



# THE KING'S SCHOOL

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**2008**  
**Higher School Certificate Course**  
**Trial Examination**

## Mathematics

### General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 3 hours
- Write using black or blue pen
- Board-approved calculators may be used
- A table of standard integrals is provided at the back of this paper
- All necessary working should be shown in every question

### Total marks – 120

- Attempt Questions 1-10
- All questions are of equal value

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Answer each question in a SEPARATE writing booklet. Extra writing booklets are available.

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| <b>Question 1 (12 marks)</b> Use a SEPARATE writing booklet. | <b>Marks</b> |
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| (a) Differentiate $xe^x$                                     | 2            |
| (b) $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 6x - 6$<br>Find $f'(-1)$            | 2            |
| (c) Solve $(x - \sqrt{2})^2 = 4$                             | 2            |
| (d) Find a primitive of $\sec^2 2x$                          | 2            |
| (e) Find, correct to two decimal places, $\log_{12} 2008$    | 2            |
| (f) Factorise $a^3 + 8b^3$                                   | 2            |

**End of Question 1**

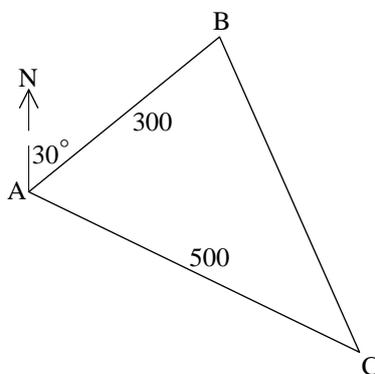
(a) Solve  $\tan\theta + 1 = 0$  for  $0 < \theta < 2\pi$  **2**

(b) Find

(i)  $\int \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} dx$  **2**

(ii)  $\int \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} dx$  **2**

(c)



A ship sails from A for 300 km on a bearing of  $030^\circ$  to B. Another ship sails from A for 500 km on a bearing of  $150^\circ$  to C.

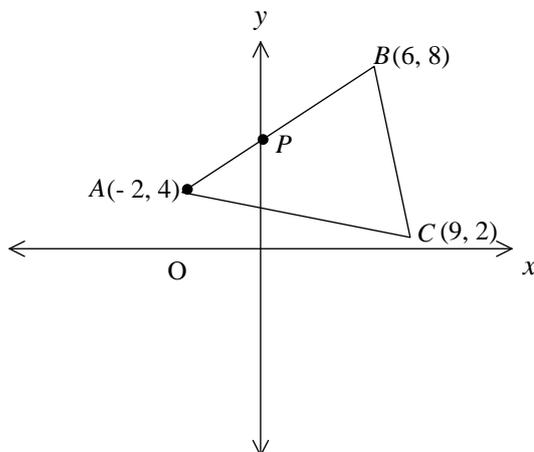
(i) Show that  $\angle BAC = 120^\circ$ . **1**

(ii) Use the cosine rule to show that  $BC = 700$  km. **2**

(iii) Use the sine rule to find the bearing of C from B.  
Give your answer correct to the nearest degree. **3**

**End of Question 2**

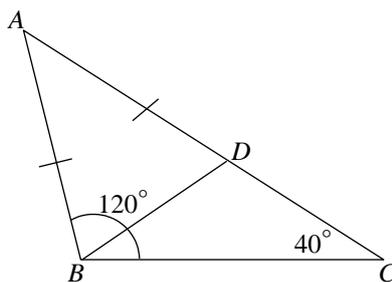
(a)



The vertices of  $\triangle ABC$  are  $(-2, 4)$ ,  $(6, 8)$ ,  $(9, 2)$ , respectively. The line  $AB$  meets the  $y$  axis at  $P$ .

- (i) Find the gradient of  $AB$ . 1
- (ii) Hence, or otherwise, find the  $y$  coordinate of  $P$ . 2
- (iii) By finding the gradient of  $BC$ , or otherwise, show that  $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$ . 2
- (iv) Find the area of  $\triangle ABC$ . 2
- (v) Hence find the height of the triangle using  $BC$  as its base. 1

(b)



In the diagram,  $\angle BCA = 40^\circ$ ,  $\angle ABC = 120^\circ$ ,  $AB = AD$

- (i) Prove that  $\angle ADB = 80^\circ$  2
- (ii) Deduce that  $BD = CD$  2

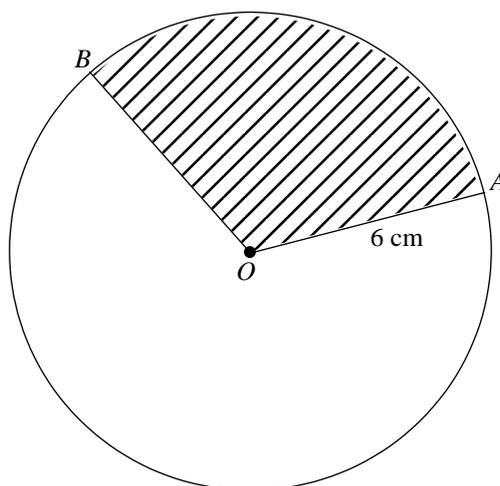
**End of Question 3**

- (a) The roots of  $x^2 - 12x + 6 = 0$  are  $\alpha, \beta$ .

Evaluate  $\alpha + \beta + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}$

3

- (b)



The diagram shows a sector of a circle, centre  $O$ , and radius 6 cm. The area of the sector is  $12\pi \text{ cm}^2$ .

