

## QUESTION

Scientists are observing the behavior of a species of predator in an ecosystem. The population of the predator at time  $t$  months from the start of July is modeled by the equation:

$$N = 5000 - 1500 \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{6}\right).$$

- a. What is the initial population?
- b.
  - i. What is the smallest value of the population?
  - ii. What is the largest value of the population?
- c. What is the period of the function  $N$ ?
- d. Sketch the graph of  $N$  versus  $t$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 12$ .

- e. Find the values of  $t$  within the domain  $0 \leq t \leq 12$  for which the population is equal to 5750.
- f. i. Find correct to three decimal places the values of  $t$ , where  $0 \leq t \leq 12$ , for which the population is equal to 6000.
- ii. find correct to two decimal places the number of months during the first twelve months for which the population exceeds 6000.
- g. Calculate the average rate of change of the predator population from  $t = 0$  to  $t = 10$ .

**Question 4 (11 marks)**

The temperature inside a greenhouse is controlled by an air conditioning system in such a way that the temperature,  $T$  °C, at time  $t$  hours after 3:00 am is given by the rule  $T(t) = 22 - 4 \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{12}\right)$ .

- a. Find the amplitude and period of function  $T$ . 2 marks

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- b. Find the maximum and minimum temperatures. 2 marks

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- c. i. Find  $T(8)$  and state the time of day when this temperature occurs. 2 marks

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- ii. When is the next time that the temperature in the greenhouse is  $T(8)$ ? 1 mark

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- iii. Over one day, for what fraction of time is the temperature in the greenhouse less than  $T(8)$ ? 2 marks

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- d. The maximum temperature in the greenhouse on any day is reduced to 25°C, whilst the minimum temperature remains the same. The temperature in the greenhouse,  $T$  °C, at time  $t$  hours after 3:00 am is now given by the rule  $T(t) = b - a \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{12}\right)$ .

Determine the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

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# Section B

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Answer **ALL** questions in this section.

This section assesses **Criterion 4**.

**Question 25**

(2 marks)

The temperature on a particular day can be modelled by the function  $C = -6\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12}t\right) + 20$ , where  $t$  is the time elapsed in hours after 5:00 am and  $C$  is the temperature in degrees celsius. Calculate the temperature predicted by the model at 7:00 am on the same morning.

*Express your answer correct to 1 decimal place.*

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**Question 26**

(4 marks)

If  $\pi < x < \frac{3\pi}{2}$  and  $\cos x = -\frac{2}{5}$ ,

(a) Determine the exact value for  $\sin x$ .

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(b) Hence, find the exact value for  $\tan x$ .

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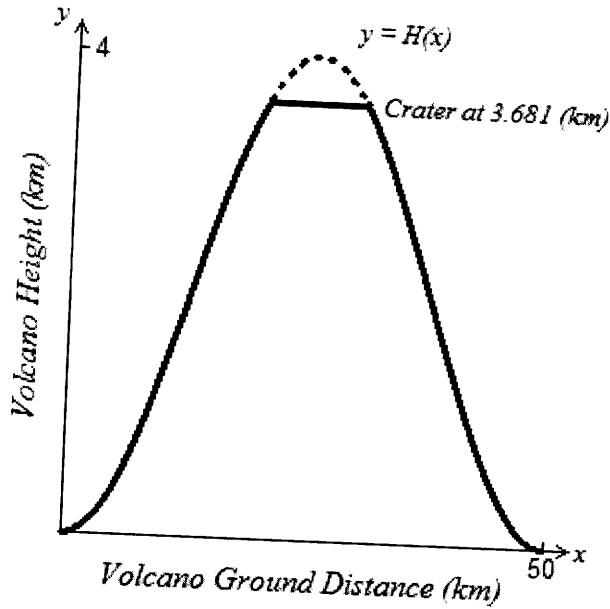
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**Question 27**

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The profile of a volcano is shown in the graph below.



