

2015 'A' Level H2 Maths P1 Solutions

1. System of Linear Equations / Graphing Techniques

$$(i) \quad y = \frac{a}{x^2} + bx + c \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -2ax^{-1} + b$$

$$\text{At } (1.6, -2.4) : -2.4 = \frac{a}{1.6^2} + b(1.6) + c \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{" } (-0.7, 3.6) : 3.6 = \frac{a}{(-0.7)^2} + b(-0.7) + c \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{When } x=1, \frac{dy}{dx} = 2, \quad 2 = -2a + b \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\text{Using GC, } a = -3.593, \quad b = -5.187, \quad c = 7.303$$

$$(ii) \quad y = \frac{-3.593}{x^2} - 5.187x + 7.303$$

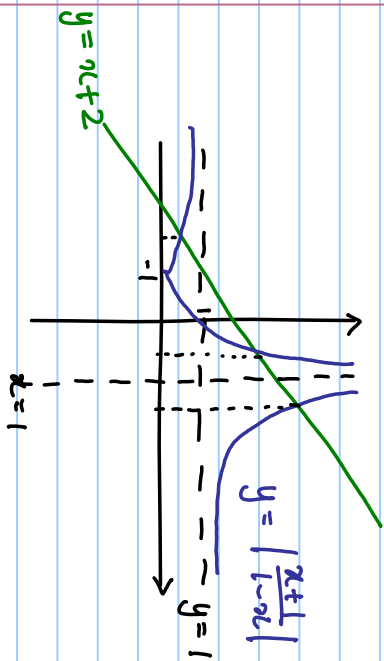
$$\text{When } y=0, \quad \frac{-3.593}{x^2} - 5.187x + 7.303 = 0$$

$$\text{Using GC, } x = -0.589$$

$$(iii) \quad \text{The other asymptote is } y = -5.187x + 7.303$$

2. Graphing Techniques / Inequalities

(i)

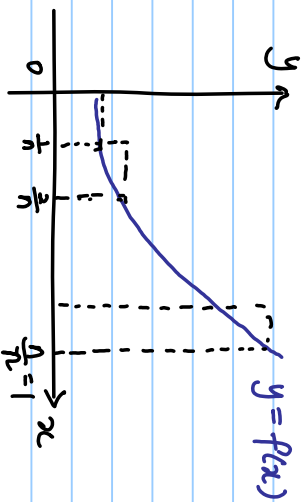


(ii) $\left| \frac{x+1}{1-x} \right| < x+2$

$\Rightarrow -1.73 < x < 0.414$ or $x > 1.73$

3. Application of Integration

(1)



Sum of area of n rectangles
 $= h \{ f(1/n) + f(2/n) + \dots + f(A/n) \}$

When $n \rightarrow \infty$,

Sum of area of n rectangles

\rightarrow Actual area under curve

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \{ f(1/n) + f(2/n) + \dots + f(A/n) \} = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$

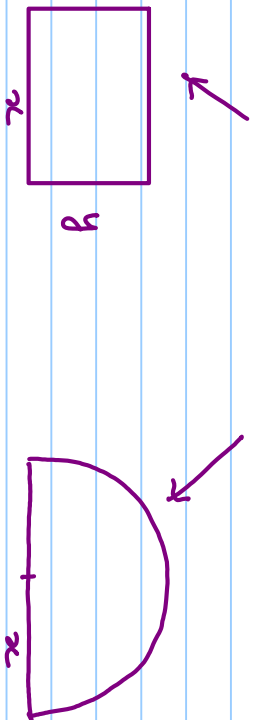
(k)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\sqrt[3]{1} + \sqrt[3]{2} + \dots + \sqrt[3]{n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{n}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{2}{n}} + \dots + \sqrt[3]{\frac{n}{n}} \right)$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sqrt[3]{x} dx = \left[\frac{x^{4/3}}{4/3} \right]_0^1 = \frac{3}{4}$$

4. Application of Differentiation

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$$d = 2(x+y) + \pi x + 2x \Rightarrow y = \frac{d - \pi x - 4x}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= xy + \frac{1}{2}\pi x^2 \\ &= x \left(\frac{d - \pi x - 4x}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{2}\pi x^2 \\ &= \frac{d}{2}x - 2x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dx} = \frac{d}{2} - 4x$$