- (i) Find  $\angle AOB$  2
- (ii) Find the length of the arc  $AB$  of the sector. 1
- (c) A particular curve  $y = f(x)$  has a stationary point  $(0, 0)$ . Also,  $f''(x) = 2e^{2x} - 2$ .
- (i) Show that at  $(0, 0)$  there is a horizontal point of inflection. 2
- (ii) Show that  $f'(x) = e^{2x} - 2x - 1$  2
- (iii) Find  $f(1)$  2

**End of Question 4**

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(a) (i) Sketch the hyperbola  $y = \frac{1}{x+1}$  showing any intercepts made on the axes. **2**

(ii) The region bounded by the hyperbola  $y = \frac{1}{x+1}$  and the  $x$  axis from  $x = 0$  to  $x = k > 0$  is revolved about the  $x$  axis.

Prove that the volume of the solid of revolution is less than  $\pi$  for all values of  $k > 0$ . **4**

(b) Let  $P(x) = -x^2 + (k+2)x - 1$

(i) Sketch  $y = P(x)$  for  $k = -4$  **2**

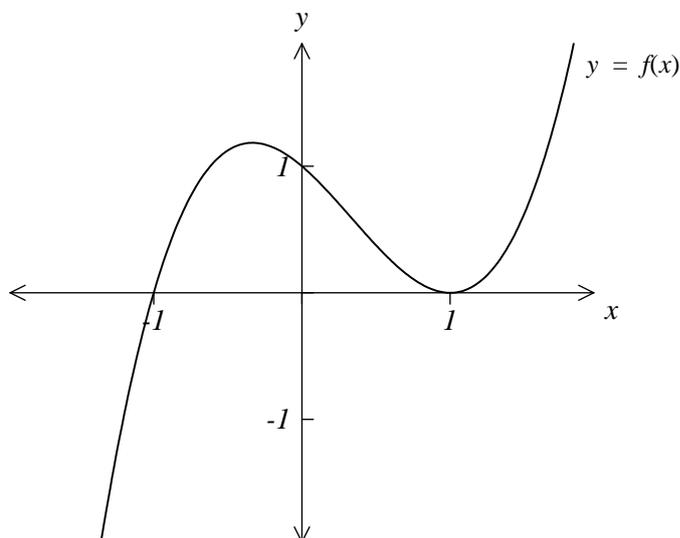
(ii) For what values of  $k$  does  $P(x) = 0$  have real roots? **4**

**End of Question 5**

- (a) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve  $y = \sin(x^2 + 2x)$  at the point where  $x = -2$ .

4

- (b)



The diagram shows the sketch of  $y = f(x)$ .

Sketch the graph of  $y = f'(x)$ .

2

- (c)  $P(198, 998)$  is a point on the parabola  $(x + 2)^2 = 4000(1008 - y)$ . The directrix of the parabola is the line  $y = 2008$ .

Find the distance from  $P$  to the focus.

2

- (d) Simplify  $\frac{a}{(a-b)(a-c)} - \frac{b}{(b-c)(a-b)} + \frac{c}{(a-c)(b-c)}$

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- (e) Find the range of the function  $y = \ln(2 + \sin x)$ .

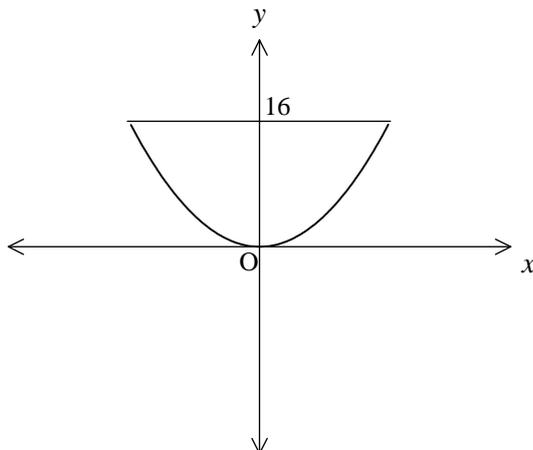
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**End of Question 6**

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- (a) Use Simpson's Rule with three function values to give a two decimal place approximation to  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} 2\tan^3 x \, dx$ . **3**
- (b) (i) Show that  $\frac{d}{dx}(\tan^2 x) = 2\tan x + 2\tan^3 x$  **2**
- (ii) Hence, or otherwise, find  $\frac{d}{dx}(\sec^2 x)$  **1**
- (iii) Use (i) to show that  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} 2\tan^3 x \, dx = 3 - 2\ln 2$  **3**
- (c)  $1 + 2x + 4x^2 + \dots$  is a geometric series.
- (i) For what values of  $x$  does the limiting sum exist? **1**
- (ii) Is it possible for the limiting sum to be 12? Give reasons. **2**

**End of Question 7**

(a)



The diagram shows the region enclosed between the curve  $y = 16x^4$  and the line  $y = 16$ .

Find the area of the region.

3

(b) (i) Albert deposited \$2 000 each year for 20 years into a fund paying 12% p.a. simple interest. Find the interest Albert made over the 20 years.

3

(ii) Betty deposited \$2 000 each year for 20 years into a fund paying 7% p.a. compound interest. The interest was compounded annually.

Who made the better financial decision? Albert or Betty?

4

(c) Solve  $\ln x^2 - \ln x - 12 = 0$

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**End of Question 8**

- (a) A cylinder, open at one end, is to have a volume of  $1728\pi \text{ cm}^3$ .

