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Detailed Answers**



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**SECTION A**

**ANSWERS**

1	A	B	C	D
2	A	B	C	D
3	A	B	C	D
4	A	B	C	D
5	A	B	C	D
6	A	B	C	D
7	A	B	C	D
8	A	B	C	D
9	A	B	C	D
10	A	B	C	D
11	A	B	C	D
12	A	B	C	D
13	A	B	C	D
14	A	B	C	D
15	A	B	C	D
16	A	B	C	D
17	A	B	C	D
18	A	B	C	D
19	A	B	C	D
20	A	B	C	D

## SECTION A

### Question 1

**Answer A**

Both functions have periods  $T = \frac{2\pi}{\frac{\pi}{c}} = 2c$ , both functions have an amplitude of  $b$ ,

both functions have a range of  $[a-b, a+b]$

### Question 2

**Answer C**

$f(x) = \log_e(b-x)$  domain  $b-x > 0$ ,  $x < b$

$g(x) = \sqrt{x+b}$  domain  $x+b \geq 0$ ,  $x \geq -b$ ,

domain of  $\frac{f}{g} = -b < x < b = (-b, b)$  since  $g(x) \neq 0$

Define  $f(x) = \ln(b-x)$  *Done*

Define  $g(x) = \sqrt{x+b}$  *Done*

domain  $\left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}, x\right)$   $-b < x < b$

### Question 3

**Answer A**

$$\int_0^{4a} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{2a} f(x) dx + \int_{2a}^{4a} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{2a} f(x) dx - \int_{4a}^{2a} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{2a} f(x) dx - \int_{4a}^{2a} f(u) du \quad \text{let } u = 4a - x$$

$$= \int_0^{2a} f(x) dx + \int_0^{2a} f(4a-x) dx = \int_0^{2a} (f(x) + f(4a-x)) dx$$

Define  $f(x) = x^3$  *Done*

$$\int_0^{4 \cdot a} f(x) dx = 64 \cdot a^4$$

$$\int_0^{2 \cdot a} (f(x) + f(4 \cdot a - x)) dx = 64 \cdot a^4$$

reflect in the y-axis

and translate  $4a$  units to the right

### Question 4

**Answer B**

$x$	1	2	3	4
$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{4}$

$$a = 1, \quad b = 4, \quad n = 3. \quad h = \frac{b-a}{n} = 1$$

$$A_T = \frac{h}{2} (f(1) + 2(f(2) + f(3)) + f(4)) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + 2 \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{35}{24}$$

**Question 5** **Answer C**

Consider the function  $f: R \rightarrow R$ ,  $f(x) = x + 2$ .

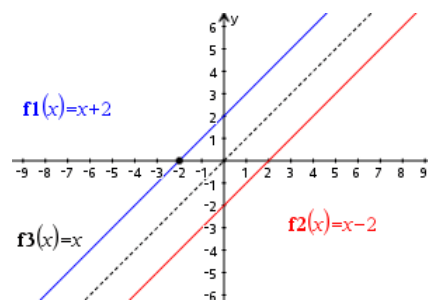
$$f: y = x + 2$$

$$f^{-1}: x = y + 2$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = x - 2$$

$$f(x) = f^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow x + 2 = x - 2$$

This equation is inconsistent, there is no solution, with  $y = x$  as all three lines are parallel. Colin is correct.



Consider the function  $f: R \rightarrow R$ ,  $f(x) = -x^3$ .

$$f: y = -x^3$$

$$f^{-1}: x = -y^3, y = -x^{\frac{1}{3}} = -\sqrt[3]{x}$$

both the function  $f$  and its inverse have domain and range  $R$ .

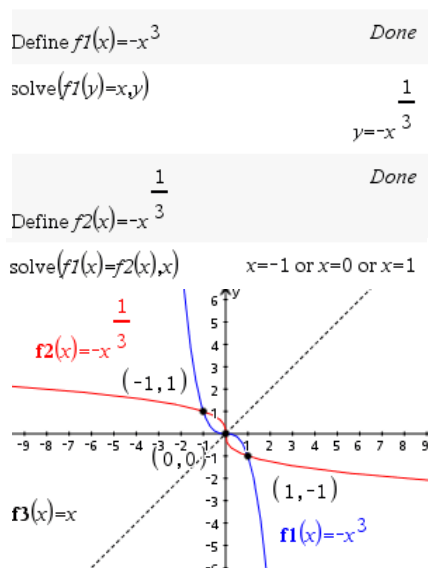
solving  $f(x) = f^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow (1) -x^3 = -\sqrt[3]{x}$

$$(1) x^9 = x \Rightarrow x = 0, \pm 1$$

There are three points of intersection between the function and its inverse, with coordinates  $(-1, 1)$ ,  $(1, -1)$  and the origin  $(0, 0)$ . Only the point at the origin only lies on the line  $y = x$ .

Ben is correct.

Other functions are possible to show that both Ben and Colin are correct.



**Question 6** **Answer B**

BR or RB, 2 ways of drawing one red and one blue, without replacement

$$\text{Box A: } \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(r-1)(b+1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)} + \frac{(b+1)(r-1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)} \right] = \frac{(r-1)(b+1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)}$$

$$\text{Box B: } \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(r+1)(b-1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)} + \frac{(b-1)(r+1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)} \right] = \frac{(r+1)(b-1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)}$$

$$\text{Box A or B } \frac{(r-1)(b+1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)} + \frac{(r+1)(b-1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)} = \frac{2(br-1)}{(b+r)(b+r-1)}$$

$$\frac{(r-1) \cdot (b+1) + (r+1) \cdot (b-1)}{(b+r) \cdot (b+r-1)} = \frac{2 \cdot (b \cdot r - 1)}{(b+r) \cdot (b+r-1)}$$

**Question 7** **Answer D**

When  $n = 2$ ,  $y = \sqrt{x-a}$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x-a}}$

When  $n = -3$ ,

$$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x-a}} = (x-a)^{-\frac{1}{3}}, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{3}(x-a)^{-\frac{4}{3}}$$

When  $n = -\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y = \frac{1}{(x-a)^2}$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2}{(x-a)^3}$

All of **A**, **B** and **C** are not differentiable at  $x = a$ .

