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Section 1

Topic: Matter & Thermal Physics

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ENGAA S1 2020 - Question 24

24 What is the area of the region enclosed between the curve $y = \frac{1}{2}x^2$, the line $y = -x$, and the lines $x = 1$ and $x = 3$?

- A $\frac{1}{3}$
- B 2
- C 4
- D 6
- E $\frac{25}{3}$
- F $\frac{28}{3}$

ENGAA S1 2020 - Question 24 - Worked Solution

$$A = \int_{x=1}^3 \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - (-x) \right) dx$$

$$A = \left[\frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_1^3$$

$$A = \frac{27}{6} + \frac{9}{2} - \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$A = \frac{25}{3}$$

Answer is E

ENGAA S1 2020 - Question 34

34 The curve

$$y = x^3 + 3\sqrt{5}px^2 + 3px + 13$$

has two distinct turning points.

What are all the possible values of p ?

A $p < 0, p > 0.2$

B $p \leq 0, p \geq 0.2$

C $0 < p < 0.2$

D $0 \leq p \leq 0.2$

E $p < 0, p > 1.2$

F $p \leq 0, p \geq 1.2$

G $0 < p < 1.2$

H $0 \leq p \leq 1.2$

ENGAA S1 2020 - Question 34 - Worked Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= 3x^2 + 6\sqrt{5}px + 3p \\ &= ax^2 + bx + c\end{aligned}$$

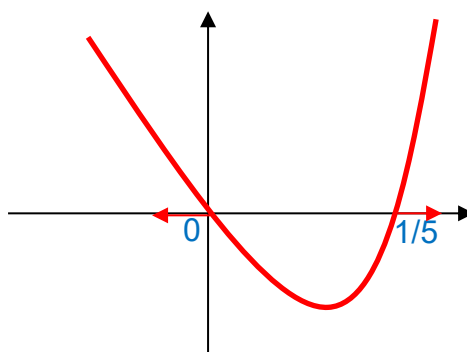
For definite turning point

$$b^2 - 4ac > 0$$

$$180p^2 - 36p > 0$$

$$p = 0 \text{ or } p = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{we need } 36p(5p - 1) > 0$$



$$p < 0 \quad , \quad p > \frac{1}{5}$$

Answer is A



ENGAA S1 2020 - Question 40

- 40** Find the maximum value of the gradient of the curve with equation

$$y = 2 - 4x + 4x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^2$$

where $x > 0$

- A** -4
- B** $-\frac{8}{9}$
- C** $\frac{1}{2}$
- D** 2
- E** 4

ENGAA S1 2020 - Question 40 - Worked Solution

$$y = 2 - 4x + 4x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -4 + 6x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2x$$

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

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

$$x = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}\left(x = \frac{9}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Answer is C

ENGAA S1 2019 - Question 23

23 The curve

$$y = x^3 + px^2 + qx + r$$

has a local maximum when $x = -1$ and a local minimum when $x = 3$

What is the value of p ?

A -9

B -3

C -1

D 1

E 3

F 9

ENGAA S1 2019 - Question 23 - Worked Solution

$$\begin{aligned}y' &= 3x^2 + 2px + q \\y' &= 0 \text{ when } x = -1 \text{ and } x = 3, \text{ sub in} \\3 - 2p + q &= 0 \\27 + 6p + q &= 0 \\27 - 3 + 6p + 2p + q - q &= 0 \\p &= -3\end{aligned}$$

Answer is B

ENGAA S1 2019 - Question 33

33 For a particular function $f(x)$, it is given that:

$$\int_{-2}^2 2f(x)dx + \int_2^4 f(x)dx = 4$$

and also:

$$\int_{-2}^2 5f(x)dx - \int_{-2}^4 f(x)dx = 7$$

Find the value of $\int_2^4 f(x)dx$

- A $\frac{1}{3}$
- B $\frac{11}{7}$
- C $\frac{11}{6}$
- D $\frac{13}{6}$
- E $\frac{13}{3}$



