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MATHEMATICS – HIGHER LEVEL

PAPER 2 (300 marks)

MONDAY, 11 JUNE – MORNING, 9:30 to 12:00

Attempt **FIVE** questions from **Section A** and **ONE** question from **Section B**.
Each question carries 50 marks.

WARNING: Marks will be lost if all necessary work is not clearly shown.

**Answers should include the appropriate units of measurement,
where relevant.**

SECTION A

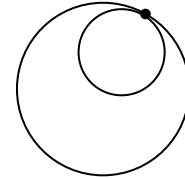
Answer FIVE questions from this section.

1. (a) The following parametric equations define a circle:

$$x = 5 + 7\cos\theta, \quad y = 7\sin\theta, \quad \text{where } \theta \in \mathbf{R}.$$

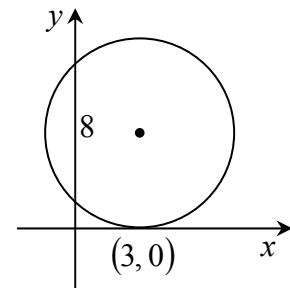
What is the Cartesian equation of the circle?

- (b) $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y + 5 = 0$ and $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 8y + 23 = 0$ are two circles.



- (i) Prove that the circles touch internally.
 (ii) Find the coordinates of the point of contact of the two circles.

- (c) A circle has its centre in the first quadrant. The x -axis is a tangent to the circle at the point $(3, 0)$. The circle cuts the y -axis at points that are 8 units apart. Find the equation of the circle.



2. (a) $\vec{x} = -2\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}$ and $\vec{xy} = -6\vec{i} - 8\vec{j}$. Express \vec{y} in terms of \vec{i} and \vec{j} .

- (b) $\vec{a} = 5\vec{i}$ and $\vec{b} = \sqrt{3}\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$.

- (i) Show that \vec{ab} is not perpendicular to \vec{b} .
 (ii) Find the value of the real number k , given that $\vec{c} = k\vec{b}$ and $\vec{ac} \perp \vec{b}$.

- (c) $\vec{p} = 3\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$ and $\vec{q} = 5\vec{i} + 12\vec{j}$.

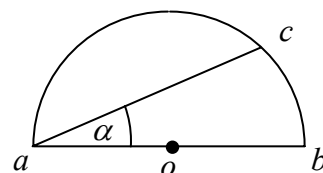
$$\vec{r} = \frac{65t}{16} \left(\frac{\vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|} + \frac{\vec{q}}{|\vec{q}|} \right), \quad \text{where } t > 0.$$

- (i) Express \vec{r} in terms of \vec{i} and \vec{j} .
 (ii) Find $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}$ and $\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}$.
 (iii) Hence, show that r is on the bisector of $\angle poq$, where o is the origin.

3. (a) Find the area of the triangle with vertices $(1, 1)$, $(8, -5)$ and $(5, -2)$.
- (b) f is the transformation $(x, y) \rightarrow (x', y')$, where $x' = 4x + 2y$ and $y' = -3x - y$.
 K is the line $x + y = 0$.
- (i) Show that K is its own image under f .
- (ii) $p(1, -1)$ and $q(3, -3)$ are two points.
 Find the ratio $|pq| : |f(p)f(q)|$, giving your answer in its simplest form.
- (c) Consider the equation $k(3x - 5y + 6) + l(5x - 7y + 4) = 0$, where $k, l \in \mathbf{R}$.
- (i) Show that for all k and l , the given equation represents a line passing through the point of intersection of $3x - 5y + 6 = 0$ and $5x - 7y + 4 = 0$.
- (ii) Find the relationship between k and l for which the given equation represents a line of slope 2.
- (iii) If $k = 1$, what line through the point of intersection cannot be represented by the given equation? Justify your answer.

4. (a) Show that $(\cos A + \sin A)^2 = 1 + \sin 2A$.
- (b) Find all the solutions of the equation
 $6 \cos^2 x + \sin x - 5 = 0$, where $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$.
 Give the solutions correct to the nearest degree.
- (c) $[ab]$ is the diameter of a semicircle of centre o and radius-length r .
 $[ac]$ is a chord such that $|\angle cab| = \alpha$, where α is in radian measure.

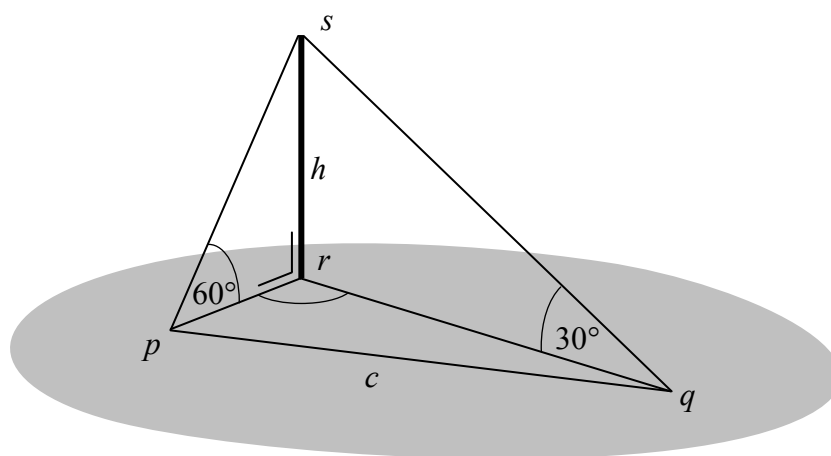
- (i) Find $|ac|$ in terms of r and α .
- (ii) $[ac]$ bisects the area of the semicircular region.
 Show that $2\alpha + \sin 2\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$.



