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NUMERICAL SOLUTIONS OF EQUATIONS

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ITERATIVE METHODS

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Question 1 (**)

$$x^3 + 10x - 4 = 0.$$

- a) Show that the above equation has a root α , which lies between 0 and 1.

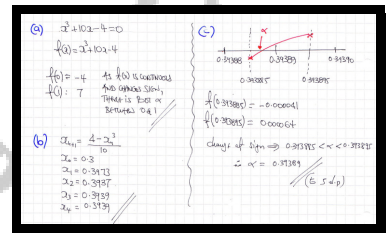
The recurrence relation

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{4 - x_n^3}{10}$$

starting with $x_0 = 0.3$ is to be used to find α .

- b) Find, to 4 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .
- c) By considering the sign of an appropriate function $f(x)$ in a suitable interval, show clearly that $\alpha = 0.39389$, correct to 5 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad x_1 = 0.3973, \quad x_2 = 0.3937, \quad x_3 = 0.3939, \quad x_4 = 0.3939$$



Question 2 (**)

$$e^{-x} + \sqrt{x} = 2$$

- a) Show that the above equation has a root α , which lies between 3 and 4.

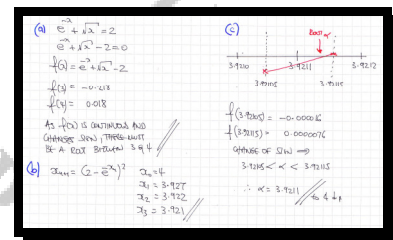
The recurrence relation

$$x_{n+1} = \left(2 - e^{-x_n}\right)^2$$

starting with $x_0 = 4$ is to be used to find α .

- b) Find, to 3 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 .
- c) By considering the sign of an appropriate function $f(x)$ in a suitable interval, show clearly that $\alpha = 3.9211$, correct to 4 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = 3.927, \quad x_2 = 3.922, \quad x_3 = 3.921}$$



Question 3 (**)

$$e^{3x} = x + 20$$

- a) Show that the above equation has a root α between 1 and 2.

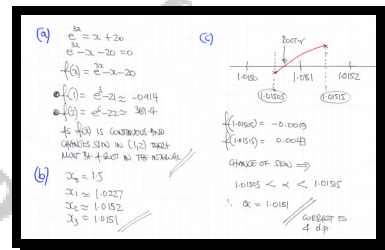
The recurrence relation

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3} \ln(x_n + 20)$$

starting with $x_0 = 1.5$ is to be used to find α .

- b) Find to 4 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 .
- c) By considering the sign of an appropriate function $f(x)$ in a suitable interval, show clearly that $\alpha = 1.0151$, correct to 4 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = 1.0227, \quad x_2 = 1.0152, \quad x_3 = 1.0151}$$



Question 4 (**+)

$$f(x) = 4x - 3\sin x - 1, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi.$$

- a) Show that the equation $f(x) = 0$ has a solution α in the interval $(0.7, 0.8)$.

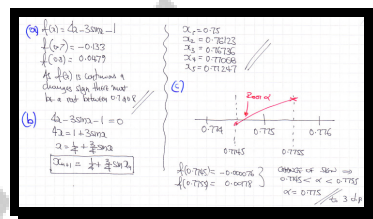
An iterative formula, of the form given below, is used to find α .

$$x_{n+1} = A + B \sin x_n, \quad x_1 = 0.75,$$

where A and B are constants.

- b) Find, to 5 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 , x_4 and x_5 .
- c) By considering the sign of $f(x)$ in a suitable interval show clearly that $\alpha = 0.775$, correct to 3 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad x_2 = 0.76123, \quad x_3 = 0.76736, \quad x_4 = 0.77068, \quad x_5 = 0.77247$$



Question 5 (**+)

$$x^3 - x^2 = 6x + 6, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Show that the above equation has a root α in the interval $(3, 4)$.

b) Show that the above equation can be written as

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{6x+6}{x-1}}.$$

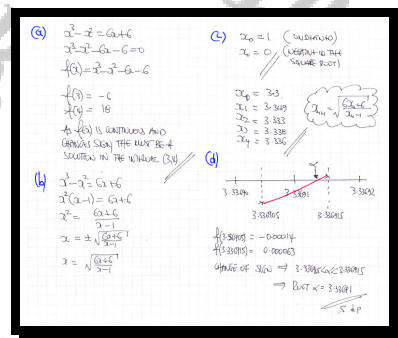
An iterative formula of the form given in part (b), starting with x_0 is used to find α .

c) Give two different values for x_0 that would not produce an answer for x_1 .

d) Starting with $x_0 = 3.3$ find the value of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 and x_4 , giving each of the answers correct to 3 decimal places.

e) By considering the sign of an appropriate function in a suitable interval, show clearly that $\alpha = 3.33691$, correct to 5 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad x_0 \neq 1, 0, 0.5 \text{ etc}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = 3.349, \quad x_2 = 3.333, \quad x_3 = 3.338, \quad x_4 = 3.336}$$



Question 6 (***)

The curves C_1 and C_2 have respective equations

$$y = 9 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{and} \quad y = e^x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Sketch in the same diagram the graph of C_1 and the graph of C_2 .

The sketch must include the coordinates of the points where each of the curves meet the coordinate axes.

- b) By considering the graphs sketched in part (a), show clearly that the equation

$$(9 - x^2)e^{-x} = 1$$

has exactly one positive root and one negative root.

To find the negative root of the equation the following iterative formula is used

$$x_{n+1} = -\sqrt{9 - e^{x_n}}, \quad x_1 = -3.$$

- c) Find, to 5 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .

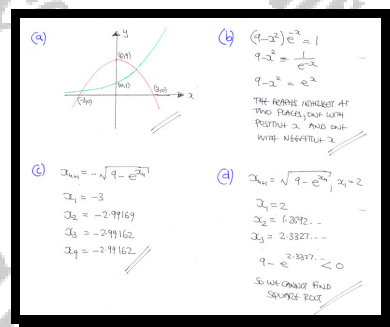
To find the positive root of the equation the following iterative formula is used

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt{9 - e^{x_n}}, \quad x_1 = 2.$$

- d) Explain, clearly but briefly, why do these iterations fail.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{C_1 : (-3, 0), (3, 0), (0, 9)}, \quad \boxed{C_2 : (0, 1)},$$

$$\boxed{x_2 = -2.99169, \quad x_3 = -2.99162, \quad x_4 = -2.99162}$$



Question 7 (***)

$$x^3 + 3x = 5, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

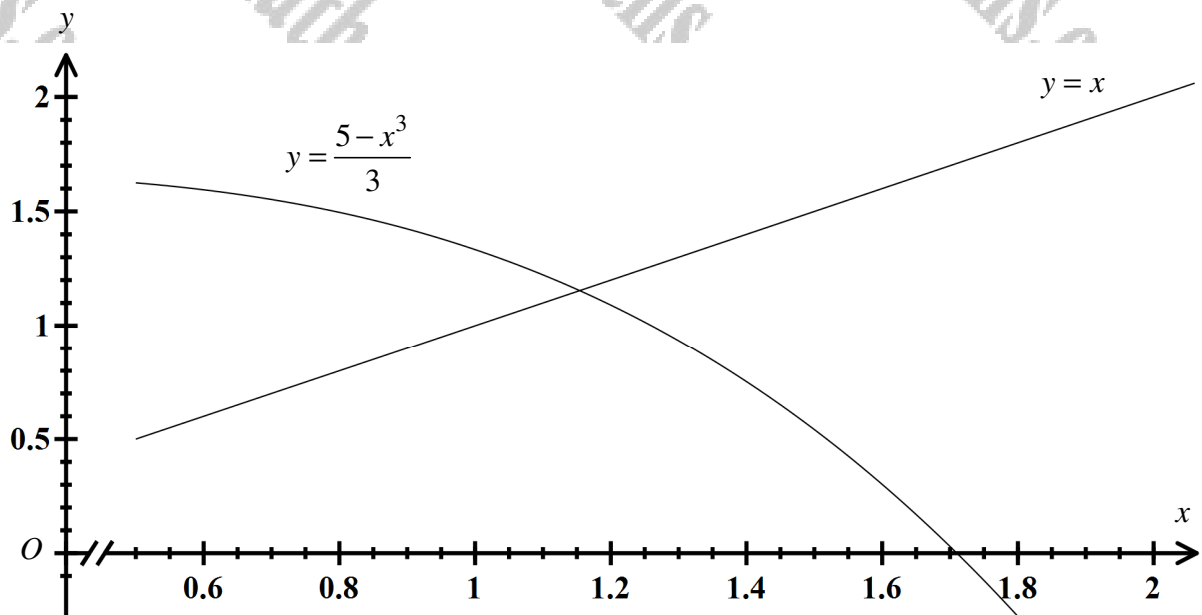
- a) Show that the above equation has a root α , between 1 and 2.

An attempt is made to find α using the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{5 - x_n^3}{3}, \quad x_1 = 1.$$

- b) Find, to 2 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 , x_4 , x_5 and x_6 .

The diagram below is used to investigate the results of these iterations.



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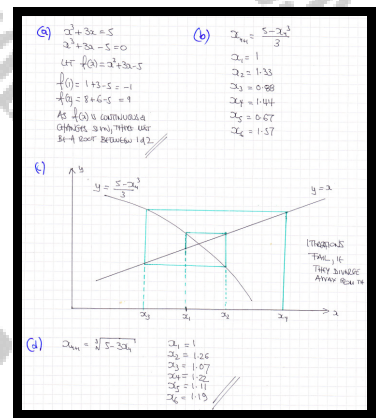
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- c) On a copy of this diagram draw a “staircase” or “cobweb” pattern marking the position of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 and x_4 , further stating the results of these iterations.
- d) Use the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{5 - 3x_n}, \quad x_1 = 1,$$

to find, to 2 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 , x_4 , x_5 and x_6 .

	$x_2 = 1.33, \quad x_3 = 0.88, \quad x_4 = 1.44, \quad x_5 = 0.67, \quad x_6 = 1.57$
	$x_2 = 1.26, \quad x_3 = 1.07, \quad x_4 = 1.22, \quad x_5 = 1.11, \quad x_6 = 1.19$



Question 8 (***)

$$x^3 = 5x + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Show that the above equation has a root α between 2 and 3.

The iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{5x_n + 1}, \quad x_1 = 2,$$

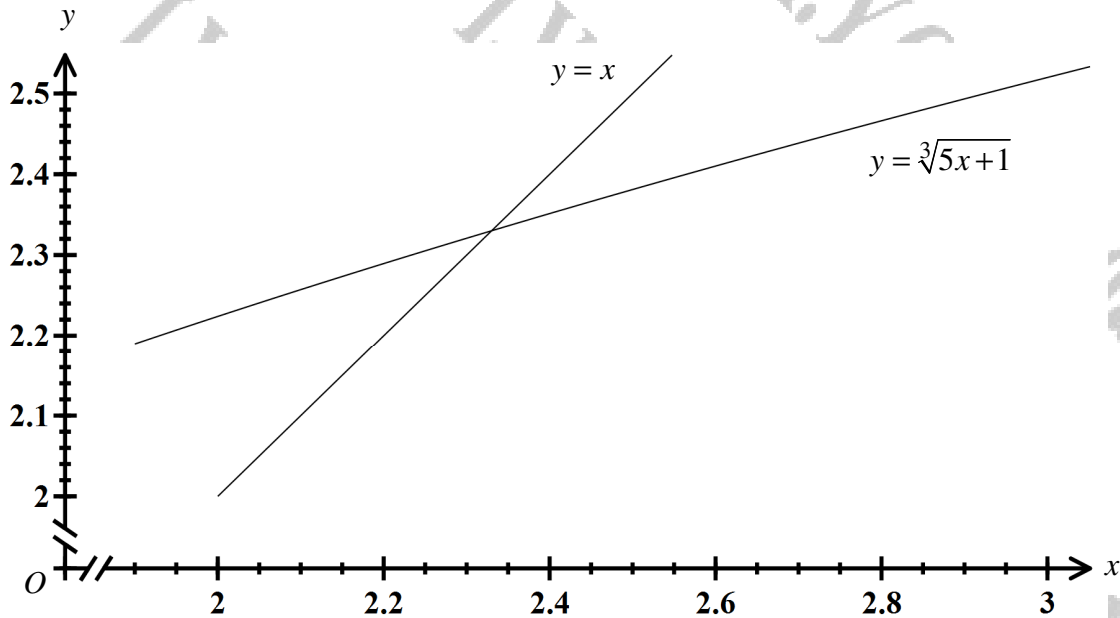
is to be used to find α

- b) Find, to 2 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .

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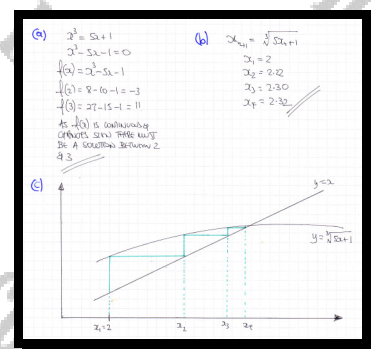
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The diagram below is used to investigate the results of these iterations.



