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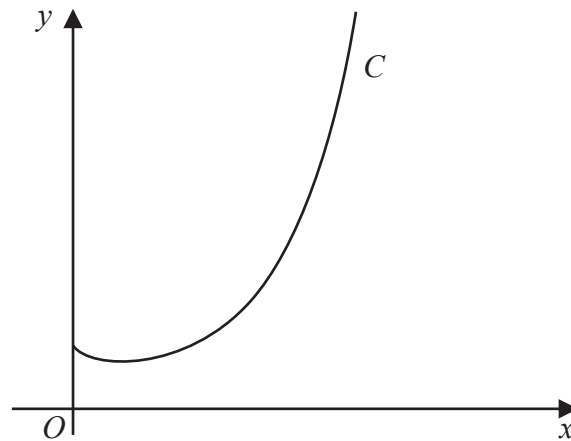


Figure 8

Figure 8 shows a sketch of the curve  $C$  with equation  $y = x^x$ ,  $x > 0$

(a) Find, by firstly taking logarithms, the  $x$  coordinate of the turning point of  $C$ .

(Solutions based entirely on graphical or numerical methods are not acceptable.)

(5)

The point  $P(\alpha, 2)$  lies on  $C$ .

(b) Show that  $1.5 < \alpha < 1.6$

(2)

A possible iteration formula that could be used in an attempt to find  $\alpha$  is

$$x_{n+1} = 2x_n^{1-x_n}$$

Using this formula with  $x_1 = 1.5$

(c) find  $x_4$  to 3 decimal places,

(2)

(d) describe the long-term behaviour of  $x_n$

(2)

a)  $y = x^x$   
 $\ln y = \ln(x^x)$   
 $\Rightarrow \ln y = x \cdot \ln(x)$  ①

Turning Point?  
 $\hookrightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \ln(x) \cdot 1$   
 log laws:  $\ln(a^m) = m \cdot \ln(a)$

$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + \ln(x)$  ②  
 Product Rule:  $h(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$   
 $h'(x) = f'(x) \cdot g(x) + f(x) \cdot g'(x)$   
 $x \rightarrow 1$   
 $\ln x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \cdot 0 = 1 + \ln x$   
 $\Rightarrow 0 = 1 + \ln x$   
 $\Rightarrow \ln(x) = -1$   
 $\Rightarrow e^{\ln x} = e^{-1} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{e} = 0.368$  ①

①

$$b) y = x^x$$

$$x = 1.5 \Rightarrow y = 1.5^{1.5} = 1.84$$

$$x = 1.6 \Rightarrow y = 1.6^{1.6} = 2.12 \quad (1)$$

$P(\alpha, 2) \Rightarrow 1.84 < 2 < 2.12$ , we also know that  $C$  is a continuous curve, hence  $\underline{1.5 < \alpha < 1.6}$  (1)

$$c) x_{n+1} = 2x_n^{1-x_n}, \quad x_1 = 1.5$$

$$x_2 = 2 \cdot x_1^{1-x_1} = 2 \cdot (1.5)^{1-1.5} = 1.63299.. \quad (1)$$

$$x_3 = 2 \cdot x_2^{1-x_2} = 1.46626..$$

$$x_4 = 2 \cdot x_3^{1-x_3} = 1.6731... \Rightarrow \underline{x_4 = 1.673} \quad (1)$$

d)  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , what happens to  $x_n$ ?

- $x_n$  fluctuates between 1 and 2 (1) 1, 2, 1, 2, ...
- $x_n$  will be periodic with period 2 (1)

2. The sequence  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots$  is defined by

$$u_{n+1} = k - \frac{24}{u_n} \quad u_1 = 2$$

where  $k$  is an integer.

