

Monday 12.12 [55 marks]

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{4x-5}{x^2-3x+2} \quad x \neq 1, x \neq 2.$$

1a. Express $f(x)$ in partial fractions.

[6 marks]

Markscheme

$$f(x) = \frac{4x-5}{(x-1)(x-2)} \equiv \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x-2} \quad \mathbf{M1A1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 5 \equiv A(x - 2) + B(x - 1) \quad \mathbf{M1A1}$$

$$x = 1 \Rightarrow A = 1 \quad x = 2 \Rightarrow B = 3 \quad \mathbf{A1A1}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{3}{x-2}$$

[6 marks]

1b. Use part (a) to show that $f(x)$ is always decreasing.

[3 marks]

Markscheme

$$f'(x) = -(x-1)^{-2} - 3(x-2)^{-2} \quad \mathbf{M1A1}$$

This is always negative so function is always decreasing. $\mathbf{R1AG}$

[3 marks]

1c.

$$\int_{-1}^0$$

[4 marks]

Use part (a) to find the exact value of $\int_{-1}^0 f(x)dx$, giving the answer in the form $\ln q$, $q \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Markscheme

$$\int_{-1}^0 \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{3}{x-2} dx = [\ln|x-1| + 3\ln|x-2|]_{-1}^0 \quad \mathbf{M1A1}$$
$$= (3\ln 2) - (\ln 2 + 3\ln 3) = 2\ln 2 - 3\ln 3 = \ln \frac{4}{27} \quad \mathbf{A1A1}$$

[4 marks]

Consider the series $\ln x + p \ln x + \frac{1}{3} \ln x + \dots$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x > 1$ and $p \in \mathbb{R}$, $p \neq 0$.

Consider the case where the series is geometric.

2a. Show that $p = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$.

[2 marks]

Markscheme

EITHER

attempt to use a ratio from consecutive terms **M1**

$$\frac{p \ln x}{\ln x} = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \ln x}{p \ln x} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{1}{3} \ln x = (\ln x) r^2 \quad \text{OR} \quad p \ln x = \ln x \left(\frac{1}{3p} \right)$$

Note: Candidates may use $\ln x^1 + \ln x^p + \ln x^{\frac{1}{3}} \dots$ and consider the powers of x in geometric sequence

Award **M1** for $\frac{p}{1} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{p}$.

OR

$$r = p \quad \text{and} \quad r^2 = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{M1}$$

THEN

$$p^2 = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{OR} \quad r = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$p = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \text{AG}$$

Note: Award **MOA0** for $r^2 = \frac{1}{3}$ or $p^2 = \frac{1}{3}$ with no other working seen.

[2 marks]

2b. Given that $p > 0$ and $S_{\infty} = 3 + \sqrt{3}$, find the value of x .

[3 marks]

Markscheme

$$\frac{\ln x}{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}} \quad (= 3 + \sqrt{3}) \quad \textbf{(A1)}$$

$$\ln x = 3 - \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} + \sqrt{3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \text{OR} \quad \ln x = 3 - \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3} - 1 \quad (\Rightarrow \ln x = 2)$$

A1

$$x = e^2 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

[3 marks]

Now consider the case where the series is arithmetic with common difference d .

2c. Show that $p = \frac{2}{3}$.

[3 marks]

Markscheme

METHOD 1

attempt to find a difference from consecutive terms or from u_2 **M1**

correct equation **A1**

$$p \ln x - \ln x = \frac{1}{3} \ln x - p \ln x \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{1}{3} \ln x = \ln x + 2(p \ln x - \ln x)$$

Note: Candidates may use $\ln x^1 + \ln x^p + \ln x^{\frac{1}{3}} + \dots$ and consider the powers of x in arithmetic sequence.

Award **M1A1** for $p - 1 = \frac{1}{3} - p$

$$2p \ln x = \frac{4}{3} \ln x \quad (\Rightarrow 2p = \frac{4}{3}) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$p = \frac{2}{3} \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

METHOD 2

attempt to use arithmetic mean $u_2 = \frac{u_1 + u_3}{2}$ **M1**

$$p \ln x = \frac{\ln x + \frac{1}{3} \ln x}{2} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$2p \ln x = \frac{4}{3} \ln x \quad (\Rightarrow 2p = \frac{4}{3}) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$p = \frac{2}{3} \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

METHOD 3

attempt to find difference using u_3 **M1**

$$\frac{1}{3} \ln x = \ln x + 2d \quad (\Rightarrow d = -\frac{1}{3} \ln x)$$

$$u_2 = \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3} \ln x - \ln x \right) \quad \text{OR} \quad p \ln x - \ln x = -\frac{1}{3} \ln x \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$p \ln x = \frac{2}{3} \ln x \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$p = \frac{2}{3} \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

[3 marks]

2d. Write down d in the form $k \ln x$, where $k \in \mathbb{Q}$.