A cosine function of the form  $H(x) = a\cos(nx) + b$  can model the profile before a crater was formed as a result of an eruption.

- (a) Determine exact values for  $a$ ,  $n$  and  $b$ , given the maximum height before the eruption was 4 km whilst its base spans 50 km over 1 complete period.

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- (b) Determine the distance across the crater formed after the eruption, given it is parallel to the ground and at a height of 3.681 km.

*Express your answer to the nearest km.*

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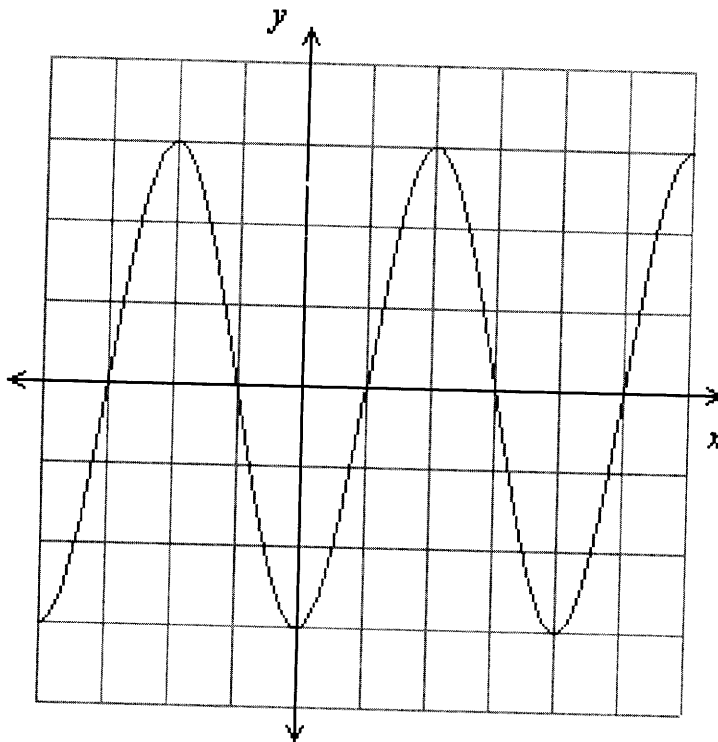
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**Question 10**

Put appropriate scales on both the  $x$  and  $y$  axes given the graph below is of the trigonometric function  $y = -\frac{3}{2}\cos(2x)$ .

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**Question 11**

Express  $210^\circ$  in radians:

(a) As an exact value

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(b) As a decimal value (*correct to three decimal places*)

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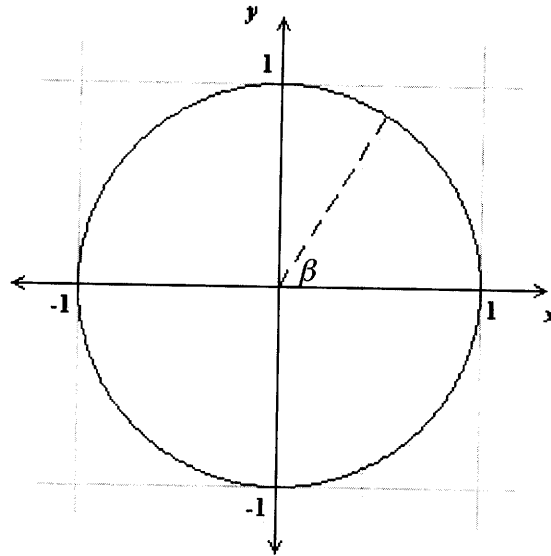
**Question 16**

The unit circle below has an acute angle of  $\beta$  drawn in the first quadrant. (4 marks)

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(a) If the value of  $\sin(\beta) = d$ , label on the diagram opposite:

- length  $d$
- acute angle  $(-\beta)$
- reflex angle  $(2\pi - \beta)$



(b) Hence, determine an expression for  $\tan(2\pi - \beta)$  in terms of  $d$ .

