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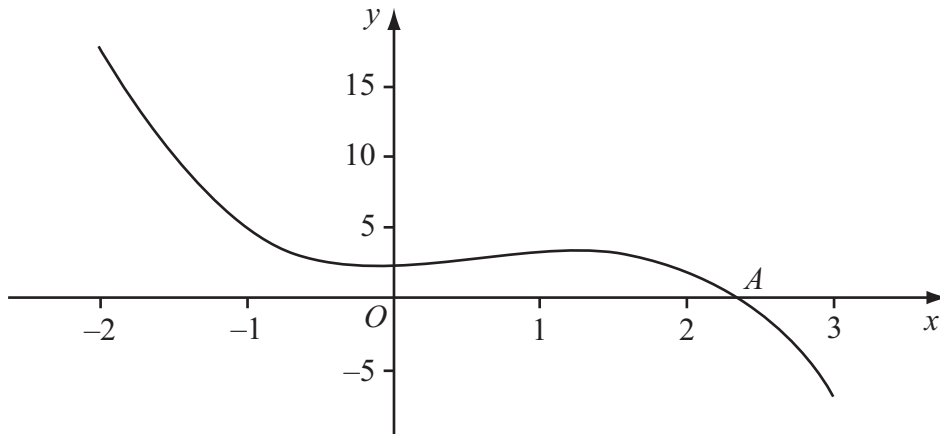


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows part of the curve with equation $y = -x^3 + 2x^2 + 2$, which intersects the x -axis at the point A where $x = \alpha$.

To find an approximation to α , the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{2}{(x_n)^2} + 2$$

is used.

(a) Taking $x_0 = 2.5$, find the values of x_1, x_2, x_3 and x_4 .
Give your answers to 3 decimal places where appropriate.

(3)

(b) Show that $\alpha = 2.359$ correct to 3 decimal places.

(3)



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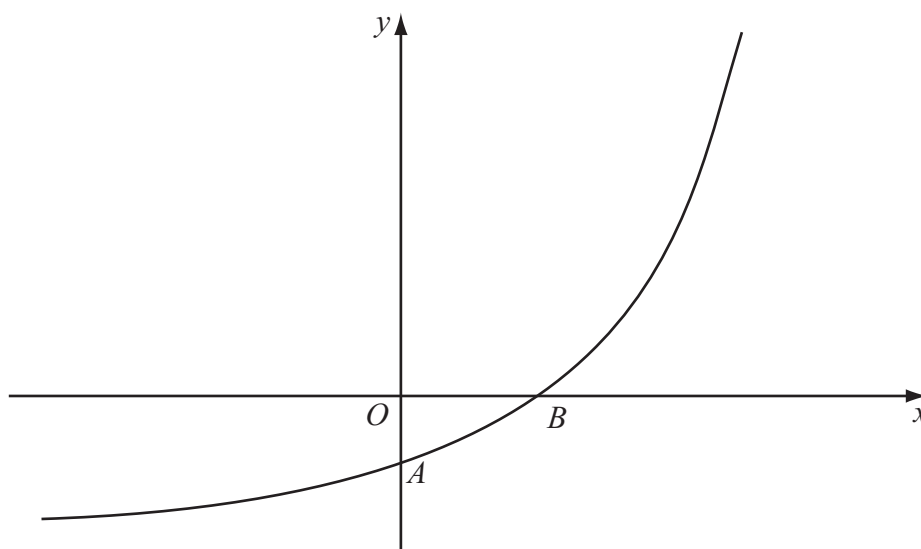


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = f(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
 The curve meets the coordinate axes at the points $A(0, 1-k)$ and $B(\frac{1}{2} \ln k, 0)$,
 where k is a constant and $k > 1$, as shown in Figure 2.

On separate diagrams, sketch the curve with equation

(a) $y = |f(x)|$, (3)

(b) $y = f^{-1}(x)$. (2)

Show on each sketch the coordinates, in terms of k , of each point at which the curve meets or cuts the axes.

Given that $f(x) = e^{2x} - k$,

(c) state the range of f , (1)

(d) find $f^{-1}(x)$, (3)

(e) write down the domain of f^{-1} . (1)



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Question 5 continued



