5. The curve C has equation

$$y = \frac{\ln(x^2 + k)}{x^2 + k} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

where k is a positive constant.

(a) Show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{Ax(B - \ln(x^2 + k))}{(x^2 + k)^2}$$

where A and B are constants to be found.

(3)

Given that C has exactly three turning points,

(b) find the x coordinate of each of these points. Give your answer in terms of k where appropriate.

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(c) find the upper limit to the value for k.

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Question 5 continued

(Total for Question 5 is 7 marks)

6. An area of sea floor is being monitored.

The area of the sea floor, $S\,\text{km}^2$, covered by coral reefs is modelled by the equation

$$S = pq^t$$

where p and q are constants and t is the number of years after monitoring began.

Given that

$$\log_{10} S = 4.5 - 0.006t$$

(a) find, according to the model, the area of sea floor covered by coral reefs when $t = 2$

(2)

(b) find a complete equation for the model in the form

$$S = pq^t$$

giving the value of p and the value of q each to 3 significant figures.

(3)

(c) With reference to the model, interpret the value of the constant q

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