



Raffles Institution
H2 Mathematics
Solution for 2014 A-Level Paper 1

Question 1

No.	Suggested Solution	Remarks for Student
(i)	Let $y = f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$ $1-x = \frac{1}{y} \Rightarrow x = 1 - \frac{1}{y} = \frac{y-1}{y}$ $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-1}{x}$ $f^2(x) = f\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right) = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{1-x}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1-x-1}{1-x}} = \frac{1-x-1}{1-x} = \frac{x-1}{1-x} = f^{-1}(x)$	
(ii)	$f^3(x) = f(f^2(x)) = f(f^{-1}(x)) = x$	

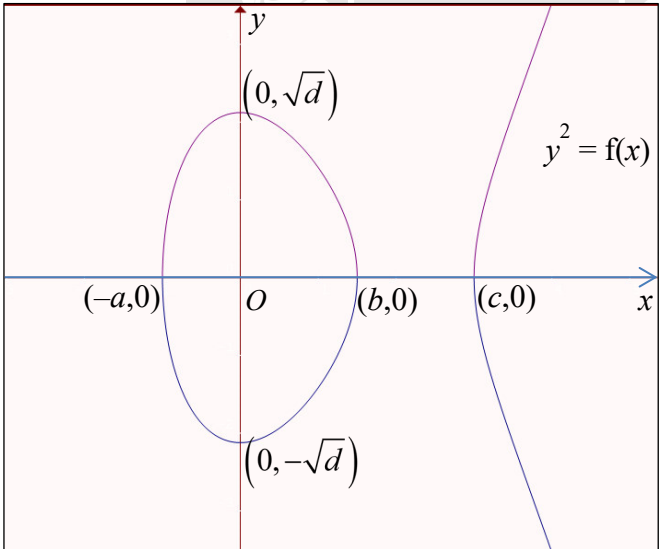
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2	$x^2y + xy^2 + 54 = 0 \dots (1)$ Differentiate with respect to x: $x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2xy + 2xy \frac{dy}{dx} + y^2 = 0$ When $\frac{dy}{dx} = -1$, we have $-x^2 + 2xy - 2xy + y^2 = 0$ $y^2 = x^2 \Rightarrow y = \pm x$ Sub $y = x$ into (1): $x^3 + x^3 + 54 = 0 \Rightarrow x^3 = -27 \Rightarrow x = -3 = y$ Sub $y = -x$ into (1): $-x^3 + x^3 + 54 = 0 \Rightarrow 54 = 0$ (no solution) Therefore there is only one point on C with gradient -1, and coordinates of that point is $(-3, -3)$.	It is not necessary to make $\frac{dy}{dx}$ the subject before substituting $\frac{dy}{dx} = -1$.

Question 3

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(i)	$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$ Either $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$ or $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$ or $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$ are parallel to each other.	$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$ or $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$ are trivial cases where students might discard.
(ii)	$\mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j} - \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{k}$ Alternative answer: $\mathbf{n} = -\left(\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j} - \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{k}\right)$	Read question carefully and note that they asked for unit vector.
(iii)	$\text{cosine of acute angle} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2}} \left \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right = \frac{2}{3}$	

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(ii)	They are the vertical lines $x = -a$, $x = b$ and $x = c$. Alternative: Tangents at these points are parallel to the y axis.	Not sufficient to say “tangents are undefined”

Question 5

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(i)	$z = 1 + 2i$ $z^2 = (1 + 2i)^2 = 1 + 4i - 4 = -3 + 4i$ $z^3 = (-3 + 4i)(1 + 2i) = -3 + 4i - 6i - 8 = -11 - 2i$ $\frac{1}{z^3} = \frac{1}{-11 - 2i} = \frac{1}{125}(-11 + 2i) = -\frac{11}{125} + \frac{2}{125}i$	Read question carefully, we need $\frac{1}{z^3}$, not just z^3
(ii)	$pz^2 + \frac{q}{z^3} = p(-3 + 4i) + q\left(-\frac{11}{125} + \frac{2}{125}i\right) \text{ is real}$ Therefore, $4p + \frac{2}{125}q = 0 \Rightarrow q = -250p$ $pz^2 + \frac{q}{z^3} = p(-3 + 4i) - 250p\left(-\frac{11}{125} + \frac{2}{125}i\right)$ $= -3p + 4pi + 22p - 4pi$ $= 19p$	Note that $pz^2 + \frac{q}{z^3}$ is real. This is a “hint” to “check” your answer.

