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Worked solutions

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- worked solutions, giving you a series of points to show you how to work through the questions.
- mark allocations
- tips on how to approach the questions.

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Question 1

The position of a particle is given by $\vec{r} = \sec \frac{t}{2} \vec{i} + 2 \tan \frac{t}{2} \vec{j}$, where $t \in [0, \pi)$.

- a. Show that the Cartesian equation of the particle is of the form $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$.

Find the value of a and b and state the domain and range.

Worked solution

$$\vec{r} = \sec \frac{t}{2} \vec{i} + 2 \tan \frac{t}{2} \vec{j}$$

$$x = \sec \frac{t}{2} \quad y = 2 \tan \frac{t}{2}, \quad x \geq 1 \text{ and } y \geq 0 \text{ for } t \in [0, \pi).$$

$$x = \sec \frac{t}{2} \quad \frac{y}{2} = \tan \frac{t}{2}$$

$$\sec^2 \frac{t}{2} - \tan^2 \frac{t}{2} = 1$$

$$x^2 - \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$x^2 - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

This is a part of the hyperbola with centre $(0, 0)$ and $a = 1$ and $b = 2$.

So, vertex is $(1, 0)$.

Asymptotes are $y = \pm 2x$.

Domain is $\{x: x \geq 1\}$.

Range is $\{y: y \geq 0\}$.

3 marks

Mark allocation

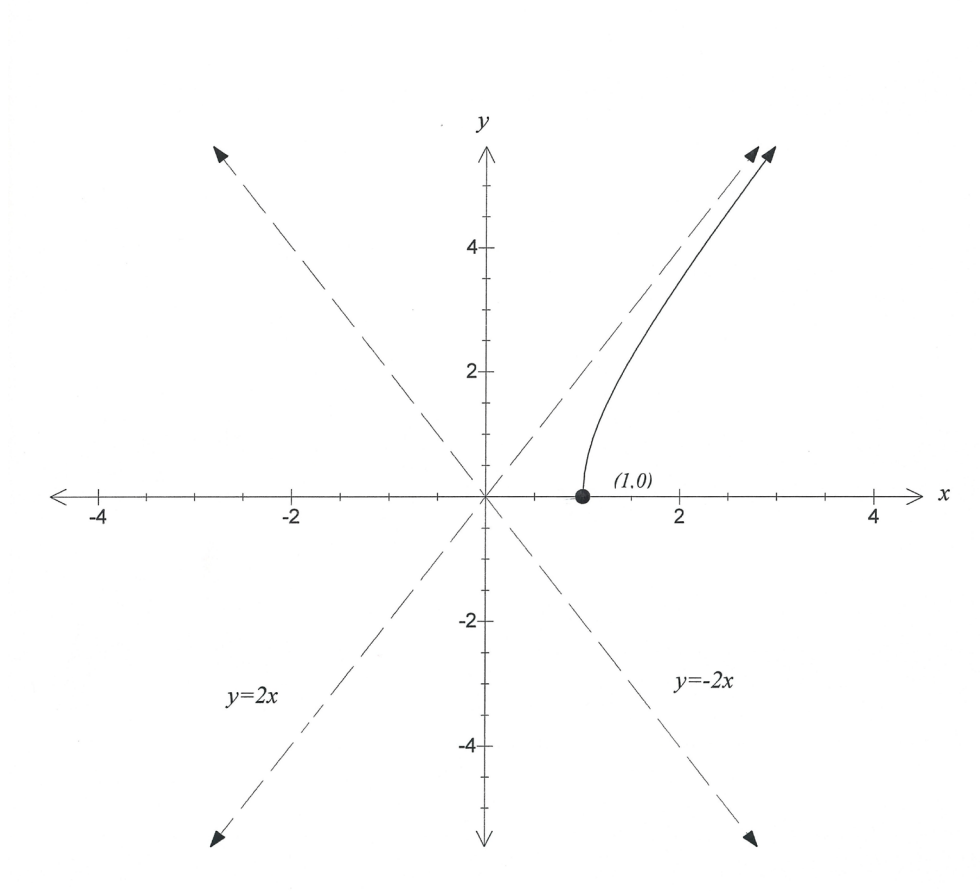
- 1 mark for using the correct trigonometric identity.
- 1 mark for finding the correct values of a and b .
- 1 mark for the correct domain and range.