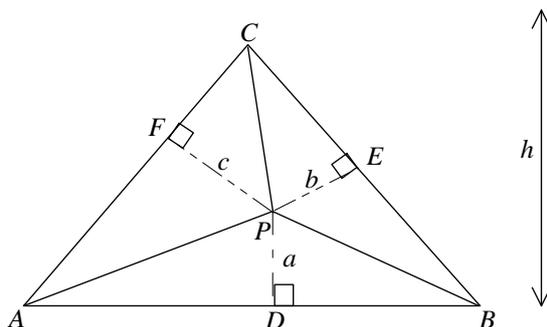
$$[V = \pi r^2 h, \text{ Curved Surface Area} = 2\pi rh]$$

Let the radius of the cylinder be  $r$  cm and the height  $h$  cm.

- (i) Show that the total surface area  $S$  is given by  $S = \pi\left(r^2 + \frac{3456}{r}\right)$ . **2**
- (ii) Prove that the minimum surface area is  $432\pi \text{ cm}^2$ . **4**
- (b) Sketch the curve  $y = -\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$  for  $-4\pi \leq x \leq 4\pi$ . **2**
- (c) (i) Solve  $|x + 2| \leq 5$ . **1**
- (ii) Hence, or otherwise, solve  $1 \leq |x + 2| \leq 5$ . **3**

**End of Question 9**

(a) (i)



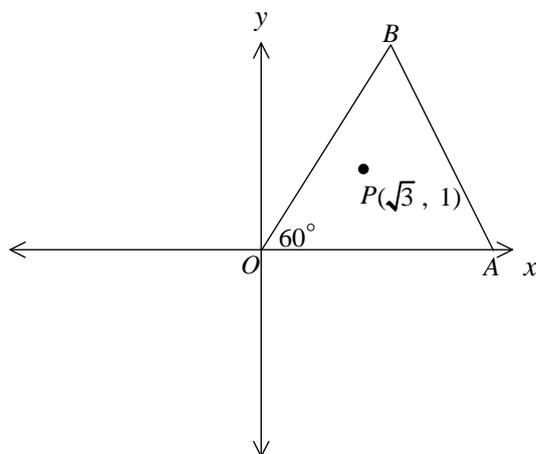
$\Delta ABC$  is equilateral and  $P$  is any point interior to the triangle.

Perpendiculars  $PD$ ,  $PE$  and  $PF$  are drawn to the sides  $AB$ ,  $BC$  and  $CA$ , respectively.

Let  $PD = a$ ,  $PE = b$  and  $PF = c$

If  $h$  is the altitude of the triangle, by considering areas of triangles, show that  $h = a + b + c$ .

2



$\Delta OAB$  is equilateral.  $O$  is the origin.  $A$  is on the  $x$  axis and  $B$  has the  $x$  coordinate 2.

$P(\sqrt{3}, 1)$  is a point interior to the triangle.

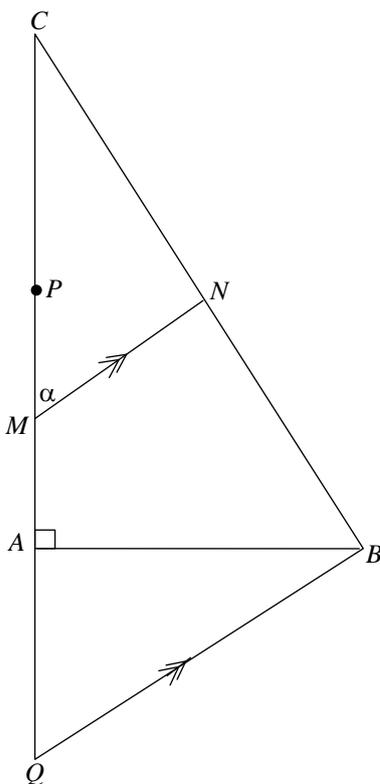
(ii) Show that the equation of  $OB$  is  $y = \sqrt{3}x$ . 2

(iii) Find the perpendicular distance from  $P(\sqrt{3}, 1)$  to the line  $OB$ . 2

(iv) Hence, or otherwise, find the perpendicular distance from  $P(\sqrt{3}, 1)$  to the line  $AB$ . 2

Question 10 continues on next page

(b)



The diagram shows  $\triangle ABC$ , right-angled at  $A$ .  $P$  is the point on  $CA$  so that  $CP = AB$ .

$M$  is the mid-point of  $AP$  and  $N$  is the mid-point of  $BC$ .

$Q$  is the point on  $CA$  produced so that  $QB$  is parallel to  $MN$ .

Let  $\angle CMN = \alpha$ .

Prove that  $\alpha$  is a fixed value.

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**End of Examination**

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## Standard Integrals

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1}, \quad n \neq -1; \quad x \neq 0, \text{ if } n < 0$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln x, \quad x > 0$$

$$\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a} e^{ax}, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$\int \cos ax dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin ax, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$\int \sin ax dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos ax, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$\int \sec^2 ax dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan ax, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$\int \sec ax \tan ax dx = \frac{1}{a} \sec ax, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$\int \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a}, \quad a \neq 0$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{a}, \quad a > 0, \quad -a < x < a$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} dx = \ln \left( x + \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} \right), \quad x > a > 0$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} dx = \ln \left( x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2} \right)$$

