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1. The size of a population of insects is increasing at a rate proportional to the number of insects,  $N$ , in time  $t$  days which satisfies the equation  $\frac{dN}{dt} = kN$ , where  $k > 0$ . Given that the number of insects at the beginning of an observation is  $N_0$  and is double in 2 days, find the number of insects after 5 days.
2. Sketch and shade the region bounded by the curve  $y = 4e^{-x}$ , the straight line  $y = 4 - x$ ,  $y$  - axis and  $x = 3$ . Hence, find the area of the shaded region by using trapezoidal rule with five ordinates. Give your answer correct to four decimal places.
3. Given a circle  $x^2 + y^2 + kx + 6y + 8 = 0$ , where  $k$  is a positive constant.
  - a) Determine the value of  $k$  and the centre of the circle if the radius is  $\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}$  unit.
  - b) Find the points of intersection of the circle with straight line  $y - x + 2 = 0$ . Hence, obtain one of the tangent equation at the point of intersection.
4. The continuous random variable  $X$  has the cumulative distribution function
$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{9} \left( 2x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) & 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 1, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$
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END OF QUESTION PAPER

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**SOLUTION**

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = kN$$

$$\frac{dN}{N} = kdt$$

$$\int \frac{dN}{N} = \int kdt$$

$$\ln N = kt + C$$

$$N = e^{kt+c}$$

$$N = Ae^{kt}$$

Given that when

$$t = 0; \quad N = N_0$$

$$N_0 = Ae^{k(0)}$$

$$A = N_0$$

$$t = 2; \quad N = 2N_0, \quad A = N_0$$

$$2N_0 = N_0 e^{k(2)}$$

$$e^{2k} = \frac{2N_0}{N_0}$$

$$e^{2k} = 2$$

$$2k = \ln 2$$

$$k = \frac{\ln 2}{2} = 0.3466$$

$$N = N_0 e^{0.3466t}$$

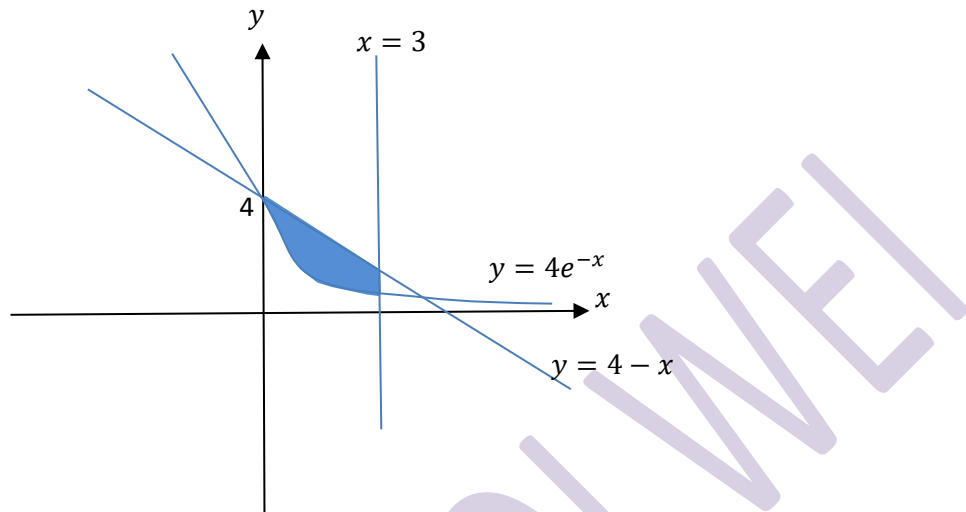
When  $t = 5$ :

$$N = N_0 e^{0.3466(5)}$$

$$= 5.66N_0$$

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**SOLUTION**



$$\text{Area} = \int_0^3 (4 - x) - (4e^{-x}) dx$$

Given  $n = 4$

$$h = \frac{3 - 0}{4} = 0.75$$

|              | $y = 4 - x - 4e^{-x}$ |         |
|--------------|-----------------------|---------|
| $x_0 = 0$    | 0                     |         |
| $x_1 = 0.75$ |                       | 1.36053 |
| $x_2 = 1.5$  |                       | 1.60748 |
| $x_3 = 2.25$ |                       | 1.32840 |
| $x_4 = 3.0$  | 0.80085               |         |
| Total        | 0.80085               | 4.29641 |