5. (a) Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2x}{\sin 3x}$.

(b) Using the formula $\cos(A + B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$, derive a formula for $\cos(A - B)$ and hence prove that $\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$.

(c) p, q and r are three points on horizontal ground.
[sr] is a vertical pole of height h metres.
The angle of elevation of s from p is 60° and the angle of elevation of s from q is 30° .
 $|pq| = c$ metres.
Given that $3c^2 = 13h^2$, find $|\angle prq|$.



6. (a) Six people, including Mary and John, sit in a row.
- (i) How many different arrangements of the six people are possible?
- (ii) In how many of these arrangements are Mary and John next to each other?
- (b) α and β are the roots of the quadratic equation $px^2 + qx + r = 0$.
 $u_n = l\alpha^n + m\beta^n$, for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$.
 Show that $pu_{n+2} + qu_{n+1} + ru_n = 0$, for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$.
- (c) w white discs and r red discs are placed in a box. Two of the discs are drawn at random from the box. The probability that both discs are red is p .
- (i) Find p in terms of w and r .
- (ii) When $w = 1$, find the value of r for which $p = \frac{1}{2}$.
- (iii) There are other values of w and r that also give $p = \frac{1}{2}$.
 The next smallest such value of w is even.
 By investigating the even numbers in turn, find this value of w and the corresponding value of r .
7. (a) (i) How many different selections of four letters can be made from the letters of the word FLORIDA ?
- (ii) How many of these selections contain at least one vowel?
- (b) Two dice are thrown.
- (i) What is the probability of getting two identical numbers or a total of five?
- (ii) What is the probability that the product of the two numbers thrown is at least twice their sum?
- (c) (i) Find, in terms of a and d , the mean of the first seven terms of an arithmetic sequence with first term a and common difference d .
- (ii) Show that the standard deviation of these seven numbers is $2d$.

SECTION B

Answer ONE question from this section.

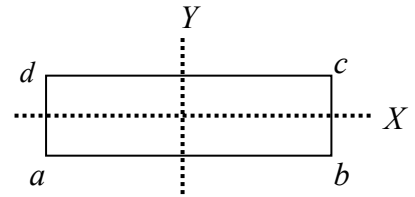
8. (a) p and q are real numbers such that $p + q = 1$.
Find the value of p that maximizes the product pq .
- (b) (i) Derive the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = (1+x)^m$ up to and including the term containing x^3 .
- (ii) Given that the general term of the series $f(x)$ is
$$\frac{m(m-1)(m-2)\dots\dots(m-r+1)}{r!} x^r,$$
 show that the series converges for $-1 < x < 1$.
- (c) Evaluate $\int_0^1 \tan^{-1} x \, dx$.
9. (a) Two events E_1 and E_2 are independent. $P(E_1) = \frac{1}{5}$ and $P(E_2) = \frac{1}{7}$. Find
- (i) $P(E_1 \cap E_2)$
- (ii) $P(E_1 \cup E_2)$.
- (b) Five unbiased coins are tossed.
- (i) Find the probability of getting three heads and two tails.
- (ii) The five coins are tossed eight times. Find the probability of getting three heads and two tails exactly four times.
Give your answer correct to three decimal places.
- (c) The amounts due on monthly mobile phone bills are normally distributed with mean €53 and standard deviation €15.
- (i) If a bill is chosen at random, find the probability that the amount due is between €47 and €74.
- (ii) A random sample of 900 bills is taken. Find the probability that the mean amount due on the bills in the sample is greater than €53.30.

10. (a) For each of the following, give a reason why it is not a group.

(i) The set of natural numbers under subtraction.

(ii) The set of real numbers under multiplication.

(b) $G = \{I_\pi, R_{180^\circ}, S_X, S_Y\}$ is the set of symmetries of the rectangle $abcd$.



(i) Show that G is a group under composition. You may assume that composition of symmetries is associative.

(ii) Find $Z(G)$, the centre of the group.

(c) Use Lagrange's theorem to prove that

(i) any group of prime order is cyclic.

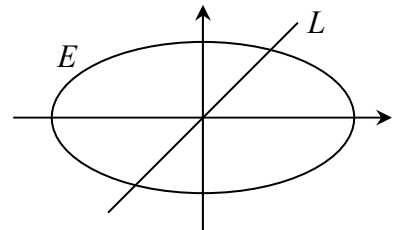
(ii) the order of any element of a finite group G divides the order of G .

11. (a) Find the eccentricity of the ellipse with equation $\frac{x^2}{64} + \frac{y^2}{48} = 1$.

(b) Prove that a similarity transformation maps the orthocentre of a triangle onto the orthocentre of the image of the triangle.

(c) E is the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{4} + y^2 = 1$ and L is the line $y = x$.

Using a transformation that maps E to the unit circle, or otherwise, find the equation of the diameter that is conjugate to L in E .



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