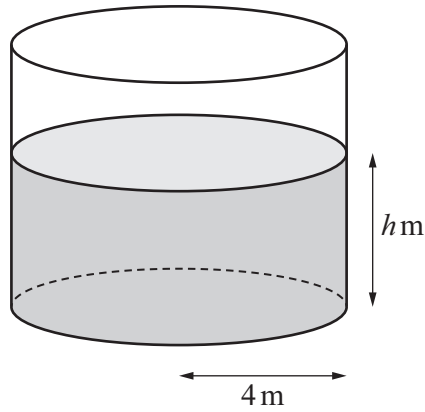




- Find the possible values of a .

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- (a) Show that $\frac{dh}{dt} = -\lambda\sqrt{h}$, where λ is a positive constant. [4]

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