When  $n = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y = (x-a)^2$  is differentiable at  $x = a$

$\frac{1}{n}$	<i>Done</i>
Define $f(x) = (x-a)^n$   $n=2$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) _{x=a}$	undef

$\frac{1}{n}$	<i>Done</i>
Define $f(x) = (x-a)^n$   $n=-3$	

$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) _{x=a}$	undef
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$\frac{1}{n}$	<i>Done</i>
Define $f(x) = (x-a)^n$   $n=-\frac{1}{2}$	

$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) _{x=a}$	undef
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$\frac{1}{n}$	<i>Done</i>
Define $f(x) = (x-a)^n$   $n=\frac{1}{2}$	

$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) _{x=a}$	0
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**Question 8** **Answer A**

$$y = 4 \tan\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right) = \frac{4 \sin\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right)}{\cos\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right)}$$

crosses the  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$  so  $\sin\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right) = 0$

has vertical asymptotes when  $\cos\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right) = 0$

solve $\left(\sin\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right) = 0, x\right)$	$x = \frac{(3 \cdot n1 - 1) \cdot \pi}{6}$	$x = \frac{(3 \cdot (k+1) - 1) \cdot \pi}{6}$	$x = \frac{(3 \cdot k + 2) \cdot \pi}{6}$
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solve $\left(\cos\left(2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right) = 0, x\right)$	$x = \frac{(6 \cdot n2 - 5) \cdot \pi}{12}$	$x = \frac{(6 \cdot (k-1) - 5) \cdot \pi}{12}$	$x = \frac{(6 \cdot k - 11) \cdot \pi}{12}$
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**Question 9** **Answer C**

$$\Pr(X \geq 2) = 1 - [\Pr(X = 1) + \Pr(X = 0)] = 1 - \left[ \binom{10}{1} 0.37 \times 0.63^9 + 0.63^{10} \right]$$

$n = 10$ ,  $q = 0.63$ ,  $p = 0.37$ , at least two successes in ten trials each with a probability of 0.37

**Question 10** **Answer A**

$$\left( \hat{p} - z\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + z\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right)$$

$z_{95} = \text{invNorm}(0.975, 0, 1)$	1.9600
$z_{99} = \text{invNorm}(0.995, 0, 1)$	2.5758

$$CI: 99\%, z = 2.5758 \left( \hat{p} - 2.5758\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + 2.5758\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right) = (a, b)$$

$$(1) a = \hat{p} - 2.5758\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \quad (2) b = \hat{p} + 2.5758\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}((1)+(2)) \quad \hat{p} = \frac{a+b}{2}, \quad \frac{1}{2}((2)-(1)) \quad \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} = \frac{b-a}{2 \times 2.5758}$$

CI: 95%,  $z = 1.96$

$$\left( \hat{p} - 1.96\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + 1.96\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{a+b}{2} - \frac{1.96(b-a)}{2 \times 2.5758}, \frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{1.96(b-a)}{2 \times 2.5758} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{a}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1.96}{2.5758} \right) + \frac{b}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{1.96}{2.5758} \right), \frac{a}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{1.96}{2.5758} \right) + \frac{b}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1.96}{2.5758} \right) \right)$$

$$(0.88a + 0.12b, 0.12a + 0.88b)$$

zInterval_1Prop 20,100,0.99: stat.results	"Title"	"1-Prop z Interval"
	"CLower"	0.097
	"CUpper"	0.303
	"p"	0.200
	"ME"	0.103
	"n"	100.000

$$0.88 \cdot \text{stat.CLower} + 0.12 \cdot \text{stat.CUpper} \quad 0.122$$

$$0.12 \cdot \text{stat.CLower} + 0.88 \cdot \text{stat.CUpper} \quad 0.278$$

zInterval_1Prop 20,100,0.95: stat.results	"Title"	"1-Prop z Interval"
	"CLower"	0.122
	"CUpper"	0.278
	"p"	0.200
	"ME"	0.078
	"n"	100.000

**Question 11**                      **Answer D**

$$f(x) = g(x)e^{g(x)} \quad \text{using the product rule}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(g(x)) \times e^{g(x)} + g(x) \frac{d}{dx}(e^{g(x)})$$

$$f'(x) = g'(x)e^{g(x)} + g(x)g'(x)e^{g(x)}$$

$$f'(x) = g'(x)e^{g(x)}(1 + g(x))$$

$$f'(2) = g'(2)e^{g(2)}(1 + g(2)) = 3e^4(1 + 4)$$

$$f'(2) = 15e^4$$

**Question 12**                      **Answer B**

$$f(x) = \int g(x) dx \quad \Rightarrow \quad g(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) = f'(x)$$

$$h(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(g(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(f'(x))$$

**Question 13**                      **Answer B**

$$n = 18, \quad \hat{p} = \frac{X}{18} \quad X \stackrel{d}{=} Bi(n = 18, p = ?)$$

$$\Pr\left(\hat{p} = \frac{1}{3}\right) = \Pr(X = 6) = \binom{18}{6} p^6 (1-p)^{12} = 0.1873$$

solving gives  $p = 0.3$ ,

$$\Pr\left(\hat{p} < \frac{1}{2}\right) = \Pr(X < 9)$$

$$= \Pr(X \leq 8) = 0.940$$

$$\text{solve}(\text{nCr}(18,6) \cdot p^6 \cdot (1-p)^{12} = 0.1873, p) \mid 0 < p < 0.35$$

$$p = 0.3000$$

$$\text{binomCdf}(18, 0.3, 0, 8)$$

$$0.9404$$

**Question 14**

**Answer B**

If  $f(x)$  is a non-zero odd function, then  $f(-x) = -f(x)$

Let  $f(x) = x^3$ ,  $f(-x) = (-x)^3 = -x^3 = -f(x)$

$f \circ f(x) = f(f(x)) = f(x^3) = x^9$  which is an odd function **B.** is true.

All of **A.** **C.** and **D.** are false.

Define  $f(x) = x^3$  *Done*

$f(-x) = -f(x)$  true

$f(f(-x)) = -f(f(x))$  true

Define  $a(x) = f(x^2) \cdot \cos(x)$  *Done*

$a(-x) = -a(x)$   $x^6 \cdot \cos(x) = -x^6 \cdot \cos(x)$

Define  $c(x) = f(x^3) \cdot \sin(x)$  *Done*

$c(-x) = -c(x)$   $x^9 \cdot \sin(x) = -x^9 \cdot \sin(x)$

Define  $d(x) = f(x^2) - f(x)$  *Done*

$d(-x) = -d(x)$   $x^6 + x^3 = x^3 - x^6$



**Question 15** **Answer D**

$\sum \Pr(X = x) = 1$  for all  $p$ , however since they are probabilities  $0 < 1 - \frac{5p}{6} < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < p < \frac{6}{5}$

$$E(X) = \sum x \Pr(X = x) = 1 \times \frac{p}{2} + 2 \times \frac{p}{3} + 3 \left( 1 - \frac{5p}{6} \right) = \frac{1}{3}(9 - 4p)$$

$$E(X^2) = \sum x^2 \Pr(X = x) = 1 \times \frac{p}{2} + 4 \times \frac{p}{3} + 9 \left( 1 - \frac{5p}{6} \right) = \frac{1}{3}(27 - 17p)$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = \frac{p}{9}(21 - 16p) = \frac{1}{9}(21p - 16p^2)$$

for maximum variance  $\frac{dV}{dp} = \frac{1}{9}(21 - 32p) = 0, \quad p = \frac{21}{32}$