When A is max, $\frac{dA}{dx} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{2} - 4x = 0$$

$$x = \frac{d}{8}$$

$$\frac{d^2A}{dx^2} = -4 < 0 \Rightarrow A \text{ is max when } x = \frac{d}{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{max } A &= \frac{d}{2} \left(\frac{d}{8} \right) - 2 \left(\frac{d}{8} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{32} d^2 \end{aligned}$$

5. Graphing Techniques / Transformation of Curves

(i) $y = x^2$

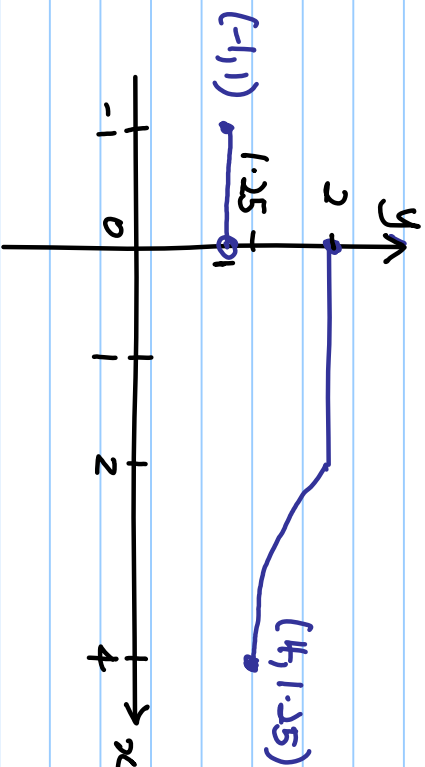
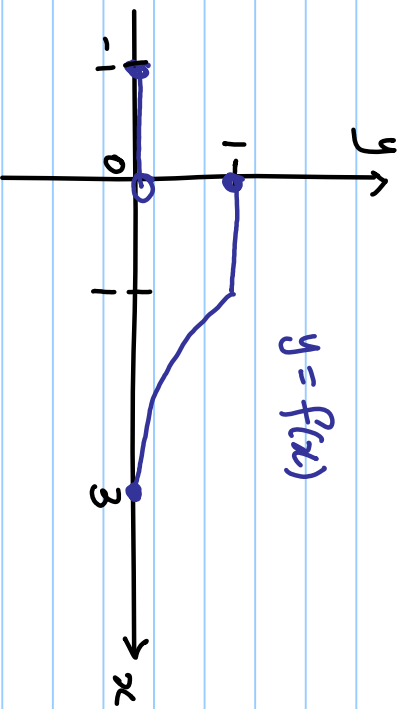
$x \rightarrow x-3$
 Translation along x-axis by 3 units

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

$y \rightarrow 4y$

Scaling along y-axis by factor $\frac{1}{4}$
 $y = \frac{1}{4}(x-3)^2$

(ii)



When $x=2$, $y = 1 + f(1)$
 $= 1 + 1 = 2$

" $x=4$, $y = 1 + f(2)$
 $= 1 + \frac{1}{4}(2-3)^2$
 $= 1.25$

6. Maclaurin's Series / Binomial Expansion

$$(i) \ln(1+2x) = (2x) - \frac{(2x)^2}{2} + \frac{(2x)^3}{3} + \dots$$
$$\approx 2x - 2x^2 + \frac{8x^3}{3}$$

$$(ii) ax(1+bx)^c = ax(1+c(bx) + \frac{c(c-1)}{2!}(bx)^2 + \frac{c(c-1)(c-2)}{3!}(bx)^3 + \dots)$$
$$= ax + abcx^2 + \frac{ac(c-1)}{2}b^2x^3 + \frac{ac(c-1)(c-2)}{6}b^3x^4 + \dots$$

