

## Numerical solutions of equations 2



Q1.

- (i) It is given that  $2 \tan 2x + 5 \tan^2 x = 0$ . Denoting  $\tan x$  by  $t$ , form an equation in  $t$  and hence show that either  $t = 0$  or  $t = \sqrt[3]{t + 0.8}$ . [4]
- (ii) It is given that there is exactly one real value of  $t$  satisfying the equation  $t = \sqrt[3]{t + 0.8}$ . Verify by calculation that this value lies between 1.2 and 1.3. [2]
- (iii) Use the iterative formula  $t_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{t_n + 0.8}$  to find the value of  $t$  correct to 3 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 5 decimal places. [3]
- (iv) Using the values of  $t$  found in previous parts of the question, solve the equation

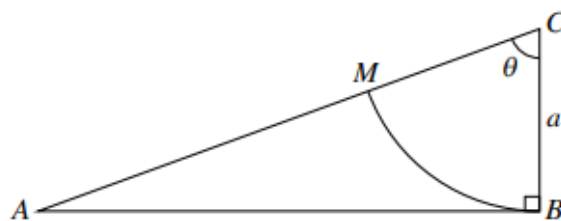
$$2 \tan 2x + 5 \tan^2 x = 0$$

for  $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ .

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Q2.



In the diagram,  $ABC$  is a triangle in which angle  $ABC$  is a right angle and  $BC = a$ . A circular arc, with centre  $C$  and radius  $a$ , joins  $B$  and the point  $M$  on  $AC$ . The angle  $ACB$  is  $\theta$  radians. The area of the sector  $CMB$  is equal to one third of the area of the triangle  $ABC$ .

- (i) Show that  $\theta$  satisfies the equation

$$\tan \theta = 3\theta. \quad [2]$$

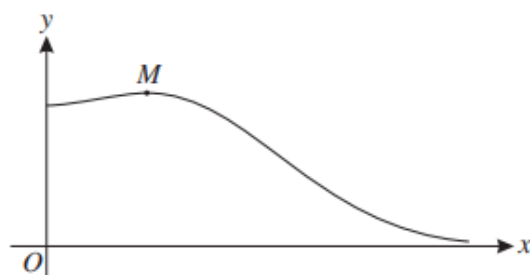
- (ii) This equation has one root in the interval  $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$ . Use the iterative formula

$$\theta_{n+1} = \tan^{-1}(3\theta_n)$$

to determine the root correct to 2 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]

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Q3.



The diagram shows the curve  $y = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} \sqrt{(1 + 2x^2)}$  for  $x \geq 0$ , and its maximum point  $M$ .

(i) Find the exact value of the  $x$ -coordinate of  $M$ . [4]

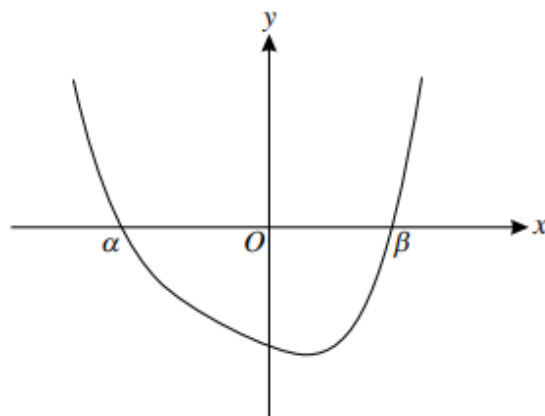
(ii) The sequence of values given by the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt{(\ln(4 + 8x_n^2))},$$

with initial value  $x_1 = 2$ , converges to a certain value  $\alpha$ . State an equation satisfied by  $\alpha$  and hence show that  $\alpha$  is the  $x$ -coordinate of a point on the curve where  $y = 0.5$ . [3]

(iii) Use the iterative formula to determine  $\alpha$  correct to 2 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]

Q4.



The diagram shows the curve  $y = x^4 + 2x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x - 16$ , which crosses the  $x$ -axis at the points  $(\alpha, 0)$  and  $(\beta, 0)$  where  $\alpha < \beta$ . It is given that  $\alpha$  is an integer.

(i) Find the value of  $\alpha$ . [2]

(ii) Show that  $\beta$  satisfies the equation  $x = \sqrt[3]{(8 - 2x)}$ . [3]

(iii) Use an iteration process based on the equation in part (ii) to find the value of  $\beta$  correct to 2 decimal places. Show the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]

Q5.

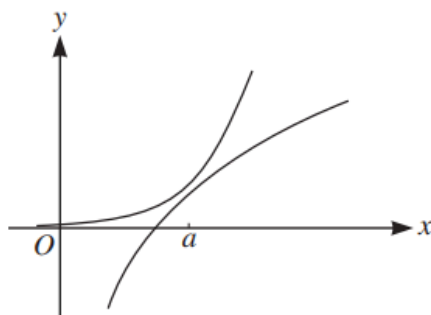
The sequence of values given by the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n(x_n^3 + 100)}{2(x_n^3 + 25)},$$

with initial value  $x_1 = 3.5$ , converges to  $\alpha$ .