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(a)(i)	Let P_n be the statement $p_n = \frac{1}{3}(7 - 4^n)$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. When $n = 1$, $\text{LHS} = p_1 = 1$ $\text{RHS} = \frac{1}{3}(7 - 4^1) = \frac{1}{3}(3) = 1$ LHS = RHS, so P_1 is true. Now assume that P_k is true for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, i.e. $p_k = \frac{1}{3}(7 - 4^k)$ We need to show that P_{k+1} is true, i.e. $p_{k+1} = \frac{1}{3}(7 - 4^{k+1})$ We have $p_{k+1} = 4p_k - 7$ $= 4\left[\frac{1}{3}(7 - 4^k)\right] - 7$	

	$= \frac{4}{3}(7 - 4^k) - 7$ $= \frac{1}{3}(28 - 4^{k+1} - 21)$ $= \frac{1}{3}(7 - 4^{k+1})$ Thus P_k is true $\Rightarrow P_{k+1}$ is true. Since P_1 is also true, P_n is true for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ by Mathematical Induction.	
(a)(ii)	$\sum_{r=1}^n p_r = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{r=1}^n (7 - 4^r)$ $= \frac{1}{3} \left(7n - \sum_{r=1}^n 4^r \right)$ $= \frac{1}{3} \left(7n - \frac{4(4^n - 1)}{4 - 1} \right)$ $= \frac{7n}{3} - \frac{4}{9}(4^n - 1)$	
(b)(i)	$\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = S_n = 1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)!}$ As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{(n+1)!} \rightarrow 0$. Therefore, $\sum_{r=1}^n u_r$ converges. $\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} u_r = 1.$	
(b)(ii)	For $n \geq 2$, $u_n = S_n - S_{n-1}$ $= 1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)!} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{n!} \right)$ $= \frac{1}{n!} - \frac{1}{(n+1)!}$ $= \frac{(n+1) - 1}{(n+1)!}$ $= \frac{n}{(n+1)!}$ $u_1 = S_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{(1+1)!} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{(1+1)!}$ $\therefore u_n = \frac{n}{(n+1)!}$ for $n \geq 1$.	

Question 7

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(i)	$\alpha = 1.88525 = 1.885$ (3 d.p.) At $(\beta, -7)$, $\beta^6 - 3\beta^4 - 7 = -7$ $\beta^4(\beta^2 - 3) = 0$ $\beta = 0 \text{ or } \sqrt{3} \text{ or } -\sqrt{3}.$ From diagram, $\beta > 0$, thus $\beta = \sqrt{3}$	
(ii)	$\int_{\beta}^{\alpha} f(x) dx = -0.597$ (3 d.p.)	
(iii)	$\int_0^{\sqrt{3}} (x^6 - 3x^4 - 7) dx = \left[\frac{1}{7}x^7 - \frac{3}{5}x^5 - 7x \right]_0^{\sqrt{3}}$ $= \frac{1}{7}(\sqrt{3})^7 - \frac{3}{5}(\sqrt{3})^5 - 7\sqrt{3}$ $= \frac{27}{7}\sqrt{3} - \frac{27}{5}\sqrt{3} - 7\sqrt{3}$ $= -\frac{299}{35}\sqrt{3}$ Required area $= \frac{299}{35}\sqrt{3} - 7\sqrt{3} = \frac{54}{35}\sqrt{3}$	
(iv)	$f(x) = x^6 - 3x^4 - 7 = (-x)^6 - 3(-x)^4 - 7 = f(-x)$ (Shown) Thus, f is symmetrical about the y -axis. Both α and $-\alpha$ are the real roots of $f(x) = 0$. The other 4 roots are non-real. Since the coefficients and constant term of f are real, the 4 roots will be 2 conjugate pairs.	Question asked students to comment on the 6 roots. Thus concepts of complex numbers are required for (iv)

Question 8

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(i)	$\int f(x) dx = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{3} + c$	

