

2024 Form IV Yearly Solutions

1. (a) i. [1]
 $x = 3$ or $x = -6$ (✓)

ii. [1]
 $x = \pm 4$ (✓)

(b) [1]
 x^2 (✓)

(c) [1]
 $\frac{10}{x^3}$ (✓)

(d) [1]
 1.34×10^5 (3 significant figures) (✓✓)

Q1(d) comments

1 mark for 1.34 (don't penalise rounding anywhere else)

1 mark for 10^5

(e) [1]
 $2x + \frac{x}{2} = 1$

$$4x + x = 2$$

$$5x = 2 \therefore x = \frac{2}{5} \quad (\checkmark)$$

(f) i. [1]
 $(a + 5)(a - 5)$ (✓)

ii. [2]
 $(3x - 2)(2x + 1)$ (✓)

Q1(f)(ii) comments

1 mark for $3x$ and $2x$

(g) i. [1]
 5 (✓)

ii. [1]
 -11 (✓)

2. (a) [2]

$$y - 2 = 4(x - 1) \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$y = 4x - 2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(b) [1]

$$\log_3 x = 5$$

$$x = 3^5 = 243 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(c) i. [1]

$$P(2) = 2^3 - 2 + 5 = 11 \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii. [1]

$$P(x) + Q(x) = x^3 - x + 5 + x + 1 = x^3 + 6 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(d) [1]

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(2)(-2)}}{2(2)} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{4} \quad (\checkmark)$$

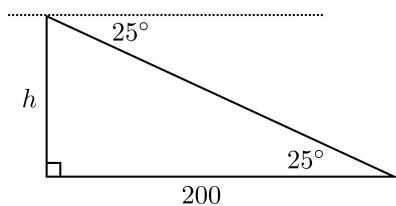
(e) i. [1]

$$3 - 1 = 2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii. [1]

$$3 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(f) i. [1]



(\checkmark)

Q2(f)(i) comments

Either position for the 25° is ok

ii. [1]

$$\tan 25^\circ = \frac{h}{200}$$

$$h = 200 \tan 25^\circ = 93 \text{ m (nearest metre)} \quad (\checkmark)$$

Q2(f)(ii) comments

Do not penalise units anywhere in this paper

(g) i. [1]

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8} \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii. [1]

$$= 1 - P(\text{all heads})$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8} \quad (\checkmark)$$

3. (a) i. [1]

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1 + 2 + 5 + 8}{4} = 4 \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii. [1]

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{(1-4)^2 + (2-4)^2 + (5-4)^2 + (8-4)^2}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{30}}{2} = 2.74 \text{ (2 dp)} \quad (\checkmark)$$

(b) [1]

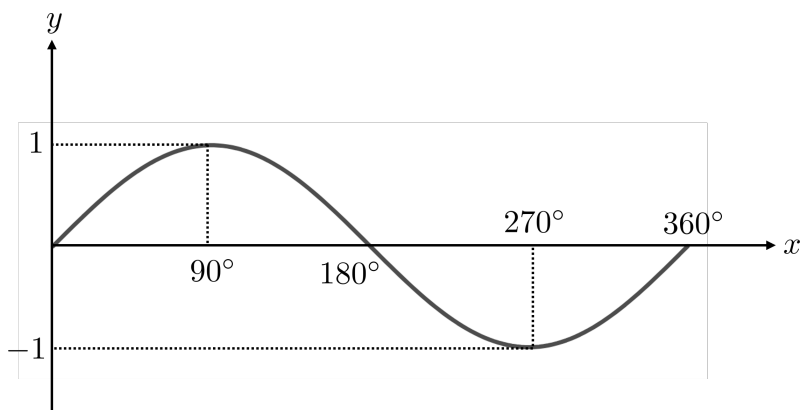
$$2^x = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$2^x = 2^{-2} \therefore x = -2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(c) [1]

$$r = P(2) = 2^3 - 5(2)^2 + 3 = -9$$

(d) i. [2]



(✓✓)