Tip

- Use the trigonometric identity $1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta$ or $\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1$ to establish the Cartesian relationship.

- b. Sketch the graph of its path on the axes below.

Worked solution



1 mark

Mark allocation

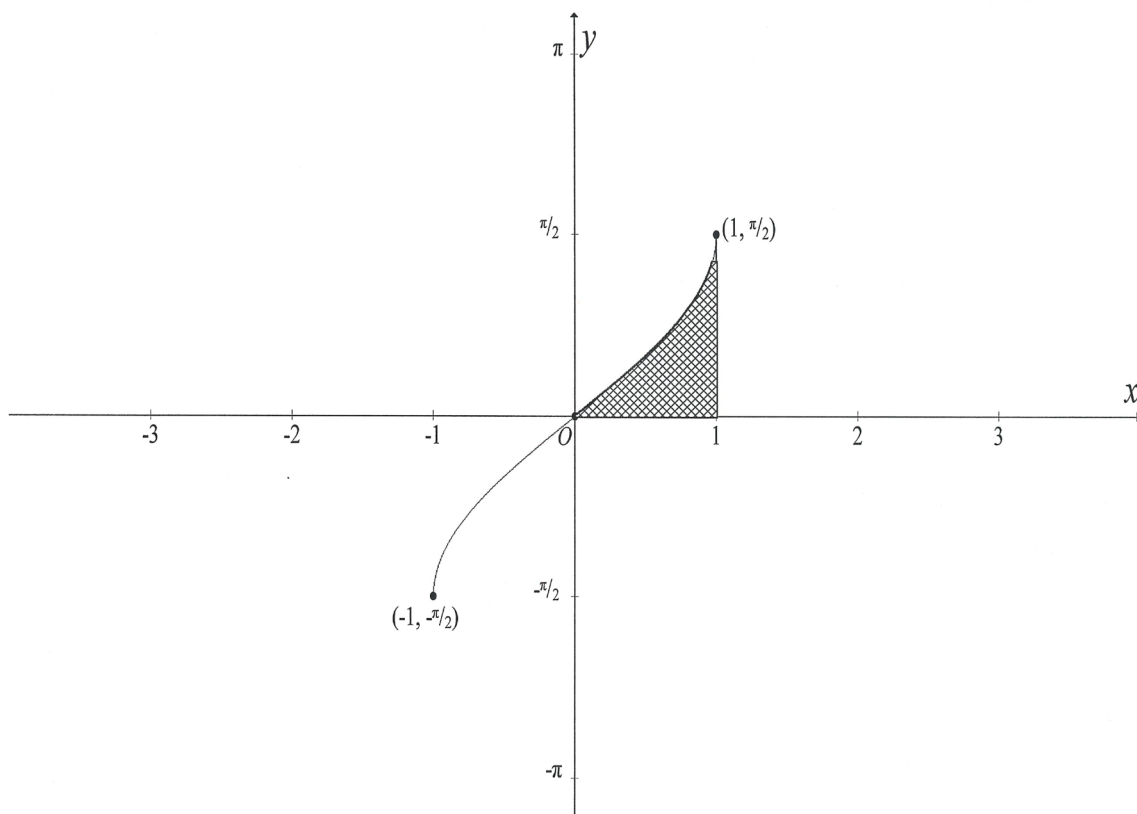
- 1 mark for showing the correct part of the hyperbola and its asymptotes.

Tip

The domain of $\frac{t}{2}$ are $[0, \frac{\pi}{2})$, so the respective ranges of $\sec \theta$ and $\tan \theta$ are $[1, \infty)$ and $[0, \infty)$.