- c) On a copy of this diagram draw a “staircase” or “cobweb” pattern showing how these iterations converge to α , marking the position of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .

$$\boxed{x_1 = 2.0}, \quad \boxed{x_2 = 2.22}, \quad \boxed{x_3 = 2.30}, \quad \boxed{x_4 = 2.32}$$



Question 9 (***)

A cubic equation has the following equation.

$$x^3 + 1 = 4x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Show that the above equation has a root α , which lies between 0 and 1.
- b) Show further that the above equation can be written as

$$x = \frac{1}{4 - x^2}.$$

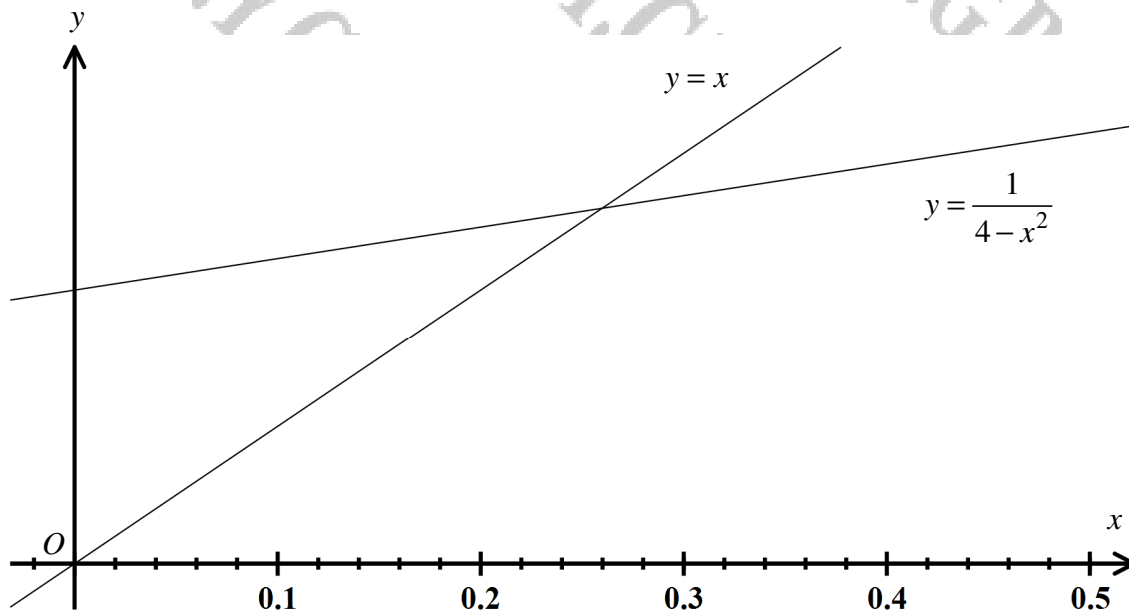
An iterative formula, based on the rearrangement of part (b), is to be used to find α .

- c) Starting with $x_1 = 0.1$, find to 4 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .

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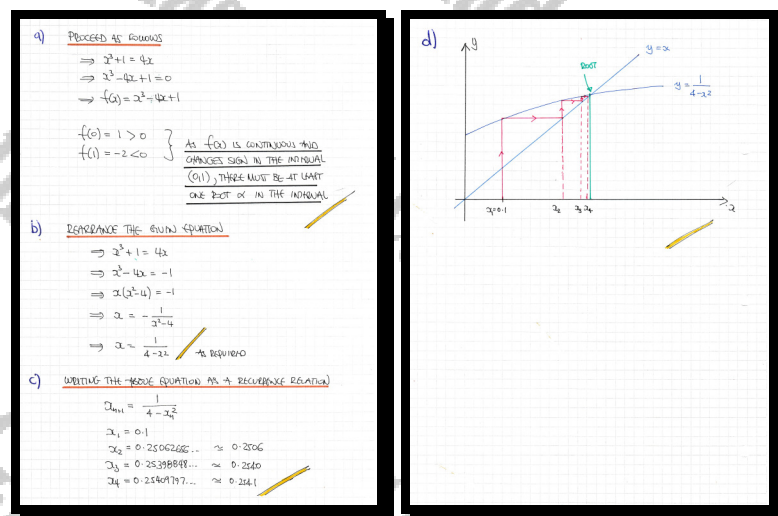
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The diagram below is used to show the convergence of these iterations.



- d) Draw on a copy of this diagram a “staircase” or “cobweb” pattern showing how these iterations converge to α , marking the position of x_1, x_2, x_3 and x_4 .

, , $x_2 = 0.2506$, $x_3 = 0.2540$, $x_4 = 0.2541$



Question 10 (***)

$$f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 11, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Show that the equation $f(x) = 0$ has a root α between 3 and 4.

An approximation to the value of α is to be found by using the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{6x_n^2 - 12x_n + 11}, \quad x_1 = 3.$$

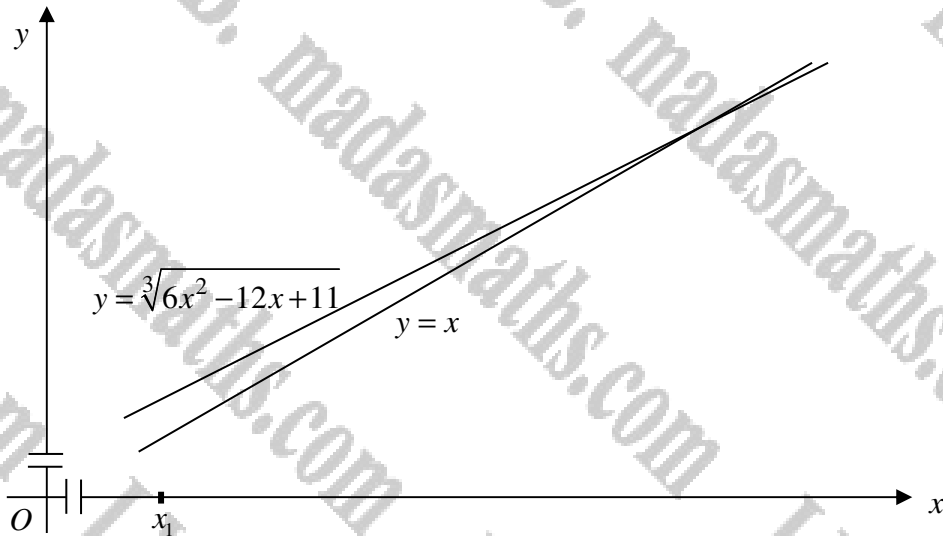
- b) Find, to 3 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .

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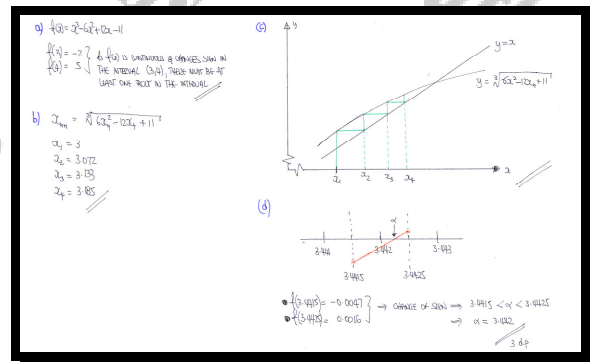
The diagram below shows the graphs of

$$y = x \quad \text{and} \quad y = \sqrt[3]{6x^2 - 12x + 11}.$$



- c) Draw on a copy of the diagram a “staircase” or “cobweb” pattern showing how these iterations converge to α , marking the position of x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .
- d) By considering the sign of $f(x)$ in a suitable interval show that $\alpha = 3.442$, correct to 3 decimal places.

$$\boxed{\quad}, \quad \boxed{x_2 = 3.072, \quad x_3 = 3.133, \quad x_4 = 3.185}$$



Question 11 (***)

$$4 \arccos x = x + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad -1 \leq x \leq 1.$$

The above equation has a single root α .

- a) Show that $0.5 < \alpha < 1$.

An iterative formula of the form $x_{n+1} = \cos\left(f(x_n)\right)$ is used to find α .

- b) Use this iterative formula, starting with $x_0 = 1$, to find the value of x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 and x_5 .

Give the answers correct to 5 decimal places.

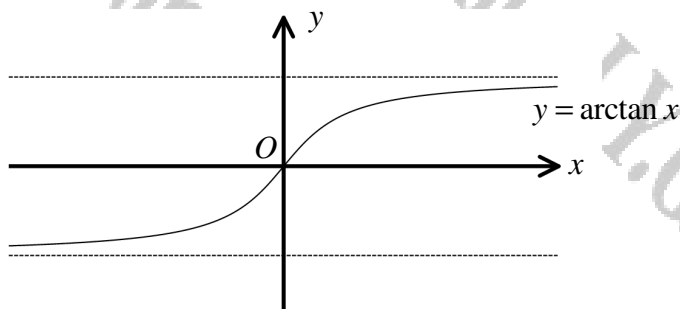
- c) Write down the value of α to an appropriate accuracy.

$$\boxed{}, \quad x_1 = 0.87758, \quad x_2 = 0.89184, \quad x_3 = 0.89022, \quad x_4 = 0.89041, \quad x_5 = 0.89039, \\ \alpha = 0.8904$$

(a) $4 \arccos x = x + 1$
 $4 \arccos x - x - 1 = 0$
 $f(x) = 4 \arccos x - x - 1$
 $f(0.5) = 2.688 \dots$
 $f(1) = -2$
 $\therefore f(x)$ is continuous and changes sign, there must be a root such that $0.5 < \alpha < 1$

(b) $4 \arccos x = x + 1$
 $\arccos x = \frac{x+1}{4}$
 $x = \cos\left(\frac{x+1}{4}\right)$
 $x_{n+1} = \cos\left(\frac{x_n + 1}{4}\right)$
 $x_0 = 1$
 $x_1 = 0.87758$
 $x_2 = 0.89184$
 $x_3 = 0.89022$
 $x_4 = 0.89041$
 $x_5 = 0.89039$
 $\therefore \alpha \approx 0.8904$

Question 12 (***)



The diagram above shows the graph of

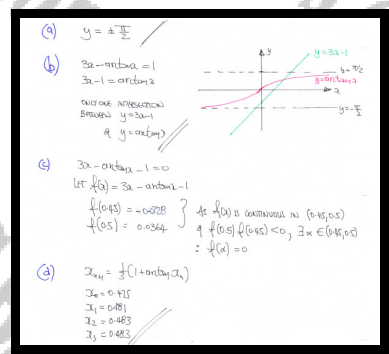
$$y = \arctan x.$$

- Write down the equations of the two horizontal asymptotes.
- Copy the diagram above and use it to show that the equation $3x - \arctan x = 1$ has only one positive real root.
- Show that this root lies between 0.45 and 0.5.
- Use the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3}(1 + \arctan x_n), \quad x_0 = 0.475$$

to find, to 3 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 .

$$\boxed{}, \quad y = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = 0.481, \quad x_2 = 0.483, \quad x_3 = 0.483}$$



Question 13 (***)

The curve C has equation

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

and crosses the x axis at the point $A(\alpha, 0)$.

a) Show that α lies between 3 and 4.

b) Show further that the equation $x^3 - 3x^2 - 3 = 0$ can be rearranged to

$$x = 3 + \frac{3}{x^2}, \quad x \neq 0.$$

The equation rearrangement of part (b) is written as the following recurrence relation

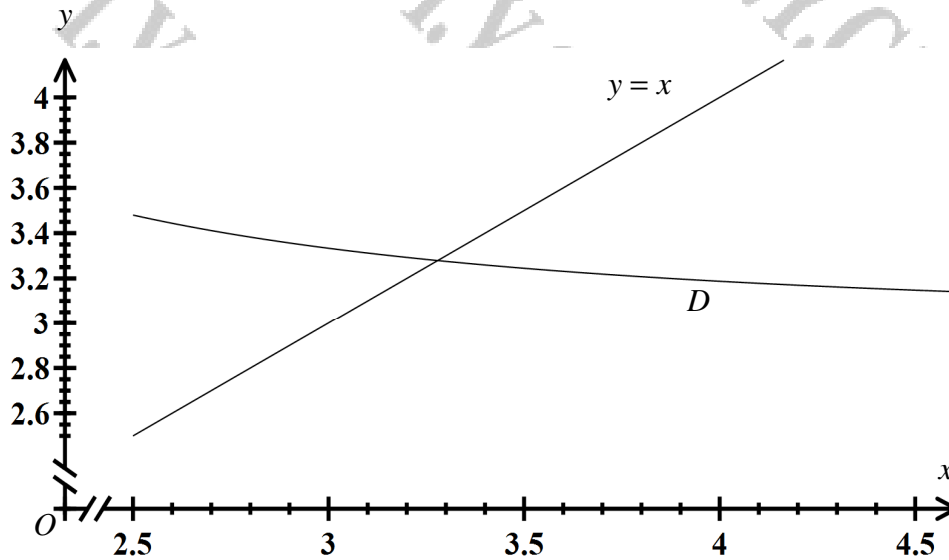
$$x_{n+1} = 3 + \frac{3}{x_n^2}, \quad x_1 = 4.$$

c) Use the above iterative formula to find, to 4 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 , x_4 and x_5 .