Q3(d)(i) comments

1 mark for both amplitude labels and correct sine curve

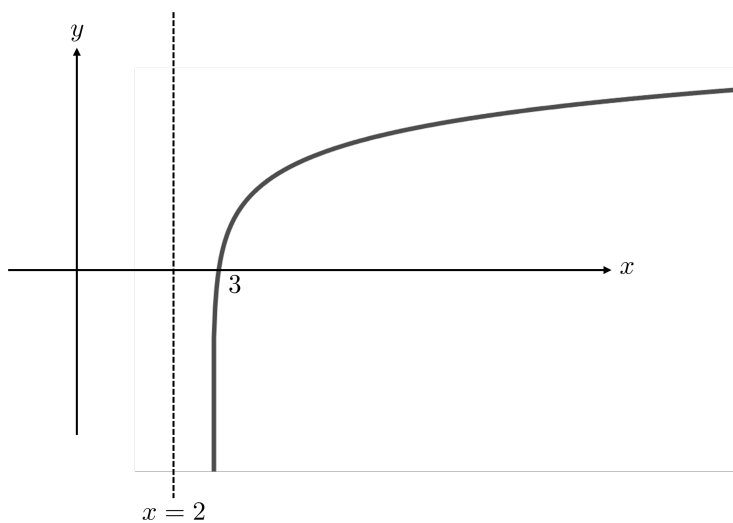
1 mark for all four x values

ii. [1]

$$\theta = 90^\circ \quad (\checkmark)$$

(e)

[2]



(✓✓)

Q3(e) comments

1 mark for log curve

1 mark for vertical asymptote and intercept

(f) i.

[1]

$$\log_2 xy = \log_2 x + \log_2 y = a + b \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii.

[1]

$$\log_2 \left(\frac{x^2}{y} \right) = 2 \log_2 x - \log_2 y = 2a - b \quad (\checkmark)$$

iii.

[1]

$$\log_y x = \frac{\log_2 x}{\log_2 y} = \frac{a}{b} \quad (\checkmark)$$

4. (a)

[2]

$$\theta = 60^\circ, 300^\circ \quad (\checkmark\checkmark)$$

(b) i.

[1]

$$x = \frac{0+6}{2} = 3 \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii.

[1]

$$\text{When } x = 3, y = 3(-3) = -9 \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$V = (3, -9)$$

$$(c) \quad \frac{\sin \theta}{5} = \frac{\sin 40^\circ}{4} \quad (✓) \quad [3]$$

$$\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{5 \sin 40^\circ}{4} \right) = 53^\circ \text{ (nearest degree)} \quad (✓)$$

$$\theta = 180^\circ - \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{5 \sin 40^\circ}{4} \right) = 127^\circ \text{ (nearest degree)} \quad (✓)$$

$$(d) \quad 30 = 800 \times 10^{-t} \quad (✓) \quad [2]$$

$$10^t = \frac{80}{3}$$

$$t = \log_{10} \left(\frac{80}{3} \right) \text{ hours} \quad (✓)$$

$$(e) \quad i. \quad \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6} \quad (✓) \quad [1]$$

$$ii. \quad 1 - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{6} \quad (✓) \quad [1]$$

$$iii. \quad \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{6} = \frac{5}{12} \quad (✓) \quad [1]$$

$$5. \quad (a) \quad i. \quad A = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 3 \times \sin 120^\circ = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (✓) \quad [1]$$

$$ii. \quad BC^2 = 3^2 + 2^2 - 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times \cos 120^\circ \quad (✓) \quad [2]$$

$$BC = \sqrt{19} \quad (✓)$$

$$iii. \quad \frac{1}{2} \times BC \times h = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad [1]$$

$$h = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{19}} \quad (✓)$$

$$h = \frac{3\sqrt{57}}{19}$$

(b)

[2]

$$y - 2 = a(x - 3)^2$$

When $x = 0$, $y = -7$

$$-9 = a(-3)^2 \quad \therefore a = -1$$

$$y - 2 = -(x - 3)^2$$

(✓✓)

Q5(b) comments

1 mark for accounting for either vertex coordinate

1 mark for accounting for both vertex coordinates, the concavity and y intercept with the negative sign in front

Accept $y - 2 = -(x - 3)^2$ or $y = -(x - 3)^2 + 2$

(c) i.