A, B, C are all true, D is false

A xv	B pv
1	$p/2$
2	$p/3$
3	$1 - 5 \cdot p/6$

$$ex := \sum(xv \cdot pv) \qquad 3 - \frac{4 \cdot p}{3}$$

$$ex2 := \sum(xv^2 \cdot pv) \qquad 9 - \frac{17 \cdot p}{3}$$

$$vx := ex2 - ex^2 \qquad \frac{7 \cdot p}{3} - \frac{16 \cdot p^2}{9}$$

$$\frac{d}{dp}(vx) \qquad \frac{7}{3} - \frac{32 \cdot p}{9}$$

$$\text{solve} \left( \frac{d}{dp}(vx) = 0, p \right) \qquad p = \frac{21}{32}$$

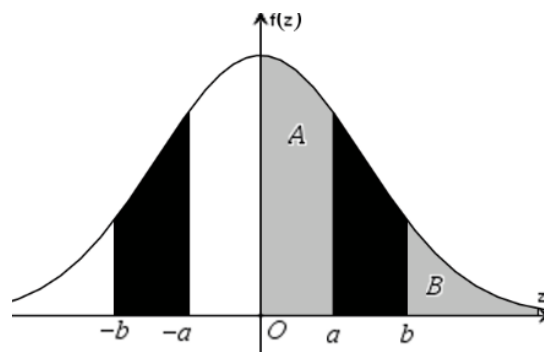
**Question 16** **Answer C**

$$\Pr(-b < Z < -a \mid Z < 0) = \frac{\Pr(-b < Z < -a)}{\Pr(Z < 0)} = \frac{\Pr(a < Z < b)}{\Pr(Z > 0)} \quad \text{since } 0 < a < b < 3$$

$$= \frac{0.5 - [\Pr(0 < Z < a) + \Pr(Z > b)]}{0.5}$$

$$= \frac{0.5 - (A + B)}{0.5}$$

$$= 1 - 2(A + B)$$



**Question 17**

**Answer D**

$$3x - 2y + z = 1$$

$$-x + y - z = 2$$

Allan stated that the general solution could be expressed as

$$x = k, y = 2k - 3, z = k - 5 \text{ for } k \in R.$$

Ben stated that the general solution could be expressed as

$$x = \frac{k+3}{2}, y = k, z = \frac{k-7}{2} \text{ for } k \in R.$$

Colin stated that the general solution could be expressed as

$$x = k + 5, y = 2k + 7, z = k \text{ for } k \in R.$$

All of Allan, Ben and Colin are correct.

$$eq1 := 3 \cdot x - 2 \cdot y + z = 1$$

$$3 \cdot x - 2 \cdot y + z = 1$$

$$eq2 := -x + y - z = 2$$

$$-x + y - z = 2$$

$$\text{solve}(eq1 \text{ and } eq2, \{y, z\})|x=k$$

$$y = 2 \cdot k - 3 \text{ and } z = k - 5$$

$$\text{solve}(eq1 \text{ and } eq2, \{x, z\})|y=k$$

$$x = \frac{k+3}{2} \text{ and } z = \frac{k-7}{2}$$

$$\text{solve}(eq1 \text{ and } eq2, \{x, y\})|z=k$$

$$x = k + 5 \text{ and } y = 2 \cdot k + 7$$

**Question 18**

**Answer D**

Newton's method will succeed if the gradient is defined and non-zero at  $x_0$ . Only **D**. has  $f'(x_0) \neq 0$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{3x^2 - 7x + 2}, f'(2) \text{ is not defined}$$

$$f(x) = 3x^3 - 13x^2 + 16x - 4, f'(2) = 0$$

$$f(x) = (3x - 1)\log_e(x - 2), f'(2) \text{ is not defined}$$

$$f(x) = (3x - 1)e^{x-2}, f'(2) \neq 0$$

$$\text{Define } fa(x) = \sqrt{3 \cdot x^2 - 7 \cdot x + 2} \quad \text{Done}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(fa(x))|x=2 \quad \text{undef}$$

$$\text{Define } fb(x) = 3 \cdot x^3 - 13 \cdot x^2 + 16 \cdot x - 4 \quad \text{Done}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(fb(x))|x=2 \quad 0$$

$$\text{Define } fc(x) = (3 \cdot x - 1) \cdot \ln(x - 2) \quad \text{Done}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(fc(x))|x=2 \quad \text{undef}$$

$$\text{Define } fd(x) = (3 \cdot x - 1) \cdot e^{x-2} \quad \text{Done}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(fd(x))|x=2 \quad 8$$

**Question 19**

**Answer C**

iterations	$x_{left}$	$x_{mid}$	$x_{right}$	$f(x_{left}) \cdot f(x_{mid})$
0	2	2.5	3	-1.25
1	2	2.25	2.5	-0.0625
2	2	2.125	2.25	0.4844
3	2.125	2.1875	2.25	0.1041

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xleft  xmid  xright  f(xleft)*f(xmid)
2.0000 2.5000 3.0000  -1.2500
2.0000 2.2500 2.5000  -0.0625
2.0000 2.1250 2.2500  0.4844
2.1250 2.1875 2.2500  0.1041
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Define bisection()=
Prgm
maxiter:=4
xleft:=2
xright:=3
Define f(x)=x^2-5
If f(xleft)*f(xright)>0 Then
  Disp "starting values will not converge"
  Return
EndIf
i:=0
Disp " xleft  xmid  xright  f(xleft)*f(xmid)"
While i<maxiter
  xmid:=(xleft+xright)/2
  Disp xleft,xmid,xright," " f(xleft)*f(xmid)
  If f(xleft)*f(xmid)<0 Then
    xright:=xmid
  Else
    xleft:=xmid
  EndIf
  i:=i+1
EndWhile
EndPrgm
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**Question 20**

**Answer A**

$$\sin^2(x) = \frac{a}{c}, \quad \sin(x) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{c}}, \quad \cos^2(y) = \frac{b}{c}, \quad \cos(y) = \sqrt{\frac{b}{c}}$$

since  $0 < a < b < c < 1$ ,  $\sin(x) > 0$  and  $\cos(y) > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_2(\sin(x)\cos(y)) \\ &= \log_2\left(\sqrt{\frac{a}{c}}\sqrt{\frac{b}{c}}\right) = \log_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{c}\right) = \log_2(\sqrt{ab}) - \log_2(c) \\ &= \log_e\left((ab)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) - \log_2(c) = \frac{1}{2}(\log_2(ab)) - \log_2(c) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\log_2(a) + \log_2(b)) - \log_2(c) \end{aligned}$$

