

Mathematics for Queensland, Year 12

Worked Solutions to Exercise 3P

Hints

1. Square both sides. Remember that $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$
2. Expand the LHS, then write the expression in terms of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$.
Recall the identity for the perfect square: $(a \pm b)^2 = a^2 \pm 2ab + b^2$
3. Oops, this question is similar to the previous question.
4. ERRATA! The coordinates of the point P are $\left(\frac{5p}{6}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$
To find the equation of a line, it is sufficient to know the gradient and the coordinates of one point.
5. To solve, write the equation in terms of either $\sin x$ only or $\cos x$ only.
6. Since the phase shift is 0 and the vertical shift is 0, the “waist equation” has the form $v = A \sin Bt$.
7. You know the displacement function, how do you find the velocity function. Note that the LHS is v^2 and not just v .
8. Oops! The question should read, “What is $\int f(x) dx$?
But the question is also misplaced – it should also be at the end of Chapter 8.

Here is an alternative question, along the same lines:

$$\text{If } y = x \sin x, \text{ find } \frac{dy}{dx}.$$

$$\text{Hence evaluate } \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \cos x \, dx$$

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1. $\sin A + \cos A = 1.2$
 $(\sin A + \cos A)^2 = 1.2^2$ {square both sides}
 $\sin^2 A + 2\sin A \cos A + \cos^2 A = 1.44$ {expand}
 $2\sin A \cos A = 0.44$ {since $\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A = 1$ }
 $\sin A \cos A = 0.22$
2. $(\sec A - \tan A)^2 = \sec^2 A - 2\sec A \tan A + \tan^2 A$ {expand}
 $= \frac{1}{\cos^2 A} - 2\frac{1}{\cos A} \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} + \frac{\sin^2 A}{\cos^2 A}$ {write using $\sin A$ and $\cos A$ }
 $= \frac{\sin^2 A - 2\sin A + 1}{\cos^2 A}$ {add fractions}
 $= \frac{(\sin A - 1)^2}{1 - \sin^2 A}$ {numerator is a perfect square}
 $= \frac{(\sin A - 1)(\sin A - 1)}{(1 + \sin A)(1 - \sin A)}$ {difference of squares}
 $= \frac{-(1 - \sin A)(\sin A - 1)}{(1 + \sin A)(1 - \sin A)}$ { $\sin A - 1 = -(1 - \sin A)$ }
 $= \frac{-(\sin A - 1)}{(1 + \sin A)}$ {divide out $(1 - \sin A)$ }
 $= \frac{1 - \sin A}{1 + \sin A}$ { Q.E.D. }

3. see above.

4. ERRATA! The coordinates of the point P are $\left(\frac{5p}{6}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$

To find the equation of a line, it is sufficient to know the gradient and the coordinates of one point.

To find the gradient:

$$m = \frac{dy}{dx} = 2\cos 2x$$

At the point $P\left(\frac{5p}{6}, 1\right)$

$$m = 2\cos \frac{2 \times 5p}{6} = 2\cos \frac{5p}{3} = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

The equation is

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = 1\left(x - \frac{5p}{6}\right)$$

$$y = x - \frac{5p}{6} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$y \doteq x - 3.484$$

Check this answer with a calculator.

5. Given $2\sin^2 x = \cos x + 1$
 Write the equation in terms of $\cos x$ {since $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$ }
 $2(1 - \cos^2 x) = \cos x + 1$ {substitute}
 $2 - 2\cos^2 x = \cos x + 1$ {expand}
 $2\cos^2 x + \cos x - 1 = 0$ {re-arrange}
- This is a quadratic equation on $\cos x$.
 Let $y = \cos x$
 $2y^2 + y - 1 = 0$ {substitute y for $\cos x$ }
 $(2y - 1)(y + 1) = 0$ {factorise}
 $2y - 1 = 0$ or $y + 1 = 0$
 $y = \frac{1}{2}$ or $y = -1$ {solve the quadratic equation}
- Hence $\cos x = \frac{1}{2}$ or $\cos x = -1$ {substitute $\cos x$ for y }
- Now solve these equations for x .
 If $\cos x = \frac{1}{2}$ then $x = \frac{\mathbf{p}}{3} + 2k\mathbf{p}$, $k \in J$ or $x = \frac{5\mathbf{p}}{3} + 2k\mathbf{p}$, $k \in J$
 If $\cos x = -1$ then $x = \mathbf{p} + 2k\mathbf{p}$, $k \in J$
6. The “waist function” has the form $v = A\sin Bt$ where
 $A = 0.6$ { $A =$ the amplitude}
 $B = \frac{2\mathbf{p}}{2} = \mathbf{p}$ { $B = \frac{2\mathbf{p}}{\text{period}}$ }
- So $v = 0.6\sin \mathbf{p}t$
 Acceleration is the derivative of velocity, so
 $a = 0.6\mathbf{p} \cos \mathbf{p}t$ {take the derivative of v }
 At time $t = 0.5$
 $a = 0.6\mathbf{p} \cos \mathbf{p}(0.5)$ {substitute and evaluate}
 $= 0$
- At time $t = 0.5$, the acceleration is 0.
7. Displacement is given by
 $x = a \sin nt$ **1**
 Velocity is the derivative of displacement, so
 $v = \frac{dx}{dt} = a n \cos nt$ {take the derivative}
 and $v^2 = a^2 n^2 \cos^2 nt$ {square both sides}
 But $\cos^2 nt = 1 - \sin^2 nt$ {the Pythagorean identity}
 so $v^2 = a^2 n^2 (1 - \sin^2 nt)$ {substitute}
 $v^2 = n^2 (a^2 - a^2 \sin^2 nt)$ {re-arrange – do you see why?}
 $v^2 = n^2 [a^2 - (a \sin nt)^2]$ {since $x^2 y^2 = (xy)^2$ }
 But $x = a \sin nt$ {**1** above}
 $\therefore v^2 = n^2 (a^2 - x^2)$ {substitute}
- Q.E.D.

8. If $y = x \sin x$ then using the product rule

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sin x + x \cos x$$

This has an extra term, $\sin x$. We can eliminate it by adding a $\cos x$ term to the RHS. As a check:

If $y = x \sin x + \cos x$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= (\sin x + x \cos x) - \sin x \\ &= x \cos x\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Hence } \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \cos x \, dx &= [x \sin x + \cos x]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} + \cos \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - (0 \sin 0 + \cos 0) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} - 1\end{aligned}$$

Check with a graphics calculator.