Question 2

- a. On the set of axes below, shade the region enclosed by the graph of $y = \sin^{-1} x$ and the lines $y = 0$ and $x = 1$.

Worked solution

1 mark

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for shading the correct region.

- b.** Find the exact area enclosed by the graph of $y = \sin^{-1} x$ and the lines $y = 0$ and $x = 1$.

Worked solution

Area required = Area of rectangle – Area between graph of $y = \sin^{-1} x$ and the y -axis from $y = 0$ to $y = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

$$y = \sin^{-1} x$$

$$x = \sin y = f(y)$$

$$A = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \times 1 \right) - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(y) \cdot dy$$

$$A = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \times 1 \right) - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin y \cdot dy$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} - [-\cos y]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} + [\cos y]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} + \cos \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos 0$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} - 1$$

The area required is $\frac{\pi}{2} - 1$ square units.

2 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for setting up the correct area.
- 1 mark for finding the correct answer for the area.

Tip

- Since $\int \sin^{-1} x \cdot dx$ cannot be done, $y = \sin^{-1} x$ must be expressed as $x = \sin y$ and then the area between the curve and the y -axis is found.

- c. Find the exact volume generated by rotating this area about the y -axis.

Worked solution

Volume required = volume generated by rotating the area between the graphs of $x = 1$ and $x = \sin y$ and the lines $y = 0$ to $y = \frac{\pi}{2}$ about the y -axis.

$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= \pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1^2 - \sin^2 y) . dy \\
 &= \pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 - \sin^2 y) . dy \\
 &= \pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1 - \cos 2y}{2} \right) \right) . dy \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \cos 2y) . dy \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{2} \left[y + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2y \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{2} \left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sin \pi \right) - \left(0 + \frac{1}{2} \sin 0 \right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{2} \times \frac{\pi}{2} \\
 &= \frac{\pi^2}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

The volume is $\frac{\pi^2}{4}$ cubic units.

3 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for setting up the integral for the volume correctly.
- 1 mark for using the correct identity to simplify the integral.
- 1 mark for correctly evaluating the integral.

Tip

- The volume could also be found by calculating $\pi(1)^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) - \pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 y . dy$.

End of Question 2
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Question 3

Given that $z_1 = 2$ is a solution to the equation $z^2 + (i\sqrt{3} - 3)z + 2 - 2\sqrt{3}i = 0$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$

a. Show that the other solution is $z_2 = 1 - \sqrt{3}i$.

Worked solution

$$\begin{aligned} & (z-2)(z-1+i\sqrt{3}) \\ &= z^2 - z + i\sqrt{3}z - 2z + 2 - 2\sqrt{3}i \\ &= z^2 + (i\sqrt{3} - 3)z + 2 - 2\sqrt{3}i \\ \therefore & \text{The other solution is } z_2 = 1 - \sqrt{3}i. \end{aligned}$$

1 mark

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for verifying that $z_2 = 1 - \sqrt{3}i$ is the other solution.

Tip

- z_2 could also be found by dividing $z - 2$ into $z^2 + (i\sqrt{3} - 3)z + 2 - 2\sqrt{3}i$.

b. Find the square root of z_2 in the form $a + bi$.

Worked solution

$$\begin{aligned} z_2 &= 1 - \sqrt{3}i \\ |z_2| &= \sqrt{1^2 + \sqrt{3}^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Arg } z = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1}\right) \\ &= \sqrt{4} \quad \quad \quad = \frac{-\pi}{3} \\ &= 2 \\ z_2 &= 2 \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{-\pi}{3}\right) \\ \sqrt{z_2} &= \pm\sqrt{2} \operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{-\pi}{6}\right) \\ &= \pm\sqrt{2}\left(\cos\frac{-\pi}{6} + \sin\frac{-\pi}{6}i\right) \\ &= \pm\sqrt{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i\right) \\ \sqrt{z_2} &= \pm\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}i\right) \end{aligned}$$

3 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for the correctly converting z_2 to polar form.
- 1 mark for correctly taking the square root.
- 1 mark for expressing the answer correctly in Cartesian form.