[1]

$$(0, -1)$$

(✓)

ii.

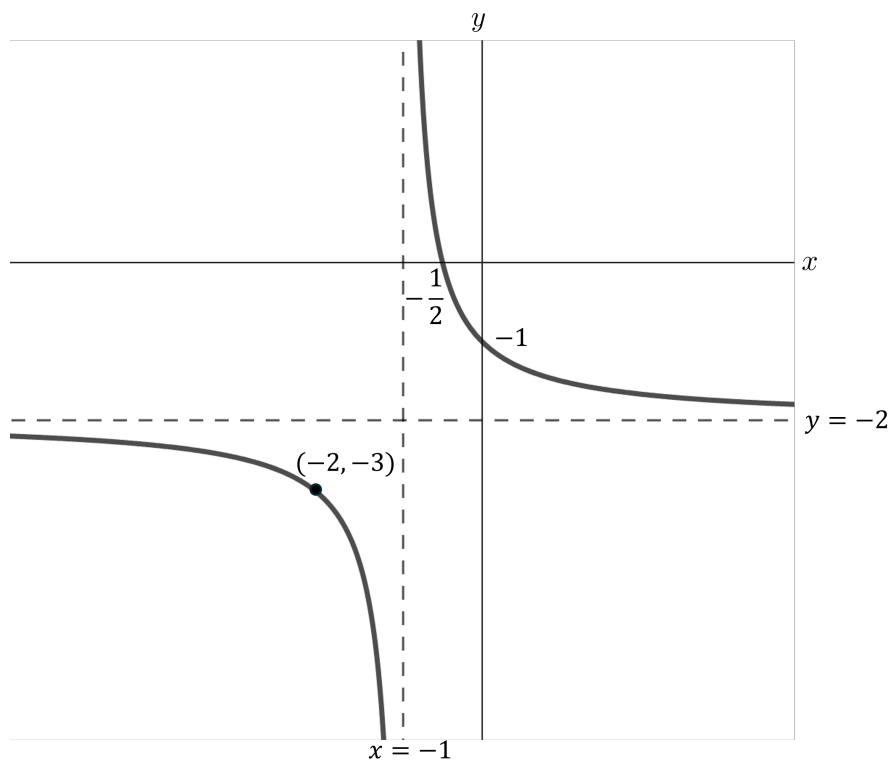
[1]

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$$

(✓)

iii.

[2]



(✓✓)

Q5(c)(iii) comments

1 mark for correct curve and intercepts

1 mark for asymptotes

$(-2, -3)$ optional

(d) [2]

$$x^2 - 4x + y^2 + 6y + 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 4 + y^2 + 6y + 9 = -2 + 4 + 9$$

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y + 3)^2 = 11 \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$\text{centre at } (2, -3) \text{ and radius is } \sqrt{11} \quad (\checkmark)$$

6. (a) [2]

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1}(0.3)$$

$$\theta = 180 - \alpha = 163^\circ \text{ (nearest degree)} \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$\theta = 360 - \alpha = 343^\circ \text{ (nearest degree)} \quad (\checkmark)$$

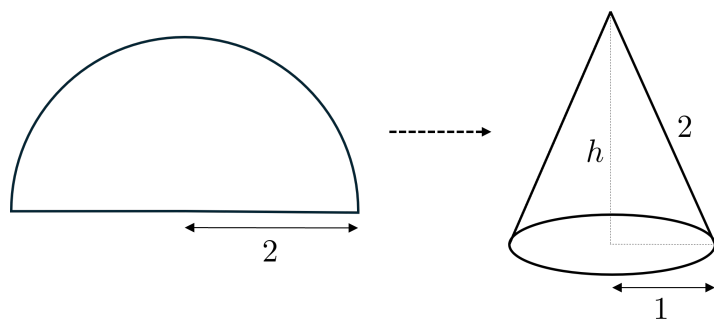
(b) [2]

$$AC = \sqrt{AB^2 + BC^2} = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2} \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 35^\circ \text{ (nearest degree)} \quad (\checkmark)$$