- (i) Use this formula to calculate  $\alpha$  correct to 4 decimal places, showing the result of each iteration to 6 decimal places. [3]
  - (ii) State an equation satisfied by  $\alpha$  and hence find the exact value of  $\alpha$ . [2]
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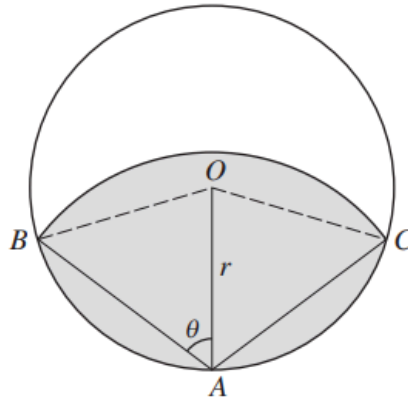
Q6.



The diagram shows the curves  $y = e^{2x-3}$  and  $y = 2 \ln x$ . When  $x = a$  the tangents to the curves are parallel.

- (i) Show that  $a$  satisfies the equation  $a = \frac{1}{2}(3 - \ln a)$ . [3]
  - (ii) Verify by calculation that this equation has a root between 1 and 2. [2]
  - (iii) Use the iterative formula  $a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}(3 - \ln a_n)$  to calculate  $a$  correct to 2 decimal places, showing the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]
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Q7.



In the diagram,  $A$  is a point on the circumference of a circle with centre  $O$  and radius  $r$ . A circular arc with centre  $A$  meets the circumference at  $B$  and  $C$ . The angle  $OAB$  is  $\theta$  radians. The shaded region is bounded by the circumference of the circle and the arc with centre  $A$  joining  $B$  and  $C$ . The area of the shaded region is equal to half the area of the circle.

(i) Show that  $\cos 2\theta = \frac{2 \sin 2\theta - \pi}{4\theta}$ . [5]

(ii) Use the iterative formula

$$\theta_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{2 \sin 2\theta_n - \pi}{4\theta_n} \right),$$

with initial value  $\theta_1 = 1$ , to determine  $\theta$  correct to 2 decimal places, showing the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]

Q8.

It is given that  $\int_0^p 4xe^{-\frac{1}{2}x} dx = 9$ , where  $p$  is a positive constant.

(i) Show that  $p = 2 \ln \left( \frac{8p + 16}{7} \right)$ . [5]

(ii) Use an iterative process based on the equation in part (i) to find the value of  $p$  correct to 3 significant figures. Use a starting value of 3.5 and give the result of each iteration to 5 significant figures. [3]

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Q9.

- (i) By sketching each of the graphs  $y = \operatorname{cosec} x$  and  $y = x(\pi - x)$  for  $0 < x < \pi$ , show that the equation

$$\operatorname{cosec} x = x(\pi - x)$$

has exactly two real roots in the interval  $0 < x < \pi$ . [3]

- (ii) Show that the equation  $\operatorname{cosec} x = x(\pi - x)$  can be written in the form  $x = \frac{1 + x^2 \sin x}{\pi \sin x}$ . [2]

- (iii) The two real roots of the equation  $\operatorname{cosec} x = x(\pi - x)$  in the interval  $0 < x < \pi$  are denoted by  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , where  $\alpha < \beta$ .

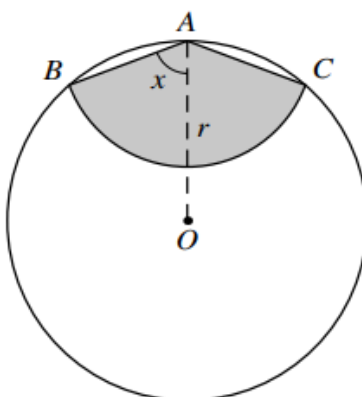
- (a) Use the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1 + x_n^2 \sin x_n}{\pi \sin x_n}$$

to find  $\alpha$  correct to 2 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]

- (b) Deduce the value of  $\beta$  correct to 2 decimal places. [1]
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Q10.



In the diagram,  $A$  is a point on the circumference of a circle with centre  $O$  and radius  $r$ . A circular arc with centre  $A$  meets the circumference at  $B$  and  $C$ . The angle  $OAB$  is equal to  $x$  radians. The shaded region is bounded by  $AB$ ,  $AC$  and the circular arc with centre  $A$  joining  $B$  and  $C$ . The perimeter of the shaded region is equal to half the circumference of the circle.

(i) Show that  $x = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\pi}{4 + 4x} \right)$ . [3]

(ii) Verify by calculation that  $x$  lies between 1 and 1.5. [2]

(iii) Use the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\pi}{4 + 4x_n} \right)$$

to determine the value of  $x$  correct to 2 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]