**END OF SECTION A SUGGESTED ANSWERS**

**SECTION B**

**Question 1**

a.  $f : R \rightarrow R, f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 3$

$$m(x) = f'(x) = 4x^2(x-3) = 0$$

for turning points

$$x = 0, x = 3, f(3) = -24$$

$(3, -24)$  is an absolute minimum turning point

A1

b.  $m'(x) = 12x^2 - 24x$

$$m'(x) = 12x(x-2) = 0 \text{ for inflection points}$$

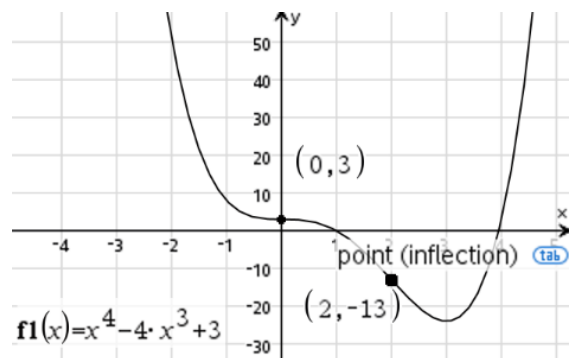
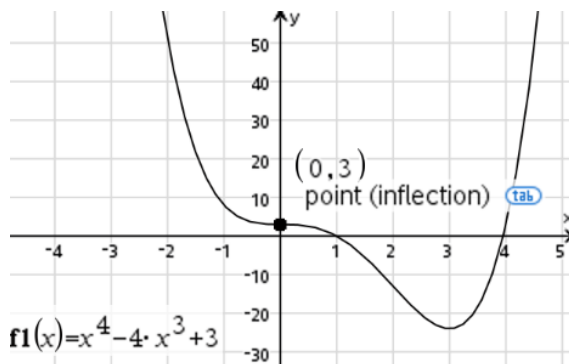
$$x = 0, 2$$

$$f(0) = 3, f(2) = -13$$

$(0, 3)$  is a stationary point of inflection

$(2, -13)$  is a point of inflexion

A1



c. at  $x = 2$   $f(2) = -13, f'(2) = -16$

the tangent line at  $x = 2$  is

$$y + 13 = -16(x - 2) = -16x + 32$$

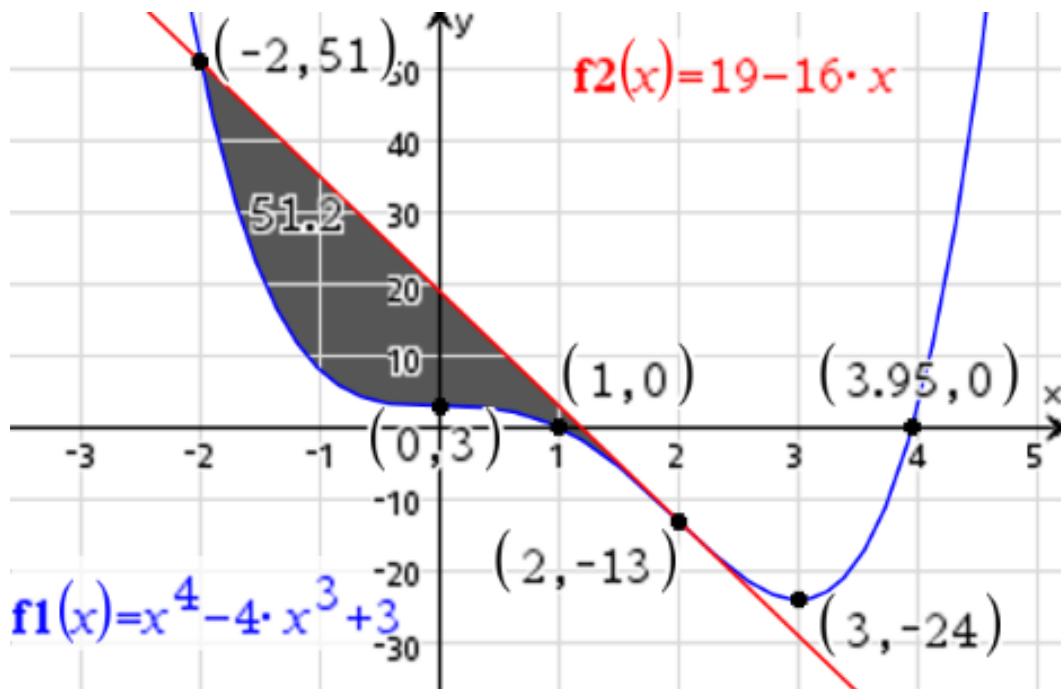
$$y = g(x) = -16x + 19$$

note the curve crosses the tangent at the point of inflection.

A1

d.

G2



e.

$$g(x) - f(x)$$

$$= (-16x + 19) - (x^4 - 4x^3 + 3)$$

$$= -x^4 + 4x^3 - 16x + 16$$

M1

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

$$g(x) = f(x), \Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

i.

the area is  $A = \int_{-b}^b (g(x) - f(x)) dx$

$$A = \int_{-2}^2 (x+2)(2-x)^3 dx$$

A1

$$b = 2, \quad n = 3$$

ii.

$$A = \frac{256}{5} = 51\frac{1}{5} = 51.2$$

A1

f.

solving  $\frac{f(c) - f(1)}{c-1} = -12, \quad c > 1$  gives  $c = \sqrt{3}$  or  $c = 3$

A1

g.

$h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad h(x) = f(x) + k$ , need to translate the graph up by 24 or more units, so that for the graph to not cross the  $x$ -axis, require  $k > 24$  or  $k \in (24, \infty)$

A1

$$\text{Define } f1(x) = x^4 - 4 \cdot x^3 + 3 \quad \text{Done}$$

$$\text{factor}(f1(x)) \quad (x-1) \cdot (x^3 - 3 \cdot x^2 - 3 \cdot x - 3)$$

$$\text{solve}(f1(x)=0, x) \quad x=1.00000 \text{ or } x=3.95137$$

$$\text{solve}\left(\frac{d}{dx}(f1(x))=0, x\right) \quad x=0 \text{ or } x=3$$

$$f1(3) \quad -24$$

$$f1(2) \quad -13$$

$$\text{tangentLine}(f1(x), x, 2) \quad 19 - 16 \cdot x$$

$$\text{Define } f2(x) = 19 - 16 \cdot x \quad \text{Done}$$

$$\text{solve}(f1(x)=f2(x), x) \quad x=-2 \text{ or } x=2$$

$$f2(x) - f1(x) \quad -x^4 + 4 \cdot x^3 - 16 \cdot x + 16$$

$$\text{factor}(f2(x) - f1(x)) \quad -(x-2)^3 \cdot (x+2)$$

$$\int_{-2}^2 \left( -(x-2)^3 \cdot (x+2) \right) dx \quad 51.20000$$

$$\text{solve}\left(\frac{f1(c) - f1(1)}{c-1} = -12, c\right) | c > 1 \quad c = \sqrt{3} \text{ or } c = 3$$

**Question 2**  $f : R \rightarrow R, f(x) = e^{-x^2}$

**a.i.**  $A(a) = 2af(a) = 2ae^{-a^2}$

$$\frac{dA}{da} = (2 - 4a^2)e^{-a^2} = 0 \text{ for maximum area } a = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \quad \text{M1}$$

**ii.**  $A_{\max} = A\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{e}}$  A1

**iii.** the inflexion points are  $(\pm 0.7071, 0.6065)$   $a = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \approx 0.7071$   
yes Jenny's assertion is correct. A1