(c)



i. [1]

$$s = 2 \text{ cm} \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii. [1]

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 2\pi(2) = 2\pi r \quad \therefore r = 1 \text{ cm}$$

$$2\pi = 2\pi r \quad \therefore r = 1 \text{ cm} \quad (\checkmark)$$

iii. [2]

$$h = \sqrt{2^2 - 1^2} = \sqrt{3} \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3}\pi(1)^2(\sqrt{3}) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\pi \text{ cm}^3 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(d) [2]

$$2 \log_3 x + \log_3 \left(\frac{6}{x} \right) = 4$$

$$\log_3 \left(x^2 \times \frac{6}{x} \right) = 4$$

$$\log_3 6x = 4 \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$6x = 3^4 \quad \therefore x = \frac{27}{2} \quad (\checkmark)$$

(e) [2]

$$32 > Q_3 + \frac{3}{2} \times IQR$$

$$32 > k + \frac{3}{2}(k - 1) \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$64 > 2k + 3k - 3$$

$$5k < 67$$

$$k < 13.4$$

Therefore the maximum integer value of k is 13 (\checkmark)

7. (a) [2]

$$\sin 3\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$0^\circ \leq 3\theta \leq 540^\circ$$

$$3\theta = 60^\circ, 120^\circ, 420^\circ, 480^\circ$$

$$\theta = 20^\circ, 40^\circ, 140^\circ, 160^\circ \quad (\checkmark\checkmark)$$

Q7(a) comments

1 mark for any two correct solutions, or having 120° difference between both pairs of solutions

(b) i. [1]

$$x - 2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii. [2]

$$\begin{array}{r}
 4x^2 + 8x - 5 \\
 x - 2 \overline{) 4x^3 + 0 - 21x + 10} \\
 \underline{-(4x^3 - 8x^2)} \\
 8x^2 - 21x + 10 \\
 \underline{-(8x^2 - 16x)} \\
 -5x + 10 \\
 \underline{-(-5x + 10)} \\
 0
 \end{array}
 \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$P(x) = (x - 2)(4x^2 + 8x - 5)$$

$$P(x) = (x - 2)(2x - 1)(2x + 5) \quad (\checkmark)$$

Q7(b)(ii) comments

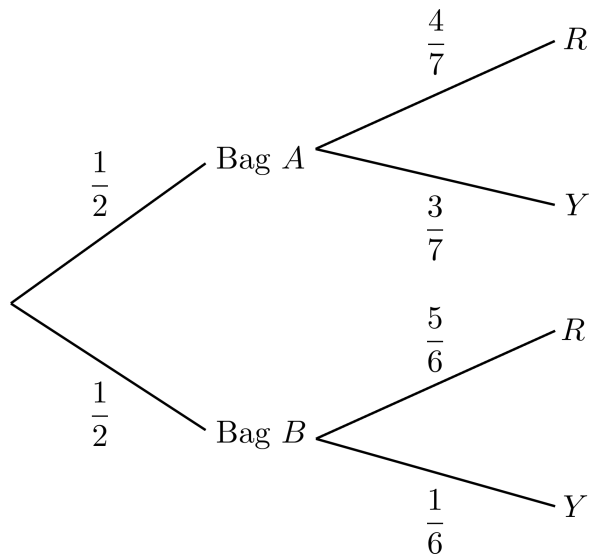
1 mark for $4x^3 - 8x^2$

1 mark for getting and factorising the quadratic factor

iii. [1]

$$x = -\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(c) i. [1]



(✓)

ii. [2]

$$P(A|R) = \frac{P(A \cap R)}{P(R)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4}{7}}{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4}{7} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{6}} = \frac{24}{59} \quad (\checkmark\checkmark)$$

Q7(c)(ii) comments

1 mark for any appearance of $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4}{7}$

iii. [1]

11 red balls can be added to bag A to make the bags identical in terms of the ratio of red to yellow balls, making the probabilities independent of which bag we choose.

