

# Solomon Practice Paper

## Core Mathematics 3I

Time allowed: 90 minutes

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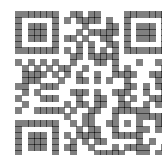
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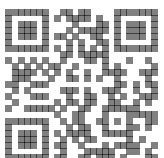


1. Express

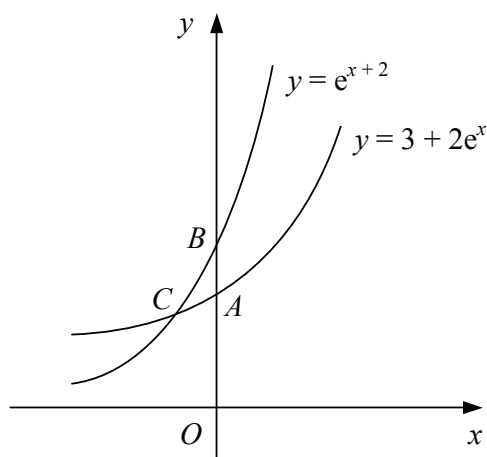
$$\frac{2x}{2x^2 + 3x - 5} \div \frac{x^3}{x^2 - x}$$

as a single fraction in its simplest form.

[5]



2. Figure shows the curves  $y = 3 + 2e^x$  and  $y = e^{x+2}$



which cross the  $y$ -axis at the points  $A$  and  $B$  respectively.

(a) Find the exact length  $AB$ .

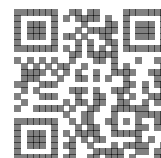
[3]

The two curves intersect at the point  $C$ .

(b) Find an expression for the  $x$ -coordinate of  $C$  and show that the  $y$ -coordinate of  $C$  is  $\frac{3e^2}{e^2-2}$ .

[5]

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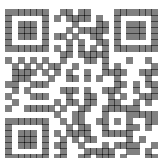
3.

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3}{4x + 1}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -\frac{1}{4}.$$

(a) Find and simplify an expression for  $f'(x)$ . [3]

(b) Find the set of values of  $x$  for which  $f(x)$  is increasing. [5]

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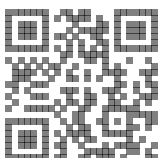
4. The curve  $C$  has the equation  $y = x^2 - 5x + 2 \ln\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$ ,  $x > 0$ .

(a) Show that the normal to  $C$  at the point where  $x = 3$  has the equation [5]

$$3x + 5y + 21 = 0.$$

(b) Find the  $x$ -coordinates of the stationary points of  $C$ . [3]

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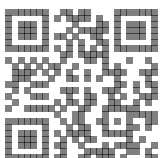


5. The functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined by

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &\equiv 6x - 1, & x &\in \mathbb{R}, \\g(x) &\equiv \log_2(3x + 1), & x &\in \mathbb{R}, x > -\frac{1}{3}.\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Evaluate  $gf(1)$ . [2]
- (b) Find an expression for  $g^{-1}(x)$ . [3]
- (c) Find, in terms of natural logarithms, the solution of the equation  $fg^{-1}(x) = 2$ . [4]

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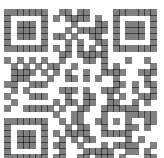
6. (a) Use the identities for  $\cos(A + B)$  and  $\cos(A - B)$  to prove that [4]

$$\cos(P) - \cos(Q) \equiv -2 \sin\left(\frac{P + Q}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{P - Q}{2}\right).$$

- (b) Hence find all solutions in the interval  $0 \leq x < 180^\circ$  to the equation [7]

$$\cos(5x^\circ) + \sin(3x^\circ) - \cos(x^\circ) = 0.$$

Total: 11



7. The function  $f$  is defined by

$$f(x) \equiv x^2 - 2ax, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $a$  is a positive constant.

(a) Showing the coordinates of any points where each graph meets the axes, sketch on separate diagrams the graphs of [6]

i.  $y = |f(x)|$ ,

ii.  $y = f(|x|)$ .

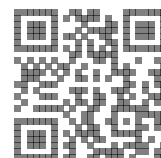
The function  $g$  is defined by

$$g(x) \equiv 3ax, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(b) Find  $fg(a)$  in terms of  $a$ . [2]

(c) Solve the equation  $gf(x) = 9a^3$ . [4]

Total: 12





8.

$$f(x) = 2x + \sin(x) - 3 \cos(x).$$

- (a) Show that the equation  $f(x) = 0$  has a root in the interval  $[0.7, 0.8]$ . [2]
- (b) Find an equation for the tangent to the curve  $y = f(x)$  at the point where it crosses the  $y$ -axis. [4]
- (c) Find the values of the constants  $a, b$  and  $c$ , where  $b > 0$  and  $0 < c < \frac{\pi}{2}$ , such that [4]

$$f'(x) = a + b \cos(x - c).$$

- (d) Hence find the  $x$ -coordinates of the stationary points of the curve  $y = f(x)$  in the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ , giving your answers to 2 decimal places. [4]

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