

## 2023 Trial Examination

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# SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS

## Written examination 2

Reading time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 2 hours

### QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

#### Structure of book

<i>Section</i>	<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
A	20	20	20
B	4	4	60
			Total 80

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is permitted in this examination.

#### Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 23 pages.

#### Instructions

- Print your name in the space provided on the top of this page.
- All written responses must be in English.

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**SECTION A – Multiple-choice questions****Instructions for Section A**

Answer **all** questions in pencil on the answer sheet provided for multiple-choice questions.

Choose the response that is **correct** for the question.

A correct answer scores 1, an incorrect answer scores zero.

Marks will **not** be deducted for incorrect answers.

No marks will be given if more than one answer is completed for any question.

**Question 1**

The complete set of asymptotes to the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sin x + \cos x}$ , is:

- A.  $x = \frac{\pi}{4} + n\pi, n \in Z$
- B.  $x = \frac{3\pi}{4} + n\pi, n \in Z$
- C.  $x = -\frac{\pi}{4}, x = \frac{3\pi}{4}$
- D.  $x = \frac{3\pi}{4} + n\pi, n \in Z, y = 0$
- E.  $x = -\frac{\pi}{4}, x = \frac{3\pi}{4}, y = 0$

**Question 2**

Which statement relating to the function  $y = e^{|x|}$  is correct?

- A. The derivative of  $y = e^{|x|}$  is  $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{|x|}$
- B. The gradient of the tangent to  $y = e^{|x|}$  at (0,1) is 0.
- C. The gradient of the tangent to  $y = e^{|x|}$  at (0,1) is 1.
- D.  $y = e^{|x|}$  is not differentiable at the point (0,1) due to a discontinuity at this point
- E.  $y = e^{|x|}$  is not differentiable at the point (0,1) due to the function being non-smooth at this point

**SECTION A - continued**

**Question 3**

Given  $\sec \theta = -4$ ,  $\operatorname{cosec} 2\theta =$

- A.  $\frac{8}{\sqrt{15}}$  only
- B.  $-\frac{8}{\sqrt{15}}$  only
- C.  $\frac{8}{\sqrt{15}}$  or  $-\frac{8}{\sqrt{15}}$
- D.  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{15}}$  or  $-\frac{4}{\sqrt{15}}$
- E.  $-\frac{4}{\sqrt{15}}$  only

**Question 4**

The implied domain and range of  $y = \cos^{-1}(\sqrt{x-2})$  is:

- A.  $x \in (2,3]$ ,  $y \in (1, \frac{\pi}{2}]$
- B.  $x \in [2,3]$ ,  $y \in [1, \frac{\pi}{2}]$
- C.  $x \in [2,3]$ ,  $y \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$
- D.  $x \in (1,3]$ ,  $y \in [1, \frac{\pi}{2}]$
- E.  $x \in (1,3)$ ,  $y \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

**Question 5**

The inverse function of:  $g: [8, \infty) \rightarrow R$  where  $g(x) = 12 \sin^{-1}(\frac{4}{x})$  is:

- A.  $g^{-1}: [-2\pi, 2\pi] \setminus 0 \rightarrow R$  where  $g^{-1}(x) = 4 \left( \sin(\frac{x}{12}) \right)^{-1}$
- B.  $g^{-1}: (0, 2\pi] \rightarrow R$  where  $g^{-1}(x) = 4 \sin(\frac{x}{12})$
- C.  $g^{-1}: [-2\pi, 2\pi] \rightarrow R$  where  $g^{-1}(x) = 4 \left( \sin(\frac{x}{12}) \right)^{-1}$
- D.  $g^{-1}: (0, 2\pi] \rightarrow R$  where  $g^{-1}(x) = 4 \sin^{-1}(\frac{x}{12})$
- E.  $g^{-1}: (0, 2\pi] \rightarrow R$  where  $g^{-1}(x) = \left( 4 \sin(\frac{x}{12}) \right)^{-1}$

**SECTION A - continued  
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**Question 6**

One of the solutions over  $\mathbb{C}$  to:  $z^3 + (2 - i)z^2 + n(1 - i)z + 4 = 0$  is  $z = 2i$  where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{R}$ .