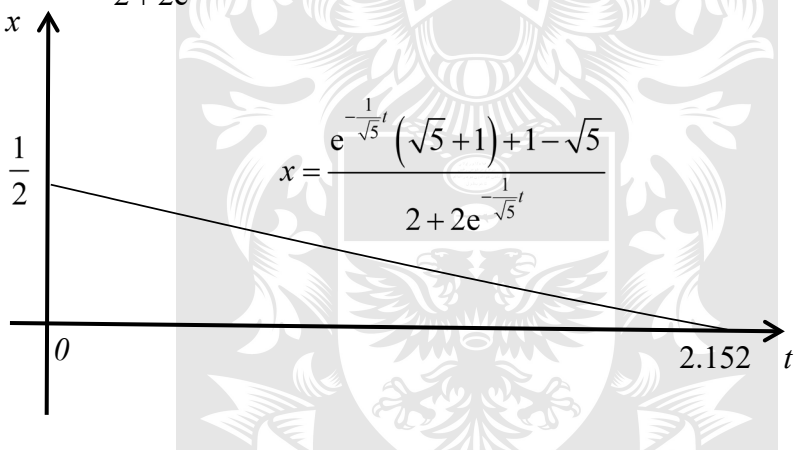
(ii)	$ \begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{9}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{3}\left(1-\frac{x^2}{9}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\approx \frac{1}{3}\left[1+\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{x^2}{9}\right)+\frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)}{2}\left(-\frac{x^2}{9}\right)^2\right. \\ &\quad \left.+\frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)}{6}\left(-\frac{x^2}{9}\right)^3\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3}\left(1+\frac{x^2}{18}+\frac{3x^4}{648}+\frac{5x^6}{11664}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}+\frac{x^2}{54}+\frac{x^4}{648}+\frac{5x^6}{34992} \end{aligned} $	As stated in the question, the intended method is to apply Binomial Theorem on $\left(1-\frac{x^2}{9}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ instead of finding the Maclaurin's expansion by repeated differentiation.
(iii)	$ \begin{aligned} \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{3} + c &= \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} dx \\ &\approx \int \left(\frac{1}{3}+\frac{x^2}{54}+\frac{x^4}{648}+\frac{5x^6}{34992}\right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{3}x+\frac{x^3}{162}+\frac{x^5}{3240}+\frac{5x^7}{244944} \end{aligned} $ Note that $c = 0$ when $x = 0$. Thus, $\sin^{-1} \frac{x}{3} \approx \frac{1}{3}x+\frac{x^3}{162}+\frac{x^5}{3240}+\frac{5x^7}{244944}$	

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	$p: \mathbf{r} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = 12, \quad l: \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$	
(i)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -10 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} = -5 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $q: \mathbf{r} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = -1 - 2 + 3 = 0$ Therefore the Cartesian equation of q is $-x + 2y + z = 0$	
(ii)	Using GC, $m: \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$	
(iii)	$\overrightarrow{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 + 4\mu \\ 3 + \mu \\ 2\mu \end{pmatrix}$ $\overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 + 4\mu - 1 \\ 3 + \mu - 1 \\ 2\mu - 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 + 4\mu \\ 4 + \mu \\ 2\mu - 3 \end{pmatrix}$ Let $y = \overrightarrow{AB} ^2 = (5 + 4\mu)^2 + (4 + \mu)^2 + (2\mu - 3)^2$ $\frac{dy}{d\mu} = 8(5 + 4\mu) + 2(4 + \mu) + 4(2\mu - 3) = 0$ $\Rightarrow 40 + 32\mu + 8 + 2\mu + 8\mu - 12 = 0$ $\Rightarrow 42\mu = -36$ $\therefore \mu = -\frac{6}{7}$ $\frac{d^2y}{d\mu^2} = 32 + 2 + 8 = 42 > 0 \Rightarrow \mu = -\frac{6}{7} \text{ gives the min value of } y.$ Coordinates of required point $= \left(6 + 4\left(-\frac{6}{7}\right), 3 - \frac{6}{7}, 2\left(-\frac{6}{7}\right) \right) = \left(\frac{18}{7}, \frac{15}{7}, -\frac{12}{7} \right)$	

