

# Solomon Practice Paper

## Pure Mathematics 2J

Time allowed: 90 minutes

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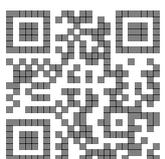
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1. Given that  $y = 3e^x + 2 \ln(x)$ , find  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ . [4]

2. (a) By letting  $p = \log_a(x)$  and  $q = \log_a(y)$ , or otherwise, prove that [4]

$$\log_a(xy) \equiv \log_a(x) + \log_a(y).$$

(b) Find integers  $A$  and  $B$  such that [4]

$$\ln(48) + \ln(108) = A \ln(2) + B \ln(3).$$

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3. (a) Express  $\left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2x^{-\frac{3}{2}}\right)^2$  in the form  $px + qx^{-1} + rx^{-3}$ . [3]

(b) Show that [5]

$$\int_2^4 \left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2x^{-\frac{3}{2}}\right)^2 dx = \frac{51}{8} - 4 \ln(2).$$

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4. (a) Find the values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ , for which [5]

$$2 \tan^2(\theta) + \sec^2(\theta) = 2,$$

giving your answers in terms of  $\pi$ .

(b) Find the values of  $x$  in the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 180^\circ$ , for which [5]

$$\sin(3x) = \sin(2x).$$

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5. Given that  $a > 0$ ,

(a) sketch on the same set of coordinate axes the graphs of  $y = \frac{1}{2}(x + a)$  and  $y = |2x - a|$ , [5]  
labelling the coordinates of any points where each graph meets the coordinate axes,

(b) find, in terms of  $a$ , the coordinates of any points where the two graphs intersect. [6]

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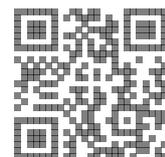
6. (a) Expand  $(4 + 2x)^5$  as a series in ascending powers of  $x$ , simplifying each coefficient. [4]

Hence, find

(b) the coefficient of  $y^4$  in the expansion of  $(4 + \frac{1}{5}y)^5$  as an exact fraction, [3]

(c) the coefficient of  $z^6$  in the expansion of  $(2 + \sqrt{2}z)^5(2 - \sqrt{2}z)^5$ . [4]

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7.

$$f(x) \equiv x^4 - 5x + 3.$$

(a) Show that one root of the equation  $f(x) = 0$  lies in the interval  $(0.6, 0.7)$ . [2]

(b) Using the iteration formula [3]

$$x_{n+1} = 0.2(x_n^4 + 3),$$

with a starting value of  $x_1 = 0.65$ , find this root correct to 3 significant figures.

(c) Show that the equation  $f(x) = 0$  can be rewritten as [2]

$$x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{ax + b}{x^2}}$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers to be found.

(d) Hence, use the iteration formula [2]

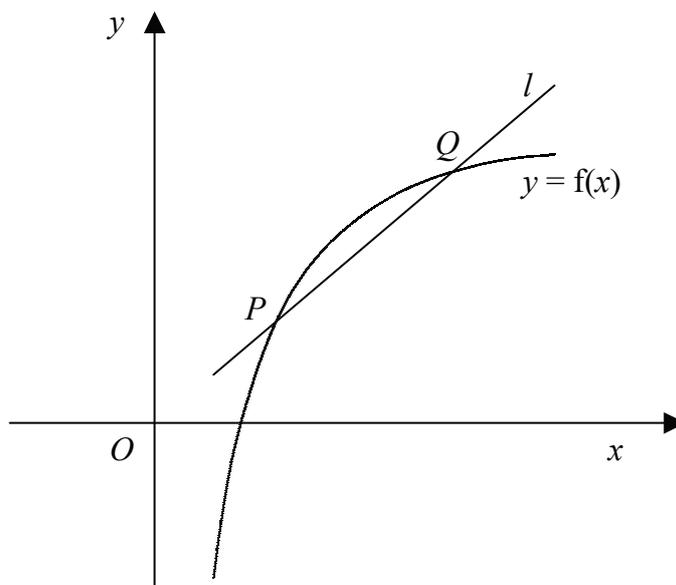
$$x_{n+1} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{a_n x + b}{x_n^2}},$$

together with your values of  $a$  and  $b$  and with  $x_1 = 1.5$  to find  $x_2, x_3$  and  $x_4$  correct to 6 significant figures.

(e) Considering only your values of  $x_2, x_3$  and  $x_4$ , explain why it is reasonable to give a second root of the equation as 1.43 correct to 3 significant figures. [2]

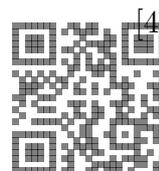
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8. Figure shows the straight line  $l$  and the curve  $y = f(x)$ .



The line and curve intersect at the points  $P(1, \ln(2))$  and  $Q(3, \ln(8))$ .

(a) Find in its simplest form the equation of the line  $l$ . [4]



Given that  $f(x) \equiv \ln(ax + b)$ ,

(b) find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ ,

[5]

(c) hence, find an expression for  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

[3]

Total: 12