ENGAA S1 2019 - Question 33 - Worked Solution

$$\int_{-2}^2 2f(x)dx + \int_2^4 f(x)dx = 4 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

and also

$$\int_{-2}^2 5f(x)dx - \int_{-2}^4 f(x)dx = 7$$

$$\int_{-2}^2 4f(x)dx + \int_{-2}^2 f(x)dx + \int_2^4 f(x)dx = 7$$

$$\int_{-2}^2 4f(x)dx - \int_2^4 f(x)dx = 7 \quad \text{(taking 2(1) off this)}$$

$$\int_{-2}^2 4f(x)dx - 2 \int_{-2}^2 2f(x)dx - \int_2^4 f(x)dx - 2 \int_2^4 f(x)dx = 7 - 2 \times 4$$

$$0 - 3 \int_2^4 f(x)dx = -1$$

$$\therefore \int_2^4 f dx = \frac{-1}{-3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Answer is A

ENGAA S1 2019 - Question 35

35 Given that

$$f(x) = \int_0^x (3+2t)^7 dt$$

what is the coefficient of x^4 in the expansion of $f(x)$ in powers of x ?

- A 70
- B 162
- C $\frac{2835}{4}$
- D 3024
- E 5670
- F 15 120
- G 22 680



ENGAA S1 2019 - Question 35 - Worked Solution

$$f(x) = \int_0^x (3+2t)^7 dt$$

$$f(x) = \int (C_0 + C_1t + C_2t^2 + C_3t^3 + \dots + C_7t^7) dt$$

t^3 term will go to x^4

$$C_3t^3 = \frac{7!}{3!4!} \cdot 3^4(2t)^3 = 35 \times 81 \times 8t^3$$

$$= 5670 \times 4t^3$$

$$5670 \times \int_0^x 4t^3 = 5670x^4$$

Answer is E

ENGAA S1 2018 - Question 29

29 Curve C has equation $y = 9 - x^2$

Line L has equation $y = 5$

What is the area enclosed between C and L?

- A $\frac{32}{3}$
- B $\frac{62}{3}$
- C $\frac{92}{3}$
- D $\frac{122}{3}$
- E $\frac{152}{3}$

ENGAA S1 2018 - Question 29 - Worked Solution

$$y = 9 - x^2 = (3 - x)(3 + x)$$

Intersect at:

$$5 = 9 - x^2$$

$$x^2 = 4$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

$$A = \int_{-2}^2 (9 - x^2) dx - (4 \times 5)$$

$$= \left[9x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{-2}^2 - 20$$

$$= \frac{92}{3} - 20$$

$$= \frac{32}{3}$$

Answer is A.

ENGAA S1 2018 - Question 33

33 The line $y = x + k$, where k is a constant, is a tangent to the curve $y = 3x^2 - 2x + 1$

What is the value of k ?

A -2

B -1

C $\frac{1}{4}$

D $\frac{1}{3}$

E $\frac{1}{2}$

F $\frac{3}{4}$

G 1

H 2

ENGAA S1 2018 - Question 33 - Worked Solution

① $y = x + k$

② $y = 3x^2 - 2x + 1$

$y = 3x^2 - 2x + 1$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x - 2$

Gradient of y-axis is 1

So when tangent

$6x - 2 = 1$

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

$y = \frac{3}{4} \quad \left(\text{sub } x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ into } \textcircled{2} \right)$

$= \frac{1}{2} + k \quad \left(\text{sub } x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ into } \textcircled{1} \right)$

$k = \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$

Answer is C.

ENGAA S1 2018 - Question 49

49 Given that

$$\int_0^2 x^m dx = \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{7}$$

and

$$\int_0^2 x^{m+1} dx = \frac{32\sqrt{2}}{9}$$

what is the value of m ?