(✓)

(d) i. [1]

$$y = 3^x + k$$

$$9 = 3^{-3} + k \quad \therefore k = \frac{242}{27}$$

$$\text{move up by } \frac{242}{27} \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii. [1]

$$y = 3^{x-k}$$

$$9 = 3^{-3-k}$$

$$-3 - k = \log_3 9$$

$$-3 - k = 2 \quad \therefore k = -5$$

$$\text{move left by 5} \quad (\checkmark)$$

8. (a) [2]

$$mx + 1 = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$mx^2 + x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Delta = 1^2 - 4(m)(-1) = 1 + 4m \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$\Delta < 0 \text{ when } 1 + 4m < 0$$

$$m < -\frac{1}{4} \quad (\checkmark)$$

(b) i. [2]

Using the cosine rule on $\triangle POR$:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{7^2 + 5^2 - 3^2}{2 \times 5 \times 7}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{13}{14} \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{13}{14} \right) = 21^\circ 47'' \text{ (nearest minute)} \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii. [2]

Using the sine rule on $\triangle POQ$:

$$\frac{PQ}{\sin \theta} = \frac{5 + RQ}{\sin 60^\circ} \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$\text{If } \cos \theta = \frac{13}{14} \text{ then } \sin \theta = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{14}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} PQ = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{14} (5 + RQ)$$

$$7PQ = 3(5 + RQ)$$

$$7PQ - 3RQ = 15 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(c) [3]

$$4^x - 2^{x+2} - 12 = 0$$

$$(2^2)^x - 2^2 \times 2^x - 12 = 0$$

$$(2^x)^2 - 4 \times 2^x - 12 = 0 \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$(2^x - 6)(2^x + 2) = 0 \quad (\checkmark)$$

As $2^x > 0$, $2^x = 6$ is the only solution

$$\therefore (2^x)^3 = 6^3 \quad \therefore 8^x = 6^3 = 216 \quad (\checkmark)$$

(d)

[3]

$$P(x) = a(x+1)^3 - b(x-1)$$

$$P(1) = 16$$

$$16 = a(2)^3 + 0 \therefore a = 2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$P(x) = 2(x+1)^3 - b(x-1)$$

$$P(0) = 0$$

$$0 = 2 - b(-1) \therefore b = -2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

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

$$P(-2) = -8 \quad (\checkmark)$$

9. (a)

[3]

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{(x_1 - \bar{x})^2 + (x_2 - \bar{x})^2 + (x_3 - \bar{x})^2 + \cdots + (x_n - \bar{x})^2}{n}$$

$$n\sigma^2 = (x_1 - \bar{x})^2 + (x_2 - \bar{x})^2 + (x_3 - \bar{x})^2 + \cdots + (x_n - \bar{x})^2$$

$$n\sigma^2 = x_1^2 - 2x_1\bar{x} + \bar{x}^2 + x_2^2 - 2x_2\bar{x} + \bar{x}^2 + x_3^2 - 2x_3\bar{x} + \bar{x}^2 + \cdots + x_n^2 - 2x_n\bar{x} + \bar{x}^2 \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$n\sigma^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + \cdots + x_n^2 - 2\bar{x}(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \cdots + x_n) + n\bar{x}^2$$

$$0 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + \cdots + x_n^2 - 2n\bar{x}^2 \quad (\text{as } n\bar{x}^2 = n\sigma^2 \text{ and } x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \cdots + x_n = n\bar{x})$$

$$2n\bar{x}^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + \cdots + x_n^2$$

$$2n\sigma^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + \cdots + x_n^2 \quad (\checkmark\checkmark)$$

Q9(a) comments

1 mark for expanding the brackets

1 mark for:

- realising there are n number of $\bar{x}$, gathering these and canceling this with $n\sigma^2$ on the left

