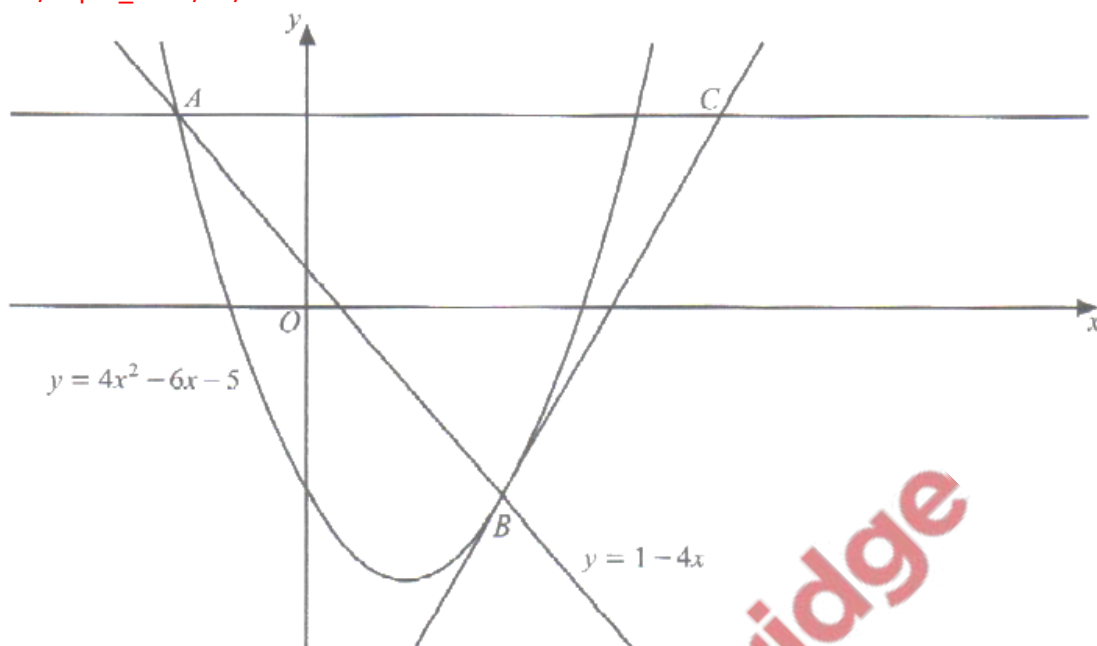


1. Nov/2023/Paper_0606/11/No.8



The diagram shows the line $y = 1 - 4x$ meeting the curve $y = 4x^2 - 6x - 5$ at the points A and B. The tangent to the curve at B meets the horizontal line through A at the point C. Find the x-coordinate of C, giving your answer correct to 2 decimal places. [10]

Substitute equation of the line into the equation of the curve.

$$1 - 4x = 4x^2 - 6x - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 6x - 5 - 1 + 4x = 0$$

$$4x^2 - 2x - 6 = 0$$

$$2(2x^2 - x - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - x - 3 = 0 \quad (\text{solving for } x \text{ using the quadratic formula})$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(2)(-3)}}{2 \times 2}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm 5}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{1-5}{4} = -1 \quad , \quad x = \frac{1+5}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

A is on the negative x -axis while B is on the positive x -axis.

$$\therefore x\text{-coordinate of A} = -1$$

$$x\text{-coordinate of B} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{When } x = -1, y = 1 - 4(-1) = 5$$

$$\text{When } x = \frac{3}{2}, y = 1 - 4\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = -5$$

$$\therefore A\left(-1, 5\right) \text{ and } B\left(\frac{3}{2}, -5\right)$$

Equation of the line passing through point A and C is $y = 5$.

$$\text{Gradient of the tangent} = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(4x^2 - 6x - 5)$$

$$= 8x - 6$$

$$\text{At } B\left(\frac{3}{2}, -5\right), \frac{dy}{dx} = 8\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - 6$$

$$= 6$$

Equation of the tangent at B:

$$y - (-5) = 6\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)$$

$$y + 5 = 6x - 9$$

$$y = 6x - 9 - 5$$

$$y = 6x - 14$$

The line passing through A and C meets the tangent at point C.

Substitute equation of line AC into the equation of the tangent.

$$\Rightarrow 5 = 6x - 14$$

$$6x = 5 + 14$$

$$\frac{6x}{6} = \frac{19}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3.17 \text{ (2dp)}$$

$$\therefore x\text{-coordinate of C} = 3.17$$

Solve the equation $6x^{\frac{1}{3}} - 2x^{-\frac{1}{3}} - 1 = 0$. Give your answers in exact form.