The value of  $n$  and the other two solutions are:

- A.  $n = 1, z = -2, z = -i$
- B.  $n = -2, z = -2, z = i$
- C.  $n = 2, z = -1, z = -i$
- D.  $n = -2, z = -2, z = -i$
- E.  $n = 1, z = -2, z = i$

**Question 7**

Which statement relating to  $\mathbf{a} = 2\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$  is untrue?

- A. The magnitude of  $\mathbf{a}$  is 3 units.
- B. The dot product of the two vectors is  $-9$ .
- C. The angle between the two vectors is closest to  $155^\circ$ .
- D. The cross product of the two vectors is  $-\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$ .
- E. The two vectors are neither parallel nor perpendicular.

**Question 8**

Given the vectors  $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$ , and  $\mathbf{n} = u\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$  have a  $60^\circ$  angle between them, then the value of  $u$  can be found by solving:

- A.  $\sqrt{u^2 + 10} = 3u + 21$
- B.  $3\sqrt{u^2 + 8} = 2u + 8$
- C.  $\sqrt{u^2 + 7} = u + 14$
- D.  $2\sqrt{u^2 + 10} = 3u + 21$
- E.  $3\sqrt{u^2 + 10} = 2u + 8$

**SECTION A - continued**

**Question 9**

The equation of the plane containing the points:  $P = (1,1,0)$ ,  $Q = (2,1,-1)$ ,  $R = (1,2,-1)$  is:

- A.  $2x - y + z = 1$
- B.  $x + y + z = 2$
- C.  $x - 2y + z = -1$
- D.  $2x - y + z = 1$
- E.  $x - y + z = 0$

**Question 10**

A large lake is estimated to have 200000 fish. The fish population grows naturally (taking into account births over deaths) by 4% each year. An estimated 10000 fish are removed each year. The equation that correctly describes the number of fish ( $F$ ) after  $t$  years is:

- A.  $F = \frac{1}{26}(4950000e^{1.04t} + 250000)$
- B.  $F = \frac{1}{1.04}(198000e^{1.04t} + 10000)$
- C.  $F = \frac{1}{26}(4950000e^{1.04t} - 250000)$
- D.  $F = \frac{1}{1.04}(198000e^{1.04t} - 10000)$
- E.  $F = \frac{1}{1.04}(198000e^{1.04t} + 200000)$

**SECTION A - continued**  
**TURN OVER**

**Question 11**

Consider the following proof:

Suppose  $\sqrt{3}$  is a rational number.

Then,  $\sqrt{3} = \frac{m}{n}$ ,  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\frac{m}{n}$  is a simplified fraction.

$$\frac{m^2}{n^2} = 3$$

$$m^2 = 3n^2$$

$\Rightarrow m^2$  is divisible by 3

$\Rightarrow m$  is divisible by 3

$$m = 3p, p \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$(3p)^2 = 3n^2$$

$$n^2 = 3p^2$$

$\Rightarrow n^2$  is divisible by 3

$\Rightarrow n$  is divisible by 3

Hence, both  $m$  and  $n$  are divisible by 3.

This contradicts the requirement that  $\frac{m}{n}$  is a simplified fraction.

So, the supposition that  $\sqrt{3}$  is a rational number must be false.

This proof is an example of:

- A. proof by counterexample.
- B. proof by contrapositive.
- C. proof by contradiction.
- D. proof by non-equivalence.
- E. proof by induction.

**Question 12**

Consider the two statements:

A: In right-angled triangle  $PQR$ ,  $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$  where  $\theta$  is the internal angle at  $Q$  in the triangle.

B: In right-angled triangle  $PQR$ ,  $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$  where  $\theta$  is the internal angle at  $Q$  in the triangle.

Which statement is **not true**?

- A.  $A \Rightarrow B$
- B.  $B \Rightarrow A$
- C.  $A \Leftrightarrow B$
- D.  $B$  is true, if and only if  $A$  is true.
- E.  $B$  is the converse of  $A$ .