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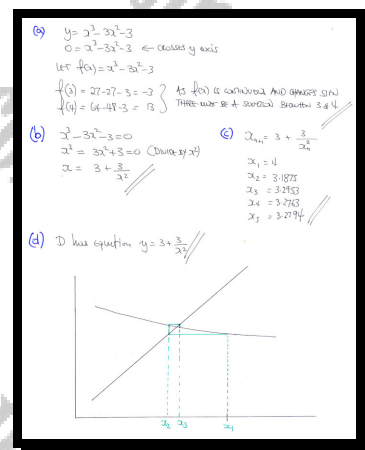
The diagram below is used to describe how the iteration formula converges to α , and shows the graph of $y = x$ and another curve D .



- d) Write down the equation of D .
- e) On a copy of the diagram draw a “staircase” or a “cob-web” pattern to show how the convergence to the root α is taking place, marking clearly the position of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 .

$$\boxed{}, \quad x_1 = 3.1875, \quad x_2 = 3.2953, \quad x_3 = 3.2763, \quad x_4 = 3.2794,$$

$$D: y = 3 + \frac{3}{x^2}$$



Question 14 (***)

$$x^3 - 1 - \frac{1}{x} = 0, \quad x \neq 0.$$

- a) By sketching two suitable graphs in the same diagram, show that the above equation has one positive root α and one negative root β .

The sketch must include the coordinates of the points where the curves meet the coordinate axes.

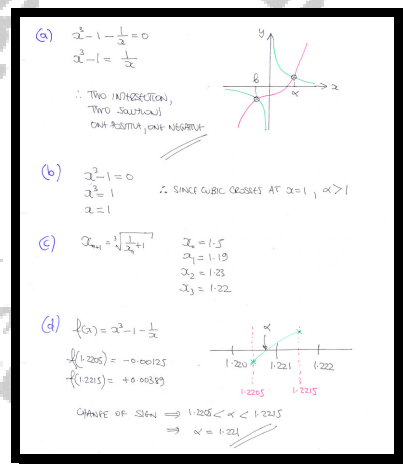
- b) Explain why $\alpha > 1$.

To find α the following iterative formula is used

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{x_n} + 1}, \quad x_0 = 1.5.$$

- c) Find, to 2 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 .
- d) By considering the sign of an appropriate function $f(x)$ in a suitable interval, show clearly that $\alpha = 1.221$, correct to 3 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = 1.19, \quad x_2 = 1.23, \quad x_3 = 1.22}$$



Question 15 (***)

$$f(x) = x^4 + 3x - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) By sketching two suitable graphs in the same set of axes, determine the number of real roots of the equation $f(x) = 0$.
- b) Show that the equation $f(x) = 0$ has a root α between 0 and 1.

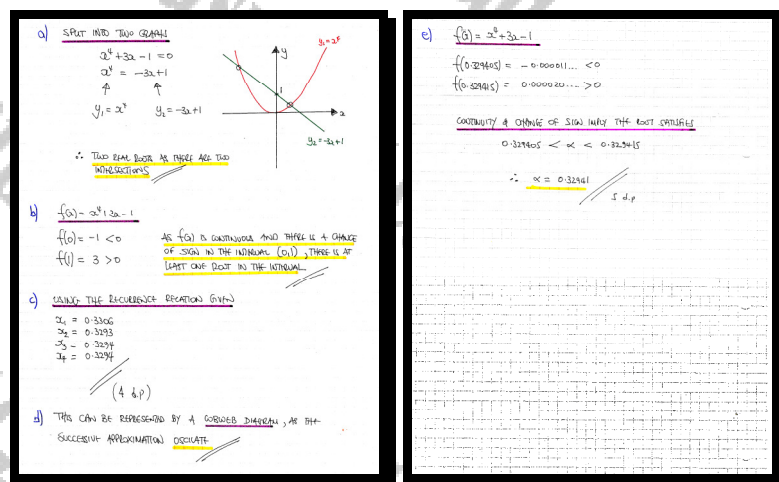
The recurrence relation

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

starting with $x_0 = 0.3$ is to be used to find α .

- c) Find to 4 decimal places, the value of x_1, x_2, x_3 and x_4 .
- d) Explain whether the convergence to the root α , can be represented by a cobweb or a staircase diagram.
- e) By considering the sign of $f(x)$ in a suitable interval, show that $\alpha = 0.32941$, correct to 5 decimal places.

 , $x_1 = 0.3306, x_2 = 0.3293, x_3 = 0.3294, x_4 = 0.3294$,
cobweb, because of oscillation



Question 16 (***)

The curve with equation $y = 2^x$ intersects the straight line with equation $y = 3 - 2x$ at the point P , whose x coordinate is α .

a) Show clearly that ...

i. ... $0.5 < \alpha < 1$.

ii. ... α is the solution of the equation

$$x = \frac{\ln(3 - 2x)}{\ln 2}.$$

An iterative formula based on the equation of part (a)ii) is used to find α .

b) Starting with $x_0 = 0.5$, find the value of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 , explaining why a valid value of x_4 cannot be produced.

c) Use the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{3 - 2^{x_n}}{2}, \quad x_0 = 0.5,$$

with as many iterations as necessary, to determine the value of α correct to 2 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = 1}, \quad \boxed{x_2 = 0}, \quad \boxed{x_3 = 1.584}, \quad \boxed{\alpha = 0.69}$$

(a)(i) $y = 2^x$ } $\Rightarrow 2^x = 3 - 2x$
 $y = 3 - 2x$ } $\Rightarrow 2^x + 2x - 3 = 0$
 let $f(x) = 2^x + 2x - 3$

$f(0.5) = -0.585$ } $f(x)$ is continuous and $f(0.5) f(1) < 0$
 $f(1) = 1$ } $\exists \alpha \in (0.5, 1) : f(\alpha) = 0$

(a)(ii) $2^x = 3 - 2x$
 $\Rightarrow \ln 2^x = \ln(3 - 2x)$
 $\Rightarrow x \ln 2 = \ln(3 - 2x)$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{\ln(3 - 2x)}{\ln 2}$

(b) $x_0 = 0.5$
 $x_1 = 1$
 $x_2 = 0$
 $x_3 = 1.584$
 x_4 fails because argument of logarithm becomes negative

(c) $x_{n+1} = \frac{3 - 2^{x_n}}{2}$
 $x_0 = 0.5$
 $x_1 = 0.7928 \dots$
 $x_2 = 0.6337 \dots$
 $x_3 = 0.7242 \dots$
 $x_4 = 0.6737 \dots$
 $x_5 = 0.7022 \dots$
 $x_6 = 0.6864 \dots$
 $x_7 = 0.6953 \dots$
 $x_8 = 0.6903 \dots$
 $x_9 = 0.6931 \dots$
 $\therefore \alpha \approx 0.69$

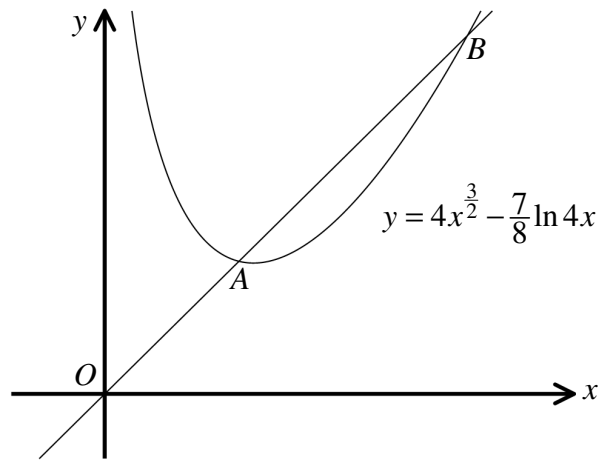
Question 17 (***)

A curve C has equation

$$y = 4x^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{7}{8} \ln 4x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0.$$

The point A is on C , where $x = \frac{1}{4}$.

- a) Find an equation of the normal to the curve at A .



This normal meets the curve again at the point B , as shown in the figure above.

- b) Show that the x coordinate of B satisfies the equation

$$x = \left(\frac{16x + 7 \ln 4x}{32} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}}.$$

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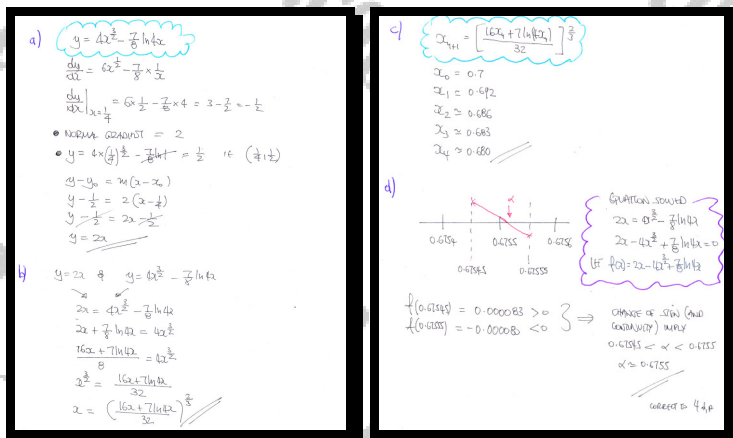
The recurrence relation

$$x_{n+1} = \left(\frac{16x_n + 7 \ln 4x_n}{32} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}}, \quad x_0 = 0.7$$

is to be used to find the x coordinate of B .

- c) Find, to 3 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .
- d) Show that the x coordinate of B is 0.6755, correct to 4 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{y = 2x}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = 0.692}, \quad \boxed{x_2 = 0.686}, \quad \boxed{x_3 = 0.683}, \quad \boxed{x_4 = 0.680}$$



Question 18 (****)

The curve C has equation

$$y = x \cos x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The curve has a single turning point at M .

- a) Show that x coordinate of M is a solution of the equation

$$x = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right).$$

- b) Show further that the equation

$$x = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

has root α between 0.8 and 1.

The iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x_n}\right) \text{ with } x_1 = 0.9$$

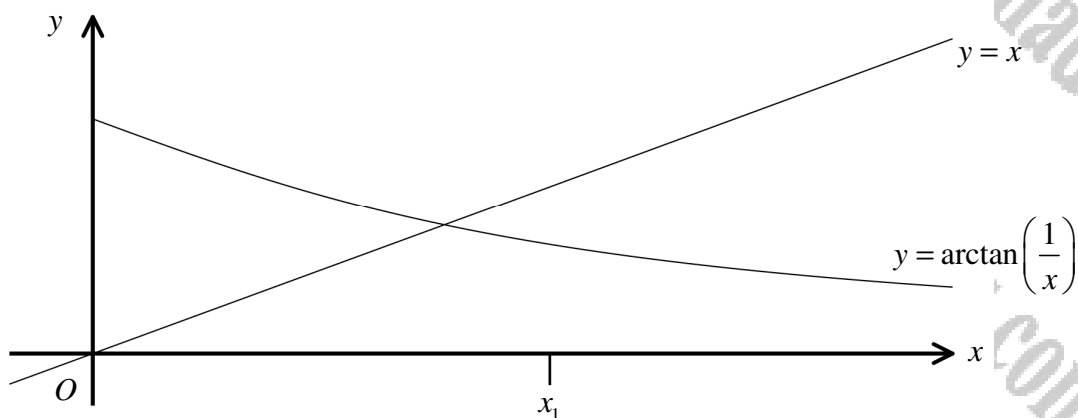
is to be used to find α .

- c) Find, to 3 decimal places, the value of x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .

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The diagram below shows the graphs of $y = x$ and $y = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$.



- d) Use a copy of the above diagram to show how the convergence to the root α takes place, by constructing a staircase or cobweb pattern.

Indicate clearly the positions of x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .

$$\boxed{}, \quad x_2 = 0.838, \quad x_3 = 0.873, \quad x_4 = 0.853$$

a) Differentiate with respect to x by product rule & set to zero

$$\Rightarrow y = 2 \cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \times \cos x + 2(-\sin x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \cos x - 2 \sin x$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = 2 \sin x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = \frac{2 \sin x}{\sin x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = \tan x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \quad \text{As required}$$

b) Write above equation as a function $f(x) = x - \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

$$f(0.8) = -0.000000 \dots < 0$$

$$f(1) = +0.21061 \dots > 0$$

As $f(x)$ is continuous in the interval $(0.8, 1)$ and there is a change of sign, there must be at least one solution in the interval.

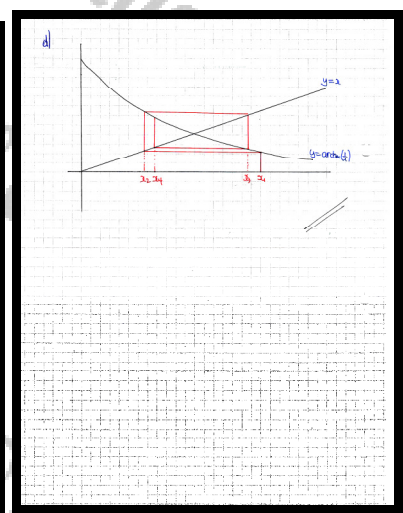
c) Use the Newton-Raphson method with $x_1 = 0.8$

$$x_{n+1} = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x_n}\right)$$

$$x_1 = 0.8$$

$$x_2 \approx 0.838$$

$$x_3 \approx 0.873$$

$$x_4 \approx 0.853$$


Question 19 (****)

$$f(x) \equiv |4e^{2x} - 28|, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$.