Question 10

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	$\frac{dx}{dt} = k(1+x-x^2)$	
(i)	$x = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{1}{4} \text{ when } t = 0, \text{ we have}$ $-\frac{1}{4} = k\left(1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{5}{4}k \Rightarrow k = -\frac{1}{5} \text{ (Shown)}$	
(ii)	$1+x-x^2 = -(x^2-x)+1$ $= -\left(x^2-x+\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{4}\right)+1$ $= \frac{5}{4}-\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$ $\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{5}{4}-\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right) \Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{\frac{5}{4}-\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} dx = \int -\frac{1}{5} dt$ $-\frac{1}{5}t = \frac{1}{2\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)} \ln \left \frac{\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + \left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} - \left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)} \right + c$ $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \ln \left(\frac{\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + x - \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} - x + \frac{1}{2}} \right) + c, \text{ since } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \Leftrightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \leq x - \frac{1}{2} \leq 0$ $\text{Thus, } t = -\sqrt{5} \ln \left(\frac{2x + \sqrt{5} - 1}{-2x + \sqrt{5} + 1} \right) + c$ $x = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{1}{4} \text{ when } t = 0, \text{ we have}$ $0 = -\sqrt{5} \ln \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5} - 1}{-1 + \sqrt{5} + 1} \right) + c \Rightarrow c = \sqrt{5} \ln(1) = 0$ $\therefore t = -\sqrt{5} \ln \left(\frac{2x + \sqrt{5} - 1}{-2x + \sqrt{5} + 1} \right)$	

(iii) (a)	$x = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow t = -\sqrt{5} \ln \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{5} - 1}{-\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{5} + 1} \right) = \sqrt{5} \ln \left(\frac{2\sqrt{5} + 1}{2\sqrt{5} - 1} \right)$	
(iii) (b)	$x = 0 \Rightarrow t = -\sqrt{5} \ln \left(\frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{\sqrt{5} + 1} \right) = 2.152 \text{ min (3 d.p.)}$	
(iv)	$t = -\sqrt{5} \ln \left(\frac{2x + \sqrt{5} - 1}{-2x + \sqrt{5} + 1} \right)$ $e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}t} = \frac{2x + \sqrt{5} - 1}{-2x + \sqrt{5} + 1}$ $e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}t} (-2x + \sqrt{5} + 1) = 2x + \sqrt{5} - 1$ $x \left(2 + 2e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}t} \right) = e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}t} (\sqrt{5} + 1) + 1 - \sqrt{5}$ $\therefore x = \frac{e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}t} (\sqrt{5} + 1) + 1 - \sqrt{5}}{2 + 2e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}t}}$ 	

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(i)	$h^2 + r^2 = 4^2 \Rightarrow h = \sqrt{16 - r^2}$ $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3\right)$ $= \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 \sqrt{16 - r^2} + \frac{2}{3}\pi r^3$ $= \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 (\sqrt{16 - r^2} + 2r)$ $\frac{dV}{dr} = \frac{2}{3}\pi r (\sqrt{16 - r^2} + 2r) + \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{16 - r^2}}(-2r) + 2 \right)$ When $r = r_1$, $\frac{dV}{dr} = 0$ $\frac{2}{3}\pi r (\sqrt{16 - r^2} + 2r) + \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{16 - r^2}}(-2r) + 2 \right) = 0$ $2\sqrt{16 - r^2} + 4r - \frac{r^2}{\sqrt{16 - r^2}} + 2r = 0$ $2(16 - r^2) + 6r(\sqrt{16 - r^2}) - r^2 = 0$ $6r(\sqrt{16 - r^2}) = 3r^2 - 32$ $36r^2(16 - r^2) = 9r^4 - 192r^2 + 1024$ $576r^2 - 36r^4 = 9r^4 - 192r^2 + 1024$ $45r^4 - 768r^2 + 1024 = 0 \text{ (Shown)}$	
(ii)	$45r^4 - 768r^2 + 1024 = 0$ From GC, $r \approx 1.20742 \quad \text{or} \quad \approx 3.950797$ $= 1.207 \text{ (3dp)} \quad \text{or} \quad 3.951 \text{ (3dp)}$	
(iii)	$\frac{dV}{dr} = \frac{2}{3}\pi r (\sqrt{16 - r^2} + 2r) + \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{16 - r^2}}(-2r) + 2 \right)$ Using GC, $\left. \frac{dV}{dr} \right _{r=1.20742} = 18.311 \neq 0$, $\Rightarrow r = 1.20742$ does not give a stationary value of V. Thus, $r_1 = 3.951$ and corresponding $h = \sqrt{16 - r_1^2} = 0.625 \text{ (3sf)}$	