Note:  $\ln x = \log_e x, \quad x > 0$



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| Question | Algebra and Number | Geometry | Functions     | Trigonometry | Differential Calculus | Integral Calculus | Total |
|----------|--------------------|----------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------|
| 1        | (c), (e), (f) 6    |          |               |              | (a), (b) 4            | (d) 2             | 12    |
| 2        |                    |          |               | (a), (c) 8   |                       | (b) 4             | 12    |
| 3        |                    | (b) 4    | (a) 8         |              |                       |                   | 12    |
| 4        |                    |          | (a), (b) 6    |              |                       | (c) 6             | 12    |
| 5        |                    |          | (a)(i), (b) 8 |              |                       | (a)(ii) 4         | 12    |
| 6        | (d) 2              |          | (c), (e) 4    |              | (a), (b) 6            |                   | 12    |
| 7        | (c) 3              |          |               |              | (d)(i)(ii) 3          | (a), (b)(iii) 6   | 12    |
| 8        | (b), (c) 9         |          |               |              |                       | (a) 3             | 12    |
| 9        | (c) 4              |          |               | (b) 2        | (a) 6                 |                   | 12    |
| 10       | (a) 8              | (b) 4    |               |              |                       |                   | 12    |
| Total    | 32                 | 8        | 26            | 10           | 19                    | 25                | 120   |

Question 1

$$(a) \quad x e^x + e^x$$

$$(b) \quad f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x - 6$$

$$\therefore f'(-1) = 3 + 6 - 6 = 3$$

$$(c) \quad x - \sqrt{2} = \pm 2 \quad \therefore x = \sqrt{2} \pm 2$$

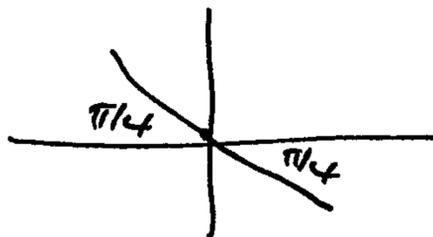
$$(d) \quad \frac{1}{2} \tan 2x$$

$$(e) \quad \log_{12} 2008 = \frac{\ln 2008}{\ln 12} = 3.06, \text{ 2 d.p.}$$

$$(f) \quad (a + 2b)(a^2 - 2ab + 4b^2)$$

## Question 2

(a)  $\therefore \tan \theta = -1 \Rightarrow$

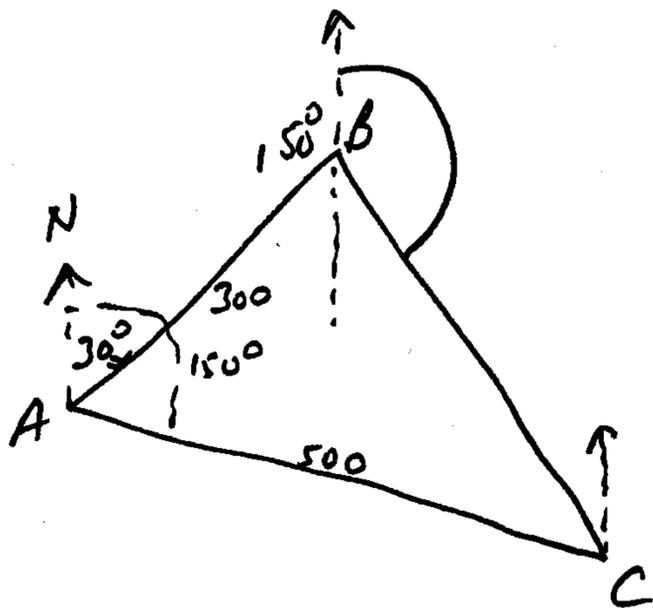


$$\therefore \theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

(b) (i)  $\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2x}{x^2+1} dx = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2+1)$

(ii)  $\int x + \frac{1}{x} dx = \frac{x^2}{2} + \ln x$

(c) (i)



$$\angle BAC = \angle NAC - \angle NAB = 150^\circ - 30^\circ = 120^\circ$$

(ii)  $BC^2 = 300^2 + 500^2 - 2 \times 300 \times 500 \cos 120^\circ$   
 $= 490000$

$$\Rightarrow BC = \sqrt{490000} = 700$$

(iii)  $\frac{\sin B}{500} = \frac{\sin 120^\circ}{700} \therefore \sin B = \frac{500 \sin 120^\circ}{700}$

$$\hat{B} = 38^\circ, \text{ nearest degree}$$

$\therefore$  bearing of C from B  $= 360^\circ - (150^\circ + 38^\circ)$   
 $= 172^\circ$

### Question 3

(a) (i)  $\text{grad } AB = \frac{8-4}{6--2} = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$

(ii) take  $P(0, y) \Rightarrow \frac{y-4}{0--2} = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\therefore y-4=1, \quad y=5$$

(iii)  $\text{grad } BC = \frac{6}{-3} = -2$

\* since  $\text{grad } AB \times \text{grad } BC = -1$ , then  $AB \perp BC$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ABC = 90^\circ$$

(iv)  $AB = \sqrt{8^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{80}$

$$BC = \sqrt{3^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{45}$$

$$\therefore \text{Area } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{80} \cdot \sqrt{45} = 30$$

(v)  $\therefore 30 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{45} \cdot h \Rightarrow h = \frac{60}{\sqrt{45}}$  will do  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{or } \frac{20}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \text{or } 4\sqrt{5} \end{array} \right]$

(b) (i)  $\angle BAC = 180^\circ - (120^\circ + 40^\circ)$ ,  $\angle \text{sum } \triangle ABC$   
 $= 20^\circ$

