

# Solomon Practice Paper

## Pure Mathematics 3F

Time allowed: 90 minutes

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1.

$$f(x) \equiv 2x^2 + 7x - 3.$$

Given that when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $(2x - k)$  the remainder is  $-8$ ,

(a) find the two possible values of  $k$ .

[4]

Given also that when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $(x - 3k)$  the remainder is 27,

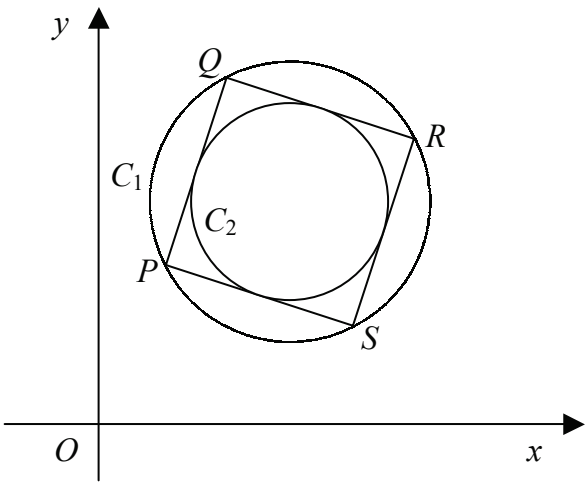
(b) find  $k$ .

[3]

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2. Figure shows a square PQRS.



The corners of the square have the following coordinates:

$P(2, 5), \quad Q(4, 11), \quad R(10, 9), \quad S(8, 3).$

The circle  $C_1$  circumscribes the square.

- (a) Find the coordinates of the centre of circle  $C_1$ . [2]
- (b) Find the radius of circle  $C_1$ . [2]

The circle  $C_2$  is inscribed in the square.

- (c) Find an equation of circle  $C_2$ . [4]

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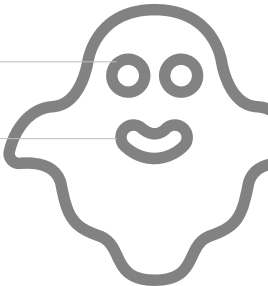
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3. With respect to a fixed origin,  $O$ , the points  $A$  and  $B$  have position vectors  $(\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k})$  and  $(3\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$  respectively.

(a) Write down vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ .

[2]

The point  $C$  has position vector  $(9\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$ .

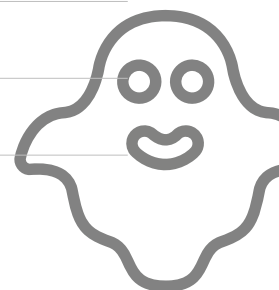
(b) Show that  $\overrightarrow{AC}$  is perpendicular to  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ .

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(c) Find the area of triangle  $ABC$  in the form  $k\sqrt{6}$ .

[4]

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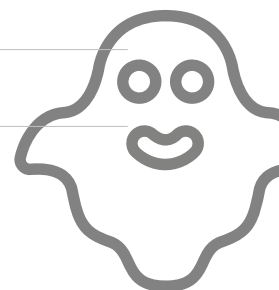
4. (a) Given that  $|x| < \frac{1}{2}$ , expand  $(1 - 2x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  as a series in ascending powers of  $x$ , as far as the term in  $x^3$ . [3]

- (b) Show that when  $x = 0.01$ , [3]

$$(1 - 2x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{7}{10}\sqrt{2}.$$

- (c) Hence, use your series to find the value of  $\sqrt{2}$  correct to 6 decimal places. [4]

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5. (a) Show that

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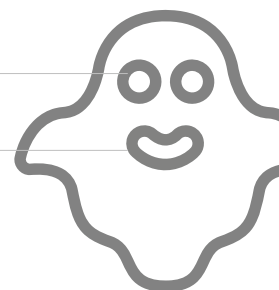
$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (1 - \sin(4x)) \, dx = \frac{1}{4}(\pi - 2).$$

(b) Use integration by parts to find

[7]

$$\int x^2 e^{\frac{1}{2}x} \, dx.$$

Total: 11



6. (a) i. Differentiate  $3^{2x}$  with respect to  $x$ . [7]  
ii. Find the coordinates of the stationary point on the curve

$$y = 3^{2x} - 18(3^x).$$

- (b) A curve is given by [6]

$$(x + 2y)^2 - 3x^2 = 4.$$

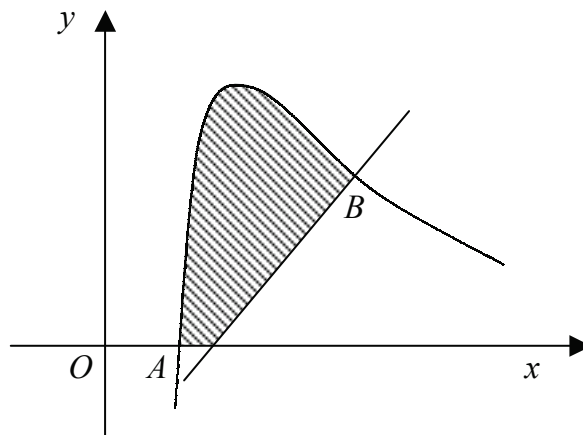
Find the gradient of the curve at the point  $(2, -3)$ .

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7. Figure shows part of the curve with parametric equations

$$x = \frac{3}{t}, \quad \text{and} \quad y = 4t - t^2, \quad t \neq 0.$$



- (a) Find the value of the parameter  $t$  at the point  $A$  where the curve meets the  $x$ -axis. [2]

The point  $B$  on the curve has parameter  $t = 1$ .

- (b) Find an equation of the normal to the curve at the point  $B$ . [6]

- (c) Show that the area of the shaded region enclosed by the curve, the  $x$ -axis and the normal to the curve at  $B$  is  $12(2\ln(2) - 1)$ . [9]

Total: 17