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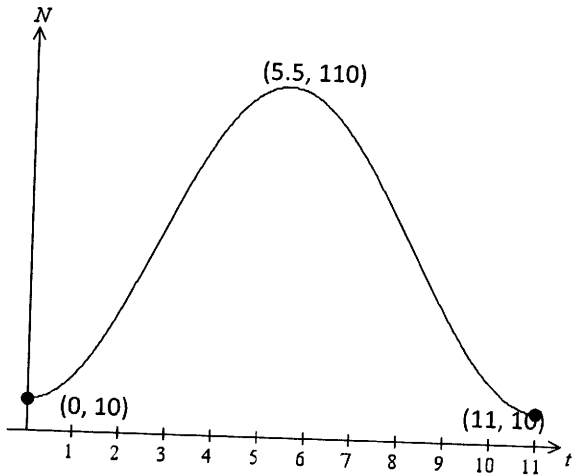
**Question 2**

Solar flares or “sunspots” are caused by the Sun’s magnetic field. The average number of sunspots in any given year follows a periodic cycle, called a solar cycle.

Using historical data, Bryan, a solar astronomer, modelled the number of sunspots during a solar cycle with the function

$$N : [0, 11] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad N(t) = b - a \cos(nt),$$

where  $N$  is the number of sunspots  $t$  years after the start of a solar cycle and  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $n$  are **positive** real constants. The graph of the function is shown.



a. According to this model:

i. How many complete solar cycles have occurred between 1755 and 2008?

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ii. What is the range of  $N$ ?

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b. Show that  $n = \frac{2\pi}{11}$

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- c. Show that  $a = 50$  and  $b = 60$ .

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Assume that a new solar cycle began on 1 January 2009.

- d. What is the predicted number of sunspots on 1 January 2011, correct to the nearest integer?

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- e. The level of UV radiation increases with the number of sunspots. Bryan proposes to monitor UV radiation levels during the period when  $N \geq 80$ . For what length of time is  $N \geq 80$ ? Express the answer correct to the nearest month.

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**Question 27**

Let  $f(x) = p\cos(4x) + q$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are constants and  $p > 0$ . (4 marks)

(a) State the maximum and minimum values of  $f(x)$ , in terms of  $p$  and  $q$ .

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(b) Under what conditions for  $p$  and  $q$ , will  $f(x) \leq 0$ , for all values of  $x$ ?

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(c) Under what conditions for  $p$  and  $q$ , will  $f(x) > 2$ , for all values of  $x$ ?

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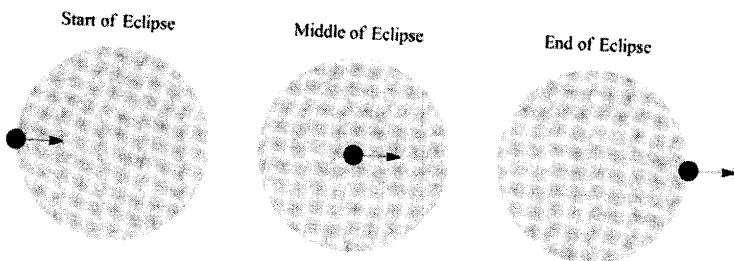
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The planet Kepler 296f passes between the star Kepler 296 and Earth every 63 days and 8 hours, obscuring the light. This is known as an eclipse.

During the eclipse, the observed brightness,  $B$ , of the star varies according to the formula  $B = a \cos(nt) + c$ , where  $a$ ,  $n$  and  $c$  are constants. The time,  $t$  (in hours), is measured from when the planet starts to pass in front of the star.

The observed brightness of the star decreases from 100% when the eclipse starts to a minimum of 99.898% when the planet is directly in the middle of the star and the brightness returns to 100% once the eclipse ends. The duration of the eclipse is 3 hours and 45 minutes.



Determine the values of  $a$ ,  $n$  and  $c$ .

