
Solving Trigonometric Equations in Radians - Edexcel Past Exam Questions

1. Find all the solutions, in the interval $0 \leq x < 2\pi$, of the equation

$$2 \cos^2 x + 1 = 5 \sin x,$$

giving each solution in terms of π . (6)

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2. (a) Sketch, for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$, the graph of $y = \sin \left(x + \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$. (2)

(b) Write down the exact coordinates of the points where the graph meets the coordinate axes. (3)

- (c) Solve, for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$, the equation

$$\sin \left(x + \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = 0.65,$$

giving your answers in radians to 2 decimal places. (5)

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3. (a) Solve for $0 \leq x < 360^\circ$, giving your answers in degrees to 1 decimal place,

$$3 \sin (x + 45^\circ) = 2. \quad (4)$$

- (b) Find, for $0 \leq x < 2\pi$, all the solutions of

$$2 \sin^2 x + 2 = 7 \cos x,$$

giving your answers in radians.

You must show clearly how you obtained your answers. (6)

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