The sketch must include the coordinates of any intersections with the coordinate axes and the equations of any asymptotes.

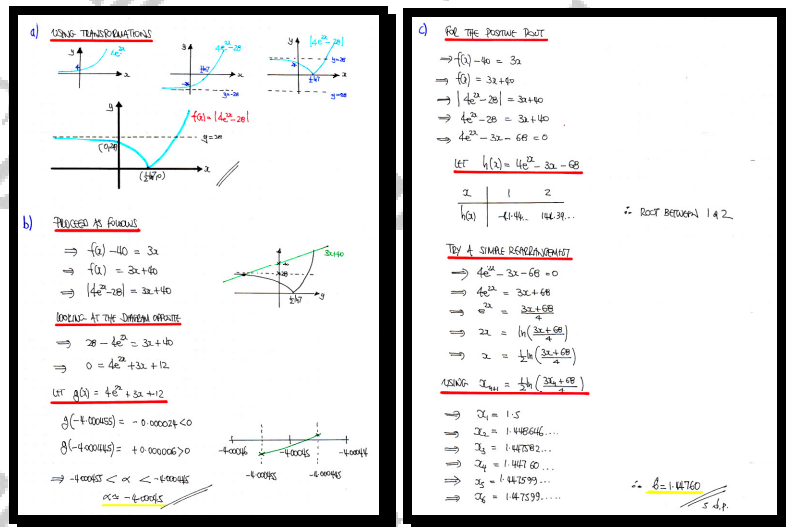
The equation $f(x) - 40 = 3x$ has a negative root α .

- b) Show that $\alpha = -4.00045$, correct to 5 decimal places.

The equation $f(x) - 40 = 3x$ also has a positive root β .

- c) Use a numerical method, based on an iterative method, to determine the value of β correct to 5 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{\beta \approx 1.44760}$$



Question 20 (****)

The curve C has equation

$$y = \frac{3x+1}{x^3 - x^2 + 5}.$$

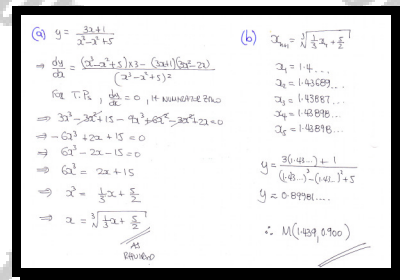
The curve has a single stationary point at M , with approximate coordinates $(1.4, 0.9)$.

- a) Show that the x coordinate of M is a solution of the equation

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{5}{2}}.$$

- b) By using an iterative formula based on the equation of part (a), determine the coordinates of M correct to three decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{M(1.439, 0.900)}$$



(a) $y = \frac{3x+1}{x^3 - x^2 + 5}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(3 - x^2 + 5)(x^3 - x^2 + 5) - (3x+1)(3x^2 - 2x)}{(x^3 - x^2 + 5)^2}$
 For $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, $(3 - x^2 + 5)(x^3 - x^2 + 5) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^3 - 2x^2 + 15 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^3 - 2x^2 - 15 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^3 = 2x^2 + 15$
 $\Rightarrow x^3 = \frac{2}{3}x^2 + \frac{5}{1}$
 $\Rightarrow x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{2}{3}x^2 + \frac{5}{1}}$
 $\Rightarrow x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{5}{2}}$
 (b) $x_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}x_n + \frac{5}{2}}$
 $x_1 = 1.4$
 $x_2 = 1.43699$
 $x_3 = 1.43897$
 $x_4 = 1.43916$
 $y = \frac{3(1.439) + 1}{(1.439)^3 - (1.439)^2 + 5}$
 $y = 0.89961$
 $\therefore M(1.439, 0.900)$

Question 21 (****)

The curves C_1 and C_2 have respective equations

$$y_1 = 3 \arcsin(x-1) \quad \text{and} \quad y_1 = 2 \arccos(x-1).$$

- a) Sketch in the same set of axes the graph of C_1 and the graph of C_2 .

The sketch must include the coordinates.

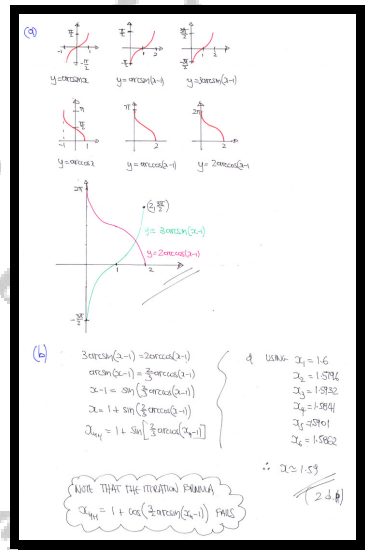
- ... of any points where each of the graphs meet the coordinate axes.
- ... of the endpoints of each of the graphs.

- b) Use a suitable iteration formula of the form

$$x_{n+1} = f(x_n) \quad \text{with} \quad x_1 = 1.6,$$

to find an approximate value for the x coordinate of the point of intersection between the graph of C_1 and the graph of C_2 .

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x \approx 1.59}$$



Question 22 (****)

At the point P which lies on the curve with equation

$$x = \ln(y^3 - 4y),$$

the gradient is 2.

The point P is close to the point with coordinates $\left(\frac{11}{2}, \frac{13}{2}\right)$.

- a) Show that the y coordinate of P is a solution of the equation

$$y = \frac{6y^2 - 8}{y^2 - 4}.$$

- b) By using an iterative formula based on the equation of part (a), determine the coordinates of P correct to three decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{P(5.480, 6.429)}$$

(a) $x = \ln(y^3 - 4y)$
 $\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{y^3 - 4y} \times (3y^2 - 4)$
 $\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{3y^2 - 4}{y^3 - 4y}$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^3 - 4y}{3y^2 - 4}$
 Given $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2$
 $\frac{y^3 - 4y}{3y^2 - 4} = 2$
 $y^3 - 4y = 2(3y^2 - 4)$
 $y^3 - 4y = 6y^2 - 8$
 $y^3 - 6y^2 + 4y - 8 = 0$
 $y = \frac{6y^2 - 8}{y^2 - 4}$ (Iterative formula)
 (b) $y_1 = \frac{6y_0^2 - 8}{y_0^2 - 4}$
 Start with $y_1 = \frac{13}{2} = 6.5$
 $y_2 = \frac{6(6.5)^2 - 8}{(6.5)^2 - 4} = 6.42850$
 $y_3 = \frac{6(6.42850)^2 - 8}{(6.42850)^2 - 4} = 6.42841$
 $y_4 = \frac{6(6.42841)^2 - 8}{(6.42841)^2 - 4} = 6.42847$
 $y_5 = \frac{6(6.42847)^2 - 8}{(6.42847)^2 - 4} = 6.42853$
 So $y \approx 6.429$
 $x = \ln(y^3 - 4y) = \ln(6.429^3 - 4(6.429)) = \ln(265.480 - 25.716) = \ln(239.764) = 5.480$
 $\therefore P(5.480, 6.429)$

Question 23 (****)

At the point P which lies on the curve with equation

$$y = \frac{x}{y + \ln y},$$

the gradient is 2.

The point P is close to the point with coordinates $(-0.3, 0.3)$.

- a) Show that the y coordinate of P is a solution of the equation

$$y = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(4y+1)}.$$

- b) By using an iterative formula based on the equation of part (a), determine the coordinates of P correct to three decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{P(-0.262, 0.320)}$$

a) START BY REARRANGING THE EQUATION FOR x - THEN DIFFERENTIATE

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{x}{y + \ln y}$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + y \ln y = x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y^2 + y \ln y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = 2y + \ln y + y \times \frac{1}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = 2y + \ln y + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2y + \ln y + 1}$$

SUBSTITUTE $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2$ $y = 0.3$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = \frac{1}{2y + \ln y + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y + 2 \ln y + 2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y + 2 \ln y + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \ln y = -1 - 4y$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = -\frac{1}{2} - 2y$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = -\frac{1}{2}(4y+1)$$

$\therefore y = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(4y+1)}$ // At this point

b) USING THE ITERATIVE FORMULA $y = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(4y+1)}$

STARTING WITH $y_1 = 0.3$

$$y_2 = 0.30287 \dots$$

$$y_3 = 0.31691 \dots$$

$$y_4 = 0.303778 \dots$$

THE CONVERGENCE IS BY OSCILLATION BUT VERY SLOW

$$y_5 = 0.315521 \dots$$

$$y_6 = 0.30205 \dots$$

$$y_7 = 0.31851 \dots$$

$$y_8 = 0.30077 \dots$$

$$y_9 = 0.31932 \dots$$

$$y_{10} = 0.30025 \dots$$

$$y_{11} = 0.31965 \dots$$

$$y_{12} = 0.30003 \dots$$

$$y_{13} = 0.31979 \dots$$

$$y_{14} = 0.31995 \dots$$

$$y_{15} = 0.31985 \dots$$

$\therefore y = 0.320$ (CORRECT TO 3 D.P.)

FOR x $y = 0.320$ IN $x = y^2 + y \ln y$ WE OBTAIN $x = -0.262$

$\therefore P(-0.262, 0.320)$ //

Question 24 (****)

A curve has equation

$$y = \frac{x+1}{x^3 + 2x + 1}.$$

It is given that the curve has a local maximum at the point M , whose approximate coordinates are $(-1.7, 0.1)$.

- a) Show that the x coordinate of M is a solution of the equation

$$x = -\frac{3x^2 + 1}{2x^2}.$$

- b) By using an iterative formula based on the equation of part (a), determine the coordinates of M correct to three decimal places.
- c) State, with a reason, whether the convergence taking place using the formula of part (b) is of the "cobweb" type or the "staircase" type.

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{M(-1.678, 0.096)}$$

a) START BY DIFFERENTIATION

$$y = \frac{x+1}{x^3+2x+1} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x^3+2x+1)(1) - (x+1)(3x^2+2)}{(x^3+2x+1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^3+2x+1 - (3x^3+2x^2+2x+2)}{(x^3+2x+1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x^3-3x^2-1}{(x^3+2x+1)^2}$$

SOLVING FOR ZERO TO GET THE STATIONARY POINT

$$\Rightarrow -2x^3-3x^2-1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3x^2-1 = 2x^3$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{3x^2+1}{2x^2} = x$$

AS REQUIRED

b) USING THE ABOVE FORMULA AS A RECURRENT RELATION

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

$x_1 = -1.7$
 $x_2 = -1.67301...$
 $x_3 = -1.67804...$
 $x_4 = -1.67744...$
 $x_5 = -1.67769$
 $x_6 = -1.67764$
 $x_7 = -1.67765$

NOW USING $x_5 = -1.67765$ WE OBTAIN

$$y = \frac{x+1}{x^3+2x+1} = 0.095753...$$

$\therefore M(-1.678, 0.096)$ 3 d.p.

c) AS CONVERGENCE TAKES PLACE BY OSCILLATIONS, WE HAVE A "COBWEB" TYPE DIAGRAM

Question 25 (****)

It is required to find the approximate coordinates of the points of intersection between the graphs of

$$y_1 = 9 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{and} \quad y_2 = \ln(x-1), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 1.$$

- Show that the two graphs intersect at a single point P .
- Explain why the x coordinate of P lies between 2 and 3.

The recurrence formula

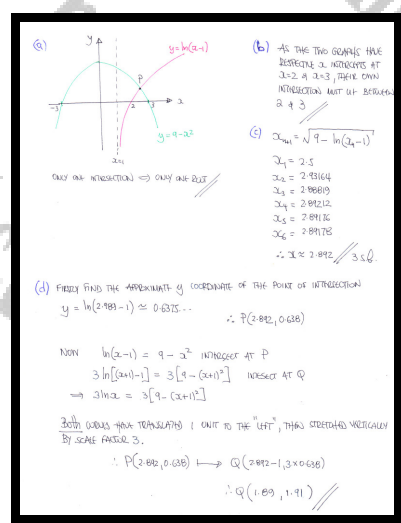
$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt{9 - \ln(x_n - 1)},$$

starting with a suitable value for x_1 , is to be used to find the x coordinate of P .

- Calculate the x coordinate of P , correct to three decimal places.
- By considering two suitable transformations, determine correct to two decimal places the coordinates of the points of intersection between the graph of

$$y_3 = 3[9 - (x+1)^2], \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{and} \quad y_4 = 3 \ln x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0.$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x \approx 2.892}, \quad \boxed{(1.89, 1.91)}$$



Question 26 (****)

$$y = \arctan x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) By writing $y = \arctan x$ as $x = \tan y$ show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2}.$$

The curve C has equation

$$y = \arctan x - 4 \ln(1+x^2) - 3x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- b) Show that the x coordinate of the stationary point of C is a root of the equation

$$6x^3 + 14x - 1 = 0.$$

- c) Show that the above equation has a root α in the interval $(0,1)$.

The iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1-6x_n^3}{14} \quad \text{with } x_0 = 0,$$

is used to find this root.

- d) Find, correct to 6 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 .