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \frac{h}{2} [(x_0 + x_4) + 2(x_1 + x_2 + x_3)] \\ &= \frac{0.75}{2} [0.80085 + 2(4.29641)] \\ &= 3.5226 \text{ unit}^2 \end{aligned}$$

3. Given a circle  $x^2 + y^2 + kx + 6y + 8 = 0$ , where  $k$  is a positive constant.
- Determine the value of  $k$  and the centre of the circle if the radius is  $\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}$  unit.
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**SOLUTION**

(3a)

$$x^2 + y^2 + kx + 6y + 8 = 0$$

$$2g = k \quad 2f = 6 \quad c = 8$$

$$g = \frac{k}{2} \quad f = 3$$

$$r = \sqrt{f^2 + g^2 - c}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} = \sqrt{3^2 + \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^2 - 8}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{k^2}{4}}$$

$$\frac{13}{4} = 1 + \frac{k^2}{4}$$

$$\frac{k^2}{4} = \frac{13}{4} - 1$$

$$\frac{k^2}{4} = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$k^2 = 9$$

$$k = 3 \quad (k > 0)$$

$$\text{Center of the circle} = (-g, -f) = \left(-\frac{3}{2}, -3\right)$$

**Equation of Circle**

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$$

Where

$$r = \sqrt{f^2 + g^2 - c}$$

$$\text{Center, } C = (-g, -f)$$

(3b)

**Equation of circle**

$$x^2 + y^2 + 3x + 6y + 8 = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

**Equation of straight line**

$$y - x + 2 = 0$$

$$y = x - 2 \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Substitute (2) into (1)

$$x^2 + (x - 2)^2 + 3x + 6(x - 2) + 8 = 0$$

$$x^2 + x^2 - 4x + 4 + 3x + 6x - 12 + 8 = 0$$

$$2x^2 + 5x = 0$$

$$x(2x + 5) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$y = -2 \quad \text{or} \quad y = -\frac{9}{2}$$

Therefore the intersection points are  $(0, -2)$  and  $(-\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{9}{2})$ .

**Equation of tangent at  $(0, -2)$  for  $x^2 + y^2 + 3x + 6y + 8 = 0$** 

$$xx_1 + yy_1 + g(x + x_1) + f(y + y_1) + c = 0$$

$$x_1 = 0; y_1 = -2; g = \frac{3}{2}; f = 3, c = 8$$

$$x(0) + y(-2) + \frac{3}{2}(x + 0) + 3(y - 2) + 8 = 0$$

$$-2y + \frac{3}{2}x + 3y - 6 + 8 = 0$$

$$y + \frac{3}{2}x + 2 = 0$$

$$2y + 3x + 4 = 0$$

**or**

**Equation of tangent at  $\left(-\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{9}{2}\right)$  for  $x^2 + y^2 + 3x + 6y + 8 = 0$**

$$x_1 = -\frac{5}{2}; y_1 = -\frac{9}{2}; g = \frac{3}{2}; f = 3, c = 8$$

$$x\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) + y\left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2}\left(x - \frac{5}{2}\right) + 3\left(y - \frac{9}{2}\right) + 8 = 0$$

$$-\frac{5}{2}x - \frac{9}{2}y + \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{15}{4} + 3y - \frac{27}{2} + 8 = 0$$

$$-10x - 18y + 6x - 15 + 12y - 54 + 32 = 0$$

$$-4x - 6y - 37 = 0$$

$$4x + 6y + 37 = 0$$

4. The continuous random variable X has the cumulative distribution function

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- Find the median
- Determine the probability density function of X.
- Hence, find the mode and the mean.
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### SOLUTION

(4a)

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{9} \left( 2x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) & 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 1, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

*Median:*

$$F(m) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{9} \left( 2m^2 - \frac{m^3}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2m^2 - \frac{m^3}{3} = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$12m^2 - 2m^3 = 27$$

$$2m^3 - 12m^2 + 27 = 0$$

**From Calculator**

$$m = 5.564 \quad \text{or} \quad m = 1.7907 \quad \text{or} \quad m = -1.3548$$

$$\therefore \text{median} = 1.7907$$



(4b)

$$x \leq 0 \quad f(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(0) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq x \leq 3 \quad f(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{9} \left( 2x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{9} (4x - x^2) \\ &= \frac{4}{9}x - \frac{1}{9}x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$x \geq 3 \quad f(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(1) = 0$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{9}x - \frac{1}{9}x^2 & , \quad 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 0 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(4c)

