

Year 1 Pure Mathematics Examination Revision
Health Check N° 3

Answer 1 (Version 1)

Statement: $\cos^4 x - \sin^4 x = 1 - 2 \sin^2 x$

Proof : LHS = $\cos^4 x - \sin^4 x$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\cos^2 x)^2 - (\sin^2 x)^2 \\ &= (\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)(\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x) \quad \text{difference of two squares} \\ &= \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x \\ &= (1 - \sin^2 x) - \sin^2 x \\ &= 1 - 2 \sin^2 x \\ &= \text{RHS} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

[4 marks]

Answer 1 (Version 2)

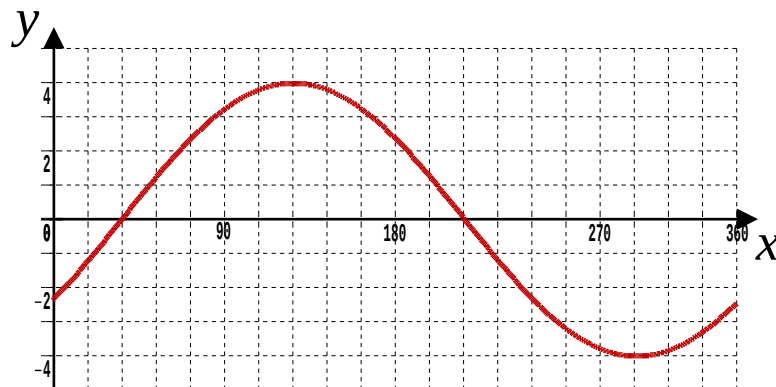
Statement: $\cos^4 x - \sin^4 x = 1 - 2 \sin^2 x$

Proof : LHS = $\cos^4 x - \sin^4 x$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (1 - \sin^2 x)^2 - \sin^4 x \\ &= 1 - 2 \sin^2 x + \sin^4 x - \sin^4 x \\ &= 1 - 2 \sin^2 x \\ &= \text{RHS} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

[4 marks]

Answer 2



[3 marks]

Answer 3

Using the binomial theorem,

$$(1 + x)^8 = 1 + 8x + 28x^2 + 56x^3 + 70x^4 + 56x^5 + 28x^6 + 8x^7 + x^8$$

$$(1 - x)^8 = 1 - 8x + 28x^2 - 56x^3 + 70x^4 - 56x^5 + 28x^6 - 8x^7 + x^8$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore (1 + x)^8 - (1 - x)^8 &= 16x + 112x^3 + 112x^5 + 16x^7 \\ &= 16(x + 7x^3 + 7x^5 + x^7)\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{(1 + x)^8 - (1 - x)^8}{16} = x + 7x^3 + 7x^5 + x^7$$

[5 marks]

Answer 4

- (i) The graph of $y = \sin x$ has values (outputs) between -1 and $+1$.
It is said that the amplitude of the sine function is 1.
The graph plotted has an amplitude of 3, achieved by replacing y with $\frac{y}{3}$ and both sides have then been multiplied by 3. $\therefore a = 3$
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[2 marks]

- (ii) The graph of $y = \sin x$ passes through the origin. That point, which would not be moved by the scaling of part (i), can be considered to now be at $(-60, 0)$ after a translation of $\begin{pmatrix} -60 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
Algebraically this is achieved by replacing x with $(x + 60)$
 $\therefore b = 60$

[2 marks]

- (iii) $a \sin(x + b) = k \Leftrightarrow \sin(x + b) = \frac{k}{a}$

However, $-1 \leq \sin \omega \leq 1$ for any real ω whatsoever.

$\therefore$ To have solutions; $-a \leq k \leq a$

[2 marks]

Answer 5

$$\frac{10x^2}{x^2 + 1} = 3x + 2$$

$$10x^2 = (3x + 2)(x^2 + 1)$$

$$10x^2 = 3x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 2$$

$$3x^3 - 8x^2 + 3x + 2 = 0$$

It's fairly obvious that $x = 1$ is a root by the factor theorem.

$\therefore (x - 1)$ is a factor.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overline{3x^2 - 5x - 2} \\
 x - 1 \overline{) 3x^3 - 8x^2 + 3x + 2} \\
 \underline{3x^3 - 3x^2} \\
 - 5x^2 + 3x \\
 \underline{- 5x^2 + 5x} \\
 - 2x + 2 \\
 \underline{- 2x + 2} \\
 0 \leftarrow \text{As expected!}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore 3x^3 - 8x^2 + 3x + 2 &= (x - 1)(3x^2 - 5x - 2) \\
 &= (x - 1)(3x + 1)(x - 2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{The roots are } x \in \left\{ -\frac{1}{3}, 1, 2 \right\}$$

To get the y parts of the coordinates of intersections use the $y = 3x + 2$

to get $\left(-\frac{1}{3}, 1\right), (1, 5), (2, 8)$

[6 marks]

Answer 6

As y is inversely proportional to x ; $y = \frac{k}{x}$ where k is the constant of proportionality.

After a translation of $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ the algebra to go with the graph will be,

$$y - 2 = \frac{k}{(x - 3)}$$

As it passes through the origin, $-2 = \frac{k}{-3}$ and so $k = 6$

$$\therefore y - 2 = \frac{6}{x - 3} \text{ leading to } y = \frac{2x}{x - 3}$$

That is, $a = 2$, $b = 0$, $c = 1$ and $d = -3$

[6 marks]

Answer 7

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad f(x) &= 9 \cos^4 x - 12 \cos^2 x + 7 \\
 &= \left[9 \cos^4 x - 12 \cos^2 x \right] + 7 \\
 &= 9 \left[\cos^4 x - \frac{4}{3} \cos^2 x \right] + 7 \\
 &= 9 \left[\left(\cos^2 x - \frac{2}{3} \right)^2 - \frac{4}{9} \right] + 7 \\
 &= 9 \left(\cos^2 x - \frac{2}{3} \right)^2 - 4 + 7 \\
 &= 9 \left(\cos^2 x - \frac{2}{3} \right)^2 + 3
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$ The minimum value is 3

[6 marks]

(ii) The minimum value will occur when,

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\cos x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$x \in \{ 35.3^\circ, 144.7^\circ, 215.3^\circ, 324.7^\circ \}$$

[4 marks]

Answer 8

$$1 + \frac{x}{3} = 1.01$$

$$\frac{x}{3} = 0.01$$

$$x = 0.03$$

$$\therefore 1.01^{18} \approx 1 + 6 \times 0.03 + 17 \times 0.03^2$$

$$1.01^{18} \approx 1 + 0.18 + 0.0153$$

$$1.01^{18} \approx 1.1953 \quad \left(\text{Compare with } 1.01^{18} = 1.196147476... \right)$$

[4 marks]

Answer 9

Points of intersection will occur when the following has solutions,

$$(x - 1)^2 = kx$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = kx$$

$$x^2 - (2 + k)x + 1 = 0$$

For solutions the discriminant, $D \geq 0$

$$(-(2 + k))^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 1 \geq 0$$

$$4 + 4k + k^2 - 4 \geq 0$$

$$k^2 + 4k \geq 0$$

$$k(k + 4) \geq 0$$

$$\therefore k \leq -4 \text{ or } k \geq 0$$

Geometrically this is interesting and illuminating to try and understand.

Try drawing a picture with the parabola touching the x -axis at $x = 1$ and crossing the y -axis at $y = 1$

Remember that lines in the first quadrant have gradients, m , that satisfy,

$$0 \leq m < \infty$$

Can you explain what the maths is telling you about which straight lines through the origin will intersect the parabola ?

[6 marks]