- e) Hence write down the value of α , correct to 5 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad x_1 = 0.071429, \quad x_2 = 0.071272, \quad x_3 = 0.071273, \quad \boxed{\alpha = 0.07127}$$

(a) $y = \arctan x$
 $\Rightarrow x = \tan y$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = \sec^2 y$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 y}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+\tan^2 y}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$

(b) $y = \arctan x - 4 \ln(1+x^2) - 3x^2$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2} - 8x - 6x = \frac{1}{1+x^2} - 14x$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+x^2} - 14x = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+x^2} = 14x$
 $\Rightarrow 1 = 14x(1+x^2)$
 $\Rightarrow 1 = 14x + 14x^3$
 $\Rightarrow 14x^3 + 14x - 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 6x^3 + 14x - 1 = 0$ (dividing by 2)

(c) $f(x) = 6x^3 + 14x - 1$
 $f(0) = -1$
 $f(1) = 19$
 $f(x)$ is continuous and hence
 there is a root in the interval $(0,1)$

(d) $x_0 = 0$
 $x_1 = \frac{1-6x_0^3}{14} = \frac{1}{14} = 0.071429$
 $x_2 = \frac{1-6x_1^3}{14} = 0.071272$
 $x_3 = \frac{1-6x_2^3}{14} = 0.071273$

(e) $\alpha = 0.07127$

Question 27 (****)

$$y = \arctan x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) By writing $y = \arctan x$ as $x = \tan y$ show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2}.$$

The curve C has equation

$$y = 2 \arctan x - 3 \ln(1+x^2) - 7x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- b) Show that the x coordinate of the stationary point of C is a solution of the cubic equation

$$7x^3 + 10x - 1 = 0.$$

- c) Hence show further that the x coordinate of the stationary point of C is 0.099314, correct to 6 decimal places.

, proof

a) Proceed as follows

$\rightarrow y = \arctan x$
 $\Rightarrow \tan y = x$
 $\rightarrow x = \tan y$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = \sec^2 y$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 y}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+\tan^2 y}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ As required

b)

$q = 2 \arctan x - 3 \ln(1+x^2) - 7x^2$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dq}{dx} = \frac{2}{1+x^2} - 3 \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right) - 14x$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dq}{dx} = \frac{2}{1+x^2} - \frac{6x}{1+x^2} - 14x$

Solving for zero

$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{1+x^2} - \frac{6x}{1+x^2} - 14x = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2 - 6x - 14x(1+x^2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 2 - 6x - 14x^2 - 14x^3 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 0 = 14x^3 + 20x - 2$
 $\Rightarrow 7x^3 + 10x - 1 = 0$ As required

c) Writing the above equation in functional form

• $-f(x) = 7x^3 + 10x - 1$
 $f(0.099305) = -0.000008... < 0$
 $f(0.099315) = +0.000002... > 0$

• As $-f(x)$ is continuous and changes sign in the above interval,
 $0.099305 < \text{root} < 0.099315$

Thus the root is 0.099314, to 6 decimal places

Question 28 (****)

$$y = \arcsin x, \quad -1 \leq x \leq 1.$$

- a) By writing $y = \arcsin x$ as $x = \sin y$ show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}.$$

The curve C has equation

$$y = 3\arcsin x - 4x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 5, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

- b) Show that the x coordinates of the stationary points of C are the solutions of the equation

$$4x^3 - 4x + 1 = 0.$$

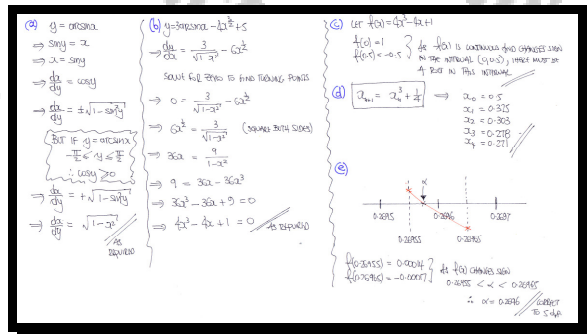
- c) Show that the above equation has a root α in the interval $(0, 0.5)$.

The root α can be found by using the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = x_n^3 + \frac{1}{4}, \quad \text{with } x_0 = 0.5.$$

- d) Find, correct to 3 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .
- e) By considering the sign of an appropriate function $f(x)$ in a suitable interval, show that $\alpha = 0.2696$, correct to 4 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = 0.375, \quad x_2 = 0.303, \quad x_3 = 0.278, \quad x_4 = 0.271}, \quad \boxed{\alpha = 0.2696}$$



Question 29 (****)

It is known that the cubic equation

$$x^3 - 2x = 5, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

has a single real solution α , which is close to 2.1.

Four iterative formulas based on rearrangements of this equation are being considered for their suitability to approximate the value of α to greater accuracy.

- $x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}(x_n^3 - 5)$
- $x_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{2x_n + 5}$
- $x_{n+1} = \frac{5}{x_n^2 - 2}$
- $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{2 + \frac{5}{x_n}}$

- a) Use a differentiation method, and **without** carrying any direct iterations, briefly describe the suitability of these four formulas.

In these descriptions you must make a reference to rates of convergence or divergence, and cobweb or staircase diagrams.

- b) Use one of these four formulas to approximate the value of α , correct to 6 decimal places

 , $\alpha \approx 2.094551$

QUICKS FROM FORMULA IN Q1 NOTATION & DIFFERENTIATE

• $q_1 = \frac{1}{2}(x^3 - 5)$
 $\frac{dq_1}{dx} = \frac{3}{2}x^2$

• $q_2 = (2x+5)^{\frac{1}{3}}$
 $\frac{dq_2}{dx} = \frac{1}{3}(2x+5)^{-\frac{2}{3}}$

• $q_3 = \frac{5}{x^2-2}$
 $\frac{dq_3}{dx} = \frac{5(2-x^2)}{(x^2-2)^2}$
 $\frac{dq_3}{dx} = \frac{-10x}{(x^2-2)^2}$

• $q_4 = \sqrt{2 + \frac{5}{x}}$
 $\frac{dq_4}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \left(2 + \frac{5}{x} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \left(-\frac{5}{x^2} \right)$

NOTE: COMPARE THESE DERIVATIVES AT THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF THE ROOT $\alpha \approx 2.1$

$\frac{dq_1}{dx} = 3x^2$ $\frac{dq_1}{dx} \Big _{x=2.1} = +6.015 > 1$ $\frac{dq_2}{dx} = \frac{1}{3}(2x+5)^{-\frac{2}{3}}$ $\frac{dq_2}{dx} \Big _{x=2.1} = +0.118$ $\frac{dq_3}{dx} = \frac{-10x}{(x^2-2)^2}$ $\frac{dq_3}{dx} \Big _{x=2.1} = -3.0156 < -1$ $\frac{dq_4}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \left(2 + \frac{5}{x} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \left(-\frac{5}{x^2} \right)$ $\frac{dq_4}{dx} \Big _{x=2.1} = -0.2709$	DERIVATIVE WITHOUT OSCILLATION (CONVERGES AWAY FROM α) DERIVATIVE WITHOUT OSCILLATION AS THE VALUE IS REMOVED TO 0 (CONVERGES TOWARDS α) INCREASES THE OSCILLATION AS THE FURTHER IS FROM α (CONVERGES AWAY FROM α) (RAPIDLY) CONVERGES WITH OSCILLATION AS THE VALUE IS VERY CLOSE TO 0 (CONVERGES TOWARDS α)
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QUICKS SUMMARY FOR THE VALUE OF THE DERIVATIVE CLOSE TO THE ROOT

PICKING THE FORMULA WHICH PRODUCES THE CLOSEST TO ZERO

$q_{n+1} = \sqrt{2 + \frac{5}{x_n}}$

$q_1 = 2.1$
 $q_2 = 2.09455106$
 $q_3 = 2.094551239$
 $q_4 = 2.094551081$
 $q_5 = 2.094551585$
 $q_6 = 2.094551523$
 $q_7 = 2.094551569$
 $q_8 = 2.094551497$

$\therefore \alpha \approx 2.094551$ (6 d.p.)

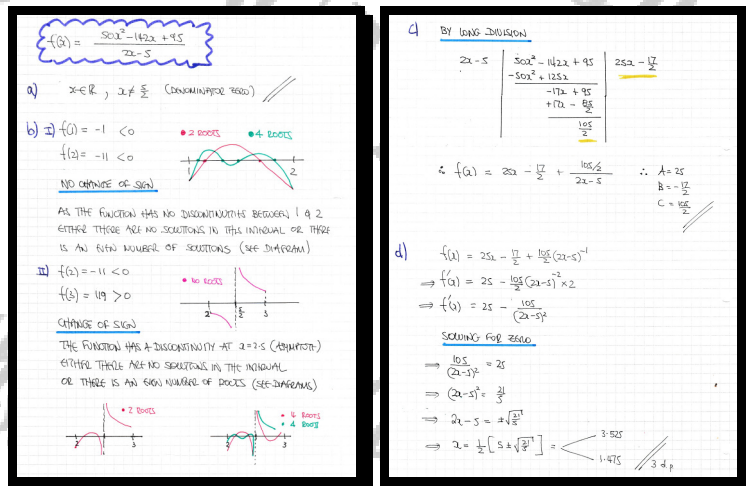
Question 30 (****+)

A function f is defined in the largest real domain by the equation

$$f(x) \equiv \frac{50x^2 - 142x + 95}{2x - 5}.$$

- State the domain of f .
- Evaluate $f(1)$, $f(2)$ and $f(3)$, and hence briefly discuss the number of possible intersections of f with the coordinate axes, ...
 - ... in the interval $[1, 2]$.
 - ... in the interval $[2, 3]$.
- Express $f(x)$ in the form $Ax + B + \frac{C}{2x - 5}$, where A , B and C are constants.
- Calculate, correct to 3 decimal places, the x coordinates of the stationary points of f .

$$\boxed{1}, \boxed{x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \frac{5}{2}}, \boxed{f(x) \equiv 25x - 8.5 + \frac{52.5}{2x - 5}}, \boxed{x \approx 3.525, x \approx 1.475}$$



Question 31 (****+)

$$y = \arcsin x, \quad -1 \leq x \leq 1.$$

- a) By writing $y = \arcsin x$ as $x = \sin y$ show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}.$$

The curve C has equation

$$y = 2\arcsin x - 4x^{\frac{3}{2}}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

- b) Show that the x coordinates of the stationary points of C are the solutions of the equation

$$9x^3 - 9x + 1 = 0.$$

- c) Show further that one of the roots, α , of the equation of part (b) is 0.9390, correct to 4 decimal places.

It is further given that the equation of part (b) has 2 more real roots, $\beta \approx -1.0515$, and γ .

- d) Determine the value of γ , correct to 3 places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{\gamma \approx 0.112}$$

a) Proceed as follows. NOTING $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

$y = \arcsin x$
 $\sin y = x$
 $x = \sin y$
 $\frac{dx}{dy} = \cos y$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\cos y}$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

b) $y = 2\arcsin x - 4x^{\frac{3}{2}}$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} - 6x^{\frac{1}{2}}$

FOR STATIONARY POINTS
 $\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} - 6x^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 $\Rightarrow 6x^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
 $\Rightarrow 9x = \frac{1}{1-x^2}$

$\Rightarrow 9x^3 - 9x + 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 9x^3 - 9x + 1 = 0$

c) Let $f(x) = 9x^3 - 9x + 1$

$f(0.9390) = 0.0015 > 0$
 $f(0.9385) = -0.0008 < 0$

As $f(x)$ IS CONTINUOUS AND CHANGES SIGN IN THE INTERVAL
 THEREFORE
 $0.9385 < \alpha < 0.9390$

$\therefore \alpha \approx 0.9390$ correct to 4 d.p.

d) ASSUMING NO KNOWLEDGE OF "OTHER" $x = -\frac{1}{3}$

$\Rightarrow 9x^3 - 9x + 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^3 - x + \frac{1}{9} = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x - 0.9390)(x + 1.0515)(x - \gamma) = 0$

THIS $(-0.9390)(1.0515)(-\gamma) = \frac{1}{9}$
 $0.9785 \cdot \gamma = \frac{1}{9}$
 $\gamma = 0.112$

Question 32 (****+)

The curve C has equation

$$f(x) \equiv 3x^4 + 8x^3 + 3x^2 - 12x - 6, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The curve has a single stationary point whose x coordinate lies in the interval $[n, n+1]$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

- a) Determine with full justification the value of n .

A suitable equation is rearranged to produce three recurrence relations, each of which may be used to find the x coordinate of the stationary point of C .

These recurrence relations, all starting with $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}n$ are shown below.

$$(i) \ x_{n+1} = \frac{2}{2x_n^2 + 4x_n + 1} \quad (ii) \ x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{x_n^2} - \frac{1}{2x_n} - 2 \quad (iii) \ x_{n+1} = \sqrt{\frac{2-x_n}{4+2x_n}}$$

- b) Use a differentiation method, to investigate the result in attempting to find an approximate value for the x coordinate of the stationary point of $f(x)$, with each of these three recurrence relations.

The method must include ...

- ... whether the attempt is successful
- ... whether the convergence or divergence is a "cobweb" case or a "staircase" case.
- ... which recurrence relation converges at the fastest rate.

You may not answer part (b), by simply generating sequences.