[1 mark]

Markscheme

$$d = -\frac{1}{3} \ln x \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[1 mark]

2e. The sum of the first n terms of the series is $-3 \ln x$.

[6 marks]

Find the value of n .

Markscheme

METHOD 1

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} \left[2 \ln x + (n-1) \times \left(-\frac{1}{3} \ln x \right) \right]$$

attempt to substitute into S_n and equate to $-3 \ln x$ **(M1)**

$$\frac{n}{2} \left[2 \ln x + (n-1) \times \left(-\frac{1}{3} \ln x \right) \right] = -3 \ln x$$

correct working with S_n (seen anywhere) **(A1)**

$$\frac{n}{2} \left[2 \ln x - \frac{n}{3} \ln x + \frac{1}{3} \ln x \right] \text{ OR } n \ln x - \frac{n(n-1)}{6} \ln x \text{ OR}$$
$$\frac{n}{2} \left(\ln x + \left(\frac{4-n}{3} \right) \ln x \right)$$

correct equation without $\ln x$ **A1**

$$\frac{n}{2} \left(\frac{7}{3} - \frac{n}{3} \right) = -3 \text{ OR } n - \frac{n(n-1)}{6} = -3 \text{ or equivalent}$$

Note: Award as above if the series $1 + p + \frac{1}{3} + \dots$ is considered leading to $\frac{n}{2} \left(\frac{7}{3} - \frac{n}{3} \right) = -3$.

attempt to form a quadratic = 0 **(M1)**

$$n^2 - 7n - 18 = 0$$

attempt to solve their quadratic **(M1)**

$$(n-9)(n+2) = 0$$

$$n = 9 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

METHOD 2

listing the first 7 terms of the sequence **(A1)**

$$\ln x + \frac{2}{3} \ln x + \frac{1}{3} \ln x + 0 - \frac{1}{3} \ln x - \frac{2}{3} \ln x - \ln x + \dots$$

recognizing first 7 terms sum to 0 **M1**

$$8^{\text{th}} \text{ term is } -\frac{4}{3} \ln x \quad \mathbf{(A1)}$$

$$9^{\text{th}} \text{ term is } -\frac{5}{3} \ln x \quad \mathbf{(A1)}$$

sum of 8th and 9th term = $-3 \ln x$ **(A1)**

$$n = 9 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[6 marks]

3. Consider the graphs of $y = \frac{x^2}{x-3}$ and $y = m(x+3)$, $m \in \mathbb{R}$. [5 marks]

Find the set of values for m such that the two graphs have no intersection points.

Markscheme

METHOD 1

sketching the graph of $y = \frac{x^2}{x-3}$ ($y = x + 3 + \frac{9}{x-3}$) **M1**

the (oblique) asymptote has a gradient equal to 1

and so the maximum value of m is 1 **R1**

consideration of a straight line steeper than the horizontal line joining $(-3, 0)$ and $(0, 0)$ **M1**

so $m > 0$ **R1**

hence $0 < m \leq 1$ **A1**

METHOD 2

attempting to eliminate y to form a quadratic equation in x **M1**

$$x^2 = m(x^2 - 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 1)x^2 - 9m = 0 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

EITHER

attempting to solve $-4(m - 1)(-9m) < 0$ for m **M1**

OR

attempting to solve $x^2 < 0$ ie $\frac{9m}{m-1} < 0$ ($m \neq 1$) for m **M1**

THEN

$$\Rightarrow 0 < m < 1 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

a valid reason to explain why $m = 1$ gives no solutions eg if $m = 1$,

$$(m - 1)x^2 - 9m = 0 \Rightarrow -9 = 0 \text{ and so } 0 < m \leq 1 \quad \mathbf{R1}$$

[5 marks]

The function f is defined by $f(x) = \frac{4x+1}{x+4}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq -4$.

For the graph of f

4a. write down the equation of the vertical asymptote.