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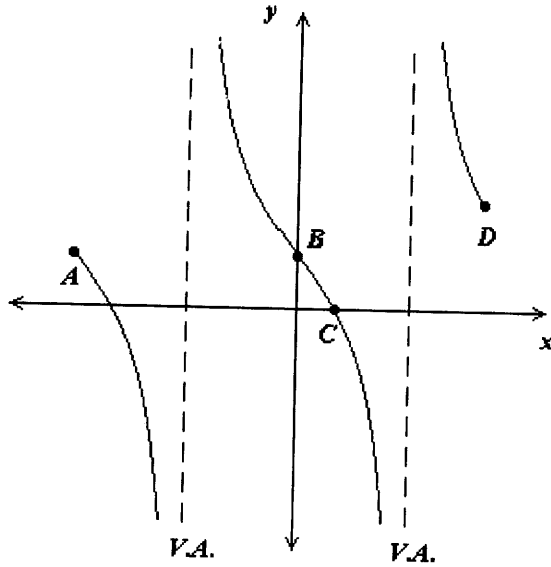
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**Question 17**

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The graph below is of the form  $y = a \tan(bx) + c$  for  $x: \left[-2\pi, \frac{5\pi}{3}\right]$ .



The labelled points have coordinates:  $A(-2\pi, 1)$ ,  $B(0, 1)$ ,  $C\left(\frac{\pi}{3}, 0\right)$  and  $D\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}, 2\right)$ .

The vertical asymptotes shown are at  $x = -\pi$  and  $x = \pi$ .

Find possible values for  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ , and state a possible equation for the function. (6 marks)

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**SECTION 2****Instructions for Section 2**

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** drawn to scale.

**Question 1** (7 marks)

The population of wombats in a particular location varies according to the rule

$n(t) = 1200 + 400 \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{3}\right)$ , where  $n$  is the number of wombats and  $t$  is the number of months after 1 March 2013.

- a. Find the period and amplitude of the function  $n$ . 2 marks

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- b. Find the maximum and minimum populations of wombats in this location. 2 marks

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- c. Find  $n(10)$ . 1 mark

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- d. Over the 12 months from 1 March 2013, find the fraction of time when the population of wombats in this location was less than  $n(10)$ . 2 marks

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**Question 2**

A proposal for the temperature ranges at which foods can be safely kept is shown in the table below.

| Zone           | Temperature range in degrees Celsius |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Cool safe zone | less than 5                          |
| Unsafe zone    | 5 - 60                               |
| Hot safe zone  | greater than 60                      |

A particular food has a temperature over a 24-hour period that can be described by the function

$$T(t) = 30 \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{6}\right) + 30, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 24$$

where  $T$  is the temperature in degrees Celsius, and  $t$  is the time in hours where  $t = 0$  corresponds to midnight on Thursday.

- a. What is the temperature of this particular food at midnight on Thursday?

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- b. Explain whether or not the temperature of this food is ever in the "hot safe zone".

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- c. State the time(s) when this particular food is at  $60^{\circ}C$ .

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d. Between which times is this food safe? Express times to the nearest minute where appropriate.

e. At what times on Friday is the rate at which the temperature of this food is changing negative?



**Section B (continued)**

**Question 28**

(6 marks)

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A boat left Hobart at high tide at 2:00 pm on Tuesday. The high tide at this time was measured at 1.7 m.

The boat returned to Hobart at low tide at 11:00 am on Wednesday. The low tide at this time am was measured at 0.5 m.

While the boat was out to sea there was one low tide and one high tide.

*Note:* Low tide is the time when the local water level of the ocean is at its lowest. High tide is the time when the local water level of the ocean is at its highest.

- (a) Determine an equation that models the tidal height as a function of time (in hours) since ~~midday (12 noon) on Tuesday~~ *2:00 pm on Tuesday*

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- (b) Use your model to determine at what time(s) of day on **Wednesday** the tidal height is exactly 0.8 m. Give the time(s) in hours and minutes.

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