**SECTION A - continued**

**Question 13**

The function  $f: [0,2] \rightarrow R$  where  $f(x) = x^3$  is rotated around the  $x$  – axis. The surface area, in square units, of the solid created is closest to:

- A. 797
- B. 800
- C. 803
- D. 806
- E. 809

**Question 14**

$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{e^{\tan x}}{\cos^2 x} dx$  can be rewritten as:

- A.  $\int_1^{\sqrt{3}} e^u du$  where  $u = \tan x$
- B.  $\int_0^{\sqrt{3}} e^u du$  where  $u = \tan x$
- C.  $\int_0^{\sqrt{3}} e^u du$  where  $u = \cos x$
- D.  $\int_1^{\frac{1}{2}} e^u du$  where  $u = \cos x$
- E.  $\int_0^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} e^u du$  where  $u = \sin x$

**Question 15**

The acceleration of a particle moving in a straight line with an initial velocity of  $4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  is given by the rule:  $a = 2 - x$  where  $x$  is the particle's position in metres.

When the particle first reaches the position  $x = 4$ , its velocity will be:

- A.  $5.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- B.  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- C.  $4.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- D.  $4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- E.  $3.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

**SECTION A - continued**  
**TURN OVER**

**Question 16**

Two independent, normally distributed random variables A and B are such that:

$$E(A) = 10, \text{Var}(A) = 3, E(B) = 12, \text{Var}(B) = 4, \text{Let } C = 2A + B$$

Correct to 3 decimal places, the probability that a random observation of C will be less than 30 is closest to:

- A. 0.308
- B. 0.309
- C. 0.310
- D. 0.311
- E. 0.312

**Question 17**

The length of time Sammy takes to walk to the local milk bar each day is normally distributed with a mean of 18.4 *minutes* and a standard deviation of  $\sigma$  *minutes*.

Based on a sample of 30 walks, we can be 99% certain that the sample mean time will differ by less than 0.8 *minutes* from the actual mean. The standard deviation of the sample ( $\sigma$ ) is closest to:

- A. 1.5
- B. 1.6
- C. 1.7
- D. 1.8
- E. 1.9

**Question 18**

The velocity of a particle can be described by the rule:  $\mathbf{v}(t) = 6\sqrt{t} \mathbf{i} - \left(\frac{1}{t+1}\right) \mathbf{j}$

The particle's initial position is  $\mathbf{x}(0) = 2\mathbf{j}$

The particle's position when the magnitude of its acceleration is  $2 \text{ ms}^{-2}$  is closest to:

- A.  $13.55 \mathbf{i} + 0.82 \mathbf{j}$
- B.  $13.55 \mathbf{i} + 3.18 \mathbf{j}$
- C.  $11.09 \mathbf{i} - 0.82 \mathbf{j}$
- D.  $11.09 \mathbf{i} + 3.18 \mathbf{j}$
- E.  $13.55 \mathbf{i} - 0.82 \mathbf{j}$

**SECTION A - continued**



**Question 19**

The function  $h: [\frac{\pi}{2}, a] \rightarrow R$  where  $h(x) = \cos^{-1} x$  is rotated around the  $y$  – axis. The volume of the solid created is  $2$  cubic units. The value of  $a$  is closest to:

- A. 2
- B. 2.5
- C.  $\pi$
- D. 3
- E.  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

**Question 20**

A particle is fired from an elevated platform,  $3.5$  metres above the ground at an angle of  $50^\circ$  to the horizontal with an initial speed of  $30 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . Let  $\mathbf{i}$  be a unit vector of  $1 \text{ m}$  directly forward and  $\mathbf{j}$  be a unit vector of  $1 \text{ m}$  directly upwards from ground level. Assume that the acceleration due to gravity is  $9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$  downwards. How far has the particle travelled horizontally when it lands? (Assume the ground is horizontal.)

- A.  $93.3 \text{ m}$
- B.  $92.8 \text{ m}$
- C.  $92.3 \text{ m}$
- D.  $91.8 \text{ m}$
- E.  $91.3 \text{ m}$

**END OF SECTION A  
TURN OVER**

**SECTION B – Extended response questions**

**Instructions for Section B**

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

In **all** questions where a numerical answer is required, an exact value must be given unless otherwise specified.

In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working **must** be shown.

Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this book are **not** to scale.

**Question 1 (10 marks)**

- a. The quadratic equation  $P(z) = az^2 + bz + c = 0$  has only real coefficients.  $z_1 = 2 + i$  where  $z_1 \in \mathbb{C}$ , is one root of  $P(z) = 0$ . **Write down** the other root ( $z_2$ ).