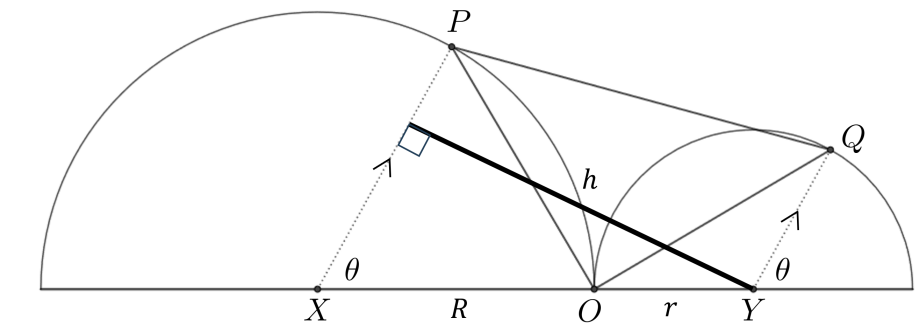
or

- using $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \cdots + x_n = n\bar{x}$ to get the $2n\bar{x}^2$ term

1 mark for doing both and successfully getting the required result

(b) i.

[2]



Let h be the perpendicular height of the trapezium

$$\sin \theta = \frac{h}{R + r}$$

$$h = (R + r) \sin \theta \quad (\checkmark)$$

The area of the trapezium is given by:

$$A = \frac{1}{2}h(R + r)$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(R + r)^2 \sin \theta \quad (\checkmark)$$

ii.

[2]

Area of $\triangle POQ$ = area of the trapezium – area of $\triangle POX$ – area of $\triangle QOY$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle POQ = \frac{1}{2}(R + r)^2 \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2}R^2 \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2}r^2 \sin(180 - \theta) \quad (\checkmark)$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle POQ = \frac{1}{2}R^2 \sin \theta + Rr \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2}r^2 \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2}R^2 \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2}r^2 \sin \theta$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle POQ = Rr \sin \theta$$

$$\text{As } \sin \theta \leq 1, \text{ maximum area is } Rr \quad (\checkmark)$$

Q9(b)(ii) comments

1 mark for $\frac{1}{2}R^2 \sin \theta$ or $\frac{1}{2}r^2 \sin(180 - \theta)$

(c) i. [1]

$$y - b = m(x - a)$$

ii. [2]

The intersection between this line and the parabola is given by:

$$x^2 - b = m(x - a)$$

$$x^2 - mx + am - b = 0$$

Since each line only cuts the parabola once, we have:

$$m^2 - 4(am - b) = 0$$

$$m^2 - 4am + 4b = 0$$

$$m = \frac{4a \pm \sqrt{16a^2 - 4(1)(4b)}}{2(1)}$$

$$m = 2a \pm 2\sqrt{a^2 - b} \quad (\checkmark)$$

For $\angle RPQ$ to be 90° the product of these two possible gradients has to equal to -1

$$(2a + 2\sqrt{a^2 - b})(2a - 2\sqrt{a^2 - b}) = -1$$

Using difference of two squares on the left we get: $4a^2 - 4a^2 + 4b = -1$

Condition doesn't involve a , so a can be any value, while b has to equal to $-\frac{1}{4}$.

($\checkmark$)

- (d) $P(x - k)$ is the translated graph. So $P(\alpha - k)$ is substituting $x = \alpha$ into the translated graph, which gives the remainder by the remainder theorem. We get same remainders when $P(\alpha - k) = P(\alpha)$. This condition cannot be met when the value $P(\alpha)$ is uniquely obtained with $x = \alpha$ and no other x values, giving no solutions for k . This uniqueness only occurs at the vertex of $P(x)$, thus $\alpha = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{1}{2}$. [2]

Alternatively:

The remainders are given by $\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1$ and $(\alpha - k)^2 + (\alpha - k) + 1$.

The remainders are equal when:

$$(\alpha - k)^2 + (\alpha - k) + 1 = \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1$$

$$\alpha^2 - 2\alpha k + k^2 + \alpha - k + 1 = \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1$$

$$-2\alpha k + k^2 - k = 0$$

$$k - (2\alpha + 1) = 0$$

This condition will not be met for all non zero values of k when $2\alpha + 1 = 0$. Therefore $\alpha = -\frac{1}{2}$.

Q9(d) comments

1 mark for referencing $P(\alpha - k)$

1 mark for correct α value

_____ or _____

1 mark for $(\alpha - k)^2 + (\alpha - k) + 1$

1 mark for correct α value