Given that  $u_1 + 2u_2 + u_3 = 0$

(a) show that

$$3k^2 - 58k + 240 = 0 \tag{3}$$

(b) Find the value of  $k$ , giving a reason for your answer. (2)

(c) Find the value of  $u_3$  (1)

(a) Given  $u_1 = 2$

$$u_2 = k - \frac{24}{u_1} = k - \frac{24}{2} = k - 12$$

$$u_3 = k - \frac{24}{u_2} = k - \frac{24}{k-12} \tag{1}$$

Given  $u_1 + 2u_2 + u_3 = 0$

$$2 + 2(k-12) + k - \frac{24}{k-12} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$2 + 2k - 24 + k - \frac{24}{k-12} = 0$$

$$-22 + 3k - \frac{24}{k-12} = 0$$

$$(k-12)(-22 + 3k) - 24 = 0$$

$$-22k + 3k^2 + 264 - 36k - 24 = 0$$

$$3k^2 - 58k + 240 = 0 \tag{1}$$

(b)  $3k^2 - 58k + 240 = 0$

$$(k-6)(3k-40) = 0$$

$$k = 6, \frac{40}{3} \tag{1}$$

Since  $k$  is an integer,  $k = 6$  is the answer  $\# \tag{1}$

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$$u_3 = \frac{k - 24}{k - 12}$$

$$= \frac{6 - 24}{6 - 12}$$

$$= \frac{6 - 24}{-6}$$

$$= 6 + 4$$

$$= 10 \quad \# \quad \textcircled{1}$$

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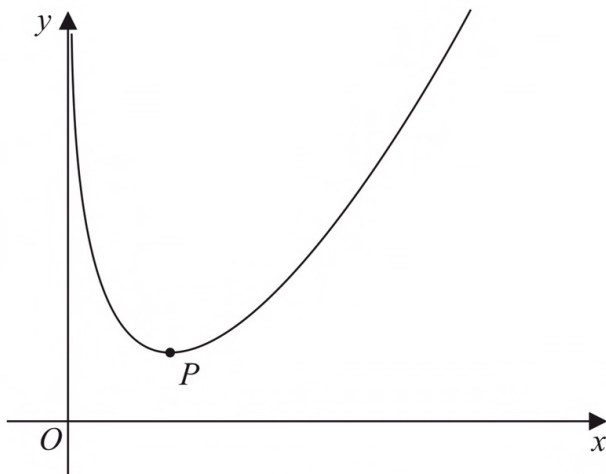


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of the curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{4x^2 + x}{2\sqrt{x}} - 4\ln x \quad x > 0$$

(a) Show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^2 + x - 16\sqrt{x}}{4x\sqrt{x}} \quad (4)$$

a)  $y = \frac{4x^2 + x}{2\sqrt{x}} - 4\ln x$ , Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

• Log Differentiation:  $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$

• Quotient Rule: If  $h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

then  $h'(x) = \frac{f'(x) \cdot g(x) - f(x) \cdot g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}$

•  $\frac{d}{dx}(4\ln x) = 4 \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \frac{4}{x}$  (1)

$2\sqrt{x} = 2x^{1/2}$

let  $h(x) = \frac{4x^2 + x}{2\sqrt{x}} \Rightarrow f(x) = 4x^2 + x \rightarrow f'(x) = 8x + 1$

$g(x) = 2\sqrt{x} \rightarrow g'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$  (1)

$\Rightarrow h'(x) = \frac{(8x+1)(2\sqrt{x}) - (4x^2+x)(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}})}{(2\sqrt{x})^2} = \frac{16x^{3/2} + 2x^{1/2} - \frac{4x^2}{x^{1/2}} - \frac{x}{x^{1/2}}}{4x} = \frac{16x^{3/2} + 2x^{1/2} - 4x^{3/2} - x^{1/2}}{4x}$

$\Rightarrow h'(x) = \frac{12x^{3/2} + x^{1/2}}{4x} = 3x^{1/2} + \frac{1}{4x^{1/2}} = 3\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{x}}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{x}} - \frac{4}{x} = \frac{12x+1}{4\sqrt{x}} - \frac{4}{x} = \frac{12x^2+x-16\sqrt{x}}{4x\sqrt{x}} = \frac{dy}{dx}$  as required. (1)

The point  $P$ , shown in Figure 1, is the minimum turning point on  $C$ .

