

Section B (36 marks)

- 8 Fig. 8 shows the curve $y = x^2 - \frac{1}{8} \ln x$. P is the point on this curve with x -coordinate 1, and R is the point $(0, -\frac{7}{8})$.

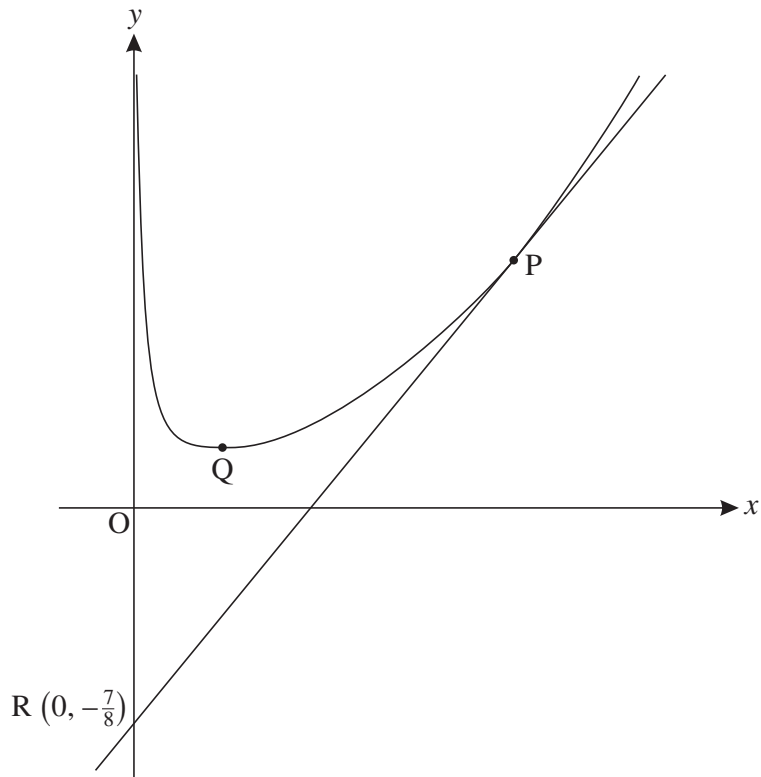


Fig. 8

- (i) Find the gradient of PR. [3]
- (ii) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. Hence show that PR is a tangent to the curve. [3]
- (iii) Find the exact coordinates of the turning point Q. [5]
- (iv) Differentiate $x \ln x - x$.

Hence, or otherwise, show that the area of the region enclosed by the curve $y = x^2 - \frac{1}{8} \ln x$, the x -axis and the lines $x = 1$ and $x = 2$ is $\frac{59}{24} - \frac{1}{4} \ln 2$. [7]

[Question 9 is printed overleaf.]

- 9 Fig. 9 shows the curve $y = f(x)$, where $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x - x^2}}$.

The curve has asymptotes $x = 0$ and $x = a$.

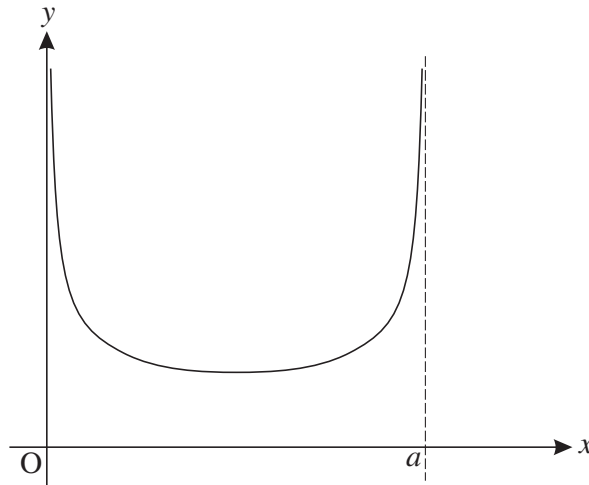


Fig. 9

- (i) Find a . Hence write down the domain of the function. [3]

(ii) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x - 1}{(2x - x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$.

Hence find the coordinates of the turning point of the curve, and write down the range of the function. [8]

The function $g(x)$ is defined by $g(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$.

- (iii) (A) Show algebraically that $g(x)$ is an even function.
 (B) Show that $g(x - 1) = f(x)$.
 (C) Hence prove that the curve $y = f(x)$ is symmetrical, and state its line of symmetry. [7]