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{9}x - \frac{1}{9}x^2$$

$$a = -\frac{1}{9}, b = \frac{4}{9}; c = 0$$

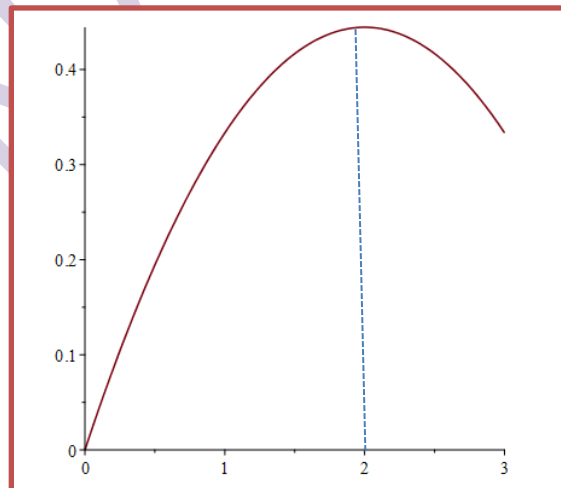
Maximum point:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -\frac{b}{2a} \\ &= -\frac{\frac{4}{9}}{2\left(-\frac{1}{9}\right)} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

 $\therefore$  Mode:  $x = 2$ 

$$\text{Mean} = E(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$$

$$\text{Mean} = E(x) = \int_{-\infty}^0 x (0) dx + \int_0^3 x \left( \frac{4}{9}x - \frac{1}{9}x^2 \right) dx + \int_3^{\infty} x (0) dx$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_0^3 x \left( \frac{4}{9}x - \frac{1}{9}x^2 \right) dx \\
 &= \int_0^3 \frac{4}{9}x^2 - \frac{1}{9}x^3 dx \\
 &= \left[ \frac{4}{27}x^3 - \frac{1}{36}x^4 \right]_0^3 \\
 &= \left( \frac{4}{27}3^3 - \frac{1}{36}3^4 \right) - (0) \\
 &= 4 - \frac{9}{4} \\
 &= \frac{7}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

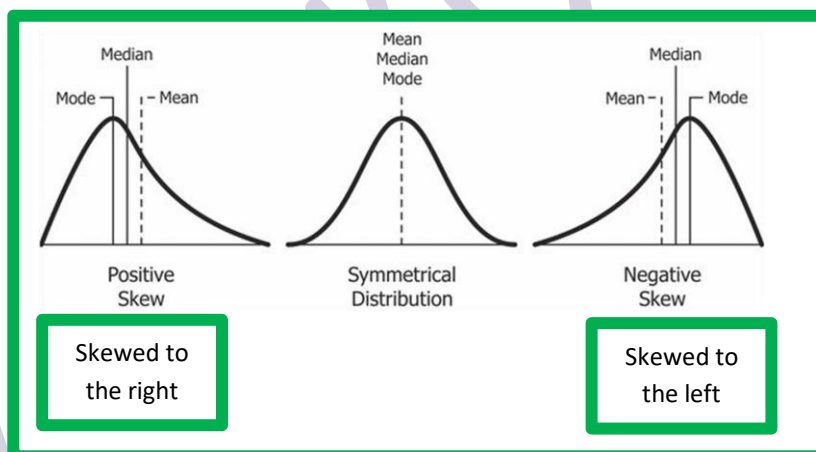
(4d)

Since Mean < Mode, therefore the skewness is skewed to the left.

or

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**Note:**



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**SOLUTION**

(5a)

$$\mu = 39.3 \quad \sigma = 0.9$$

$$X \sim N(39.3, 0.9^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X > 40) &= P\left(Z > \frac{40 - 39.3}{0.9}\right) \\ &= P(Z > 0.78) \\ &= 0.2177 \end{aligned}$$

(5b)

$$P(X < m) = 0.95$$

$$P\left(Z < \frac{m - 39.3}{0.9}\right) = 0.95$$

$$P\left(Z \geq \frac{m - 39.3}{0.9}\right) = 0.05$$

From statistical table:

$$(Z \geq 1.65) = 0.05$$

$$\frac{m - 39.3}{0.9} = 1.65$$

$$m = 40.785$$

(5c)

$$X \sim B(5, 0.2177)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 4) &= P(X = 4) + P(X = 5) \\ &= {}^5C_4(0.2177)^4(0.7826)^1 + {}^5C_5(0.2177)^5(0.7826)^0 \\ &= 0.00928 \end{aligned}$$