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{[0,1]}$$

a) START BY DIFFERENTIATING TO LOCATE THE STATIONARY POINT

$$f'(x) = 12x^3 + 24x^2 + 6x - 12 = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 6(2x^3 + 4x^2 + x - 2) = 0$$

BY INSPECTION

$$f'(1) = -12 < 0$$

$$f'(0) = -12 < 0$$

AS $f'(x)$ IS CONTINUOUS AND CHANGES SIGN IN THE INTERVAL $[0,1]$ THERE IS AT LEAST A ROOT OF $f'(x) = 0$ IN THIS INTERVAL

b) DIVERGENCE OF THE THREE RECURRENCES USING THE ALGORITHM OF THE INTERVAL $x_0 = 0.5$

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

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{2}{2x^2 + 4x + 1} \right] = \frac{-2(4x+2)}{(2x^2 + 4x + 1)^2}$$

EVALUATE AT $x=0.5$ GIVES $-\frac{16}{9}$
- $x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{x_n^2} - \frac{1}{2x_n} - 2$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{2x} - 2 \right] = -\frac{2}{x^3} + \frac{1}{2x^2}$$

EVALUATE AT $x=0.5$ GIVES $-\frac{16}{9}$
- $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{\frac{2-x}{4+2x}}$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\sqrt{\frac{2-x}{4+2x}} \right] = \dots$$

... = $-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(2-x)^{\frac{1}{2}}(4+2x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{(4+2x)^2} = \frac{(2-x)^{\frac{1}{2}}(4+2x)^{-\frac{3}{2}}}{2}$

EVALUATE AT $x=0.5$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{1.5}}{\sqrt{5.5}} = -\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{11}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{11}} \approx -0.1511$$

THENCE WE DEDUCE

- $x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{x_n^2} - \frac{1}{2x_n} - 2$ DIVERGES BY OSCILLATION (COBWEB) AS $|-16/9| > 1$ A NEGATIVE RATE OF DIVERGENCE AND BE RATIO $(16/9) > 1$
- $x_{n+1} = \frac{2}{2x_n^2 + 4x_n + 1}$ CONVERGES BY OSCILLATION (COBWEB) AS $|-16/9| < 1$ A NEGATIVE RATE OF CONVERGENCE AS IT IS ALMOST 1
- $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{\frac{2-x}{4+2x}}$ CONVERGES BY OSCILLATION (COBWEB) AS $|-0.1511| < 1$ A NEGATIVE RATE OF CONVERGENCE AS IT IS ALMOST 0

Question 33 (****+)

The curve C has equation

$$y = \sqrt{e^{2x} - 2x}, \quad e^{2x} > 2x.$$

The tangent to C at the point P , where $x = p$, passes through the origin.

- a) Show that $x = p$ is a solution of the equation

$$(1-x)e^{2x} = x.$$

- b) Show further that the equation of part (a) has a root between 0.8 and 1.

The iterative formula

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

with $x_0 = 0.8$ is used to find this root.

- c) Find, correct to 3 decimal places, the value of x_1 , x_2 , x_3 and x_4 .
d) Hence show that the value of p is 0.8439, correct to 4 decimal places.

 , $x_1 = 0.838, \quad x_2 = 0.843, \quad x_3 = 0.844, \quad x_4 = 0.844$

(a) $y = (e^{2x} - 2x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(e^{2x} - 2x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2e^{2x}) = \frac{e^{2x}}{\sqrt{e^{2x} - 2x}}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=p} = \frac{e^{2p}}{\sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p}}$$

When $x=p$, $y = \sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p}$ i.e. $(p, \sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p})$

• Equation of Tangent

$$y - \sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p} = \frac{e^{2p}}{\sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p}}(x - p)$$

• Tangent passes through (0,0)

$$\Rightarrow -\sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p} = \frac{e^{2p}}{\sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p}}(-p)$$

$$\Rightarrow -\sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p} = -\frac{pe^{2p}}{\sqrt{e^{2p} - 2p}}$$

$$\Rightarrow -e^{2p} + 2p = -pe^{2p} + p$$

$$\Rightarrow p = e^{2p} - pe^{2p}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = e^{2p}(1-p)$$

(b) $(1-x)e^{2x} = x$

$$(1-x)e^{2x} - x = 0$$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = (1-x)e^{2x} - x$$

$f(0) = 0.19$
 $f(1) = -1$

$\therefore f(x)$ is continuous & changes sign, there must be a root between 0 & 1

(c) $x_{n+1} = 1 - x_n e^{-2x_n}$

$x_0 = 0.8$
 $x_1 = 0.838$
 $x_2 = 0.843$
 $x_3 = 0.844$
 $x_4 = 0.844$

(d) $0.8375 < 0.839 < 0.8415$

$f(0.8375) = 0.0004$
 $f(0.8415) = -0.0004$

$\therefore p = 0.839$ to 4 d.p.

Question 34 (****)

The point P lies on the curve C with equation

$$y = \sqrt{1 + 2e^{2x^2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Given that the tangent to C at P passes through the origin, determine the coordinates of P , correct to 3 significant figures.

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{P(\pm 0.761, 2.71)}$$

• FIRSTLY LET US NOTE THAT $y = \sqrt{1 + 2e^{2x^2}}$ IS GIVEN, SO THERE ARE TWO SUCH POINTS WITH IDENTICAL y CO-ORDINATE A 'OPPOSITE' x CO-ORDINATES

• LET THE POINT P HAVE CO-ORDINATES $(p, \sqrt{1 + 2e^{2p^2}})$

• DIFFERENTIATE AND FIND THE EQUATION OF THE TANGENT AT P

$$\Rightarrow y = (1 + 2e^{2x^2})^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2e^{2x^2})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times 2e^{2x^2} \times 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4xe^{2x^2}}{\sqrt{1 + 2e^{2x^2}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_P = \frac{4pe^{2p^2}}{\sqrt{1 + 2e^{2p^2}}}$$

EQUATION OF TANGENT IS

$$\Rightarrow y - \sqrt{1 + 2e^{2p^2}} = \frac{4pe^{2p^2}}{\sqrt{1 + 2e^{2p^2}}}(x - p)$$

BUT TANGENT PASSES THROUGH THE ORIGIN (0,0)

$$\Rightarrow -\sqrt{1 + 2e^{2p^2}} = \frac{4pe^{2p^2}}{\sqrt{1 + 2e^{2p^2}}}(-p)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 2e^{2p^2} = 4p^2e^{2p^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{e^{2p^2} + 2 = 4p^2}$$

• REARRANGE THE EQUATION AS

$$f(p) = 4p^2 - e^{2p^2} = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad p = \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + e^{2p^2}}$$

$$f(0) = -3 < 0$$

$$f(1) = 2 - e^2 > 0$$

• AS y IS CONTINUOUS START SAY WITH $x = p = 0.5$

$$x_1 = 0.5$$

$$x_2 = 0.80724...$$

$$x_3 = 0.75360...$$

$$x_4 = 0.76177...$$

$$x_5 = 0.76048...$$

$$x_6 = 0.76068$$

$$x_7 = 0.76065$$

$\therefore x \approx 0.761$ TO 3 S.F.

AND USING $y = \sqrt{1 + 2e^{2x^2}}$ WE OBTAIN $y \approx 2.71$ TO 3 S.F.

$\therefore \boxed{P(\pm 0.761, 2.71)}$

Question 35 (****)

A curve C is defined in the largest real domain by the equation

$$y = \log_x 2.$$

- a) Sketch a detailed graph of C .

The point P , where $x = 2$ lies on C .

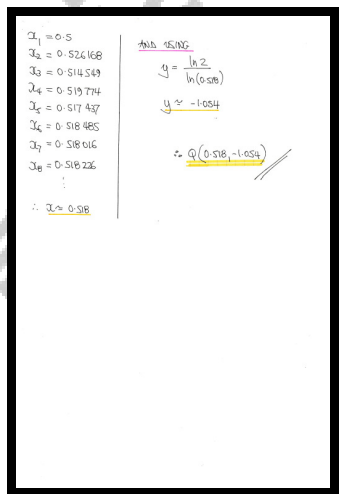
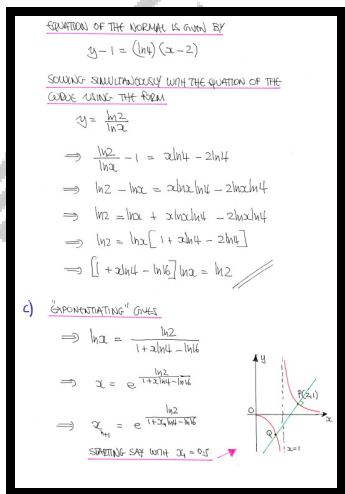
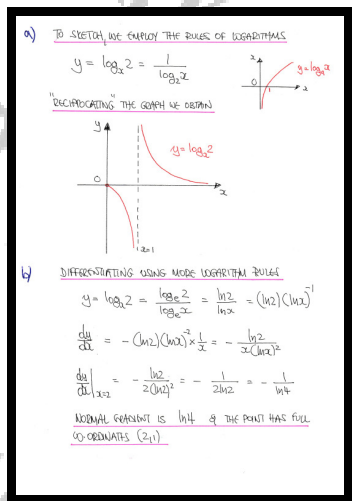
The normal to C at P meets C again at the point Q .

- b) Show that the x coordinate of Q is a solution of the equation

$$[1 + x \ln 4 - \ln 16] \ln x = \ln 2.$$

- c) Use an iterative formula of the form $x_{n+1} = e^{f(x_n)}$, with a suitable starting value, to find the coordinates of Q , correct to 3 decimal places.

$$\boxed{P(2, 1)}, \quad \boxed{Q(0.518, -1.054)}$$



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LINEAR INTERPOLATION

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Question 1 (**+)

The following cubic equation is to be solved numerically.

$$x^3 = 8x - 1, x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Show that the equation has a root α , in the interval $[2, 3]$.
- b) Use linear interpolation three successive times, to find α correct to an appropriate degree of accuracy.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{\alpha \approx 2.76}$$

REWRITE THE EQUATION AS A FUNCTION

$$\Rightarrow x^3 = 8x - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 8x + 1 = 0$$

$$f(x) = x^3 - 8x + 1$$

- $f(2) = 8 - 16 + 1 = -7 < 0$
- $f(3) = 27 - 24 + 1 = 4 > 0$

As $f(x)$ is continuous and changes sign in $[2, 3]$, there is a root. LEAST ONE ROOT α IN $(2, 3)$

PROCEED TO INTERPOLATE (SIMILAR TRIANGLES)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3 - \alpha_1}{\alpha_1 - 2} = \frac{4}{-7}$$

$$\Rightarrow 21 - 7\alpha_1 = 4\alpha_1 - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 29 = 11\alpha_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = 2.636\dots$$

TEST THE SIGN OF $f(\alpha_1)$

- $f(2.636\dots) = -1.767\dots < 0 \Rightarrow 2.636 < \alpha < 3$

INTERPOLATE AGAIN

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3 - \alpha_2}{\alpha_2 - 2.636\dots} = \frac{4}{-1.767\dots}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5.301\dots - 1.767\alpha_2 = 4\alpha_2 - 10.544\dots$$

$$\Rightarrow 15.845\dots = 5.767\alpha_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_2 = 2.748\dots$$

CHECK THE SIGN OF $f(\alpha_2)$

- $f(2.748\dots) = -0.2394\dots < 0 \Rightarrow 2.748 < \alpha < 3$

FINAL INTERPOLATION

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3 - \alpha_3}{\alpha_3 - 2.748\dots} = \frac{4}{-0.2394\dots}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.7191\dots - 0.2394\alpha_3 = 4\alpha_3 - 10.92\dots$$

$$\Rightarrow 11.7101\dots = 4.2394\alpha_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_3 = 2.7622\dots$$

Hence $\alpha \approx 2.76$ (2 d.p.) after 3 interpolations

Question 2 (**+)

The following quartic equation is to be solved numerically.

$$x^4 + 7x - 15 = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Given that the above quartic has a real root α in the interval $[1.4, 1.5]$, use linear interpolation twice, to find α correct to an appropriate degree of accuracy.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \alpha \approx 1.472$$

WRITE THE QUARTIC AS A FUNCTION q EVALUATE IT AT THE ENDPOINTS OF THE INTERVAL GIVEN

$$f(x) = x^4 + 7x - 15$$

- $f(1.4) = -1.3584 < 0$
- $f(1.5) = 0.5625 > 0$

INTERPOLATE ONCE (SIMILAR TRIANGLES)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1.5 - x_1}{x_1 - 1.4} = \frac{0.5625}{-1.3584}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.5625x_1 - 0.7815 = 2.0376 - 1.3584x_1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1.9209x_1 = 2.8191$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 1.4707 \dots$$

FIND THE SIGN OF $f(x_1)$

$$\Rightarrow f(1.4707) = -0.0264 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1.4707 < \text{root} < 1.5$$

THE SECOND INTERPOLATION YIELDS

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1.5 - x_2}{x_2 - 1.4707} = \frac{0.5625}{-0.0264}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.0266 \dots - 0.0204x_2 = 0.5625x_2 - 0.8271 \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.8609 \dots = 0.5829x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = 1.47206 \dots$$

$\therefore \alpha \approx 1.472 \text{ (3 d.p.)}$

Question 3 (***)

$$e^x - 2x^2 = 0.$$

- a) Show that the above equation has a root α , which lies between 1 and 2.
- b) Use linear interpolation three times, starting in the interval $[1, 2]$ to find, correct to 2 decimal places the value of α .

$$x_1 \approx 1.540, \quad x_2 \approx 1.486, \quad x_3 \approx 1.488, \quad \alpha \approx 1.49$$

Handwritten solution for Question 3b:

a) $f(x) = e^x - 2x^2$

- $f(1) = e^1 - 2 = 0.71828 \dots > 0$
- $f(2) = e^2 - 8 = -0.614 \dots < 0$
- $\therefore f(x)$ is continuous & $f(1)f(2) < 0$
- $\therefore \exists \alpha \in (1, 2) : f(\alpha) = 0$

b) Now $\frac{2 - x_1}{x_1 - 1} = \frac{0.60914}{0.71828} \dots$

- $\Rightarrow 0.60914 - 0.60914 = 1.4306 - 0.71828x_1$
- $\Rightarrow 1.32122x_1 = 2.045 \dots$
- $\Rightarrow x_1 \approx 1.540 \dots$

$f(1.540) = -0.07472 \dots$

- $\frac{1.540 - x_2}{x_2 - 1} = \frac{0.0717}{0.71828}$
- $\Rightarrow 1.1045 - 0.71828x_2 = 0.0717x_2 - 0.0917$
- $\Rightarrow 1.1853 \dots = 0.79145x_2$
- $\Rightarrow x_2 \approx 1.486$

$f(1.486) = 0.002488$

- $\frac{1.540 - x_3}{x_3 - 1.486} = \frac{0.0717}{0.002488}$
- $\Rightarrow 0.00559x_3 - 0.002488x_3 = 0.0717x_3 - 0.118$
- $\Rightarrow 0.4214 \dots = 0.081608x_3$
- $\Rightarrow x_3 \approx 1.4876 \dots$
- $\therefore \alpha \approx 1.49$ (2 d.p.)

