## Solomon Practice Paper

Pure Mathematics 4D

Time allowed: 90 minutes

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$$f(x) \equiv 3x^3 + kx^2 + 42x + k$$

where k is an integer.

Given that  $(3 + \mathbf{i})$  is a root of the equation f(x) = 0,

(a) find a quadratic factor of f(x),

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(b) find the value of k.

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$$\frac{x}{x-1} > \frac{2}{3-x}.$$



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3. Given that  $y = \frac{1}{2}$  when x = 0, solve the differential equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} - 3x + 4xy = 0,$$

giving your answer in the form y = f(x).

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(b) Hence, show that

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n} \frac{3r+4}{r(r+1)(r+2)} = \frac{n(5n+9)}{2(n+1)(n+2)}.$$

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5. (a) Find the values of a, b and c such that $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ satisfies the differential equation [5]
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$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 y}{\mathrm{d}x^2} + 2\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} + 10y = 5x^2 - 13x + 1.$$

(b) Hence, find the general solution of this differential equation.	(b)	Hence,	find	the general	solution	of this	differential	equation.	
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$$f(x) \equiv \frac{2}{3}x + \sin(2x) - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- (a) By sketching the graphs of  $y = \sin(2x)$  and  $y = 1 \frac{2}{3}x$  on the same diagram, find the number of solutions to the equation f(x) = 0.

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- (b) i. Show that one root,  $\alpha$ , of the equation f(x) = 0 lies in the interval (2.5, 3).
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- ii. Use one application of the method of linear interpolation on this interval to find an approximate value for  $\alpha$ , giving your answer correct to 2 decimal places.
- iii. Determine whether or not your answer to part (ii) gives the value of  $\alpha$  correct to 2 decimal places.
- (c) Use the Newton-Raphson method with a starting value of x = 0.5 to find another root of the equation f(x) = 0 correct to 3 significant figures.

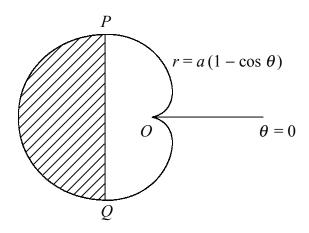
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7. Figure shows the curve C with polar equation

$$r = a(1 - \cos(\theta)), \quad 0 \le \theta < 2\pi,$$

where a is a positive constant.



At the points P and Q the tangents to the curve are parallel to the initial line  $\theta = 0$ .

(a) Find the polar coordinates of P and Q.

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The shaded region is bounded by the curve C and the straight line PQ.

(b) Show that the area of the shaded region is  $\frac{1}{16}a^2(8\pi + 9\sqrt{3})$ .

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