

GCE Examinations
Advanced / Advanced Subsidiary

Core Mathematics C3

Paper A

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Answer **all** the questions.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures, unless a different degree of accuracy is specified in the question or is clearly appropriate.
- You are permitted to use a graphic calculator in this paper.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**



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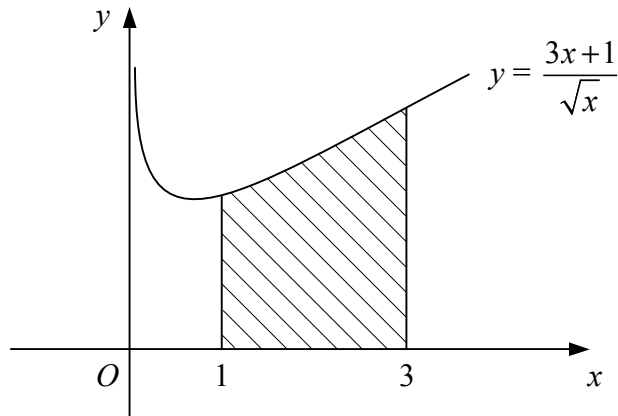
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1. Evaluate

$$\int_2^{15} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2x-3}} dx. \quad [5]$$

2.



The diagram shows the curve with equation $y = \frac{3x+1}{\sqrt{x}}$, $x > 0$.

The shaded region is bounded by the curve, the x -axis and the lines $x = 1$ and $x = 3$.

Find the volume of the solid formed when the shaded region is rotated through four right angles about the x -axis, giving your answer in the form $\pi(a + \ln b)$, where a and b are integers. [6]

3. A curve has the equation $y = (3x - 5)^3$.

(i) Find an equation for the tangent to the curve at the point $P(2, 1)$. [4]

The tangent to the curve at the point Q is parallel to the tangent at P .

(ii) Find the coordinates of Q . [3]

4. Giving your answers to 2 decimal places, solve the simultaneous equations

$$e^{2y} - x + 2 = 0$$

$$\ln(x + 3) - 2y - 1 = 0 \quad [7]$$

5. (i) Find the exact value of x such that

$$3 \tan^{-1}(x - 2) + \pi = 0. \quad [3]$$

- (ii) Solve, for $-\pi < \theta < \pi$, the equation

$$\cos 2\theta - \sin \theta - 1 = 0,$$

giving your answers in terms of π . [5]

6. The functions f and g are defined by

$$f : x \rightarrow 3x - 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$g : x \rightarrow \frac{2}{x+3}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq -3.$$

- (i) Evaluate $fg(1)$. [2]

- (ii) Solve the equation $gf(x) = 6$. [4]

- (iii) Find an expression for $g^{-1}(x)$. [2]

7. (i) Express $2 \sin x^\circ - 3 \cos x^\circ$ in the form $R \sin(x - \alpha)^\circ$ where $R > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 90$. [3]

- (ii) Show that the equation

$$\operatorname{cosec} x^\circ + 3 \cot x^\circ = 2$$

can be written in the form

$$2 \sin x^\circ - 3 \cos x^\circ = 1. \quad [1]$$

- (iii) Solve the equation

$$\operatorname{cosec} x^\circ + 3 \cot x^\circ = 2,$$

for x in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 360$, giving your answers to 1 decimal place. [4]

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8. The functions f and g are defined for all real values of x by

$$f: x \rightarrow |x - 3a|,$$

$$g: x \rightarrow |2x + a|,$$

where a is a positive constant.

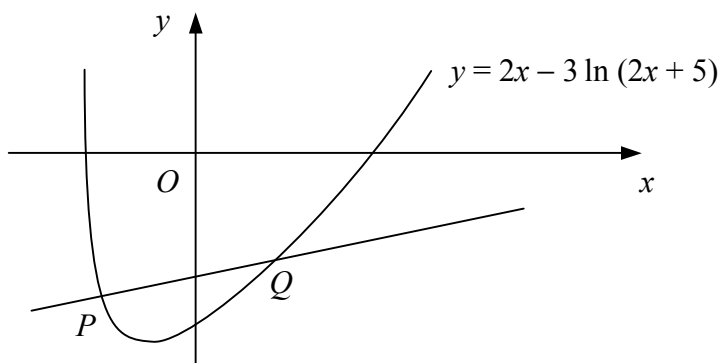
- (i) Evaluate $fg(-2a)$. [2]

- (ii) Sketch on the same diagram the graphs of $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$, showing the coordinates of any points where each graph meets the coordinate axes. [4]

- (iii) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = g(x). \quad [4]$$

9.



The diagram shows the curve with equation $y = 2x - 3 \ln(2x + 5)$ and the normal to the curve at the point $P(-2, -4)$.

- (i) Find an equation for the normal to the curve at P . [4]

The normal to the curve at P intersects the curve again at the point Q with x -coordinate q .

- (ii) Show that $1 < q < 2$. [3]

- (iii) Show that q is a solution of the equation

$$x = \frac{12}{7} \ln(2x + 5) - 2. \quad [2]$$

- (iv) Use an iterative process based on the equation above with a starting value of 1.5 to find the value of q to 3 significant figures and justify the accuracy of your answer. [4]