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- b. Hence find the real numbers  $a, b, c$ .

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**SECTION B – Question 1 - continued**

- c.  $z_1$  and  $z_3 = m + ni$ ,  $n, m \in R$ , are the two roots of the quadratic equation  $Q(z) = z^2 - 4z - 4i - 3 = 0$ . Find the values of  $m$  and  $n$ .

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d.

- i.  $x_1$  is one of the four roots of the equation  $x^4 = p + qi$ ,  $p, q \in R$ . Find  $p$  and  $q$  and the other three roots in Cartesian form. (Call these  $x_4, x_5, x_6$ ).

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**SECTION B – Question 1 - continued**  
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ii. Given  $\theta = \tan^{-1} 2$  write down the four roots  $(x_1, x_4, x_5, x_6)$ . in polar form in terms of  $\theta$ .

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**Question 2 (9 marks)**

A particle moves in an orbit with an acceleration of:  $\mathbf{a}(t) = 2 \cos t \mathbf{i} + \sin t \mathbf{j}$  represents 1 metre in the  $x$  – direction and  $\mathbf{j}$  represents 1 metre in the  $y$  – direction.  
The initial velocity of the particle is  $-1\mathbf{j} \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and the initial position of the particle is  $2\mathbf{i} \text{ m}$ .

a. Find the cartesian equation of the particle’s path.

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**SECTION B – Question 2 - continued**

- b. Find the maximum and minimum speeds of the particle and when they occur.

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- c. Use a vector method to find when the particle's acceleration vector and velocity vector are at right angles to each other.

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**SECTION B – continued**  
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**Question 3 (13 marks)**

Suppose the lengths of Pinbolts ( $X$ ) used to secure large plates to bridge sections are normally distributed with a mean of  $450\text{ mm}$  and a standard deviation of  $8\text{ mm}$ .

- a. A Pinbolt is selected at random. Find, correct to the nearest  $\text{mm}$ , a 95% confidence interval for its length.

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- b. A random sample of 30 Pinbolts is taken. Let the lengths of the sample have a mean of  $\bar{x}$ . Find, correct to one decimal place, a 99% confidence interval for  $\bar{x}$ .

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**SECTION B – Question 3 - continued**

- c. A different random sample of 25 Pinbolts is taken. Let the lengths of the sample have a mean of  $\bar{y}$ . Find, correct to three decimal places, the chance that the mean length of the Pinbolts in this sample will be less than 446 *mm*.

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- d. Pinbolts continue to be manufactured by the original machine over a long period of time. A claim from onsite engineers that the recently produced Pinbolts are now undersize is registered. In order to test this claim, 20 Pinbolts from the machine have their lengths measured. These Pinbolts are found to have a mean length of  $\bar{x} = 447$  *mm*. Assume the standard deviation remains as 8 *mm*.

- i. State the null hypothesis  $H_0$  and the alternative hypothesis  $H_1$

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**SECTION B – Question 3 – continued**  
**TURN OVER**

- ii. Justify whether or not the null hypothesis should be accepted or rejected at the 0.05 level of significance.

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- e. The original machine (from **part a.**) can also produce Pinbolts with a length increase of 20%. Find, correct to 3 decimal places, the chance that in a packet of 10 Pinbolts of extra length, exactly 2 are longer than 550 *mm*.

