

Test 4

subject: *Trigonometry I*

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Mathematics - IB₁ -

Total : / 36 marks

ANSWERS

Problem 1

[12 marks]

Assuming θ is in the *third* sector, and $\cos(\theta) = -\sqrt{\frac{4}{7}}$, give the exact expression for

- i) $\sin(\theta)$, ii) $\tan(\theta)$ iii) $\cos(2\theta)$ iv) $\sin(2\theta)$, v) $\tan(2\theta)$
 i) $-\sqrt{\frac{3}{7}}$ ii) $\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ iii) $(-\sqrt{\frac{4}{7}})^2 - (-\sqrt{\frac{3}{7}})^2 = \frac{1}{7}$ iv) $2(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{7}})(-\sqrt{\frac{4}{7}}) = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{7}$ v) $4\sqrt{3}$

Problem 2 (without calculator)

[13 marks]

Solve the following trigonometric equations:

1) $\sin(3x) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ for $0 \leq x < 360^\circ$ [4 marks]

As $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} > 0$, then angle $3x$ is either in the *first* or in the *second* sector.

In the *first* : $3x = 60 + k360 \Rightarrow x = 20 + k120$ in the *second* : $3x = 120 + k360 \Rightarrow x = 40 + k120$
 that means $20^\circ, 40^\circ, 140^\circ, 160^\circ, 260^\circ$ and 280° are *six distinct solutions* between 0 and 360°

2) $\cos(4x) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ [5 marks]

$4x = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad (+2k\pi) \quad \text{or} \quad 4x = \frac{7\pi}{4} \quad (+2k\pi)$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{16} + k\frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{7\pi}{16} + k\frac{\pi}{2}$

that means $S = \left\{ \frac{\pi}{16}, \frac{7\pi}{16}, \frac{9\pi}{16}, \frac{15\pi}{16}, \frac{17\pi}{16}, \frac{23\pi}{16}, \frac{25\pi}{16}, \frac{31\pi}{16} \right\}$ are *eight distinct solutions* between 0 and 2π

3) $6 \sin x - 4 \cos^2 x = 0$, $0 \leq x < 3\pi$ (radian) [5 marks]

$6 \sin x - 4(1 - \sin^2 x) = 0 \Rightarrow 4 \sin^2 x + 6 \sin x - 4 = 0$

then $\sin(x) = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{100}}{8} = \left\{ \frac{-2}{2} \right\}$ (notice $\cos(x)$ cannot be equal to -2)

$\Rightarrow \sin(x) = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ or } x = \frac{5\pi}{6} \text{ or } x = \frac{13\pi}{6} \text{ or } x = \frac{17\pi}{6} \text{ (rad)}$ assuming $0 \leq x < 3\pi$

Problem 3 (with or without calculator)

[9 marks]

Consider the *trigonometric equation* : $5 \cos(2\theta) + 3 \cos(\theta) - 2 = -3$

i) Show it can be written as $a \cos^2(\theta) + b \cos(\theta) + c = 0$ (find a, b, c)

$5(\cos^2(\theta) - (1 - \cos^2(\theta))) + 3 \cos(\theta) - 2 = -3 \Rightarrow 10 \cos^2(\theta) + 3 \cos(\theta) - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} a=10 \\ b=3 \\ c=-4 \end{matrix}$

ii) $\Delta = 169 \quad \cos(\theta) = \frac{-3 \pm 13}{20} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } -\frac{4}{5}$

$\Rightarrow \theta \in \left\{ \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ rad}, \frac{5\pi}{3} \text{ rad} \right\} \cup \{2.498 \text{ rad}, 3.785 \text{ rad}\}$