In isosceles  $\triangle ABD$ ,  $\angle B = \angle D = \frac{1}{2} (160^\circ) = 80^\circ$ ,

$\angle \text{sum } \triangle ABD$

$$\therefore \angle ADB = 80^\circ$$

(ii)  $\angle DBC + \angle DCB = \angle ADB$ , ext  $\angle$  theorem in  $\triangle BDC$

$$\Rightarrow \angle DBC = 80^\circ - 40^\circ = 40^\circ$$

$\therefore \triangle BDC$  is isosceles, base angles equal

$$\therefore BD = CD$$

## Question 4

(a)  $\alpha + \beta = 12, \alpha\beta = 6$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \alpha + \beta + \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} = 12 + 2 = 14$$

(b) (i) Let  $\angle AOB = \theta$

$$\text{Then } \frac{1}{2} \cdot 6^2 \cdot \theta = 12\pi \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{12\pi}{18} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

(ii)  $AB = 6 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ cm} = 4\pi \text{ cm}$

(c) (i)  $f''(0) = 2 - 2 = 0$

$$f''(-1) = 2e^{-2} - 2 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{change in concavity}$$

$$f''(1) = 2e^2 - 2 > 0$$

$\therefore (0, 0)$  is a horiz. pt. of inflection since it's a stat. pt

(ii)  $f'(x) = 2 \frac{e^{2x}}{2} - 2x + c$

$$\therefore f'(0) = 1 - 0 + c = 0, c = -1$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = e^{2x} - 2x - 1$$

(iii)  $f(x) = \frac{e^{2x}}{2} - x^2 - x + c$

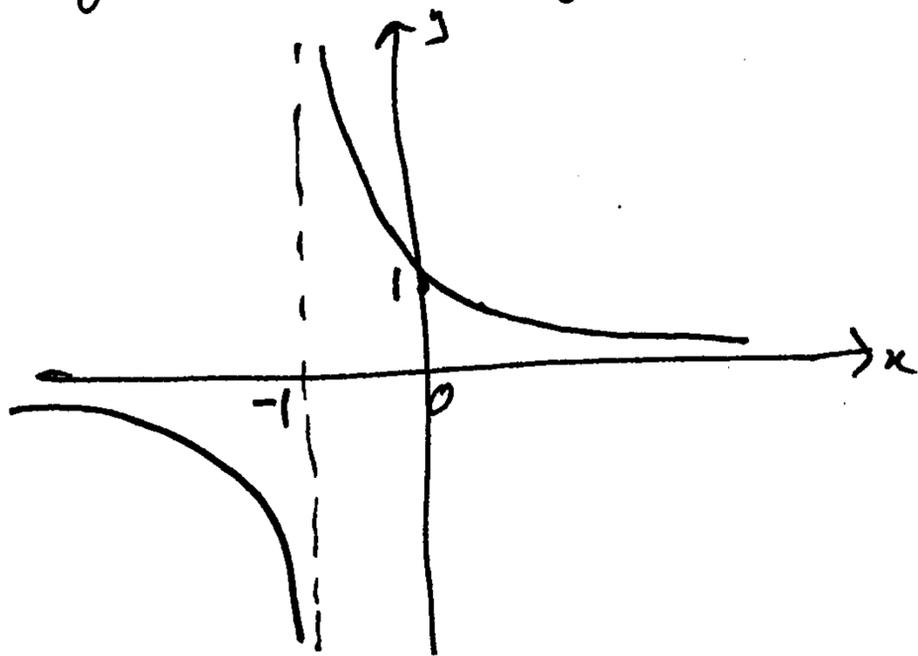
$$\therefore f(0) = \frac{1}{2} - 0 + c = 0, c = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{e^{2x}}{2} - x^2 - x - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore f(1) = \frac{e^2}{2} - 1 - 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{e^2 - 5}{2}$$

### Question 5

(a) (i)  $x \neq -1, y \neq 0$  ;  $x = 0, y = 1$



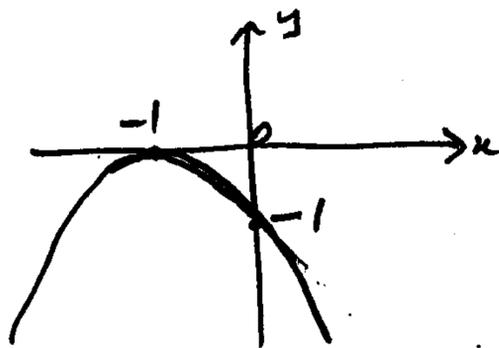
$$(ii) V = \pi \int_0^k \left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right)^2 dx = \pi \int_0^k (x+1)^{-2} dx$$

$$= \pi \left[ \frac{(x+1)^{-1}}{-1} \right]_0^k$$

$$= \pi \left[ -\frac{1}{x+1} \right]_0^k = \pi \left( -\frac{1}{k+1} + 1 \right)$$

$$= \pi \left( 1 - \frac{1}{k+1} \right) < \pi \text{ since } \frac{1}{k+1} > 0$$

