

Implicit Differentiation

Question Paper 4

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A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

- 1 Fig. 7 shows the curve $y = \frac{x^2 + 3}{x - 1}$. It has a minimum at the point P. The line l is an asymptote to the curve.

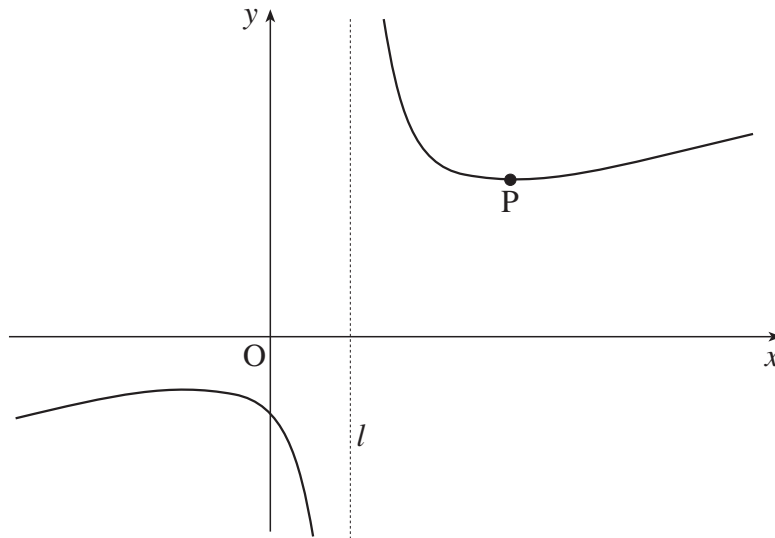


Fig. 7

- (i) Write down the equation of the asymptote l . [1]
- (ii) Find the coordinates of P. [6]
- (iii) Using the substitution $u = x - 1$, show that the area of the region enclosed by the x -axis, the curve and the lines $x = 2$ and $x = 3$ is given by

$$\int_1^2 \left(u + 2 + \frac{4}{u} \right) du.$$

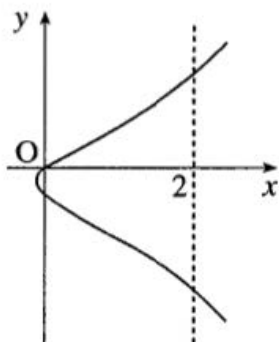
Evaluate this area exactly. [7]

- (iv) Another curve is defined by the equation $e^y = \frac{x^2 + 3}{x - 1}$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y by differentiating implicitly. Hence find the gradient of this curve at the point where $x = 2$. [4]

- 2 Fig. 7 shows the curve defined implicitly by the equation

$$y^2 + y = x^3 + 2x,$$

together with the line $x = 2$.



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Fig. 7

Find the coordinates of the points of intersection of the line and the curve.

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y . Hence find the gradient of the curve at each of these two points.

[8]

- 3 Fig. 8 shows the curve $y = f(x)$, where $f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2+x^2}}$.

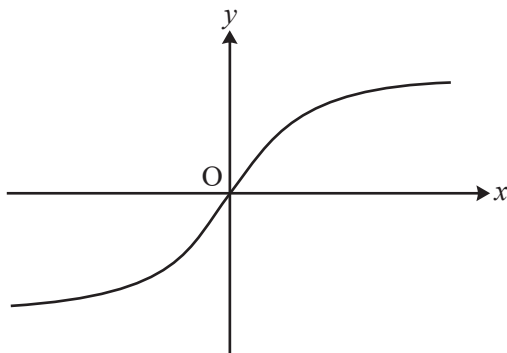


Fig. 8

- (i) Show algebraically that $f(x)$ is an odd function. Interpret this result geometrically. [3]
- (ii) Show that $f'(x) = \frac{2}{(2+x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$. Hence find the exact gradient of the curve at the origin. [5]
- (iii) Find the exact area of the region bounded by the curve, the x -axis and the line $x = 1$. [4]
- (iv) (A) Show that if $y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2+x^2}}$, then $\frac{1}{y^2} = \frac{2}{x^2} + 1$. [2]
- (B) Differentiate $\frac{1}{y^2} = \frac{2}{x^2} + 1$ implicitly to show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2y^3}{x^3}$. Explain why this expression cannot be used to find the gradient of the curve at the origin. [4]