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Corbettmaths

Rationalise the denominator

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{8}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{8}} \times \frac{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{8}}{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{8}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{20} - 4}{10 - 8} = \frac{2\sqrt{5} - 4}{2} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\sqrt{5} - 2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -2 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Work out the matrix  $\mathbf{A}^2$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 31 & -36 \\ -24 & 55 \end{pmatrix}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = 4x^3 - 2x^2 + 6x$$

Work out the value of  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  when  $x = 5$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= 12x^2 - 4x + 6 \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= 24x - 4 \\ x = 5 &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 116}} \end{aligned}$$

Prove  $\sin^2 x - 2\cos^2 x \equiv 3\sin^2 x - 2$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \sin^2 x - 2(1 - \sin^2 x) \\ &= \sin^2 x - 2 + 2\sin^2 x \\ &= \underline{\underline{3\sin^2 x - 2}} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, work out the values of  $x$  between  $0^\circ$  and  $360^\circ$  for which

$$\sin^2 x - 2\cos^2 x = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3\sin^2 x - 2 &= 0 \\ \sin^2 x &= \frac{2}{3} \\ \sin x &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \\ x &= 54.7^\circ, 125.3^\circ, \\ &\quad \underline{\underline{234.7^\circ, 305.3^\circ}} \end{aligned}$$