(b) Show that the  $x$  coordinate of  $P$  is a solution of

$$x = \left( \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x}}{12} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \quad (3)$$

b) From part a:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^2 + x - 16\sqrt{x}}{4x\sqrt{x}}$

Our first step is to set  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{12x^2 + x - 16\sqrt{x}}{4x\sqrt{x}} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 12x^2 + x - 16\sqrt{x} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x^{3/2} + \sqrt{x} - 16 = 0 \quad \div \sqrt{x} \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x^{3/2} = 16 - \sqrt{x} \quad \div 12 \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{3/2} = \frac{16}{12} - \frac{\sqrt{x}}{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{3/2} = \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x}}{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left( \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x}}{12} \right)^{2/3} \quad \text{as required.} \quad (1)$$

(c) Use the iteration formula

$$x_{n+1} = \left( \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x_n}}{12} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \quad \text{with } x_1 = 2$$

to find (i) the value of  $x_2$  to 5 decimal places,

(ii) the  $x$  coordinate of  $P$  to 5 decimal places.

(3)

c) i)  $x_1 = 2$  and  $x_{n+1} = \left( \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x_n}}{12} \right)^{2/3} \Rightarrow x_2 = \left( \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{x_1}}{12} \right)^{2/3} = \left( \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{12} \right)^{2/3} \quad (1)$

Sub this in!  $\rightarrow$

$$x_2 = 1.138935\dots$$

$$x_2 = \underline{\underline{1.13894}} \quad (5 \text{ d.p.}) \quad (1)$$

ii)  $x = \underline{\underline{1.15650}} \quad (1)$

4.

$$f(x) = \ln(2x - 5) + 2x^2 - 30, \quad x > 2.5$$

- (a) Show that  $f(x) = 0$  has a root  $\alpha$  in the interval  $[3.5, 4]$  (2)

A student takes 4 as the first approximation to  $\alpha$ .

Given  $f(4) = 3.099$  and  $f'(4) = 16.67$  to 4 significant figures,

- (b) apply the Newton-Raphson procedure once to obtain a second approximation for  $\alpha$ , giving your answer to 3 significant figures. (2)

- (c) Show that  $\alpha$  is the only root of  $f(x) = 0$  (2)

a)  $f(x) = \ln(2x - 5) + 2x^2 - 30$

$$f(3.5) = \ln(2 \times 3.5 - 5) + 2(3.5)^2 - 30 = -4.81$$

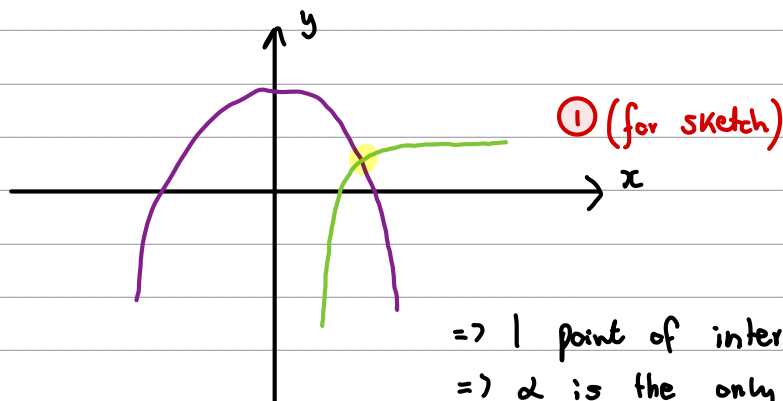
$f(4) = 3.10$  ①  $\Rightarrow$  In the interval  $[3.5, 4]$  we see a change in sign  $\Rightarrow$  there is a root,  $\alpha$ , in this interval. ①

b) Newton-Raphson:  $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$   $x_0 = 4$   
 $f(4) = 3.099$   
 $f'(4) = 16.67$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 4 - \frac{3.099}{16.67} \text{ ① } = 3.81409... \Rightarrow x_1 = \underline{3.81} \text{ ① }$$

c)  $f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \ln(2x - 5) + 2x^2 - 30 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \ln(2x - 5) = 30 - 2x^2$

$$30 - 2x^2$$



$\Rightarrow$  1 point of intersection  
 $\Rightarrow$   $\alpha$  is the only root.