**b.i.**  $s(a) = \sqrt{a^2 + (f(a))^2} = \sqrt{a^2 + e^{-2a^2}}$   
 $\frac{ds}{da} = 0$  for minimum area  $a = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\log_e(4)}$  A1

**ii.**  $s_{\min} = s\left(\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\log_e(4)}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\log_e(4) + 2}$  A1

**c.**  $f(x) = e^{-x^2} \rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right)^2}$  A1

$x = \frac{x' - \mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}, x' = \sqrt{2}\sigma x + \mu, \mu > 0$  A2

- dilate by a factor of  $\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}$  parallel to the  $y$ -axis ( or away from the  $x$ -axis )
- dilate by a factor of  $\sqrt{2}\sigma$  parallel to the  $x$ -axis ( or away from the  $y$ -axis )
- translate by a factor of  $\mu$  to the right parallel to the  $x$ -axis (or away from the  $y$ -axis )

Define  $f1(x) = e^{-x^2}$  Done

Define  $r(a) = 2 \cdot a \cdot f1(a)$  Done

$\frac{d}{da}(r(a)) = (2 - 4 \cdot a^2) \cdot e^{-a^2}$

solve  $\left(\frac{d}{da}(r(a)) = 0, a\right) | a > 0$   $a = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$r\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{2}$

$\frac{d^2}{dx^2}(f1(x)) = (4 \cdot x^2 - 2) \cdot e^{-x^2}$

solve  $\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2}(f1(x)) = 0, x\right)$   $x = \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2}$  or  $x = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

Define  $s(a) = \sqrt{a^2 + (f1(a))^2}$  Done

solve  $\left(\frac{d}{da}(s(a)) = 0, a\right) | a > 0$   $a = \frac{\sqrt{2 \cdot \ln(2)}}{2}$

$s\left(\frac{\sqrt{2 \cdot \ln(2)}}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2 \cdot (\ln(2) + 1)}}{2}$

**Question 3**

**a.i.**  $P \stackrel{d}{=} Bi(n = 50, p = 0.46)$

<code>binomCdf(50,0.46,26,50)</code>	0.238643
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$$\Pr(P > 25)$$

$$= \Pr(26 \leq P \leq 50) = 0.2386$$

A1

**ii.**  $E \stackrel{d}{=} Bi(n = ?, p = 0.07)$

$$\Pr(E \geq 2) \geq 0.3$$

$$1 - \Pr(E \leq 1) \leq 0.7$$

$$1 - (\Pr(E = 0) + \Pr(E = 1)) \leq 0.7$$

$$\Pr(E = 0) + \Pr(E = 1) \geq 0.3$$

$$0.93^n + n \times 0.93^{n-1} \times 0.07 \geq 0.3$$

$$n = 16$$

<code>solve((0.93)^n + n * (0.03)^(n-1) * 0.07 = 0.31, n)</code>	$n = 16.1385$
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<code>binomCdf(n,0.07,2,n) n=15</code>	0.2832
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<code>binomCdf(n,0.07,2,n) n=16</code>	0.3098
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<code>invBinomN(0.7,0.07,1,1)</code>	$\begin{bmatrix} 15 & 0.7168 \\ 16 & 0.6902 \end{bmatrix}$
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A1

**b.**  $\Pr(EH | NB) = \frac{\Pr(EH \cap NB)}{\Pr(NB)} = \frac{23}{177}$

$$= \frac{0.23(1-b)}{0.23(1-b) + 0.77 \times 0.6} = \frac{23}{177}$$

M1

$$b = 0.7, \quad 70\%$$

A1

**c.i.**  $B \stackrel{d}{=} N(96, 8^2)$  time in months

$$\Pr(B > 120 | B \geq 108)$$

M1

$$= \frac{\Pr(B > 120)}{\Pr(B \geq 108)} = \frac{0.00135}{0.0668}$$

<code>normCdf(120,∞,96,8)</code>	0.0202
<code>normCdf(108,∞,96,8)</code>	

$$= 0.0202$$

A1

**ii.**  $\Pr(B > t) = 0.8$

$$\frac{t-96}{8} = 0.8416$$

$$t = 102.73 \text{ months}$$

$$8.56 \text{ years}$$

<code>invNorm(0.8,96,8)</code>	8.5611
12	

A1

**iii.**  $S \stackrel{d}{=} Bi(n = 10, p = 0.0668)$

$$\Pr(S > 2)$$

$$= \Pr(3 \leq S \leq 10) = 0.0251$$

<code>p:=normCdf(108,∞,96,8)</code>	0.0668
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A1

<code>binomCdf(10,p,3,10)</code>	0.0251
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A1



d. White:  $\hat{p}_W = 0.34$ , 95%,  $z = 1.96$

$$(1) CL_W = 0.34 - 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{0.34(1-0.34)}{n_W}}$$

Black:  $\hat{p}_B = 0.21$ , 99%,  $z = 2.576$

$$(2) CU_B = 0.21 + 2.576 \sqrt{\frac{0.21(1-0.21)}{n_B}}$$

solving (1) = (2)  $CL_W = CU_B$  with  $n_B = 3n_W$

gives  $n_W = 139$

$$z_{95} = \text{invNorm}(0.975, 0, 1) \quad 1.9600$$

$$z_{99} = \text{invNorm}(0.995, 0, 1) \quad 2.5758$$

$$clw = 0.34 - z_{95} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{0.34 \cdot (1-0.34)}{nw}}$$

$$0.3400 - 0.9285 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{nw}}$$

$$clu = 0.21 + z_{99} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{0.21 \cdot (1-0.21)}{nb}}$$

$$1.0492 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{nb}} + 0.2100$$

$$\text{solve}(clw = clu, nw) | nb = 3 \cdot nw \quad nw = 139.2732$$

e.  $T \stackrel{d}{=} N(\mu = ?, \sigma^2 = ?)$  time in years

$$\Pr(T > 7) = 0.86$$

$$\Pr(T < 7) = 0.14$$

$$(1) \frac{7 - \mu}{\sigma} = -1.0803$$

$$\Pr(T < 5) = 0.05$$

$$(2) \frac{5 - \mu}{\sigma} = -1.6449$$

solving (1), (2)  $\mu = 10.8$ ,  $\sigma = 3.5$

$$\text{invNorm}(0.14, 0, 1) \quad -1.0803$$

$$\text{invNorm}(0.05, 0, 1) \quad -1.6449$$

M1

$$\text{solve}\left(\frac{7-m}{s} = -1.0803 \text{ and } \frac{5-m}{s} = -1.6449, \{m, s\}\right)$$

$$s = 3.5423 \text{ and } m = 10.8268$$

A1

$$f. f(t) = \begin{cases} b(2t-1) & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \\ \frac{b}{\left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2} & \text{for } 1 < t \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

since it is a probability density function  $\int_{0.5}^4 f(t) dt = 1$  solving gives  $b = \frac{28}{55}$

