

# Solomon Practice Paper

## Pure Mathematics 2L

Time allowed: 90 minutes

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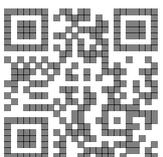
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1. (a) Sketch the following graphs on separate diagrams, labelling the coordinates of any points where each graph meets the coordinate axes. [4]

i.  $y = |x + 1|$ .

ii.  $y = |x| + 1$ .

- (b) Hence, write down the set of values of  $x$  for which [1]

$$|x| + 1 > |x + 1|.$$

Total: 5

2. (a) Prove by counter-example that  $a > b$  does not imply that  $(a + 1)^2 > (b + 1)^2$  for all integers  $a$  and  $b$ . [2]

- (b) Use proof by contradiction to show that  $(4n - 3)$  is odd for all positive integers  $n$ . [4]

Total: 6

3. (a) Expand  $\left(1 + \frac{1}{4}x\right)^8$  in ascending powers of  $x$  as far as the term in  $x^3$ , simplifying the coefficient in each term. [4]

- (b) Use your series to estimate the value of  $\left(\frac{41}{40}\right)^8$ , correct to 4 significant figures. [3]

Total: 7

4. (a) Show that for all values of  $x$ , where  $x$  is measured in degrees, [5]

$$\cos(x + 60^\circ) - \sqrt{3}\sin(x - 60^\circ) \equiv 2\cos(x) - \sqrt{3}\sin(x).$$

- (b) Hence, find the values of  $x$  in the interval  $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$ , for which [4]

$$\cos(x + 60^\circ) - \sqrt{3}\sin(x - 60^\circ) = 0,$$

giving your answers to an appropriate degree of accuracy.

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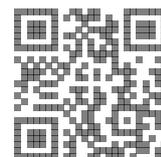
$$f(x) \equiv 2 - \frac{3}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 0.$$

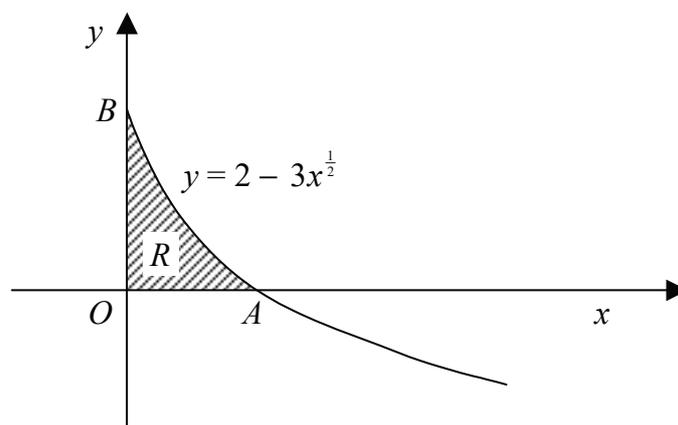
- (a) Find and simplify an expression for  $ff(x)$  and state its domain. [5]

- (b) Show that  $fff(x) = \frac{4x + 3}{6 - x}$ . [4]

Total: 9

6. Figure shows the curve with equation  $y = 2 - 3x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .





The curve meets the  $x$ -axis at the point  $A$  and the  $y$ -axis at the point  $B$ .

- (a) Find the coordinates of the points  $A$  and  $B$ . [3]

The shaded region,  $R$ , is bounded by the curve and the positive coordinate axes.

- (b) Show that the volume generated when  $R$  is rotated through  $360^\circ$  about the  $x$ -axis is  $\frac{8}{27}\pi$ . [7]  
 (c) State, with a reason, whether the volume generated when  $R$  is rotated through  $360^\circ$  about the  $y$ -axis is more, less or the same as your answer to part (b). [2]

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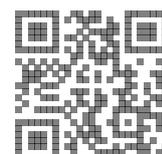
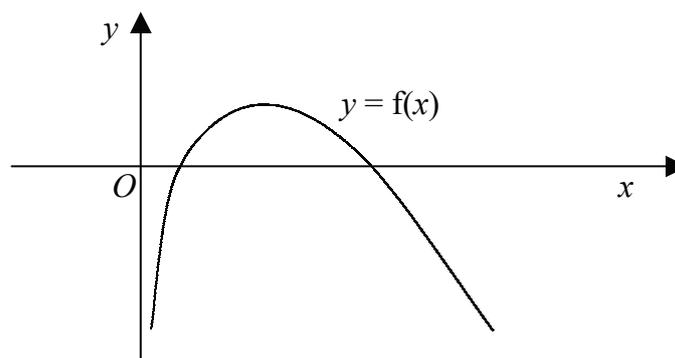
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$$f(x) \equiv \arccos(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad |x| \leq 1.$$

- (a) State the exact value of  $x$  for which  $f(x) = \frac{3}{4}\pi$ . [2]  
 (b) Sketch the curve  $y = f(x)$  and state its range. [3]  
 (c) Use the trapezium rule with 3 equally spaced ordinates to estimate the area enclosed by the curve  $y = f(x)$  and the positive coordinate axes. Give your answer in the form  $k\pi$  where  $k$  is an exact fraction. [5]  
 (d) Explain, with reference to the curve's symmetry, why the total area enclosed by the curve, the  $x$ -axis and the ordinate  $x = -1$  is  $\pi$ . [2]

Total: 12

8. Figure shows the curve  $y = f(x)$  where  $f(x) \equiv \ln(5x) - 2x^2, x > 0$ .



- (a) Show that the maximum value of  $f(x)$  is  $\ln\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2}$ . [5]

The point  $A$  lies on the curve and has  $x$ -coordinate  $\frac{1}{5}$ .

- (b) Show that the equation of the tangent to the curve at  $A$  is  $105x - 25y - 23 = 0$ . [5]

- (c) Show that the equation  $f(x) = 0$  can be rearranged to give  $x = \frac{1}{4}(e^{2x^2} - x)$ . [2]

- (d) Use the iteration formula [3]

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{4}(e^{2x_n^2} - x)$$

with  $x_0 = 0.25$  to find  $x_1, x_2$  and  $x_3$ .

Hence, write down one root of the equation  $f(x) = 0$  correct to an appropriate degree of accuracy.

Total: 15