Question 4 (***)

$$\tan x = 4x^2 - 1.$$

- a) Show that the above equation has a root α , which lies between 1.4 and 1.5.
- b) Use linear interpolation twice, starting in the interval $[1.4, 1.5]$ to find, correct to 3 decimal places two approximations for α .

$$x_1 \approx 1.415, \quad x_2 \approx 1.423$$

Handwritten solution for Question 4b:

a) $f(x) = \tan x + 1 - 4x^2$

- $f(1.4) = -1.0421 < 0$
- $f(1.5) = 6.1014 > 0$
- $f(x)$ is continuous and $f(1.4)f(1.5) < 0$
- $\therefore \exists \alpha \in (1.4, 1.5) : f(\alpha) = 0$

b) Linear interpolation:

1st interpolation:

$$\frac{1.5 - x_1}{x_1 - 1.4} = \frac{6.1014}{-1.0421}$$

$$\rightarrow 1.5637 - 1.0421x_1 = 6.1014x_1 - 0.6546$$

$$\rightarrow 10.1051x_1 = 7.143524$$

$$x_1 = 1.415$$

2nd interpolation:

$$\frac{1.5 - x_2}{x_2 - 1.415} = \frac{6.1014}{-0.6546}$$

$$\rightarrow 6.644x_2 - 8.436 = 0.9689 - 0.6546x_2$$

$$\rightarrow 6.75x_2 = 9.429$$

$$x_2 = 1.423$$

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NEWTON RAPHSON METHOD

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Question 1 (**)

$$x^3 + 10x - 4 = 0.$$

- a) Show that the above equation has a root α , which lies between 0 and 1.
- b) Use the Newton-Raphson method **twice**, starting with $x_1 = 0.5$ to find, correct to 4 decimal places, an approximation for α .

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{x = 0.3939}$$

a) WRITE IN FUNCTION NOTATION

$$f(x) = x^3 + 10x - 4$$

$$f(0) = -4 < 0$$

$$f(1) = 47 > 0$$

As $f(x)$ is continuous in $(0,1)$ & changes sign, there is at least one root in $(0,1)$.

b) PREPARE THE NEWTON-RAPHSON ITERATION

$$f(x) = x^3 + 10x - 4$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 10$$

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

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n^3 + 10x_n - 4}{3x_n^2 + 10}$$

STARTING WITH $x_1 = 0.5$

$$x_2 = 0.5 - \frac{0.5^3 + 10(0.5) - 4}{3(0.5)^2 + 10} = 0.39534... \left(\frac{1}{25}\right)$$

REPEAT ONCE MORE

$$x_3 = 0.393891115...$$

$\therefore \alpha \approx 0.3939$ 4 d.p.

Question 2 (***)

It is known that the cubic equation below has a root α , which is close to 1.25.

$$x^3 + x = 3.$$

Use an iterative formula based on the Newton-Raphson method to find the value of α , correct to 6 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \alpha \approx 1.213411$$

REARRANGE THE EQUATION, AND WRITE IT AS $f(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + x - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = x^3 + x - 3$$

SET UP A RECURSIVE RELATION BASED ON NEWTON-RAPHSON

- $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 1$
- $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n^3 + x_n - 3}{3x_n^2 + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n+1} = \frac{3x_n^3 + 3x_n - (x_n^3 + x_n - 3)}{3x_n^2 + 1}$$

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

PERFORMING ITERATIONS, STARTING WITH $x_1 = 1.25$, USING THIS FORMULA

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 1.25$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = 1.214285714$$

$$\Rightarrow x_3 = 1.213412176$$

$$\Rightarrow x_4 = 1.213411665$$

$$\Rightarrow x_5 = 1.213411665$$

$\therefore \alpha \approx 1.213411$
6 d.p.

Question 3 (***)

The curve with equation $y = 2^x$ intersects the straight line with equation $y = 3 - 2x$ at the point P , whose x coordinate is α .

- a) Show that $0 < \alpha < 1$.
- b) Starting with $x = 0.5$, use the Newton Raphson method to find the value of α , correct to 3 decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \alpha \approx 0.692$$

a) SOLVING SIMULTANEOUSLY

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow 2 - 2\alpha &= 2^\alpha \\ \rightarrow 2^\alpha + 2\alpha - 2 &= 0 \\ \rightarrow f(\alpha) &= 2^\alpha + 2\alpha - 2 \end{aligned}$$

$f(0) = 1 + 0 - 2 = -1 < 0$
 $f(1) = 2 + 2 - 2 = 2 > 0$

$\therefore f(\alpha)$ is continuous and changes sign in the interval $(0, 1)$, there must be a root. Let the root be α .

b) PREPARE THE NEWTON-RAPHSON METHOD

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha) &= 2^\alpha + 2\alpha - 2 \\ f'(\alpha) &= 2^\alpha \ln 2 + 2 \\ \alpha_1 &= \alpha - \frac{f(\alpha)}{f'(\alpha)} = \alpha - \frac{2^\alpha + 2\alpha - 2}{2^\alpha \ln 2 + 2} \\ &= \frac{2^\alpha \ln 2 + 2 - 2^\alpha - 2\alpha + 2}{2^\alpha \ln 2 + 2} \\ &= \frac{2^\alpha (\ln 2 - 1) + 4 - 2\alpha}{2^\alpha \ln 2 + 2} \\ \therefore \alpha_1 &= \frac{3 + 2^\alpha (\ln 2 - 1)}{2^\alpha \ln 2 + 2} \end{aligned}$$

USE ABOVE FORMULA WITH $\alpha = 0.5$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= 0.5 \\ \alpha_2 &= 0.696356034... \\ \alpha_3 &= 0.692157681... \\ \alpha_4 &= 0.692153049... \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \alpha \approx 0.692$ (3 d.p.)

Question 4 (***)

A curve has equation

$$x^3 + xy + y^3 = 10.$$

The straight line with equation $y = x + 2$ meets this curve at the point A .

- a) Show that the x coordinate of A lies in the interval $(0.1, 0.2)$.
- b) Use the Newton Raphson method once, starting with $x = 0.1$, to find a better approximation for the x coordinate of A .

$$x \approx 0.134$$

a) Solve simultaneously to find 'A'

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 + xy + y^3 &= 10 \\ y &= x + 2 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow x^3 + x(x+2) + (x+2)^3 = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + x^2 + 2x - 10 + (x+2)^3 = 0$$

Let $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 2x - 10 + (x+2)^3$

$f(0.1) = -0.528 < 0$
 $f(0.2) = 1.096 > 0$

As $f(x)$ is continuous and changes sign in $(0.1, 0.2)$ there is at least one root in the interval.

b) DEVELOP THE 'N-B' ITERATION

- $f(x) = -0.528$
- $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 2x + 2 + 3(x+2)^2$
 $f'(0.1) = 15.46$

Hence use the

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

$$x_1 = 0.1 - \frac{-0.528}{15.46}$$

$$x_1 = 0.1341526 \dots$$

$\therefore$ approximately 0.134

Question 5 (***)

A curve has equation

$$x^3 + y = xy.$$

The straight line with equation $y + 3x + 1 = 0$ meets this curve at the point A .

- a) Show that the x coordinate of A lies in the interval $(-0.4, -0.3)$.
- b) If P and Q are integers, use an iterative procedure based on the formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[Px^3 + Qx^2 - 1 \right], \quad x_1 = -0.35,$$

to find the x coordinate of A , correct to 2 decimal places.The straight line with equation $y + 3x + 1 = 0$ meets the above mentioned curve at another point B , whose the x coordinate lies in the interval $(0.8, 0.9)$.

- c) Use the Newton Raphson method twice, starting with $x = 0.8$, to find a better approximation for the x coordinate of B .

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x_A \approx 0.34}, \quad \boxed{x_B \approx 0.834}$$

Handwritten Solution (Left Page):

a) Solving simultaneously to find intersections:
 $y = -3x - 1$
 $x^3 + y = xy$
 $x^3 + (-3x - 1) = x(-3x - 1)$
 $x^3 - 3x - 1 = -3x^2 - x$
 $x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$

Let $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x - 1$
 $f(-0.4) = -0.157 < 0$
 $f(-0.3) = +0.216 > 0$
 $\therefore f(x)$ is continuous and changes sign, there is at least one root in the interval.

b) Iterative procedure $f(x) = 0$ for 2:
 $x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$
 $x = \frac{1}{2} [-3x^2 + 2x + 1]$ ($P = -3, Q = 2$)

Iteration table:
 $x_1 = -0.35$
 $x_2 = -0.281975...$
 $x_3 = -0.246246...$
 $x_4 = -0.239139738...$
 $x_5 = -0.23649505...$
 $x_6 = -0.23607705...$
 $x_7 = -0.23604411...$
 $x_8 = -0.23604325...$
 $x_9 = -0.23604325...$

Handwritten Solution (Right Page):

c) Newton-Raphson method for $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x - 1$
 $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 6x - 2$

Iteration table:
 $x_1 = 0.8$
 $x_2 = 0.834...$
 $x_3 = 0.834...$

Question 6 (****)

A curve C has equation

$$y = e^{-x} \ln x, \quad x > 0.$$

- a) Show that the x coordinate of the stationary point of C lies between 1 and 2.
- b) Use an iterative formula based on the Newton Raphson method to find the x coordinate of the stationary point of C , correct to 8 decimal places.

$$\boxed{x \approx 1.76322283}$$

a) $y = e^{-x} \ln x, \quad x > 0$
 $\rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -e^{-x} \ln x + e^{-x} \times \frac{1}{x}$
 $\rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{-x} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \ln x \right]$
Solving for zero to find stationary points
 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{x} - \ln x = 0 \quad e^{-x} \neq 0$
 $\Rightarrow 1 - x \ln x = 0$
 $\rightarrow f(x) = 1 - x \ln x$
 $\bullet f(1) = 1 > 0$
 $\bullet f(2) = -0.386... < 0$
As $f(x)$ is continuous and changes sign in the interval (1,2) there is at least one root in the interval, i.e. here a stationary point

b) $\bullet f(x) = 1 - x \ln x$
 $\bullet f'(x) = -[1 \times \ln x + x \times \frac{1}{x}] = -[\ln x + 1] = -1 - \ln x$
By the Newton Raphson method
 $\rightarrow x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$
 $\rightarrow x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{1 - x_n \ln x_n}{-1 - \ln x_n}$
 $\rightarrow x_{n+1} = x_n + \frac{1 - x_n \ln x_n}{1 + \ln x_n}$
 $\rightarrow x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n + x_n \ln x_n + 1 - x_n \ln x_n}{1 + \ln x_n}$
 $\rightarrow x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n + 1}{1 + \ln x_n}$
Now using as a starting value $x_1 = 1.5$ as a value halfway in the interval we obtain
 $x_1 = 1.5$
 $x_2 = 1.778770590...$
 $x_3 = 1.76326678...$
 $x_4 = 1.763222835...$
 $x_5 = 1.763222834...$
 $x_6 = 1.763222834$
 $\therefore x \approx 1.76322283$
 8 dp

Question 7 (****)

At the point P , which lies on the curve with equation

$$x = \ln(y^3 - y),$$

the gradient is 4.

The point P is close to the point with coordinates $(7.5, 12)$.

- a) Show that the y coordinate of P is a solution of the equation

$$y^3 - 12y^2 - y + 4 = 0.$$

- b) Use the Newton Raphson method once on the equation of part (a), in order to determine the coordinates of P , correct to two decimal places.