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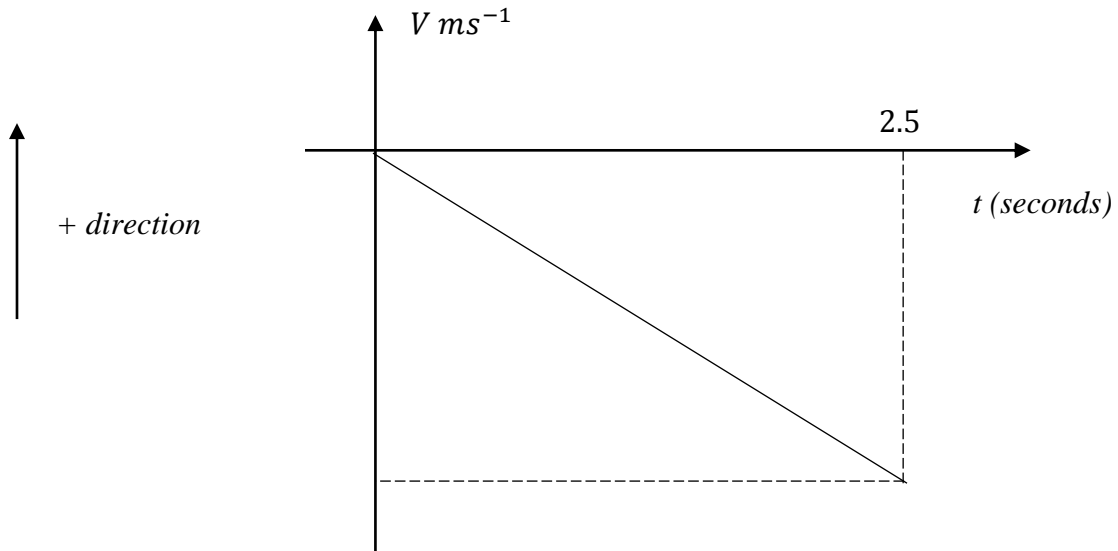
$2 + 2 + 3 + 3 + 3 = 13$  marks

**SECTION B** – continued



**Question 4 (12 marks)**

A stone is dropped from a building. Assume the acceleration due to gravity is  $g = -9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ . The stone hits the ground 2.5 s later. The velocity/time graph is shown below.



- a. Find the vertical distance that the stone falls.

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2 marks

**SECTION B – Question 4 – continued**  
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**Question 5 (22 marks)**

Consider the function  $f: A \rightarrow R$  where  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{4-x^2}}$

- a. Find  $A$  the implied domain of  $f$ .

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- b. Find the  $x$  and  $y$  intercept of  $f$ .

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- c. Prove that  $f$  has a positive gradient for all values of  $x$  in the domain  $A$ .

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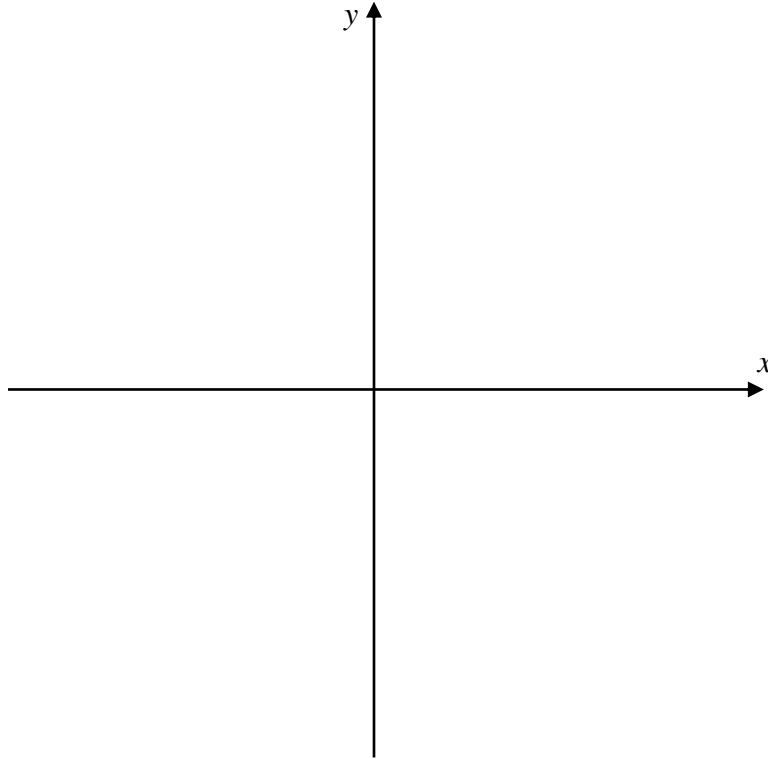
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**SECTION B – Question 5 – continued**



- f. Sketch  $f: A \rightarrow R$  where  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{4-x^2}}$  Label intercepts and asymptotes.



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- g. Split  $\frac{5}{4-x^2}$  into partial fractions.

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**SECTION B – Question 5 – continued**

**h.** Hence, use your result from **part g.** to find the exact volume formed when the region defined in **part e.** is rotated around the  $x -$  axis.

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2 marks

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