End of Question 3

Question 4

Find the equation of the tangent to the function $x \log_e y + 2x^2 = 3$ at the point where $x = 1$.

Worked solution

$$x \log_e y + 2x^2 = 3$$

When $x = 1$:

$$\log_e y + 2 = 3$$

$$\log_e y = 1$$

$$y = e$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x \log_e y + 2x^2 = 3)$$

$$1 \cdot \log_e y + x \frac{d}{dy}(\log_e y) \frac{dy}{dx} + 4x = 0$$

$$\log_e y + \frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + 4x = 0$$

$$\frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = -4x - \log_e y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}(-4x - \log_e y)$$

Substitute $x = 1$ and $y = e$:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{e}{1}(-4 - \log_e e)$$

$$= e(-4 - 1)$$

$$= -5e = \text{gradient of tangent}$$

Using $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

$$y - e = -5e(x - 1)$$

$$y - e = -5ex + 5e$$

$$y = -5ex + 6e$$

The equation of the tangent is $y = -5ex + 6e$.

4 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for correctly evaluating y when $x = 1$.
- 1 mark for correctly differentiating the equation.
- 1 mark for correctly evaluating the gradient of the tangent.
- 1 mark for the correct answer.

Tip

- *Implicit differentiation is used to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$, otherwise it is possible to express y as a function of x and then find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.*

End of Question 4
TURN OVER

Question 5

a. Show that $\frac{2x}{4-x^2} = \frac{1}{2-x} - \frac{1}{2+x}$.

Worked solution

$$\frac{2x}{4-x^2} = \frac{2x}{(2-x)(2+x)} = \frac{a}{2-x} + \frac{b}{2+x}$$

$$\frac{2x}{(2-x)(2+x)} \equiv \frac{a(2+x) + b(2-x)}{(2-x)(2+x)}$$

$$2x \equiv a(2+x) + b(2-x)$$

Let $x = 2$, $4a = 4$

$$a = 1$$

Let $x = -2$, $4b = -4$

$$b = -1$$

$$\frac{2x}{4-x^2} = \frac{1}{2-x} - \frac{1}{2+x}$$

2 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for correctly setting up the partial fractions.
- 1 mark for correct workings to find a and b .

b. Hence, or otherwise, find $\int_{-1}^1 \frac{2x}{4-x^2} .dx$.

Worked solution

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{2x}{4-x^2} .dx &= \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{1}{2-x} - \frac{1}{2+x} \right) .dx \\ &= \left[-\log_e |2-x| - \log_e |2+x| \right]_{-1}^1 \\ &= [-\log_e |1| - \log_e |3|] - [-\log_e |3| - \log_e |1|] \\ &= -\log_e 3 + \log_e 3 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

2 marks

Mark allocation

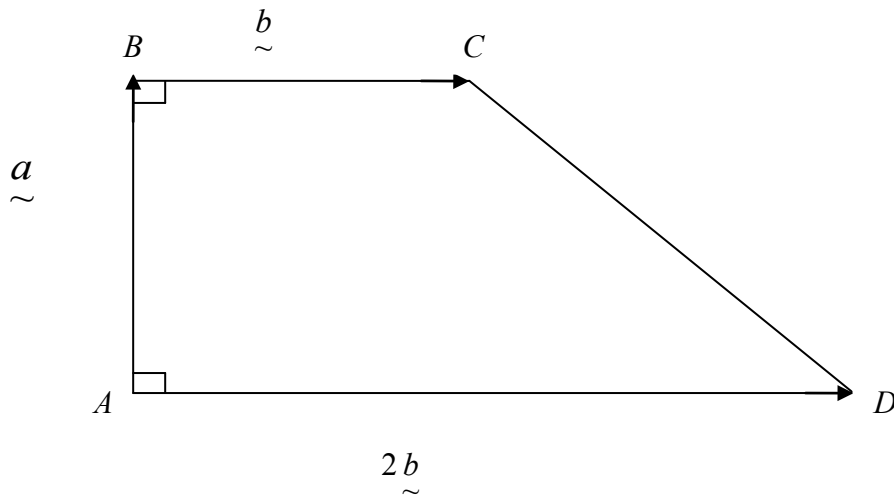
- 1 mark for correctly integrating.
- 1 mark for the correct answer.