(b) (i)  $y = -x^2 - 2x - 1 = -(x^2 + 2x + 1) = -(x+1)^2$



$$(ii) \Delta = (k+2)^2 - 4(-1)(-1) = (k+2)^2 - 4$$

$$= k^2 + 4k$$

$$= k(k+4) \geq 0 \text{ for real roots}$$

$$\therefore k \leq -4 \text{ or } k \geq 0$$

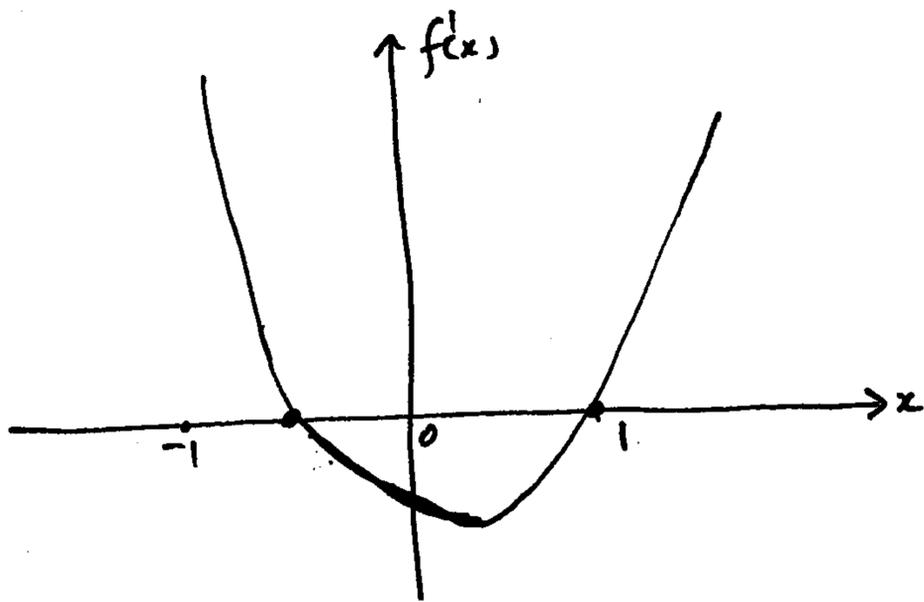
## Question 6

(a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = (2x+2) \cos(x^2+2x)$

For  $x = -2$ ,  $y = \sin 0 = 0$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -2 \cos 0 = -2$

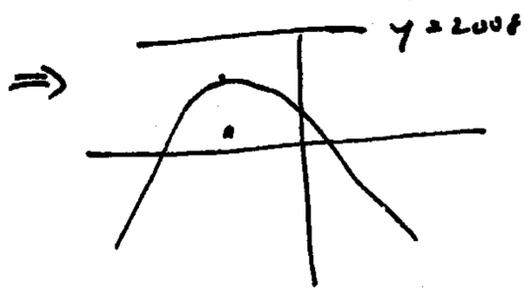
$\therefore$  tangent is  $y = -2(x+2)$

(b)



(c) P to the focus = P to the directrix  
 $= 2008 - 998 = 1010$

OR (sadly)  $V = (-2, 1008)$ ;  $a = 1000 \Rightarrow S = (-2, 0)$



$\therefore PS = \sqrt{200^2 + 990^2} = 1010$

(d) 
$$\frac{a(b-c) - b(a-c) + c(a-b)}{(a-b)(a-c)(b-c)} = \frac{ab - ac - ab + bc + ac - bc}{(a-b)(a-c)(b-c)} = 0$$

(e) Since  $-1 \leq \sin x \leq 1$  and  $\ln x$  is an increasing function,

range  $y$  :  $\ln(2-1) \leq y \leq \ln(2+1)$

$\therefore 0 \leq y \leq \ln 3$

## Question 7

$$(a) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} 2 \tan^3 x \, dx \approx \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{\pi}{3} \left( 0 + 2 \tan^3 \frac{\pi}{3} + 8 \tan^3 \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$
$$= 2.08, \quad 2 \text{ d.p.}$$

$$(b) (i) \frac{d(\tan^2 x)}{dx} = 2 \tan x \sec^2 x$$
$$= 2 \tan x (1 + \tan^2 x) = 2 \tan x + 2 \tan^3 x$$

$$(ii) \frac{d(\sec^2 x)}{dx} = \frac{d(1 + \tan^2 x)}{dx} = 2 \tan x + 2 \tan^3 x \quad \text{or equivalent}$$

$$(iii) 2 \tan^3 x = \frac{d(\tan^2 x)}{dx} - 2 \tan x$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} 2 \tan^3 x \, dx = \left[ \tan^2 x \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} - 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \tan x \, dx$$
$$= (\sqrt{3})^2 - 0 + 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{-\sin x}{\cos x} \, dx$$
$$= 3 + 2 \left[ \ln \cos x \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}}$$
$$= 3 + 2 \left( \ln \frac{1}{2} - \ln 1 \right)$$
$$= 3 + 2 \ln 2^{-1} = 3 - 2 \ln 2$$

$$(c) (i) S_{\infty} \text{ exists for } -1 < 2x < 1 \quad \text{i.e. } -\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(ii) \text{ Put } S_{\infty} = \frac{1}{1-2x} = 12$$

$$\therefore 1-2x = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$2x = \frac{11}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{11}{24} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$\therefore$  from (i), it's possible