$$E(T) = \int_{0.5}^4 t f(t) dt = 1.5331$$

$$E(T^2) = \int_{0.5}^4 t^2 f(t) dt = 2.8263$$

$$sd(T) = \sqrt{E(T^2) - (E(T))^2} = 0.6899$$

M1

$$E(T) + 2sd(T) = 2.9129$$

$$E(T) - 2sd(T) = 0.1533 < 0.5$$

$$\Pr(0.5 \leq T \leq E(T) + 2sd(T))$$

$$= \Pr(0.5 \leq T \leq 2.9129)$$

$$= \int_{0.5}^{2.9129} f(t) dt = 0.9345$$

A1

$$\text{Define } f(t) = \begin{cases} b \cdot (2 \cdot t - 1), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t < 1 \\ \frac{b}{\left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2}, & 1 \leq t \leq 4 \end{cases} \quad \text{Done}$$

$$\text{ex} := \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^4 (t \cdot f(t)) dt \quad 1.5331$$

$$\text{solve} \left( \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^4 f(t) dt = 1, b \right) \quad b = \frac{28}{55}$$

$$\text{ex2} := \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^4 (t^2 \cdot f(t)) dt \quad 2.8263$$

$$\text{Define } f(t) = \begin{cases} b \cdot (2 \cdot t - 1), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t < 1 \\ \frac{b}{\left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2}, & 1 \leq t \leq 4 \end{cases} \quad | b = \frac{28}{55} \quad \text{Done}$$

$$sdx := \sqrt{\text{ex2} - \text{ex}^2} \quad 0.6899$$

$$\text{ex} + 2 \cdot sdx \quad 2.9129$$

$$\text{ex} - 2 \cdot sdx \quad 0.1533$$

$$\int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{2.91285} f(t) dt \quad 0.9345$$

**Question 4**

**a.**  $f : [-\pi, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^2 \cos(x)$

$$f(-x) = (-x)^2 \cos(-x)$$

$$= x^2 \cos(x) = f(x)$$

A1

so  $f$  is an even function and the graph of  $y = f(x)$

is symmetrical about the  $y$ -axis.

A1

**b.**  $f'(x) = 2x \cos(x) - x^2 \sin(x) = x(2 \cos(x) - x \sin(x))$

for non-zero turning points  $g(x) = 2 \cos(x) - x \sin(x) = 0$

$$g'(x) = -3 \sin(x) - x \cos(x), \quad x_0 = 0.75$$

$$x_1 = x_0 - \frac{g(x_0)}{g'(x_0)} = 1.117$$

M1

$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{g(x_1)}{g'(x_1)} = 1.077$$

A1

$x_0$	0.75
$x_1$	1.117
$x_2$	1.077

Define $f(x) = x^2 \cdot \cos(x)$	Done
Define $m(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(f(x))$	Done
$m(x)$	$2 \cdot x \cdot \cos(x) - x^2 \cdot \sin(x)$
Define $g(x) = \frac{m(x)}{x}$	Done
$g(x)$	$2 \cdot \cos(x) - x \cdot \sin(x)$

Define $dg(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(g(x))$	Done
$dg(x)$	$-x \cdot \cos(x) - 3 \cdot \sin(x)$
$0.75 - \frac{g(0.75)}{dg(0.75)}$	1.117
$1.117 - \frac{g(1.117)}{dg(1.117)}$	1.077

**c.i.**  $y - a^2 \cos(a) = (2a \cos(a) - a^2 \sin(a))(x - a)$

$$y = (2a \cos(a) - a^2 \sin(a))x - a^2 (\cos(a) - a \sin(a))$$

A1

**ii.** solving  $y = 0$  when  $x = \pi$  and  $0 < a < \pi$  gives  $a = 1.151$ , and

A1

$$y = 0.852 - 0.271x$$

A1

tangentLine( $f(x), x, a$ )

$$2.000 \cdot a \cdot (\cos(a) - 0.500 \cdot a \cdot \sin(a)) \cdot x - a^2 \cdot (\cos(a) - a \cdot \sin(a))$$

$$\text{solve}(a \cdot (2 \cdot \cos(a) - a \cdot \sin(a)) \cdot x - a^2 \cdot (\cos(a) - a \cdot \sin(a)) = 0, a) | x = \pi$$

$$(a - 2 \cdot \pi) \cdot \cos(a) - a \cdot (a - \pi) \cdot \sin(a) = 0 \text{ and } 0 < a < \pi$$

$$a \cdot (2 \cdot \cos(a) - a \cdot \sin(a)) \cdot x - a^2 \cdot (\cos(a) - a \cdot \sin(a)) | a = 1.1509284$$

$$0.852 - 0.271 \cdot x$$

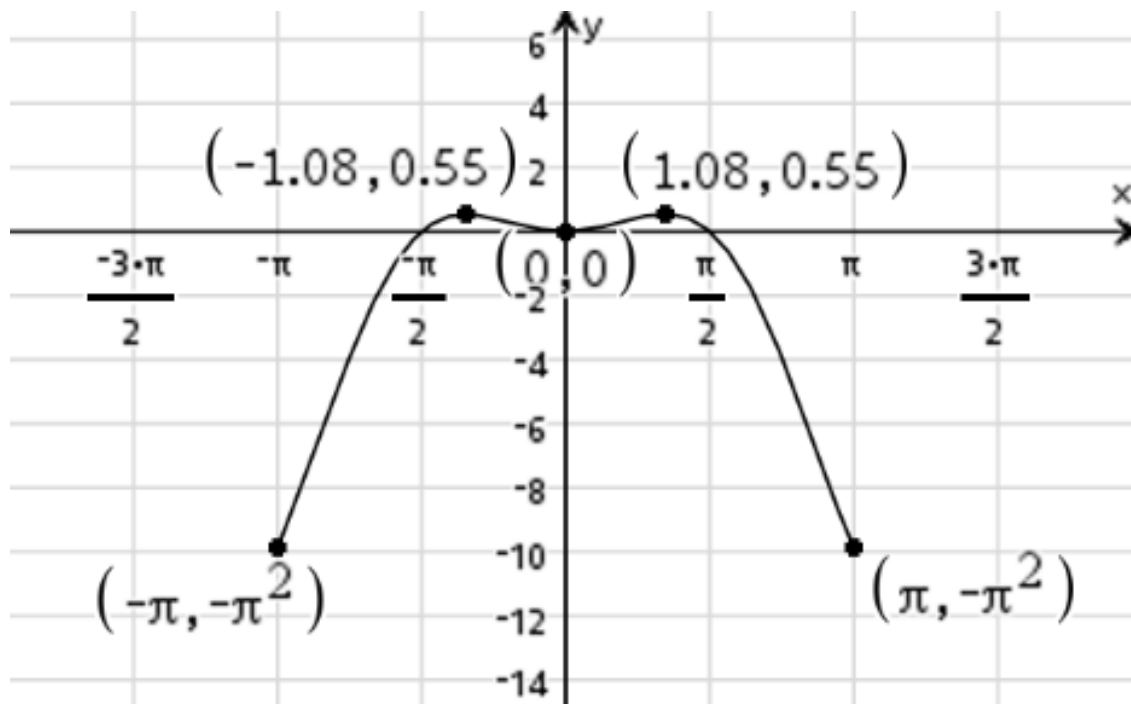
d. endpoints  $(\pm\pi, -\pi^2)$

local minimum turning point  $(0, 0)$

A1

absolute maximum turning points  $(\pm 1.08, 0.55)$

G2



e.  $f$  is strictly increasing for  $x \in [-3.14, -1.08]$  or  $x \in [0, 1.08]$

