

Mathematics for Actuarial Science (AS1051)

2011 (Solutions)

Full marks can be obtained by answering all six questions.

All necessary working must be shown.

TIME ALLOWED: 90 minutes

1) The solution is $w = 1$, $x = 4$, $y = -4$ and $z = 10$.

$\Sigma = 6$

2) First we use the identity $\sinh^2 \theta = \cosh^2 \theta - 1$

$$7 \cosh \theta - 2 \sinh^2 \theta = 8 \Rightarrow 8 - 7 \cosh \theta + 2 \cosh^2 \theta - 2 = 0$$

therefore

[3 marks]

$$(2 \cosh \theta - 3)(\cosh \theta - 2) = 0$$

With $y = e^\theta$ solve

[6 marks]

$$e^\theta + e^{-\theta} - 3 = 0 \Leftrightarrow y + y^{-1} - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow y_{\pm} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} \Rightarrow x_{1/2} = \ln \left[\frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{2}e^\theta + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\theta} - 2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow y + y^{-1} - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow y_{\pm} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow x_{3,4} = \ln \left[2 \pm \sqrt{3} \right]$$

$\Sigma = 9$

3) Take the transformation $(x, y) \rightarrow (X = x + 4, Y)$, then

$$x^2 + y^2 = (8 + x)^2 \quad - > \quad (X - 4)^2 + Y^2 = (X + 4)^2$$

Expanding this gives

[2 marks]

$$Y^2 = 16X \Rightarrow \underline{a = 4}$$

To find \mathcal{L} we use

[2 marks]

$$m = \frac{Y_2 - Y_1}{X_2 - X_1} \Rightarrow m = \frac{7 - 1}{2 - 0} = 3 \Rightarrow m = \frac{Y - 1}{X - 0} \Rightarrow \underline{Y = 3X + 1}$$

For the point of intersection with the parabola we need to solve

[2 marks]

$$(3X + 1)^2 = 16X \Rightarrow 9X^2 - 10X + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow X = \frac{1}{9}, 1 \Rightarrow Y = \frac{4}{3}, 4.$$

The points of intersection are therefore $P_1 = (\frac{1}{9}, \frac{4}{3})$ and $P_2 = (1, 4)$. For the lines perpendicular to \mathcal{L} we have

[3 marks]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_1^\perp : \quad -\frac{1}{3} &= \frac{Y - \frac{4}{3}}{X - \frac{1}{9}} \Rightarrow Y = -\frac{X}{3} + \frac{37}{27} \\ \mathcal{L}_2^\perp : \quad -\frac{1}{3} &= \frac{Y - 4}{X - 1} \Rightarrow Y = -\frac{X}{3} + \frac{13}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

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4) Multiply by $(x + 2)^2$

$$(x + 2)^2 \frac{(2 - 3x + x^2)}{(x + 2)} < (x + 2)^2 \Rightarrow (x - 2)(2 - 3x + x^2 - x - 2) < 0.$$

Therefore

[3 marks]

$$(x - 2)(x - 4)x < 0,$$

such that $x < -2$ or $0 < x < 4$.

[3 marks]

5) [11 marks] We compute

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$$i) 4 \int \sin 5\theta \cos 9\theta d\theta = 2 \int \sin(14\theta) d\theta - 2 \int \sin(4\theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \cos(4\theta) - \frac{1}{7} \cos(14\theta)$$

[3 marks]

$$ii) \int \frac{4x^2 + 9x + 7}{(3 + x)(x^2 + x + 2)} dx = \int \frac{2}{3 + x} dx + \int \frac{2x + 1}{x^2 + x + 2} dx = 2 \ln|x + 3| + \ln|x^2 + x + 2|$$

[8 marks]

6) We compute

$\Sigma = 11$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \arctan(1 + x) \Rightarrow f(0) = \frac{\pi}{4}, \\ f'(x) &= \frac{1}{(x + 1)^2 + 1} \Rightarrow f'(0) = \frac{1}{2}, \\ f''(x) &= -\frac{2(x + 1)}{((x + 1)^2 + 1)^2} \Rightarrow f''(0) = -\frac{1}{2}, \\ f'''(x) &= \frac{8(x + 1)^2}{((x + 1)^2 + 1)^3} - \frac{2}{((x + 1)^2 + 1)^2} \Rightarrow f'''(0) = \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the Taylor expansion up to the first two non-zero terms is

[6 marks]

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \mathcal{O}(x^4) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{x^3}{12} + \mathcal{O}(x^4). \end{aligned}$$

[3 marks]

$\Sigma = 9$