Tip

- The substitution $u = 4 - x^2$ could also have been used to set up an antidifferentiable integrand.

End of Question 5

Question 6



Given that $|\underline{a}| = |\underline{b}|$ in the trapezium shown above, use vectors to show that $\triangle ACD$ is right angled.

Worked solution

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}$$

$$= \underline{a} + \underline{b}$$

$$\overrightarrow{CD} = -\overrightarrow{BC} - \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{AD}$$

$$= -\underline{b} - \underline{a} + 2\underline{b}$$

$$= \underline{b} - \underline{a}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} \cdot \overrightarrow{CD} = (\underline{b} + \underline{a}) \cdot (\underline{b} - \underline{a})$$

$$= \underline{b} \cdot \underline{b} - \underline{b} \cdot \underline{a} + \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} - \underline{a} \cdot \underline{a}$$

$$= b^2 - a^2$$

$$= 0 \text{ since } |\underline{a}| = |\underline{b}|$$

Therefore, $\triangle ABC$ is right angled at C because $\overrightarrow{AC}$ is perpendicular to $\overrightarrow{CD}$.

3 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for correctly expressing $\overrightarrow{AC}$ in terms of $\underline{a}$ and $\underline{b}$.
- 1 mark for correctly expressing $\overrightarrow{CD}$ in terms of $\underline{a}$ and $\underline{b}$.
- 1 mark for correctly showing the dot product of $\overrightarrow{AC}$ and $\overrightarrow{CD}$ is 0.

End of Question 6
TURN OVER

Question 7

A parachutist free-falls from rest and reaches a speed of $2g$ m/s when his parachute is activated.

The acceleration of the parachutist from this point is $(g - 2v)$ m/s², where v is the speed of the parachutist t seconds after the parachute is activated.

Five seconds after the parachute is activated, the speed of the parachutist is $\frac{g}{2}(a + be^{-10})$.

Find the values of a and b .

The acceleration due to gravity is $g = 9.8$ m/s².

Worked solution

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = g - 2v$$

$$\frac{dt}{dv} = \frac{1}{g - 2v}$$

$$t = \int \frac{1}{g - 2v} \cdot dv$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{2} \log_e |k(g - 2v)|, \text{ where } k \text{ is the constant of integration}$$

When $t = 0$, $v = 2g$:

$$0 = -\frac{1}{2} \log_e |k(g - 4g)|$$

$$0 = -\frac{1}{2} \log_e |k(-3g)|$$

$$-3kg = 1 \text{ since } \ln 1 = 0.$$

$$k = \frac{-1}{3g}$$

$$t = \frac{-1}{2} \log_e \left| \frac{-(g - 2v)}{3g} \right|$$

$$t = \frac{-1}{2} \log_e \left| \frac{2v - g}{3g} \right|$$

$$\log_e \left| \frac{2v - g}{3g} \right| = -2t$$

$$\left| \frac{2v - g}{3g} \right| = e^{-2t}$$

$$\frac{2v - g}{3g} = \pm e^{-2t}$$

When $t = 0$, $v = 2g$

$$\text{and } \frac{2v - g}{g} = \frac{3g}{3g} = 1 = +e^0$$

$$\text{So } \frac{2v - g}{3g} = e^{-2t}$$

$$2v - g = 3ge^{-2t}$$

$$2v = g + 3ge^{-2t}$$

$$v = \frac{1}{2}(g + 3ge^{-2t})$$

$$v(5) = \frac{1}{2}(g + 3ge^{-10})$$

$$v(5) = \frac{g}{2}(1 + 3e^{-10})$$

Hence, $a = 1$ and $b = 3$.