- A $-\frac{11}{2}$
- B $-\frac{9}{2}$
- C $-\frac{22}{29}$
- D $\frac{7}{22}$
- E $\frac{5}{2}$
- F $\frac{7}{2}$



ENGAA S1 2018 - Question 49 - Worked Solution

$$\int_0^2 x^m dx = \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{7}$$

$$\left[\frac{x^{m+1}}{m+1} \right]_0^2 = \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{7}$$

$$\frac{2^{m+1}}{m+1} = \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{7} \quad (1)$$

$$\int_0^2 x^{m+1} dx = \frac{32\sqrt{2}}{9}$$

$$\left[\frac{x^{m+2}}{m+2} \right]_0^2 = \frac{32\sqrt{2}}{9}$$

$$\frac{2^{m+2}}{m+2} = \frac{32\sqrt{2}}{9} \quad (2)$$

$$(2) \div (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}2 \times \frac{m+1}{m+2} &= \frac{32}{9} \times \frac{7}{16} \\(m+1) &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{14}{9} (m+2) \\9m+9 &= 7m+14 \\2m &= 5 \\m &= 5/2\end{aligned}$$

Answer is E.



ENGAA S1 2018 - Question 51

- 51** The two functions f and g satisfy

$$f'(x) = ax + g(x)$$

where a is a constant.

Given that

$$\int_2^4 g(x) dx = 12$$

and

$$f(4) = 18 + f(2)$$

what is the value of a ?

- A** 1
- B** 3
- C** 5
- D** 6
- E** 15



ENGAA S1 2018 - Question 51 - Worked Solution

$$f'(x) = ax + g(x)$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = ax + g(x)$$

$$\int_2^4 g(x) dx = 12$$

$$\int_2^4 \frac{df}{dx} dx = \left[\frac{ax^2}{2} \right]_2^4 + \int_2^4 g(x) dx$$

$$\int_2^4 dt = \frac{16a}{2} - \frac{4a}{2} + 12 \quad \text{①}$$

$$f(4) - f(2) = 6a + 12$$

$$f(4) - f(2) = 18 \quad \text{②}$$

$$8 = 6a + 12$$

$$6 = 6a$$

$$a = 1$$

Answer is A.

ENGAA S1 2017 - Question 39

- 39** The graph of the function $y = x^3 + px^2 + qx + 6$, where p and q are real constants, has a local maximum when $x = 2$ and a local minimum when $x = 4$.

What are the values of p and q ?

- A** $p = -3$ and $q = -8$
- B** $p = -3$ and $q = 8$
- C** $p = 3$ and $q = -8$
- D** $p = -9$ and $q = 24$
- E** $p = 9$ and $q = 24$
- F** $p = 9$ and $q = -24$

ENGAA S1 2017 - Question 39 - Worked Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 + 2px + q$$

At maximum : $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$x = 2 :$

$$3(2)^2 + 2p \times 2 + q = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4p + q + 12 = 0 \text{ --- (1)}$$

$x = 4 :$

$$3(4)^2 + 2p \times 4 + q = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 48 + 8p + q = 0 \text{ --- (2)}$$

$$\text{(2) - (1)}$$

$$4p + 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = -\frac{36}{4} = -9$$

Sub $p = -9$ into (1)

$$q = -12 - 4p$$

$$q = -12 + (4 \times 9)$$

$$q = 24$$

Answer is D

ENGAA S1 2017 - Question 43

43 Given that $y = (2 + 3x)^6$, what is the coefficient of x^3 in $\frac{dy}{dx}$?

- A 240
- B 4320
- C 4860
- D 12 960
- E 19 440

ENGAA S1 2017 - Question 43 - Worked Solution

$$\frac{d}{dx}[x^n] = nx^{n-1}, \text{ so look at } x^4 \text{ term in } y$$

$$x^4 \text{ term in } y = \binom{6}{2} \cdot 2^2 \cdot (3x)^4$$
$$= 4860x^4$$

$$\text{Differentiate : } 4 \times 4860x^3$$
$$= 19440x^3$$

Answer is E

ENGAA S1 2017 - Question 51

- 51 The curve $y = \sin x$ is stretched by a scale factor of $\frac{1}{2}$ parallel to the x -axis and then translated by $\frac{\pi}{4}$ in the negative x -direction.