By comparing coefficients of both expansion,

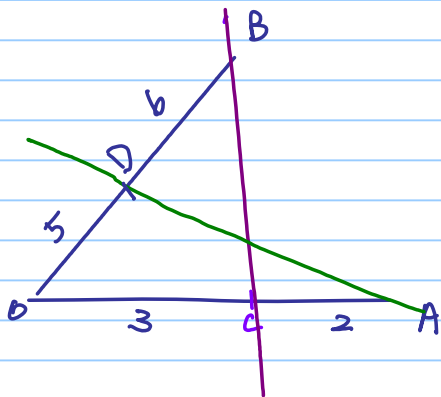
$$\begin{aligned} a &= 2 \\ abc &= -2 &\Rightarrow b &= -\frac{1}{c} \\ \frac{ac(c-1)}{2}b^2 &= \frac{8}{3} &\Rightarrow \frac{ac(c-1)}{c} \left(-\frac{1}{c}\right)^2 &= \frac{8}{3} \\ &&\Rightarrow \frac{c-1}{c} &= \frac{8}{3} \\ &&\Rightarrow 3c-3 &= 8c \\ &&c &= -\frac{3}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a = 2, \quad b = \frac{5}{3}, \quad c = -\frac{3}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{Coefficient of } x^4 = \frac{2\left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)\left(-\frac{8}{3}\right)\left(-\frac{13}{5}\right)\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^3}{6}$$
$$= -\frac{104}{27}$$

7. Vectors

(i)



$$\vec{OC} = \frac{3}{5} \underline{a}$$

$$\vec{OD} = \frac{5}{11} \underline{b}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} l_{BC}: \quad \underline{r} &= \vec{OB} + \lambda \vec{BC} \\ &= \underline{b} + \lambda \left(\frac{3}{5} \underline{a} - \underline{b} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \underline{r} = \frac{3}{5} \lambda \underline{a} + (1 - \lambda) \underline{b} \quad (\text{shown})$$

$$\begin{aligned} l_{AD}: \quad \underline{r} &= \vec{OA} + \mu \vec{AD} \\ &= \underline{a} + \mu \left(\frac{5}{11} \underline{b} - \underline{a} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \underline{r} = (1 - \mu) \underline{a} + \frac{5}{11} \mu \underline{b}$$

(iii) Let $\frac{3}{5} \lambda \underline{a} + (1 - \lambda) \underline{b} = \frac{5}{11} \mu \underline{b} + (1 - \mu) \underline{a}$

Comparing coefficients on both sides,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{3}{5} \lambda &= 1 - \mu \Rightarrow \frac{3}{5} \lambda + \mu = 1 \\ 1 - \lambda &= \frac{5}{11} \mu \Rightarrow \lambda + \frac{5}{11} \mu = 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Using CR, } \lambda = \frac{3}{4}, \mu = \frac{11}{20}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \vec{OE} &= \frac{3}{5} \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \underline{a} + \left(1 - \frac{3}{4} \right) \underline{b} \\ &= \frac{9}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{1}{4} \underline{b} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{AE} = \frac{9}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{1}{4} \underline{b} - \underline{a} = -\frac{11}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{1}{4} \underline{b}$$

$$\vec{ED} = \frac{5}{11} \underline{b} - \left(\frac{9}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{1}{4} \underline{b} \right) = -\frac{9}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{9}{44} \underline{b}$$

$$\frac{\vec{AE}}{\vec{ED}} = \frac{-\frac{11}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{1}{4} \underline{b}}{-\frac{9}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{9}{44} \underline{b}} = \frac{11 \left(-\frac{1}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{1}{44} \underline{b} \right)}{9 \left(-\frac{1}{20} \underline{a} + \frac{1}{44} \underline{b} \right)} = \frac{11}{9}$$

$$\therefore AE : ED = 11 : 9$$

8. AP / GP

(i) Athlete A : AP $a = T$, $d = 2$ s

$$S_{50} = \frac{50}{2} [2T + 49(2)] = 50(T + 49)$$

$$1.5 \text{ hrs} \leq S_{50} \leq 1.75 \text{ hrs}$$

$$1.5 \times 60 \times 60 \leq 50(T + 49) \leq 1.75 \times 60 \times 60$$

$$108 \leq T + 49 \leq 126$$

$$59 \leq T \leq 77$$

\therefore set of values of $T = \{ T \in \mathbb{R} : 59 \leq T \leq 77 \}$

(ii) Athlete B : GP $a = t$, $r = 1.02$

$$S_{50} = \frac{t(1.02^{50} - 1)}{1.02 - 1} = 50(1.02^{50} - 1)$$

$$1.5 \times 60 \times 60 \leq 50t(1.02^{50} - 1) \leq 1.75 \times 60 \times 60$$

$$108 \leq t(1.02^{50} - 1) \leq 126$$

$$63.845 \leq t \leq 74.486$$

\therefore set of values of $t = \{ t \in \mathbb{R} : 63.9 \leq t \leq 74.4 \}$

(iii) Athlete A : $T_{50} = 59 + 49(2) = 157$

$$\text{Athlete B : } T_{50} = 63.84(1.02)^{49} = 168.47$$

\therefore Difference in athletes' times $= 168.47 - 157 = 11.47$
 ≈ 11 s (nearest second)

