

- 1 (i) Find the first three terms in the expansion, in ascending powers of x , of $(1 - 2x)^5$. [2]

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - 2x)^5 &= {}^5C_0 (1)^5 (-2x)^0 + {}^5C_1 (1)^4 (-2x)^1 + {}^5C_2 (1)^3 (-2x)^2 + \dots \\ &= 1 - 10x + 40x^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) Given that the coefficient of x^2 in the expansion of $(1 + ax + 2x^2)(1 - 2x)^5$ is 12, find the value of the constant a . [3]

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + ax + 2x^2)(1 - 2x)^5 &= (1 + ax + 2x^2)(1 - 10x + 40x^2 + \dots) \\ &= 40x^2 - 10ax^2 + 2x^2 + \dots \\ &= (42 - 10a)x^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$42 - 10a = 12 \rightarrow 30 = 10a \rightarrow a = 3 \quad \#$$

- 2 A point is moving along the curve $y = 2x + \frac{5}{x}$ in such a way that the x -coordinate is increasing at a constant rate of 0.02 units per second. Find the rate of change of the y -coordinate when $x = 1$. [4]

$$y = 2x + 5x^{-1} \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 - 5x^{-2} = 2 - \frac{5}{x^2} \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = 0.02 \text{ units/sec}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dy}{dx} \times \frac{dx}{dt} \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \left(2 - \frac{5}{x^2}\right) \times 0.02$$

$$x = 1 \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \left(2 - \frac{5}{1^2}\right) \times 0.02 \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = -0.06 \text{ units/sec}$$

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- 3 A curve is such that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12}{(2x+1)^2}$. The point $(1, 1)$ lies on the curve. Find the coordinates of the point at which the curve intersects the x -axis. [6]

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 12(2x+1)^{-2} \rightarrow y = \int 12(2x+1)^{-2} dx \rightarrow y = \frac{12}{2(-1)}(2x+1)^{-1} + C$$

$$y = \frac{-6}{2x+1} + C \quad (1,1) \text{ lies on the curve.}$$

$$1 = \frac{-6}{2+1} + C \rightarrow C = 3 \quad \rightarrow y = \frac{-6}{2x+1} + 3$$

$$x\text{-int: } y = 0 \rightarrow \frac{-6}{2x+1} = -3 \rightarrow -6 = -3(2x+1) \rightarrow 2x+1 = \frac{-6}{-3}$$

$$\rightarrow 2x+1 = 2 \rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2} \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}, 0\right) \neq$$

- 4 (i) Prove the identity $(\sin \theta + \cos \theta)(1 - \sin \theta \cos \theta) \equiv \sin^3 \theta + \cos^3 \theta$. [3]

$$(\sin \theta + \cos \theta)(1 - \sin \theta \cos \theta) \quad \text{expand}$$

$$= \sin \theta - \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta + \cos \theta - \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta$$

$$= \sin \theta - (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \cos \theta + \cos \theta - \sin \theta (1 - \sin^2 \theta)$$

$$= \sin \theta - \cancel{\cos \theta} + \cos^3 \theta + \cancel{\cos \theta} - \cancel{\sin \theta} + \sin^3 \theta$$

$$= \sin^3 \theta + \cos^3 \theta \quad \neq$$

- (ii) Hence solve the equation $(\sin \theta + \cos \theta)(1 - \sin \theta \cos \theta) = 3 \cos^3 \theta$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$. [3]

$$\sin^3 \theta + \cos^3 \theta = 3 \cos^3 \theta \rightarrow \sin^3 \theta = 2 \cos^3 \theta \rightarrow \frac{\sin^3 \theta}{\cos^3 \theta} = 2$$

$$\rightarrow \tan^3 \theta = 2 \rightarrow \tan \theta = \sqrt[3]{2} \rightarrow \theta_1 = 51.6^\circ \quad \theta_2 = 180 + 51.6 = 231.6^\circ$$