What is the equation of the new curve?

- A $y = \sin\left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$
B $y = \sin\left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$
C $y = \sin\left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{\pi}{8}\right)$
D $y = \sin\left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\pi}{8}\right)$
E $y = \sin\left(2x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$
F $y = \sin\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$
G $y = \sin\left(2x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$
H $y = \sin\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$



ENGAA S1 2017 - Question 51 - Worked Solution

Initially:

$$y = \sin x$$

Stretch in x -axis

$$x \rightarrow 2x$$

Translation :

$$x \rightarrow x + \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \sin \left(2 \left(x + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \right)$$

$$y = \sin \left(2x + \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

Answer is H

ENGAA S1 2016 - Question 43

43 $f(x) = x^3 - a^2x$ where a is a positive constant.

Find the complete set of values of x for which $f(x)$ is an increasing function.

A $x \leq -a, x \geq a$

B $-a \leq x \leq a$

C $x \leq -a, 0 \leq x \leq a$

D $-a \leq x \leq 0, x \geq a$

E $x \leq -\frac{a}{3}, x \geq \frac{a}{3}$

F $-\frac{a}{3} \leq x \leq \frac{a}{3}$

G $x \leq -\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}, x \geq \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$

H $-\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} \leq x \leq \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$

ENGAA S1 2016 - Question 43 - Worked Solution

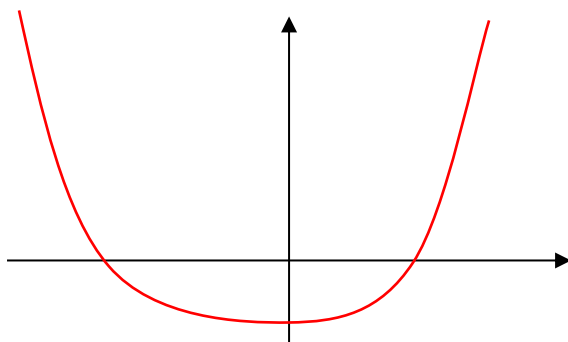
$$f(x) = x^3 - a^2x$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - a^2$$

$$f'(x) = 3\left(x^2 - \left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2\right) > 0$$

$$3\left(x^2 - \left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2\right) > 0$$

$$3\left(x + \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}\right)\left(x - \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}\right) > 0$$



$$x \leq -\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}, x \geq \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Answer is G



ENGAA S1 2016 - Question 45

- 45** The curve $y = x^2$ is translated by the vector $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and then reflected in the line $y = -1$

Which one of the following is an equation of the resulting curve?

- A** $y = -3 - (x - 4)^2$
- B** $y = -3 + (x + 4)^2$
- C** $y = 3 - (x + 4)^2$
- D** $y = 3 + (x - 4)^2$
- E** $y = -5 - (x - 4)^2$
- F** $y = -5 + (x + 4)^2$
- G** $y = 5 - (x + 4)^2$
- H** $y = 5 + (x - 4)^2$

ENGAA S1 2016 - Question 45 - Worked Solution

First the translation

This transforms the curve into

$y = (x - 4)^2 + 3$ As this is a shift to the right by 4 and up by 3.

Then the reflection, the bottom point of the curve is 4 units above the line $y = -1$ and it is a positive quadratic.

