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

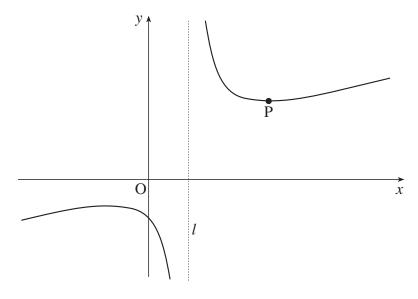


Fig. 7

- (i) Write down the equation of the asymptote *l*. [1]
- (ii) Find the coordinates of P.
- (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

$$\int_{1}^{2} \left(u + 2 + \frac{4}{u} \right) \mathrm{d}u.$$

Evaluate this area exactly.

(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]

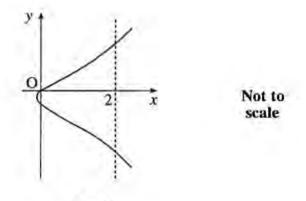
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2 Fig. 7 shows the curve defined implicitly by the equation

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

together with the line x = 2.

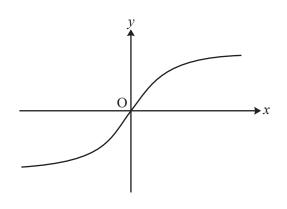




Find the coordinates of the points of intersection of the line and the curve.

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 $f(x) = \sqrt[7]{\sqrt{2+x_2}}$.





- (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]