A1

f. 
$$\bar{f} = \frac{1}{\pi - (-\pi)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 \cos(x) dx = -2$$

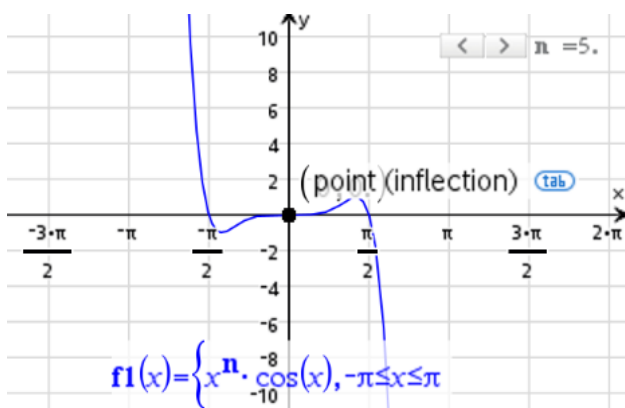
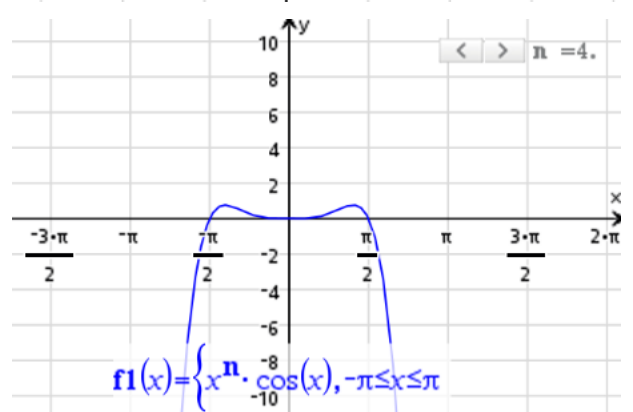
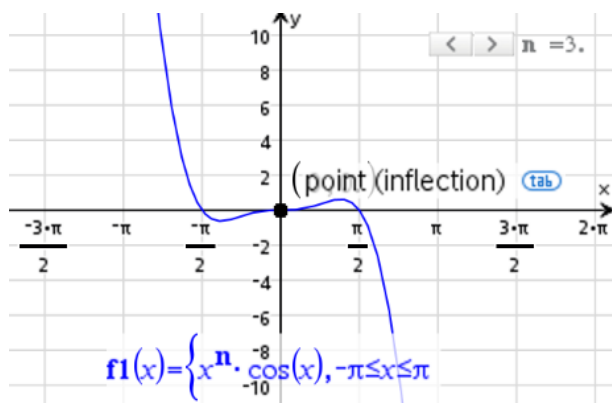
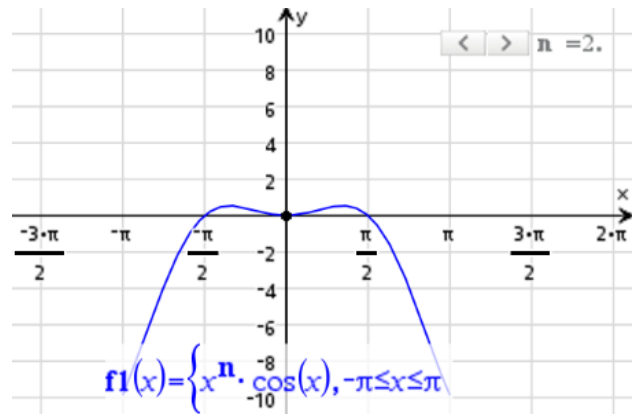
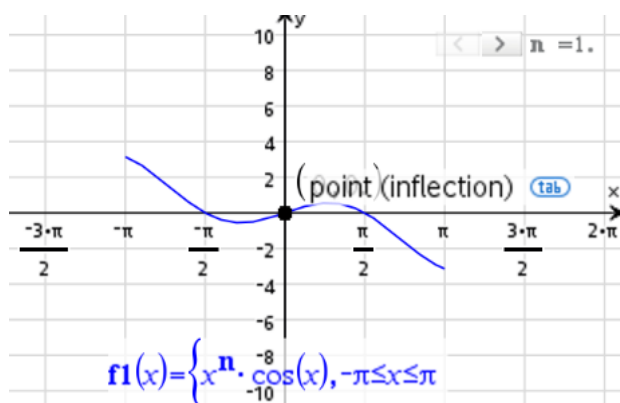
A1

$$\frac{1}{\pi - (-\pi)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = -2$$

g.  $f_n : [-\pi, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f_n(x) = x^n \cos(x), n \in \mathbb{N}.$

A2

values of $n$	The graph of $y = f_n(x)$ at the origin has
$n = 1$	a point of inflection
$n$ even, $2, 4, 6, \dots n = 2k, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$	a local minimum turning point
$n$ odd, $3, 5, 7, \dots n = 2k + 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$	a stationary point of inflection



**Question 5**

a.  $f : \left[\frac{3}{2}, \infty\right) \rightarrow R, f(x) = \sqrt{4x^2 - 9}$

$f: y = \sqrt{4x^2 - 9}$

$f^{-1}: x = \sqrt{4y^2 - 9}, x^2 = 4y^2 - 9, y^2 = \frac{x^2 + 9}{4}$

domain  $f =$  range of  $f^{-1} = \left[\frac{3}{2}, \infty\right)$

domain  $f^{-1} =$  range of  $f = [0, \infty)$

$f^{-1}: [0, \infty) \rightarrow R, f^{-1}(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}{2}$