After the reflection it will be 4 units below the line and a negative quadratic.

$$y = -(x - 4)^2 - 5$$

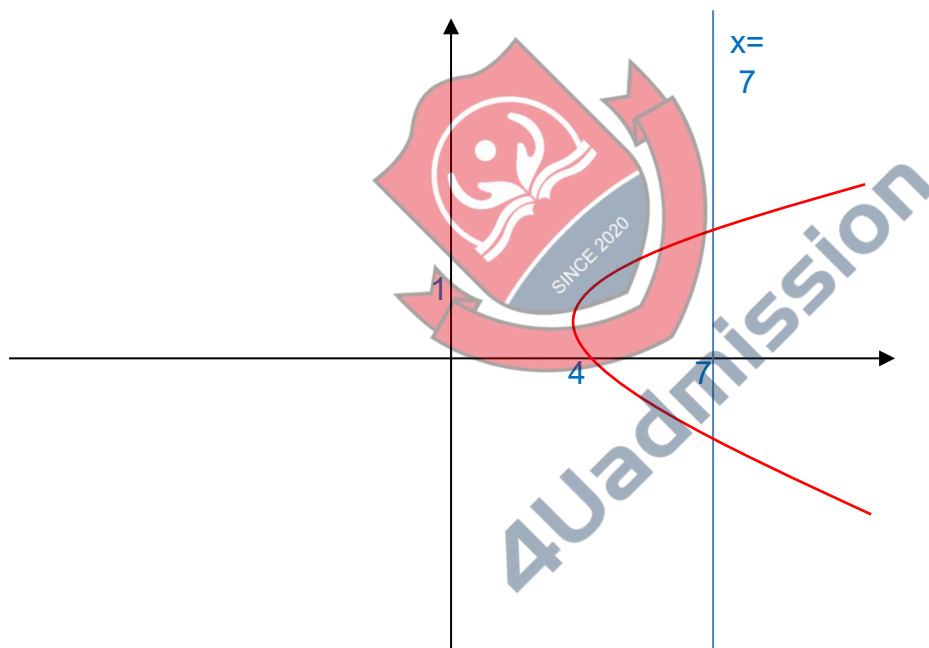
Answer is E

ENGAA S1 2016 - Question 51

51 What is the area enclosed by the line $x = 7$ and the curve $x = 3(y - 1)^2 + 4$?

- A** 4
- B** 8
- C** 10
- D** 11
- E** 14
- F** 20

ENGAA S1 2016 - Question 51 - Worked Solution



$$3(y - 1)^2 + 4 = 7$$

$$3(y - 1)^2 = 3$$

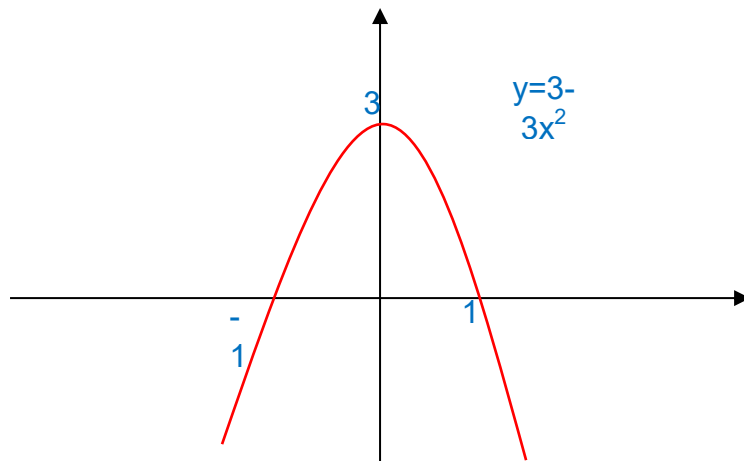
$$(y - 1)^2 = 1$$

$$y = 1 \pm 1$$

$$y = 0, \quad y = 2$$

Imagine the line $x = 7$ as the x axis.

The area enclosed by the parabola $x = 3(y - 1)^2 + 4$ and $x = 7$ is the same as the area enclosed by the x axis and the parabola $y = 3 - 3x^2$



$$\begin{aligned} A &= \int_{-1}^1 (3 - 3x^2) dx \\ A &= [3x - x^3]_{-1}^1 \\ A &= (3 - 1) - (-3 - (-1)) \\ A &= 2 - (-2) \\ A &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Answer is A