The speed of the parachutist after 5 seconds is $\frac{g}{2}(1 + 3e^{-10})$ m/s.

4 marks

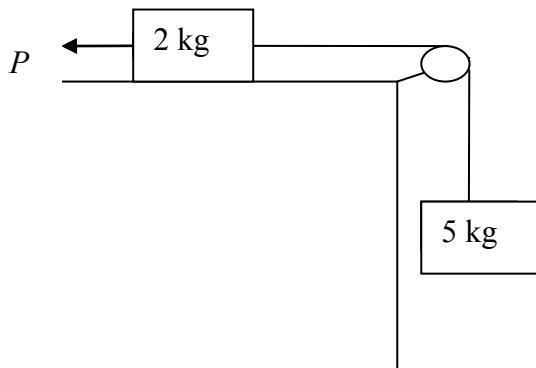
Mark allocation

- 1 mark for setting up the correct integral for t .
- 1 mark for the correct integration and evaluation of the constant.
- 1 mark for correctly expressing v as a function of t .
- 1 mark for correctly finding the values of a and b .

End of Question 7
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Question 8

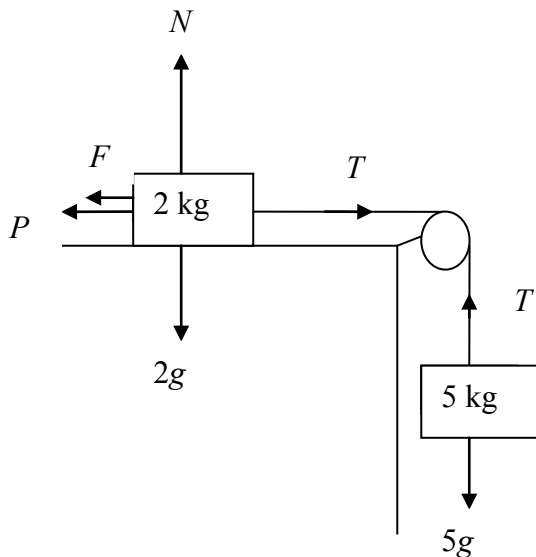
A 2 kg mass on a horizontal bench is connected by an inextensible string via a smooth pulley to a 5 kg mass, as shown below. The force of P newtons is acting on the 2 kg mass, as shown. The coefficient of friction between the 2 kg mass and the bench is 0.25.



- a. Label all forces on the diagram above.

Worked solution

a.



1 mark

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for correctly labelling all the forces.

Tip

- *The minimum value of the force P required occurs when the 2 kg mass is on the verge of moving to the right.*

- b. Show that the minimum value of the force P required to maintain equilibrium is $4.5g$ newtons.

Worked solution

The minimum value of P required to maintain equilibrium occurs when the friction, F , is maximum.

Resolving the forces:

For the 2 kg mass

$$N = 2g$$

$$F = N\mu$$

$$= 0.25 \times 2g$$

$$= 0.5g$$

For the combined system

$$R = ma = 0$$

$$R = 5g - T + T - P - F = 0$$

$$5g - P - 0.5g = 0$$

$$P = 4.5g$$

2 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for correctly finding the maximum friction.
- 1 mark for the correct equation of motion for the combined system.

- c. If $P = 2.5g$, find the exact acceleration of the system.

Worked solution

$$R = 5g - T + T - F - P = ma$$

$$\text{For motion } F_{\max} = N\mu = 0.5g$$

$$R = 5g - T + T - 0.5g - 2.5g = (5 + 2)a$$

$$7a = 2g$$

$$a = \frac{2g}{7}$$

2 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for determining the correct equation of motion.
- 1 mark for the correct answer.

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Question 9

Evaluate $\int_e^{e^2} \frac{1}{x \ln x} \cdot dx$.