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{P(7.46, 12.06)}$$

a) START BY DIFFERENTIATION

$$\Rightarrow x = \ln(y^3 - y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{3y^2 - 1}{y^3 - y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = 4 \Rightarrow \frac{3y^2 - 1}{y^3 - y} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 - 1 = 4y^3 - 4y$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^3 - 12y^2 - y + 4 = 0$$

SETTING $\frac{dx}{dy} = 4$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3y^2 - 1}{y^3 - y} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 - 1 = 4y^3 - 4y$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^3 - 12y^2 - y + 4 = 0$$

b) LET $f(y) = y^3 - 12y^2 - y + 4$

- $f'(y) = 3y^2 - 24y - 1$
- $f(12) = -8$
- $f'(12) = 143$

BY THE NEWTON RAPHSON METHOD

$$\Rightarrow y_{n+1} = y_n - \frac{f(y_n)}{f'(y_n)}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 12 - \frac{f(12)}{f'(12)}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 12 - \frac{-8}{143}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 12.05594...$$

9.41444 $\Rightarrow 7.46716...$

$\therefore P(7.46, 12.06)$ AS REQUIRED

Question 8 (***)

It is required to find the single real root α of the following equation

$$x^2 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{3}{x^2}, \quad x > 0.$$

- a) Show that the α lies between 1 and 2.
- b) Use the Newton Raphson method to show that α can be found by the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n^5 + 3x_n^{\frac{5}{2}} + 9x_n}{2x_n^4 + x_n^{\frac{3}{2}} + 6},$$

starting with a suitable value for x_1 .

- c) Hence find the value of α , correct to 8 decimal places.

$$\boxed{\alpha \approx 1.63756623...}$$

a) REWRITE THE EQUATION IN FUNCTION FORM

$$x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{3}{x^2} = 0$$

$$f(x) = x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{3}{x^2}$$

- $f(1) = 1 - 2 - 3 = -4 < 0$
- $f(2) = 4 - \sqrt{2} - \frac{3}{4} = 1.357... > 0$

As $f(x)$ is continuous on $(1, 2)$, and changes sign on $(1, 2)$
 THERE EXISTS AT LEAST A ROOT α IN $(1, 2)$ SO THAT $f(\alpha) = 0$

b) $f(x) = x^2 - 2x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 3x^{-2}$
 $f'(x) = 2x + \frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} + 6x^{-3}$

NEWTON-RAPHSON STATES

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n^5 - 2x_n^{\frac{5}{2}} - 3x_n}{2x_n^4 + x_n^{\frac{3}{2}} + 6}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n^5 + 3x_n^{\frac{5}{2}} + 9x_n}{2x_n^4 + x_n^{\frac{3}{2}} + 6}$$

AS REQUIRED

c) USING ANY VALUE IN THE INTERVAL AND THE RECURRENCE OF PART (b)

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n^5 + 3x_n^{\frac{5}{2}} + 9x_n}{2x_n^4 + x_n^{\frac{3}{2}} + 6}$$

- $x_1 = 1.5$
- $x_2 = 1.634594485...$
- $x_3 = 1.637565406...$
- $x_4 = 1.63756228...$
- $x_5 = 1.63756228...$

$\therefore$ REQUIRED ROOT IS 1.6375623
 CORRECT TO 8 D.P.

Question 9 (***)

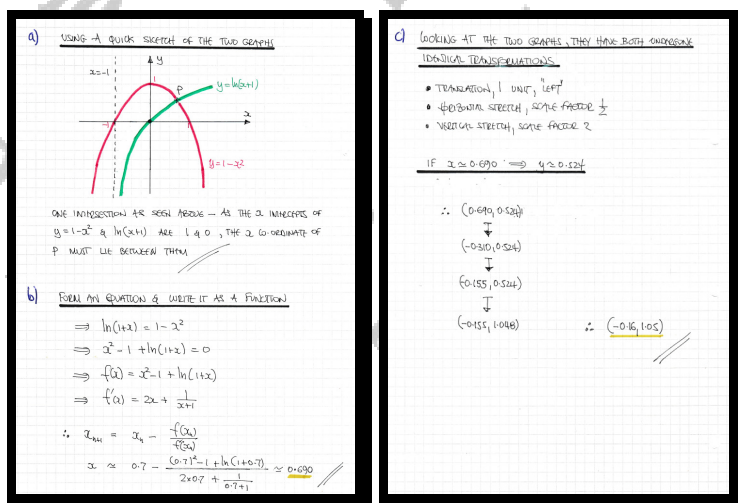
It is required to find the approximate coordinates of the points of intersection between the graphs of

$$y_1 = 1 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{and} \quad y_2 = \ln(x+1), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > -1.$$

- Show that the two graphs intersect at a single point P , explaining further why the x coordinate of P lies between 0 and 1.
- Use the Newton Raphson method once, starting $x = 0.7$, to calculate the x coordinate of P , giving the answer correct to 3 decimal places.
- By considering two suitable transformations, determine correct to 2 decimal places the coordinates of the points of intersection between the graphs of

$$y_3 = 2 \left[1 - (2x+1)^2 \right], \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{and} \quad y_4 = 2 \ln(2x+2), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > -\frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\boxed{P(0.690, 0.524)}, \quad \boxed{x \approx 0.690}, \quad \boxed{(-0.16, 1.05)}$$



Question 10 (****)

An arithmetic series has first term 2 and common difference X .

A geometric series has first term 2 and common ratio X .

The sum of the 11th term of the arithmetic series and the 11th term of the geometric series is 900.

- a) Show that X is a solution of the equation

$$X^{10} + 5X = 449.$$

- b) Show further that

$$1.8 < X < 1.9.$$

- c) Use the Newton Raphson approximation method **twice**, with a starting value of 1.8, to find an approximate value for X , giving the answer correct to 3 decimal places.

 , $X \approx 1.838$

a) ARITHMETIC SERIES
 $U_n = a + (n-1)d$
 $U_{11} = 2 + 10X$

GEOMETRIC SERIES
 $U_n = ar^{n-1}$
 $U_{11} = 2 \times X^{10}$

NOW THE SUM
 $\Rightarrow (2 + 10X) + 2X^{10} = 900$
 $\Rightarrow 2X^{10} + 10X = 898$
 $\Rightarrow X^{10} + 5X = 449$ At $X=1.8$

b) USING FUNCTION NOTATION
 $f(X) = X^{10} + 5X - 449$
 $f(1.8) = -92.953... < 0$
 $f(1.9) = +175.66... > 0$
 As $f(X)$ is continuous and changes sign in the interval (1.8, 1.9) there is at least one solution of the equation in (1.8, 1.9)

c) DIFFERENTIATING FIRST
 $f'(X) = 10X^9 + 5$

BY THE N-R FORMULA
 $X_{n+1} = X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(X_n)}$

$X_1 = 1.8$
 $X_2 = 1.8 - \frac{1.8^{10} + 5(1.8) - 449}{10 \times 1.8^9 + 5}$
 $\approx 1.8417...$
 $X_3 \approx 1.838$

Question 11 (****+)

The curve C has equation

$$y = \sqrt{e^{2x} + 1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The tangent to the curve at the point P , where $x = p$, passes through the origin.

- a) Show that $x = p$ is a solution of the equation

$$(x-1)e^{2x} = 1.$$

- b) Show further that the equation of part (a) has a root between 1 and 2.

- c) By using the Newton Raphson method once, starting with $x=1$, find an approximation for this root, correct to 1 decimal place.

It is further given that the Newton Raphson method fails on this occasion.

- d) Use an appropriate method to verify that the root of the equation of part (a) is 1.10886 correct to 5 decimal places.

$$\boxed{P}, \quad \boxed{\alpha \approx 1.1}$$

a) START BY OBTAINING THE EQUATION OF THE TANGENT AT $(p, \sqrt{e^{2p}+1})$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= (e^{2x}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{2}(e^{2x}+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2e^{2x}) \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{e^{2x}}{(e^{2x}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_p &= \frac{e^{2p}}{(e^{2p}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\ \Rightarrow y - (e^{2p}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{e^{2p}}{(e^{2p}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}(x-p) \end{aligned}$$

NOW IT IS KNOWN THAT THE TANGENT LINES THROUGH $(0,0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow -(e^{2p}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{e^{2p}}{(e^{2p}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}(-p) \\ \Rightarrow -(e^{2p}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{-pe^{2p}}{(e^{2p}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\ \Rightarrow e^{2p}+1 &= pe^{2p} \\ \Rightarrow 1 &= pe^{2p} - e^{2p} \\ \Rightarrow 1 &= e^{2p}(p-1) \end{aligned}$$

OR WRITING IN x AS $x=p$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)e^{2x} = 1$$

is required

b) REWRITE THE EQUATION AS A FUNCTION

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x-1)e^{2x} - 1 \\ f(1) &= -1 < 0 \\ f(2) &= e^4 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

AS $f(x)$ IS CONTINUOUS AND CHANGES SIGN IN $[1,2]$
THERE IS AT LEAST ONE SOLUTION IN THE INTERVAL

c) $f'(x) = 1xe^{2x} + 2(x-1)e^{2x} = e^{2x}(1+2x-2) = (2x-1)e^{2x}$

$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} &= x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \\ \alpha &= 1 - \frac{f(1)}{f'(1)} = 1 - \frac{-1}{e^2} = 1.1 \end{aligned}$$

d) USING THE GRAPH OF THE ABOVE FUNCTION

$$\begin{aligned} f(1.10885) &= -0.000029 < 0 \\ f(1.10886) &= 0.000029 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

AS THERE IS A CHANGE OF SIGN IN THE ABOVE INTERVAL
 $1.10885 < \text{root} < 1.10886$

$\therefore$ ROOT ≈ 1.10886 CORRECT TO 5 D.P.

Question 12 (****+)

The point P has x coordinate 2 and lies on the curve with equation

$$xy = e^x, \quad xy > 0.$$

- a) Determine an equation of the tangent to the curve at P .

The tangent to the curve found in part (a) meets the curve again at the point Q .

- b) Show that the x coordinate of Q is -0.6 , correct to one significant figure.
 c) Use the Newton Raphson method **twice** to find a better approximation for the x coordinate of Q , giving the answer correct to 4 significant figures.

$$\boxed{}, \quad 4y = e^2 x, \quad \approx -0.5569$$

a) BY IMPLICIT DIFFERENTIATION OR REARRANGING AND USING THE QUOTIENT RULE

$$xy = e^x \Rightarrow y = \frac{e^x}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x e^x - e^x \cdot 1}{x^2} = \frac{e^x(x-1)}{x^2}$$

When $x=2$, $y = \frac{e^2}{2} = \frac{1}{2}e^2$ & $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}e^2$

$$\Rightarrow y - \frac{1}{2}e^2 = \frac{1}{2}e^2(x-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow y - \frac{1}{2}e^2 = \frac{1}{2}e^2 x - e^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}e^2 x$$

b) SKETCHING SIMILARLY "TANGENT" & "CURVE"

$$xy = e^x \Rightarrow x \left(\frac{1}{2}e^2 \right) = e^x$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}e^2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}e^2 x = e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 e^x = 4e^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 e^x - 4e^2 = 0$$

Let $f(x) = x^2 e^x - 4e^2$

$$f(-0.6) = 1.0309... > 0$$

$$f(-0.55) = -0.0726... < 0$$

As $f(x)$ is continuous, AND CHANGES SIGN IN THE INTERVAL $[-0.6, -0.55]$, THERE EXISTS AT LEAST A SOLUTION IN THIS INTERVAL.

$$\Rightarrow -0.65 < x < -0.55$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -0.6 \text{ CORRECT TO 1 s.f.}$$

c) USING THE "FUNCTION" OF PART (b)

$$f(x) = x^2 e^x - 4e^2$$

$$f'(x) = 2x e^x - 4e^x$$

BY NEWTON-RAPHSON

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

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n^2 e^{x_n} - 4e^2}{2x_n e^{x_n} - 4e^{x_n}}$$

THEY IS EQUIVALENT TO WORKING OUT GRADIENTS ON TANGENT THIS

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{2e^2 x_n^2 - 4x_n e^{x_n} - 2x_n^2 e^{x_n} + 4e^2}{2e^{x_n} x_n - 4e^{x_n}}$$

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{e^{x_n} (2x_n^2 - 4x_n + 4) - 4e^2}{2e^{x_n} (x_n - 2)}$$

• CHOOSE $x_1 = -0.6$ AS GUESS

$$x_2 = -0.55798...$$

$$x_3 = -0.556929...$$

• CHOOSE $x_1 = -0.55$ (MORE SENSIBLE)

$$x_2 = -0.556995...$$

$$x_3 = -0.556929...$$

$\therefore$ REQUIRED x COORDINATE ≈ -0.5569

Question 13 (****+)

It is required to find the real solutions of the equation

$$x^2 = 2^x.$$

- State the 2 integer solutions of the equation.
- Sketch in the same set of axes the graph of $y = x^2$ and the graph of $y = 2^x$.
- Use the Newton Raphson method, with a suitable function and an appropriate starting value, to find the third real root of this equation correct to 4 decimal places.

You may use as many steps as necessary in part (c), to obtain the required accuracy.

$$x_1 = 2 \cup x_2 = 4, \quad x_3 \approx -0.7667$$

