Higher Maths SQA 2022 Paper 2 Question 3



- (a) Express $4\sin x + 5\cos x$ in the form $k\sin(x+a)$ where k > 0 and $0 < a < 2\pi$.
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(b) Hence solve $4\sin x + 5\cos x = 5.5$ for $0 \le x < 2\pi$.

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Answers:

- (a) $\sqrt{41} \sin(x + 0.896)$
- (b) x = 0.137 or x = 1.212