9. Complex Numbers

$$(a) \quad \frac{w^2}{w^*} = \frac{(a+ib)^2}{a-ib} = \frac{(a^2-b^2) + 2abi}{a-ib} \times \frac{a+ib}{a+ib}$$

$$= a(a^2-b^2) - 2ab^2 + i(b(a^2-b^2) + 2a^2b)$$

$$\frac{w^2}{w^*} \text{ is purely imaginary} \Rightarrow a(a^2-b^2) - 2ab^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a^2 - 3b^2) = 0$$

$$a = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad a^2 = 3b^2$$

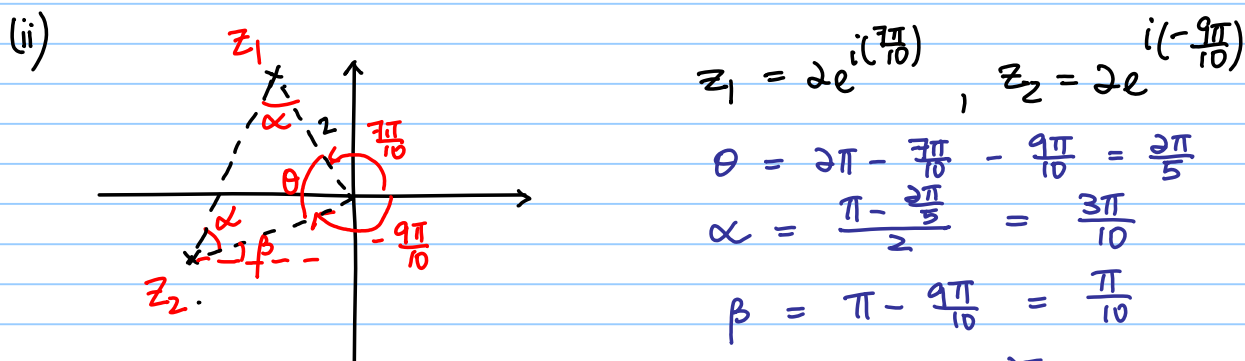
(rejected $\because a \neq 0$) $\Rightarrow b = \pm \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\therefore w = a + i\left(\pm \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = a \pm i\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$(b) (i) \quad z^5 = -32i = 32(e^{i(-\frac{\pi}{2})}) = 32e^{i(-\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi)}$$

$$z = 2e^{i(-\frac{\pi}{10} + \frac{2k\pi}{5})} \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2$$

$$= 2e^{i(\frac{\pi}{10})}, 2e^{i(\frac{3\pi}{10})}, 2e^{i(-\frac{\pi}{2})}, 2e^{i(\frac{7\pi}{10})}, 2e^{i(-\frac{9\pi}{10})}$$



$$\arg(z_1 - z_2) = \alpha + \beta = \frac{3\pi}{10} + \frac{\pi}{10} = \frac{2\pi}{5}$$

$$|z_1 - z_2|^2 = 2^2 + 2^2 - 2(2)(2) \cos \frac{2\pi}{5}$$

$$= 8 - 8 \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} = 8 - 8(1 - 2 \sin^2(\frac{\pi}{5}))$$

$$= 16 \sin^2(\frac{\pi}{5})$$

$$\therefore |z_1 - z_2| = 4 \sin \frac{\pi}{5} \quad (\text{shown})$$

10. Applications of Integration

(i) At P, $\sin x = \cos x \Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{4}$

