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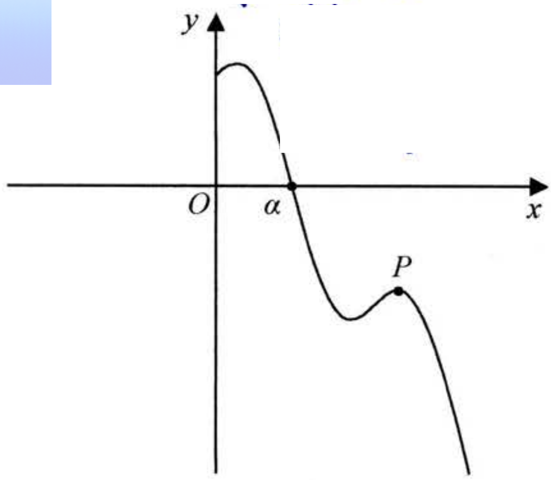

Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = \mathrm{f}(x)$ where

$$\mathrm{f}(x) = 8\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) - 3x + 9 \qquad x > 0$$

and x is measured in radians.

The point P, shown in Figure 2, is a local maximum point on the curve.

Using calculus and the sketch in Figure 2,

(a) find the x coordinate of P, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.

(4)

The curve crosses the x-axis at $x = \alpha$, as shown in Figure 2.

Given that, to 3 decimal places, $\mathrm{f}(4) = 4.274$ and $\mathrm{f}(5) = -1.212$

(b) explain why α must lie in the interval $[4, 5]$

(1)

(c) Taking $x_0 = 5$ as a first approximation to α, apply the Newton-Raphson method once to $\mathrm{f}(x)$ to obtain a second approximation to α.

Show your method and give your answer to 3 significant figures.

(2)