[1 mark]

Markscheme

$$x = -4 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[1 mark]

4b. find the equation of the horizontal asymptote.

[2 marks]

Markscheme

attempt to substitute into $y = \frac{a}{c}$ OR table with large values of x OR sketch of f showing asymptotic behaviour **(M1)**

$$y = 4 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[2 marks]

4c. Find $f^{-1}(x)$.

[4 marks]

Markscheme

$$y = \frac{4x+1}{x+4}$$

attempt to interchange x and y (seen anywhere) **M1**

$$xy + 4y = 4x + 1 \quad \text{OR} \quad xy + 4x = 4y + 1 \quad \mathbf{(A1)}$$

$$xy - 4x = 1 - 4y \quad \text{OR} \quad xy - 4y = 1 - 4x \quad \mathbf{(A1)}$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1-4x}{x-4} \quad (\text{accept } y = \frac{1-4x}{x-4}) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[4 marks]

- 4d. Using an algebraic approach, show that the graph of f^{-1} is obtained by [4 marks]
a reflection of the graph of f in the y -axis followed by a reflection in the x -axis.

Markscheme

reflection in y -axis given by $f(-x)$ (M1)

$$f(-x) = \frac{-4x+1}{-x+4} \quad \text{(A1)}$$

reflection of their $f(-x)$ in x -axis given by $-f(-x)$ accept "now $-f(x)$ "
M1

$$\begin{aligned} (-f(-x)) &= -\frac{-4x+1}{-x+4} \\ &= \frac{-4x+1}{x-4} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{4x-1}{-x+4} \quad \text{A1} \\ &= \frac{1-4x}{x-4} \quad (= f^{-1}(x)) \quad \text{AG} \end{aligned}$$

Note: If the candidate attempts to show the result using a particular coordinate on the graph of f rather than a general coordinate on the graph of f , where appropriate, award marks as follows:

MOAO for eg $(2, 3) \rightarrow (-2, 3)$

MOAO for $(-2, 3) \rightarrow (-2, -3)$

[4 marks]

The graphs of f and f^{-1} intersect at $x = p$ and $x = q$, where $p < q$.

- 4e. Find the value of p and the value of q .

[2 marks]

Markscheme

attempt to solve $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ using graph or algebraically (M1)

$$p = -1 \quad \text{AND} \quad q = 1 \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award (M1)AO if only one correct value seen.

[2 marks]

- 4f. Hence, find the area enclosed by the graph of f and the graph of f^{-1} . [3 marks]

Markscheme

attempt to set up an integral to find area between f and f^{-1} (M1)

$$\int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{4x+1}{x+4} - \frac{1-4x}{x-4} \right) dx \quad (A1)$$

$$= 0.675231\dots$$

$$= 0.675 \quad A1$$

[3 marks]

A company produces bags of sugar whose masses, in grams, can be modelled by a normal distribution with mean 1000 and standard deviation 3.5. A bag of sugar is rejected for sale if its mass is less than 995 grams.

- 5a. Find the probability that a bag selected at random is rejected. [2 marks]

Markscheme

Note: In this question, do not penalise incorrect use of strict inequality signs.

Let X = mass of a bag of sugar

evidence of identifying the correct area (M1)

$$P(X < 995) = 0.0765637\dots$$

$$= 0.0766 \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

- 5b. Estimate the number of bags which will be rejected from a random sample of 100 bags. [1 mark]

Markscheme

Note: In this question, do not penalise incorrect use of strict inequality signs.

Let X = mass of a bag of sugar

$$0.0766 \times 100$$

$$\approx 8 \text{ **A1**}$$

Note: Accept 7.66.

[1 mark]

- 5c. Given that a bag is not rejected, find the probability that it has a mass greater than 1005 grams. **[3 marks]**

Markscheme

Note: In this question, do not penalise incorrect use of strict inequality signs.

Let X = mass of a bag of sugar

recognition that $P(X > 1005 \mid X \geq 995)$ is required **(M1)**

$$\frac{P(X \geq 995 \cap X > 1005)}{P(X \geq 995)}$$

$$\frac{P(X > 1005)}{P(X \geq 995)} \text{ **(A1)**}$$

$$\frac{0.0765637\dots}{1 - 0.0765637\dots} \left(= \frac{0.0765637\dots}{0.923436\dots} \right)$$

$$= 0.0829 \text{ **A1**}$$

[3 marks]