[4]

$$(6x^{\frac{1}{3}} - 2x^{-\frac{1}{3}} - 1 = 0) \times x^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$6(x^{\frac{1}{3}})^2 - 2x^{(-\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3})} - x^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0$$

$$6(x^{\frac{1}{3}})^2 - 2 - x^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x^{\frac{1}{3}} = y$$

$$\Rightarrow 6y^2 - 2 - y = 0$$

$$6y^2 - y - 2 = 0 \quad (\text{solve for } y \text{ using the quadratic formula}).$$

$$y = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(6)(-2)}}{2 \times 6}$$

$$y = \frac{1 \pm 7}{12}$$

$$y = \frac{1-7}{12} = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad y = \frac{1+7}{12} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{1}{3}} = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad x^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$x = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3$$

$$\therefore x = -\frac{1}{8} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{8}{27}$$

- (a) Write $19 - 12x - 3x^2$ in the form $a(x+b)^2 + c$ where a , b and c are integers. [4]

$$19 - 12x - 3x^2 = -3x^2 - 12x + 19$$

$$= -3 \left[x^2 + 4x - \frac{19}{3} \right]$$

Using Completing square method:

$$= -3 \left[x^2 + 4x + \left(\frac{1}{2}(4)\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}(4)\right)^2 - \frac{19}{3} \right]$$

$$= -3 \left[x^2 + 4x + (2)^2 - (2)^2 - \frac{19}{3} \right]$$

$$= -3 \left[(x+2)^2 - 4 - \frac{19}{3} \right]$$

$$= -3 \left[(x+2)^2 - \frac{31}{3} \right]$$

$$= -3(x+2)^2 + \left(-3 \times -\frac{31}{3}\right)$$

$$= -3(x+2)^2 + 31$$

- (b) Hence find the maximum value of $19 - 12x - 3x^2$ and the value of x at which this maximum occurs. [2]

From (a) $19 - 12x - 3x^2 = -3(x+2)^2 + 31$

\therefore Maximum value is 31 when $x = -2$

- (c) Use your answer to part (a) to solve the equation $19 - 12\sqrt{u} - 3u = 0$. [3]

Compare $19 - 12\sqrt{u} - 3u$ with $19 - 12x - 3x^2$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{u}$$

$$\Rightarrow 19 - 12\sqrt{u} - 3u = -3(\sqrt{u} + 2)^2 + 31 = 0$$

$$\frac{-3(\sqrt{u} + 2)^2}{-3} = \frac{-31}{-3}$$

$$(\sqrt{u} + 2)^2 = \frac{31}{3}$$

$$\sqrt{u} + 2 = \pm \sqrt{\frac{31}{3}}$$

$$\sqrt{u} = -2 \pm \sqrt{\frac{31}{3}}$$

$$u = \left(-2 + \sqrt{\frac{31}{3}}\right)^2$$

$$\therefore u = 1.48 \quad (3 \text{ sf})$$

Find the value of the constant a for which the line $y = (2a + 1)x - 10$ is a tangent to the curve $y = ax^2 - 5x + 2$. [6]

Substitute the equation of the tangent into the equation of the curve.

$$\Rightarrow (2a + 1)x - 10 = ax^2 - 5x + 2$$

$$2ax + x - 10 = ax^2 - 5x + 2$$

$$ax^2 - 5x + 2 - 2ax - x + 10 = 0$$

$$ax^2 - 6x - 2ax + 12 = 0$$

$$ax^2 - (6 + 2a)x + 12 = 0$$

Discriminant $b^2 - 4ac = 0$ since there is only one real root.

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-(6 + 2a))^2 - 4(a)(12) = 0$$

$$6(6 + 2a) + 2a(6 + 2a) - 48a = 0$$

$$36 + 12a + 12a + 4a^2 - 48a = 0$$

$$4a^2 - 24a + 36 = 0$$

$$\frac{4}{4}(a^2 - 6a + 9) = \frac{0}{4}$$

$$a^2 - 6a + 9 = 0$$

Solving for 'a' using the quadratic formula:

$$a = \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4(1)(9)}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{6 \pm 0}{2}$$

$$\therefore a = 3$$

DO NOT USE A CALCULATOR IN THIS QUESTION.