5. The equation  $2x^3 + x^2 - 1 = 0$  has exactly one real root.

(a) Show that, for this equation, the Newton-Raphson formula can be written

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{4x_n^3 + x_n^2 + 1}{6x_n^2 + 2x_n}$$

(3)

Using the formula given in part (a) with  $x_1 = 1$

(b) find the values of  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ ,

(2)

(c) Explain why, for this question, the Newton-Raphson method cannot be used with  $x_1 = 0$

(1)

a) Newton-Raphson formula:  $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 1$$

$$f'(x) = 6x^2 + 2x \quad \checkmark$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{2x_n^3 + x_n^2 - 1}{6x_n^2 + 2x_n} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{x_n(6x_n^2 + 2x_n) - (2x_n^3 + x_n^2 - 1)}{6x_n^2 + 2x_n}$$

$$= \frac{x_n(6x_n^2 + 2x_n) - 2x_n^3 - x_n^2 + 1}{6x_n^2 + 2x_n}$$

$$= \frac{6x_n^3 + 2x_n^2 - 2x_n^3 - x_n^2 + 1}{6x_n^2 + 2x_n}$$

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{4x_n^3 + x_n^2 + 1}{6x_n^2 + 2x_n} \quad \checkmark$$



Using the formula given in part (a) with  $x_1 = 1$

(b) find the values of  $x_2$  and  $x_3$

(2)

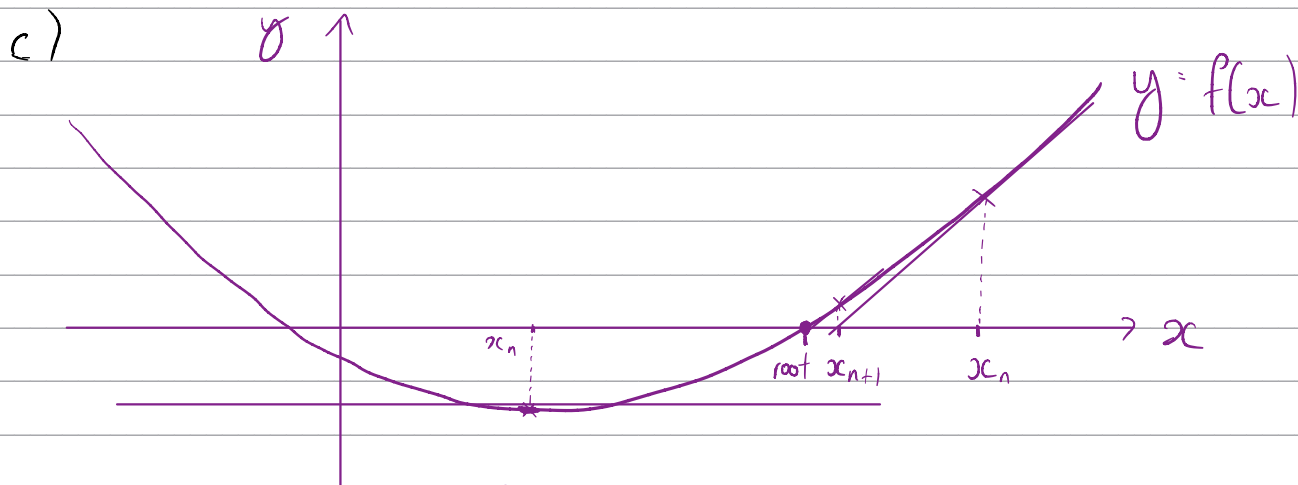
$$b) \quad x_{n+1} = \frac{4x_n^3 + x_n^2 + 1}{6x_n^2 + 2x_n}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{4(1)^3 + (1)^2 + 1}{6(1)^2 + 2(1)} = \frac{3}{4} \quad \checkmark$$

$$x_3 = \frac{4\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + 1}{6\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \checkmark$$

(c) Explain why, for this question, the Newton-Raphson method cannot be used with  $x_1 = 0$

(1)



$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

at  $f'(x_n) = 0$ , at a turning point,  $\frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$  is undefined.

For  $f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 1$ ,  $f'(x) = 6x^2 + 2x$ .

For  $x_1 = 0$ ,  $f'(0) = 6(0)^2 + 2(0) = 0 \therefore$  a turning point.

