

Old Exam Questions – Old Course  
Further Trigonometry

(C4 Summer 2005)

4. (a) Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$\sin 2\theta = \cos \theta. \quad [4]$$

- (b) Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$4\sin\theta + \cos\theta = 2,$$

giving your answers in degrees correct to one decimal place. [6]

(C4 Summer 2006)

3. Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$2 + 3\cos 2\theta = \cos \theta. \quad [6]$$

4. (a) Express  $4\sin x + 3\cos x$  in the form  $R\sin(x + \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ . [3]

- (b) Hence find the greatest value of

$$\frac{1}{4\sin x + 3\cos x + 7}. \quad [2]$$

(C4 Summer 2007)

3. Find all values of  $x$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying the equation  $4\cos x + 2\sin x = 3$ . [7]

(C4 Summer 2008)

3. (a) Express  $3\cos x + 2\sin x$  in the form  $R\cos(x - \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ . [3]

- (b) Find all values of  $x$  between  $0^\circ$  and  $360^\circ$  satisfying

$$3\cos x + 2\sin x = 1. \quad [3]$$

(C4 Summer 2009)

2. Find all the values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying  $3\sin 2\theta = 2\sin \theta$ . [5]

3. (a) Express  $\cos \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta$  in the form  $R\cos(\theta - \alpha)$ , where  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ . [3]

- (b) Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$\cos \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta = 1. \quad [4]$$

(C4 Summer 2010)

3. (a) Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$2 \cos 2\theta = 9 \cos \theta + 7. \quad [5]$$

- (b) (i) Express  $5 \sin x - 12 \cos x$  in the form  $R \sin(x - \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .

- (ii) Use your results to part (i) to find the least value of

$$\frac{1}{5 \sin x - 12 \cos x + 20}.$$

Write down a value for  $x$  for which this least value occurs. [6]

(C4 Summer 2011)

3. (a) Find all values of  $x$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$  satisfying

$$\tan 2x = 4 \tan x. \quad [5]$$

- (b) Express  $7 \cos \theta + 24 \sin \theta$  in the form  $R \cos(\theta - \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .

Hence, find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$7 \cos \theta + 24 \sin \theta = 16. \quad [6]$$

(C4 Summer 2012)

3. (a) Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$4 \cos 2\theta = 1 - 2 \sin \theta. \quad [6]$$

- (b) (i) Express  $8 \sin x + 15 \cos x$  in the form  $R \sin(x + \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .

- (ii) Find all values of  $x$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$8 \sin x + 15 \cos x = 11.$$

- (iii) Find the greatest possible value for  $k$  so that

$$8 \sin x + 15 \cos x = k$$

has solutions. Give a reason for your answer. [7]

(C4 Summer 2013)

3. (a) Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$8 \cos 2\theta + 6 = \cos^2 \theta + \cos \theta. \quad [6]$$

- (b) Express  $\sqrt{15} \cos \theta - \sin \theta$  in the form  $R \cos(\theta + \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .  
Hence find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$\sqrt{15} \cos \theta - \sin \theta = 3. \quad [6]$$

(C4 Summer 2014)

3. (a) Find all values of  $x$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$  satisfying

$$\tan 2x = 3 \cot x. \quad [4]$$

- (b) (i) Express  $21 \sin \theta - 20 \cos \theta$  in the form  $R \sin(\theta - \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .  
(ii) Use your results to part (i) to find the greatest value of

$$\frac{1}{21 \sin \theta - 20 \cos \theta + 31}.$$

Write down a value for  $\theta$  for which this greatest value occurs. [6]

(C4 Summer 2015)

3. (a) Find all values of  $x$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$  satisfying

$$\tan(x + 45^\circ) = 8 \tan x. \quad [5]$$

- (b) (i) Express  $\sqrt{13} \sin \theta - 6 \cos \theta$  in the form  $R \sin(\theta - \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .  
(ii) Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$\sqrt{13} \sin \theta - 6 \cos \theta = -4. \quad [6]$$

(C4 Summer 2016)

4. (a) The angle  $x$  is such that  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$ ,  $x \neq 90^\circ$ .

Given that  $x$  satisfies the equation  $3 \tan 2x + 16 \cot^2 x = 0$ ,

- (i) show that  $3 \tan^3 x - 8 \tan^2 x + 8 = 0$ ,  
 (ii) find all possible values of  $x$ , giving each answer in degrees, correct to one decimal place. [8]

- (b) Express  $24 \cos \theta - 7 \sin \theta$  in the form  $R \cos(\theta + \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .

Hence, find the range of values of  $k$  for which the equation

$$24 \cos \theta - 7 \sin \theta = k$$

has no solutions.

[5]

(C4 Summer 2017)

3. (a) Show that the equation

$$5 \cos^2 \theta + 7 \sin 2\theta = 3 \sin^2 \theta$$

may be rewritten in the form

$$a \tan^2 \theta + b \tan \theta + c = 0,$$

where  $a, b, c$  are non-zero constants whose values are to be found.

Hence, find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$  satisfying the equation

$$5 \cos^2 \theta + 7 \sin 2\theta = 3 \sin^2 \theta. \quad [6]$$

- (b) (i) Express  $\sqrt{5} \cos \phi + \sqrt{11} \sin \phi$  in the form  $R \cos(\phi - \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .  
 (ii) Use your result to part (i) to find the least value of

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5} \cos \phi + \sqrt{11} \sin \phi + 6}.$$

Write down a value for  $\phi$  for which this least value occurs.

[6]

(C4 Summer 2018)

3. (a) Find all values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$2 \cos 2\theta = 3 \sin^2\theta - 5 \cos^2\theta + \cos \theta + 1. \quad [6]$$

- (b) (i) Express  $12 \sin \phi - 5 \cos \phi$  in the form  $R \sin(\phi - \alpha)$ , where  $R$  and  $\alpha$  are constants with  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ .

- (ii) Hence find all values of  $\phi$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \phi \leq 360^\circ$  satisfying

$$12 \sin \phi - 5 \cos \phi = -2. \quad [6]$$