Worked solution

$$\int_e^{e^2} \frac{1}{x \log_e x} \cdot dx = \int_e^{e^2} \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_e x} \cdot dx$$

Let $u = \log_e x$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$x = e^2, u = \log_e e^2 = 2$$

$$x = e, u = \log_e e = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_e^{e^2} \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_e x} \cdot dx &= \int_1^2 \frac{du}{dx} \cdot \frac{1}{u} \cdot dx \\ &= \int_1^2 \frac{1}{u} \cdot du \\ &= [\log_e |u|]_1^2 \\ &= \log_e 2 - \log_e 1 \\ &= \log_e 2 \end{aligned}$$

3 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for using the correct substitution for u .
- 1 mark for setting up the correct integral in terms of u .
- 1 mark for the correct answer.

End of Question 9
TURN OVER

Question 10

$$S = \{z: (z+1)(\bar{z}+1) = 4, z \in \mathbb{C}\} \text{ and } T = \{z: \text{Arg}(z+1) = \frac{-3\pi}{4}, z \in \mathbb{C}\}.$$

a. Find the Cartesian equations of S and T .

Worked solution

Cartesian equation for S :

$$((x+1) + yi)((x+1) - yi) = 4$$

$$(x+1)^2 + y^2 = 4$$

S is represented by a circle of centre $(-1, 0)$ and radius $= 2$.

Cartesian equation for T :

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x+1}\right) = \frac{-3\pi}{4}$$

$$\frac{y}{x+1} = \tan \frac{-3\pi}{4}$$

$$\frac{y}{x+1} = -1, x < -1$$

$y = x + 1, x < -1$, which is a ray in the third quadrant.

T is represented by the straight line $y = x + 1, x < -1$.

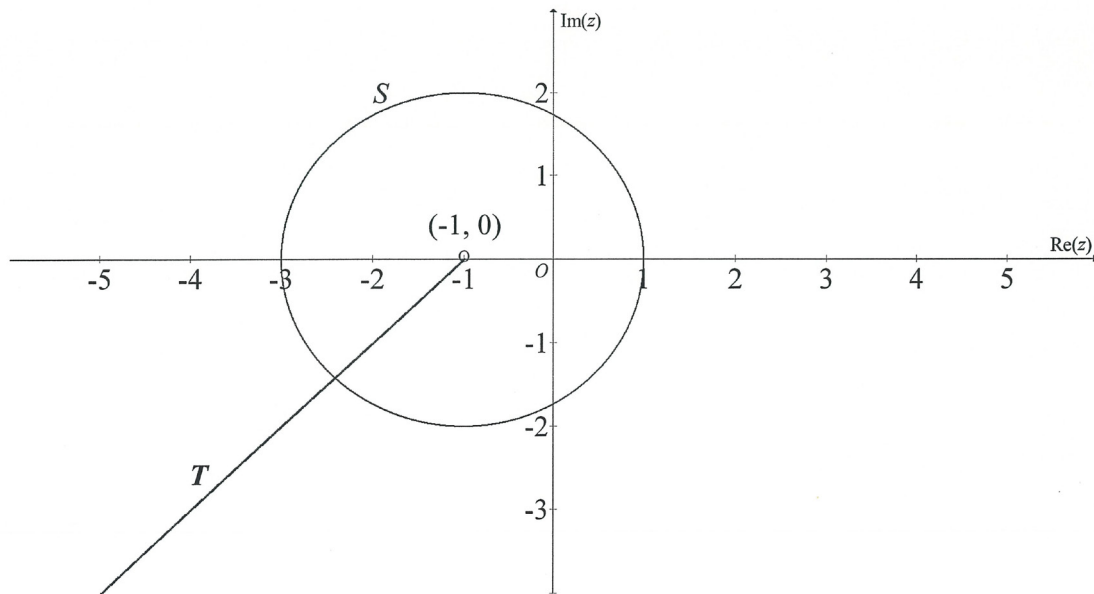
2 marks

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for the correct Cartesian equation for S .
- 1 mark for the correct Cartesian equation for T .

b. Show the subsets S and T on the complex plane below.

Worked solution



1 mark

Mark allocation

- 1 mark for the correct graph of S and T .

END OF SOLUTIONS BOOK