## Question 8

$$(a) A = 2 \int_0^{16} x \, dy, x \geq 0 \quad : \quad x^4 = \frac{y}{16}$$
$$\text{ie. } x = \frac{y^{\frac{1}{4}}}{2}$$

$$\therefore A = \int_0^{16} y^{\frac{1}{4}} \, dy = \frac{4}{5} \left[ y^{\frac{5}{4}} \right]_0^{16} = \frac{4}{5} \cdot 2^5 = \frac{128}{5}$$

$$(b) (i) \text{ Albert made } \$ 2000 (.12)(20) + 2000 (.12)(19) + \dots + 2000 (0.12)$$

$$= \$ 240 (1 + 2 + \dots + 19 + 20)$$

$$= \$ 240 \cdot \frac{20 \cdot 21}{2} = \$ 50400 \text{ interest}$$

(ii) Betty's total over the 20 years

$$= \$ 2000 (1.07)^{20} + 2000 (1.07)^{19} + \dots + 2000 (1.07)^2 + 2000 (1.07)$$

$$= \$ 2000 (1.07) [1 + 1.07 + 1.07^2 + \dots + 1.07^{19}]$$

$$= \$ 2000 (1.07) \frac{1.07^{20} - 1}{.07} = \$ 87730, \text{ nearest dollar}$$

$$\therefore \text{Interest made} = \$ 87730 - \$ 2000 \times 20 = \$ 47730$$

$\therefore$  Albert's decision was better

$$(c) \therefore 2 \ln x - \ln x - 12 = 0$$

$$\ln x = 12$$

$$x = e^{12}$$

## Question 9

$$(a) (i) S = 2\pi rh + \pi r^2 : \pi r^2 h = 1728\pi$$

$$h = \frac{1728}{r^2}$$

$$\therefore S = 2\pi r \cdot \frac{1728}{r^2} + \pi r^2 = \pi \left( r^2 + \frac{3456}{r} \right)$$

$$(ii) S = \pi (r^2 + 3456r^{-1})$$

$$\frac{dS}{dr} = \pi (2r - 3456r^{-2})$$

$$\frac{d^2S}{dr^2} = \pi (2 + 6912r^{-3})$$

$$\frac{dS}{dr} = 0 \Rightarrow r - \frac{1728}{r^2} = 0 \quad \text{or } r^3 = 1728$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt[3]{1728} = 12$$

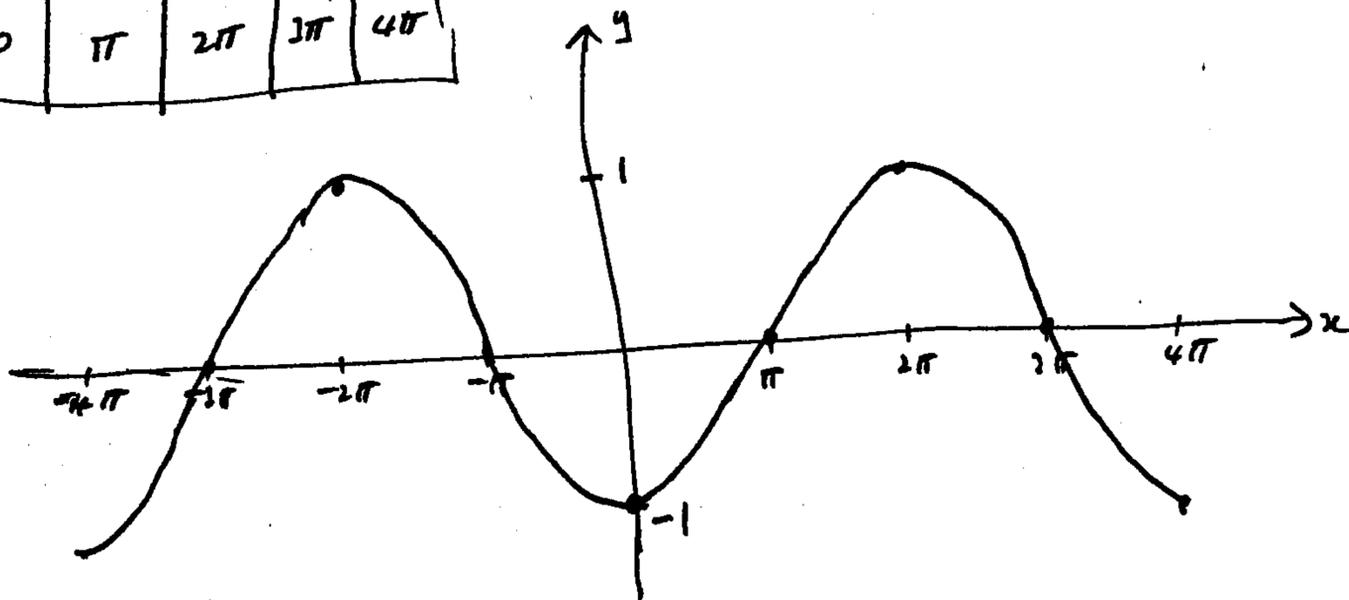
For  $r=12$ ,  $\frac{d^2S}{dr^2} > 0$  (indeed  $\frac{d^2S}{dr^2} > 0$  for all  $r > 0$ )

$\Rightarrow$  minimum  $S$  when  $r=12$

$$\therefore \min S = \pi \left( 12^2 + \frac{3456}{12} \right) \text{ cm}^2 = 432\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

(4)

|               |    |                 |        |                  |        |
|---------------|----|-----------------|--------|------------------|--------|
| $\frac{x}{2}$ | 0  | $\frac{\pi}{2}$ | $\pi$  | $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ | $2\pi$ |
| y             | -1 | 0               | 1      | 0                | -1     |
| x             | 0  | $\pi$           | $2\pi$ | $3\pi$           | $4\pi$ |



(c) (i)