A1

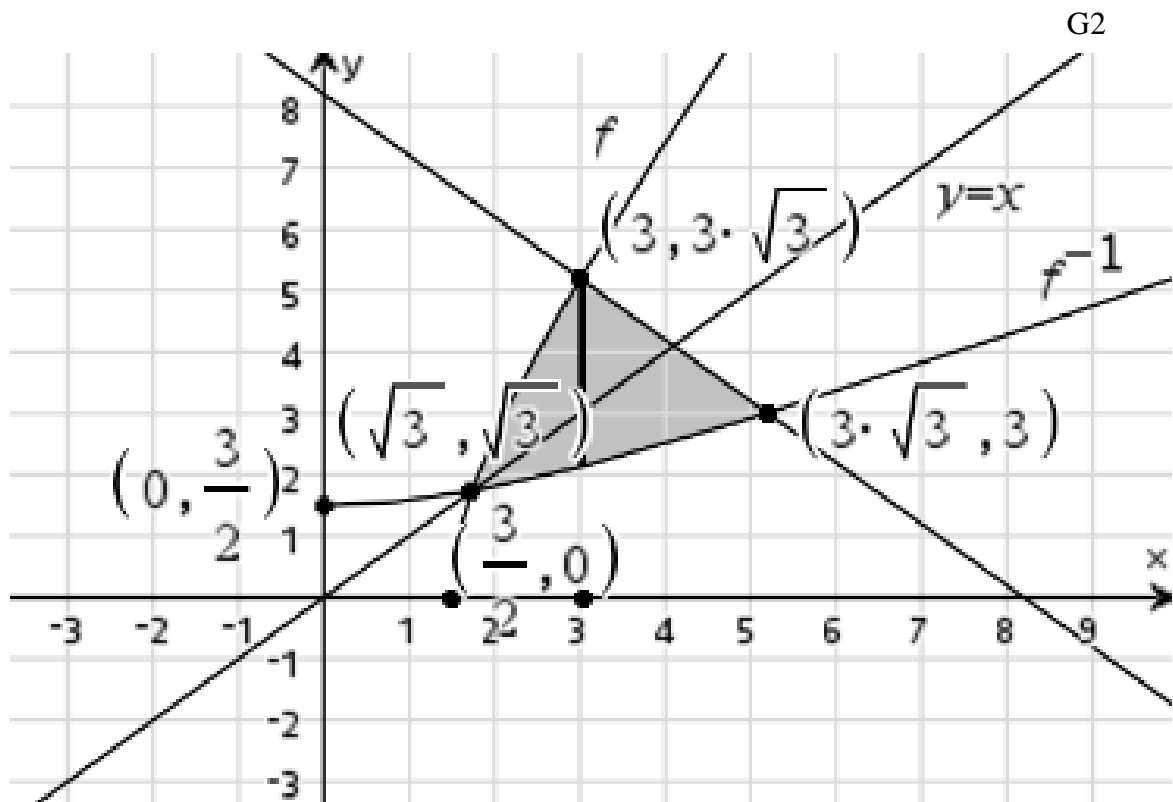
b. solving  $f(x) = f^{-1}(x) \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{3}$

$P(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3})$

A1

Define $f1(x) = \sqrt{4 \cdot x^2 - 9}$	Done solve( $f1(x) = f2(x), x   x > 0$ )	$x = \sqrt{3}$
Define $f2(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}{2}$	Done	

c.



- d.i.** The line  $y = -x + 3(\sqrt{3} + 1)$  intersects the graph of  $f(x) = \sqrt{4x^2 - 9}$  at the point  $(3, 3\sqrt{3})$  and the line  $y = -x + 3(\sqrt{3} + 1)$  intersects the graph of  $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}{2}$  at the point  $(3\sqrt{3}, 3)$ .

The area is  $A = \int_{\sqrt{3}}^3 (f(x) - f^{-1}(x)) dx + \int_3^{3\sqrt{3}} (-x + 3(\sqrt{3} + 1) - f^{-1}(x)) dx$  M1

$$A = \int_{\sqrt{3}}^3 \left( \sqrt{4x^2 - 9} - \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}{2} \right) dx + \int_3^{3\sqrt{3}} \left( -x + 3(\sqrt{3} + 1) - \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}{2} \right) dx$$
 A1

$$\int_{\sqrt{3}}^3 (f1(x) - f2(x)) dx + \int_3^{3 \cdot \sqrt{3}} (f4(x) - f2(x)) dx$$

5.5456

**ii.**  $A = 5.546$  A1

**e.**  $f(x) = \sqrt{4x^2 - 9}$   $\frac{d}{dx}(f1(x))|_{x=\sqrt{3}}$   
4

$f'(x) = \frac{4x}{\sqrt{4x^2 - 9}}$   $\frac{d}{dx}(f2(x))|_{x=\sqrt{3}}$   
 $\frac{1}{4}$

$f'(\sqrt{3}) = 4 = \tan(\theta_1)$   $\tan^{-1}(4) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$   
61.9275

$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}{2}$

$\frac{d}{dx}(f^{-1}(x)) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}$  A1

$\frac{d}{dx}(f^{-1}(x)) \Big|_{x=\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{4} = \tan(\theta_2)$

$\theta_1 - \theta_2 = \tan^{-1}(4) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = 61.9^\circ$  A1

f.  $f(x) = \sqrt{kx^2 - 9}$   $x \in \left[ \frac{3}{\sqrt{k}}, \infty \right)$   
 domain  $f = \left[ \frac{3}{\sqrt{k}}, \infty \right)$  since it is a one-one  
 increasing function, so  $k > 0$ .  
 $f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x^2 + 9}{k}}$

Define  $f(x) = \sqrt{kx^2 - 9}$  Done

Define  $g(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}{\sqrt{k}}$  Done

solve( $f(x) = g(x), x$ )  
 $x = \frac{3}{\sqrt{k-1}}$  and  $\frac{1}{k-1} \geq 0$  or  $x = \frac{-3}{\sqrt{k-1}}$  and  $\frac{1}{k-1}$

The graphs do not intersect when  $0 < k \leq 1$  or  $k \in (0, 1]$

A1

g.  $f(x) = \sqrt{kx^2 - 9}$ ,  $f'(x) = \frac{kx}{\sqrt{kx^2 - 9}}$ ,  $f'(c) = \frac{kc}{\sqrt{kc^2 - 9}} = \tan(\theta_1)$   
 $f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x^2 + 9}{k}}$ ,  $\frac{d}{dx}(f^{-1}(x)) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{k(x^2 + 9)}}$ ,  $\frac{d}{dx}(f^{-1}(x)) \Big|_{x=c} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{k(c^2 + 9)}} = \tan(\theta_2)$

$f(c) = f^{-1}(c)$

A1

$\Rightarrow k = \frac{c^2 + 9}{c^2}$ ,  $c = \frac{3}{\sqrt{k-1}}$

$\tan^{-1}(5) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$  67.3801

$\theta_1 - \theta_2 = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{12}{5}\right) = \tan^{-1}(5) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$

$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{12}{5}\right)$  67.3801

solving  $\frac{kc}{\sqrt{kc^2 - 9}} = 5$  and  $\frac{c}{\sqrt{k(c^2 + 9)}} = \frac{1}{5}$

eq1:  $\frac{c \cdot k}{\sqrt{c^2 \cdot k - 9}} = 5$   $\frac{c \cdot k}{\sqrt{c^2 \cdot k - 9}} = 5$

with  $c = \frac{3}{\sqrt{k-1}}$

eq2:  $\frac{c}{\sqrt{(c^2 + 9) \cdot k}} = \frac{1}{5}$   $\frac{c}{\sqrt{(c^2 + 9) \cdot k}} = \frac{1}{5}$

gives  $c = \frac{3}{2}$

$k = 5$

$\Delta$  solve(eq1 and eq2, k) |  $c = \frac{3}{\sqrt{k-1}}$   $k=5$

A1

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