Solve the equation $(2 - \sqrt{10})x^2 + x + (2 + \sqrt{10}) = 0$, giving your answers in the form $a + b\sqrt{10}$, where a and b are rational. [7]The quadratic equation is of the form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$.Solving for x using the quadratic formula

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(2 - \sqrt{10})(2 + \sqrt{10})}}{2 \times (2 - \sqrt{10})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2 - \sqrt{10})(2 + \sqrt{10}) &= 2(2 + \sqrt{10}) - \sqrt{10}(2 + \sqrt{10}) \\ &= 4 + 2\sqrt{10} - 2\sqrt{10} - 10 \\ &= -6 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(-6)}}{2(2 - \sqrt{10})} = \frac{-1 \pm 5}{2(2 - \sqrt{10})}$$

$$x = \frac{-1 - 5}{2(2 - \sqrt{10})} = \frac{-6}{2(2 - \sqrt{10})} = \frac{-3}{2 - \sqrt{10}} \quad x = \frac{-1 + 5}{2(2 - \sqrt{10})} = \frac{4}{2(2 - \sqrt{10})} = \frac{2}{2 - \sqrt{10}}$$

$$\text{For } x = \frac{-3}{2 - \sqrt{10}} \times \frac{2 + \sqrt{10}}{2 + \sqrt{10}}$$

(Rationalise the denominator)

$$x = \frac{-3(2 + \sqrt{10})}{-6} = \frac{2 + \sqrt{10}}{2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{10}$$

$$\text{For } x = \frac{2}{2 - \sqrt{10}} \times \frac{2 + \sqrt{10}}{2 + \sqrt{10}}$$

$$= \frac{2(2 + \sqrt{10})}{-6} = -\frac{1}{3}(2 + \sqrt{10}) = -\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{10}$$

$$\therefore x = 1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{10}, \quad x = -\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{10}$$

6. Nov/2023/Paper_0606/22/No.2

Find the non-zero value of k for which the line $y = -2x - 6k - 1$ is a tangent to the curve $y = x(x + 2k)$.

Substitute equation of the line into the equation of the curve ^[5]

$$-2x - 6k - 1 = x(x + 2k)$$

$$-2x - 6k - 1 = x^2 + 2xk$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2xk + 2x + 6k + 1 = 0$$

$$x^2 + (2k + 2)x + 6k + 1 = 0$$

The discriminant $b^2 - 4ac = 0$ since there is only one real root.

$$b^2 - 4ac = (2k + 2)^2 - 4(1)(6k + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2k(2k + 2) + 2(2k + 2) - 4(6k + 1) = 0$$

$$4k^2 + 4k + 4k + 4 - 24k - 4 = 0$$

$$4k^2 + 8k + 4 - 24k - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4k^2 - 16k = 0$$

$$4k(k - 4) = 0$$

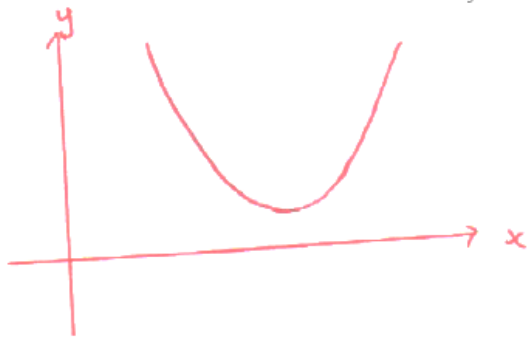
$$4k = 0, \quad k - 4 = 0$$

$$k = 0, \quad k = 4$$

But k is non-zero

$$\therefore k = 4$$

Find the values of k for which the curve $y = x^2 + kx + (4k - 15)$ is completely above the x -axis. [4]



If the curve is completely above the x -axis there are zero real roots, so the discriminant $b^2 - 4ac < 0$

$$b^2 - 4ac = k^2 - 4(1)(4k - 15) < 0$$

$$k^2 - 16k + 60 < 0$$

For critical values consider $k^2 - 16k + 60 = 0$

Solving for k using the quadratic formula

$$k = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-16) \pm \sqrt{(-16)^2 - 4(1)(+60)}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$k = \frac{16 \pm \sqrt{16}}{2} = \frac{16 \pm 4}{2}$$

$$k = \frac{16 - 4}{2} = 6, \quad k = \frac{16 + 4}{2} = 10$$

\therefore The critical values are 6 and 10.

$$\therefore k > 6, \quad k < 10$$

$$\therefore 6 < k < 10$$

8. March/2023/Paper_0606/12/No.1

Find the exact values of k such that the straight line $y = 1 - k - x$ is a tangent to the curve $y = kx^2 + x + 2k$. [4]

Substitute equation of the tangent into equation of the curve.

$$1 - k - x = kx^2 + x + 2k$$

$$kx^2 + x + 2k + x + k - 1 = 0$$

$$kx^2 + 2x + 3k - 1 = 0$$

The quadratic equation has only one solution (one root)

