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Answer all questions in SECTION (1) and four questions from SECTION (2) in the same answer-book.

1 sheet of graph paper supplied. Additional sheets will be supplied on request but all sheets issued must be placed within the answer-book and handed in to the Supervisor.

Logarithm tables are also provided.

SECTION (1)

Answer all questions in this section.

- ✓ 1. Express the function

$$\frac{1+2x+3x^2}{(1-x)(1+x^2)}$$

in partial fractions.

If x is so small that powers higher than the third may be neglected, expand the function in the form

$$A+Bx+Cx^2+Dx^3.$$

- ✓ 2. Given that $3 \cos \theta - \sin \theta = R \cos(\theta + \alpha)$ obtain the values of R and α , where R is a positive constant and α an acute angle.

Hence, or otherwise, find the values of θ lying between 0° and 360° which satisfy the equation

$$3 \cos \theta - \sin \theta = 2.$$

- ✓ 3. The coordinates of the points A and B are $(-2, 2)$ and $(3, 1)$ respectively. Show that the equation of the circle which has AB as a diameter is

$$x^2 + y^2 - x - 3y - 4 = 0.$$

If A and B are opposite corners of a square, find the coordinates of the other two corners.

- ✓ 4. A sports field is to have the shape of a rectangular area $ABCD$ with semi-circular areas at opposite ends on BC and AD as diameters. Its perimeter is to be 440 yards long and the area of the rectangle $ABCD$ is to be a maximum. Find the dimensions of the rectangle. (Take π as $22/7$.)

- ✓ 5. If $y = e^{-x} \cos x$, determine the three values of x between 0 and 3π for which $dy/dx = 0$. Show that the corresponding values of y form a geometric progression with common ratio $-e^{-\pi}$.

✓ 6. (a) Prove that $\int_0^{\pi/2} (\sin x + \cos x)^2 dx = \frac{\pi}{2} + 1$.

(b) Integrate xe^{2x} with respect to x .

SECTION (2)

Answer four questions from this section.

7. Given that $c(x-a)^p + b = 2x^3 - 12x^2 + 24x - 13$, obtain the values of c , a , p and b .

Hence, or otherwise, find the real root of the equation

$$2x^3 - 12x^2 + 24x - 13 = 0,$$

giving your answer to three decimal places.

Sketch the graph of $y = 2x^3 - 12x^2 + 24x - 13$.

8. A chord AB of a circle subtends an angle θ radians at the centre C of the circle. If the chord divides the area of the circle in the ratio 1:3, show that

$$\sin \theta = \theta - \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

By drawing the graphs of $y = \sin \theta$ and $y = \theta - \frac{\pi}{2}$ between 0 and π on the same diagram, find the angle ACB in degrees.

9. The line $y = mx + c$ is a tangent to the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$. Prove that $c = a/m$ and find the coordinates of the point of contact in terms of a and m .

The tangents at the points P and Q of the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$ intersect at right angles at T and the normals at P and Q intersect at N . Prove that TN is parallel to the axis of the parabola.

10. From a point A on a mountain the angle of elevation of the summit C is α . From a point B higher up the mountain and in the vertical plane through AC the angle of elevation of C is β . The straight line AB is c feet long and the angle of elevation of B from A is θ . If the difference in altitude between C and B is h feet, show that

$$h = c \sin \beta \sin(\alpha - \theta) \operatorname{cosec}(\beta - \alpha).$$

By regarding c , α and θ as constants and differentiating h with respect to β , show that the percentage error in the calculated value of h caused by a small error $\delta\beta$ in β is approximately

$$100 \{ \cot \beta - \cot(\beta - \alpha) \} \delta\beta.$$

- ✓ 11. Show that the area enclosed between the curve $y = \tan x$ and the lines $y = 0$ and $x = \frac{1}{2}\pi$ is $\frac{1}{2}\log_e 2$.

If the above area is rotated through four right angles about the line $y = 0$, prove that the volume generated is $\pi(4 - \pi)/4$.

- ✓ 12. Assuming that $|x| < 1$, write down

- (i) the sum of the infinite geometric series

$$1 + x^2 + x^4 + \dots,$$

- (ii) the first three terms of the series for $\log_e(1+x)$.

Obtain the first two terms of the series for

$$\frac{1}{2} \log_e \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} \right).$$

Assuming also that x is positive, show that the sum of the remaining terms of this series is less than

$$\frac{x^5}{5(1-x^2)}.$$