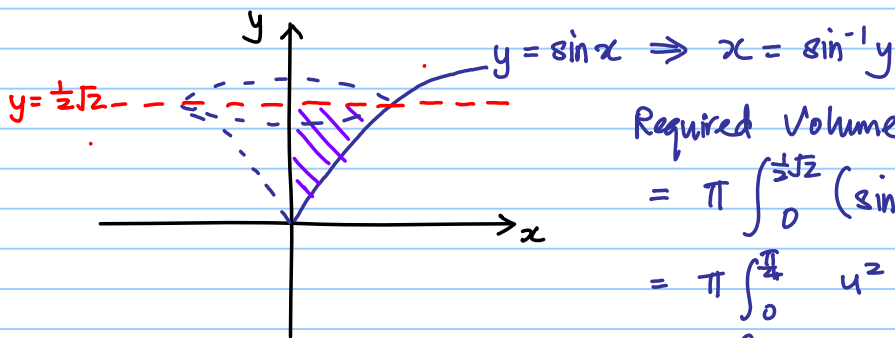
$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin x \, dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x \, dx \\ &= \left[-\cos x \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} + \left[\sin x \right]_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 1 \right] + \left[1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right] \\ &= 2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = 2 - \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 + A_2 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x \, dx \\ &= \left[\sin x \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$A_2 = 1 - (2 - \sqrt{2}) = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{2 - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} - 1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2} - 1)}{\sqrt{2} - 1} = \sqrt{2} \text{ (shown)}$$

(ii)



$$y = \sin u \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{du} = \cos u$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{When } y &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, & u &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\ \text{" } y &= 0, & u &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required Volume} &= \pi \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} x^2 \, dy \\ &= \pi \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} (\sin^{-1} y)^2 \, dy \text{ (shown)} \\ &= \pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} u^2 \cos u \, du \\ &= \pi \left\{ \left[u^2 \sin u \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin u (2u) \, du \right. \\ &= \pi \left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{16} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - \left[2u(-\cos u) \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (-\cos u)(2) \, du \right. \\ &= \pi \left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{16\sqrt{2}} - \left[\frac{\pi}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - 0 \right] - 2 \left[\sin u \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \right\} \\ &= \pi \left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{16\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}} - 2 \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - 0 \right] \right\} \\ &= \pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}\pi^2}{32} + \frac{\sqrt{2}\pi}{4} - \sqrt{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

11. Applications of Differentiation + Integration

(i) $x = \sin^3 \theta \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\theta} = 3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta$

$$y = 3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta} = 3 \sin^2 \theta (-\sin \theta) + \cos \theta (6 \sin \theta \cos \theta)$$

$$= -3 \sin^3 \theta + 6 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta$$

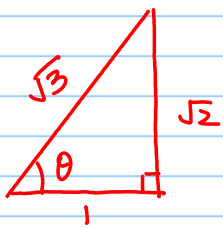
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3 \sin^3 \theta + 6 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta}{3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta} = \frac{-\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{2 \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$= 2 \cot \theta - \tan \theta \quad (\text{shown})$$

(ii) At turning pt, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \cot \theta - \tan \theta = 0$

$$\frac{2}{\tan \theta} = \tan \theta \quad \therefore \tan \theta = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}$$



$$x = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^3 = \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{2}{9} \sqrt{6}$$

$$y = 3 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{3}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = \frac{2}{9} \sqrt{6} \\ y = \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{3} \end{array} \right\} \therefore \text{Turning point} = \left(\frac{2}{9} \sqrt{6}, \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{3}\right)$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2(-\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - \sec^2 \theta) < 0$$

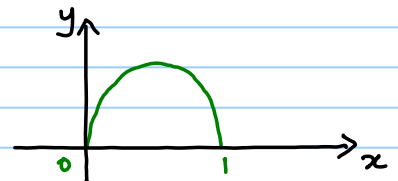
$\Rightarrow \therefore \left(\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$ is a maximum point.

(iii) Area = $\int_0^1 y \, dx$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta) (3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta \, d\theta)$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 9 \sin^4 \theta \cos^2 \theta \, d\theta \quad (\text{shown})$$

$$= 0.884$$



When $y = \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta = 0$,
 $\sin \theta = 0$ or $\cos \theta = 0$
 $\theta = 0$ or $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$
 $x = 0$ or $x = 1$

(iv) $y = ax \Rightarrow 3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta = a \sin^3 \theta$

$$\sin^2 \theta (3 \cos \theta - a \sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3 \cos \theta - a \sin \theta = 0$$

At P, $3 \cos \theta = a \sin \theta \quad \therefore \tan \theta = \frac{3}{a}$

At stationary point, $\tan \theta = \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{a} = \sqrt{2}$

$$\therefore a = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$