So the discriminant $b^2 - 4ac = 0$.

$$a = k, \quad b = 2, \quad c = 3k - 1$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 2^2 - 4(k)(3k - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 - 4k(3k - 1) = 0$$

$$4 - 12k^2 + 4k = 0$$

$$\frac{4}{4} (1 - 3k^2 + k) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 1 - 3k^2 + k = 0$$

$$3k^2 - k - 1 = 0$$

Solving for k using the quadratic formula

$$k = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$k = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(3)(-1)}}{2 \times 3}$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{13}}{6}$$

- (a) Write $5x^2 - 14x + 8$ in the form $a(x+b)^2 + c$, where a , b and c are constants to be found. [3]

$$5 \left[x^2 - \frac{14}{5}x + \frac{8}{5} \right] = 5 \left[\left(x - \frac{7}{5} \right)^2 - \frac{49}{25} + \frac{8}{5} \right]$$

using Completing square method

$$5 \left[x^2 - \frac{14}{5}x + \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{14}{5} \right) \right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{14}{5} \right) \right)^2 + \frac{8}{5} \right] = 5 \left[\left(x - \frac{7}{5} \right)^2 - \frac{9}{5} \right]$$

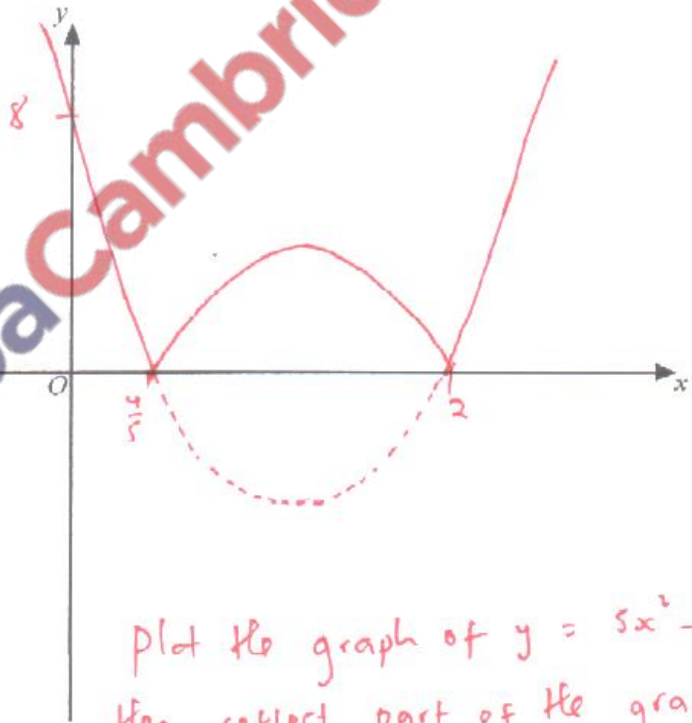
$$= 5 \left[x^2 - \frac{14}{5}x + \left(-\frac{7}{5} \right)^2 - \left(-\frac{7}{5} \right)^2 + \frac{8}{5} \right] = 5 \left(x - \frac{7}{5} \right)^2 - \frac{9}{5}$$

- (b) Hence write down the coordinates of the stationary point on the curve $y = 5x^2 - 14x + 8$. [2]

From part (a) $y = 5 \left(x - \frac{7}{5} \right)^2 - \frac{9}{5}$

$$= \left(\frac{7}{5}, -\frac{9}{5} \right)$$

- (c) On the axes below, sketch the graph of $y = |5x^2 - 14x + 8|$, stating the coordinates of the points where the graph meets the coordinate axes. [3]



Consider $y = 5x^2 - 14x + 8$

When $x=0$, $y = 8 = 8$

When $y=0$, $5 \left(x - \frac{7}{5} \right)^2 - \frac{9}{5} = 0$

$$\frac{5}{5} \left(x - \frac{7}{5} \right)^2 = \frac{9}{5}$$

$$\left(x - \frac{7}{5} \right)^2 = \frac{9}{25}$$

$$x - \frac{7}{5} = \pm \frac{3}{5}$$

$$x = \frac{7}{5} \pm \frac{3}{5} \Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{5}, 2$$

- (d) Write down the range of values of k for which the equation $|5x^2 - 14x + 8| = k$ has 4 distinct roots. [2]

From part (b) Coordinates of the stationary point are $\left(\frac{7}{5}, -\frac{9}{5} \right)$

$$\therefore 0 < k < \frac{9}{5}$$