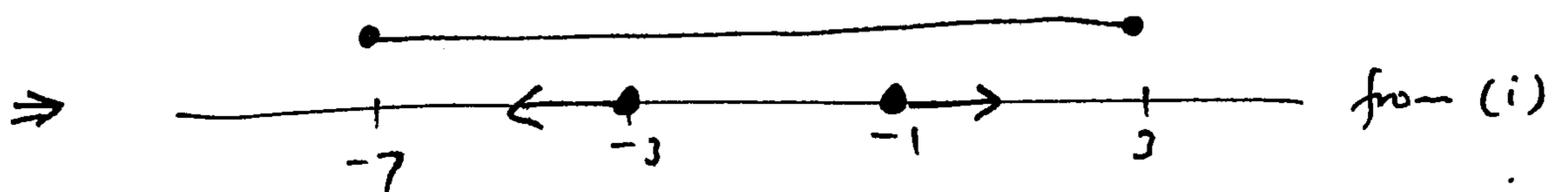
$$-5 \leq x+2 \leq 5$$

$$\therefore -7 \leq x \leq 3$$

(ii) For  $|x+2| \geq 1$

we have  $-1 \geq x+2 \geq 1$

$$-3 \geq x \geq -1 \quad \text{i.e. } x \leq -3 \text{ or } x \geq -1$$



$$\therefore -7 \leq x \leq -3 \quad \text{or} \quad -1 \leq x \leq 3$$

OR

$$1 \leq |x+2| \leq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq x+2 \leq 5$$

$$\text{or } -5 \leq x+2 \leq -1$$

$$\therefore -1 \leq x \leq 3$$

$$\text{or } -7 \leq x \leq -3$$

## Question 10

$$(a) (i) \therefore \frac{1}{2} \cdot AB \cdot h = \frac{1}{2} \cdot AB \cdot a + \frac{1}{2} \cdot BC \cdot b + \frac{1}{2} \cdot AC \cdot c,$$

where  $AB = BC = AC$ ,  $\Delta$  equilateral

$$\therefore h = a + b + c$$

$$(ii) OB \text{ is } y - 0 = \tan 60^\circ (x - 0)$$

$$\text{i.e. } y = \sqrt{3}x$$

(iii)  $\perp$  distance from  $P(\sqrt{3}, 1)$  to  $\sqrt{3}x - y = 0$  is

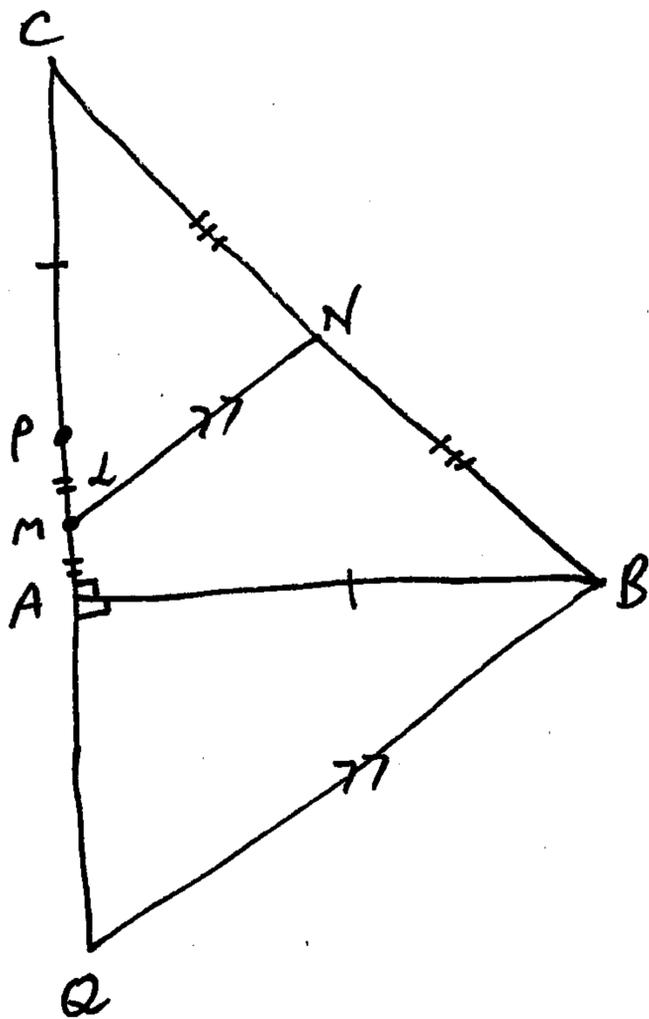
$$\frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3} - 1}{\sqrt{\sqrt{3}^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{3 - 1}{\sqrt{4}} = 1$$

(iv) Using notation in (i),  $c = 1$  from (iii)  
 $a = 1$  since  $P = (\sqrt{3}, 1)$

$$\text{at } B, x = 2 \therefore y = 2\sqrt{3} = h$$

$$\therefore \text{distance from } P \text{ to } AB = 2\sqrt{3} - 1 - 1 = 2\sqrt{3} - 2$$

(b)



$\angle BQA = \angle NMC = \alpha$ , corresponding  $\angle$ s in  
 $\parallel$  lines

$$\frac{BN}{NC} = \frac{QM}{MC} = 1:1, \text{ ratio intercept theorem in } \parallel \text{ lines}$$

$$\therefore QM = MC$$

But  $AM = MP$ , data

$$\therefore QA = PC = AB, \text{ data}$$

$\therefore \Delta ABC$  is right-angled and isosceles.

$$\Rightarrow \angle Q = \angle B = 45^\circ, \text{ base angles equal}$$

$\therefore \alpha$  is the fixed value  $45^\circ$