Consequently, the tangent will be horizontal, will not meet the  $x$ -axis and so not locate the root.  $\checkmark$

6. The curve with equation  $y = 2 \ln(8 - x)$  meets the line  $y = x$  at a single point,  $x = \alpha$ .

(a) Show that  $3 < \alpha < 4$

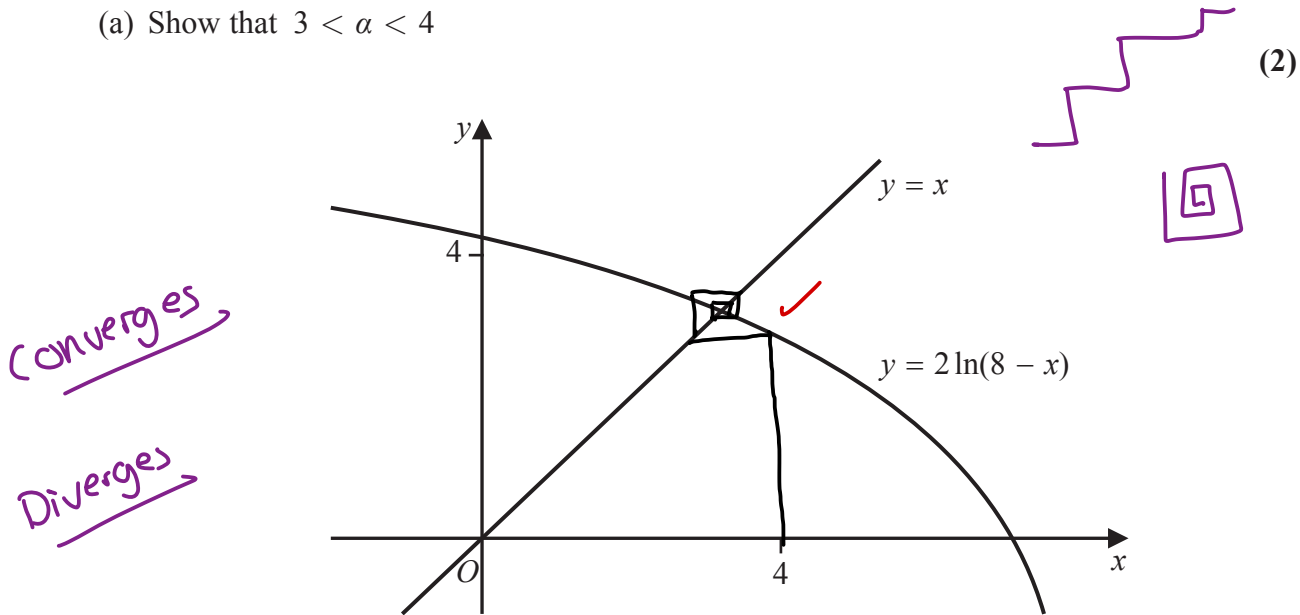


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows the graph of  $y = 2 \ln(8 - x)$  and the graph of  $y = x$ .

A student uses the iteration formula

$$x_{n+1} = 2 \ln(8 - x_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

in an attempt to find an approximation for  $\alpha$ .

Using the graph and starting with  $x_1 = 4$

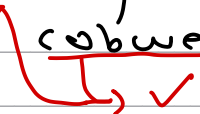
(b) determine whether or not this iteration formula can be used to find an approximation for  $\alpha$ , justifying your answer.

(2)

a)  $2 \ln(8 - x) = x$   
 $2 \ln(8 - x) - x = 0$   
 $f(x) = 2 \ln(8 - x) - x$   
 $f(3) = 2 \ln(5) - 3 = 0.22$  (positive)  
 $f(4) = 2 \ln(4) - 4 = -1.23$  (Negative)

$f(x)$  changes sign between 3 & 4, the function is continuous  $[3, 4] \Rightarrow$  Root ✓

Question continued

b) can be used to find an approximation for  $d$   
because the cobweb spirals inwards for cobweb  
diagram 

(see figure 2 for first mark  
for part b)

(Total for Question is 4 marks)