

Mathematics Specialist

Year 11

Student name:	Teacher name:
Date: Friday 23 rd July 2021	
Task type:	Response
Time allowed:	45 minutes
Number of questions:	6
Materials required:	Calculator with CAS capability (to be provided by the student)
Standard items:	Pens (blue/black preferred), pencils (including coloured), sharpener, correction fluid/tape, eraser, ruler, highlighters
Special items: -	Drawing instruments, templates, notes on two unfolded sheets of A4 paper, and up to three calculators approved for use in the WACE examinations
Marks available:	40 marks
Task weighting: 10%	
Formula sheet provided: Yes	

Note: All part questions worth more than 2 marks require working to obtain full marks.

1. [7 marks]

Use mathematical induction to prove that

$$3 \times 5 + 6 \times 6 + 9 \times 7 + \dots + 3n(n+4) = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+13)}{2}$$

for all positive integers n.

Solution

Let P(n) denote the proposition '3 × 5+6 × 6+9 × 7+...+3 $n(n+4) = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+13)}{2}$ ' for all positive integers n.

With n=1.

LHS of
$$P(1) = 3 \times 5 \stackrel{?}{6} 15$$

RHS of
$$P(1) = \frac{1(1+1)(2 \times 1 + 13)}{2}$$
 $\stackrel{?}{\circ}$ 15

Hence LHS=RHS, and so P(1) is true.

Now assume that P(k) is true for some positive integer k. Then

$$3 \times 5 + 6 \times 6 + 9 \times 7 + \dots + 3k(k+4) = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+13)}{2}$$
.

Now

$$LHS \ of \ P(k+1) = 3 \times 5 + 6 \times 6 + 9 \times 7 + \dots + 3k(k+4) + 3(k+1)((k+1)+4)$$

$$\dot{c} \frac{k(k+1)(2k+13)}{2} + 3(k+1)((k+1)+4)\dot{c} \frac{k(k+1)(2k+13)}{2} + 3(k+1)(k+5)$$

$$\dot{c} \frac{k(k+1)(2k+13)}{2} + \frac{6(k+1)(k+5)}{2} \dot{c} \frac{k(k+1)(2k+13) + 6(k+1)(k+5)}{2} \dot{c} \frac{(k+1)[k(2k+13) + 6(k+5)]}{2} \dot{c} \frac{(k+1)(2k^2 + 19k + 30)}{2} \dot{c} \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2k+15)}{2} \dot{c} \frac{(k+1)((k+1)+1)(2(k+1)+13)}{2} \dot{c} RHS \ of \ P(k+1)$$

Hence P(k+1) is true.

We have shown that P(1) is true, and that if P(k) is true for some positive integer n then P(k+1) is also true. Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, P(n) is true for all positive integers n.

Specific behaviours

- \checkmark proves P(1) by evaluating LHS and RHS separately
- \checkmark assumes P(k) is true
- ✓ writes LHS of P(k+1) using RHS of P(k)
- ✓ simplifies expression algebraically to one fraction
- \checkmark writes numerator with a factor of (k+1)
- ✓ obtains expression for RHS of P(k+1) written in terms of k+1

writes conclusion for whole proof (accept just the second sentence without the first)

2. [2 marks]

A question in a Specialist exam paper asked students to prove the following statement:

3 n is odd if and only if n is odd (where n is an integer).

One student wrote the answer below. Explain clearly why they should **not** receive full marks for this answer.

Proof:

We prove the contrapositive. Assume that n is an even integer. Then n=2k for some integer k. Now

$$3n=3(2k)(2(3k))$$

which is even since 3k is an integer. Hence if n is even then 3n is even, which implies that 3n is odd if and only if n is odd.

Solution

The student has proved only the statement 'if 3n is odd then n is odd'. However, since the original statement involves the phrase 'if and only if', it is also necessary to prove the statement 'if n is odd then 3n is odd'.

Specific behaviours

- ✓ Notes that statement involves 'if and only if', or describes as an equivalence statement
- \checkmark Explains that the student should also have proved that 'if n is odd then 3n is odd', or refers to the 'backward direction'

3. [9 = 3+3+3 marks]

Write whether each of the following statements is true or false, and prove or disprove it accordingly.

a) For all positive real numbers x

$$x^3 - x \ge x^2 - x$$

Solution

The statement is **false**, and is disproved with the following counterexample:

Let
$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$
. Then LHS = $\frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-3}{8}$ and RHS = $\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-1}{4}$, meaning that $x^3 - x < x^2 - x$ in this case.

Hence the statement is false.

Specific behaviours

- ✓ states false
- \checkmark states counterexample with a particular value of x
- ✓ shows that for that value of x, $x^3 x < x^2 x$.

[Alternatively give 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} marks if successfully argues false for any value of x with 0 < x < 1.]

b) There exist distinct prime numbers p and q such that p-q=2.

Solution

The statement is **true**, and is proved with the following example:

Let p=5 and q=3. Then p-q=2.

Specific behaviours

- ✓ states true
- ✓✓ states example with values of p and q such that p-q=2

c) There exist distinct prime numbers p and q such that $p^2 - q^2 = 2$.

Solution

The statement is false.

Let p and q be distinct prime numbers. Then

$$p^2-q^2=(p+q)(p-q)$$
Since p and q are distinct primes, $p+q\geq 5$ and $p-q\geq 1$, and so $p^2-q^2\geq 5$.

Hence there do not exist distinct prime numbers p and q with $p^2-q^2=2$.

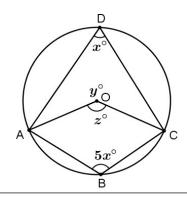
Specific behaviours

- ✓ states false
- ✓ factorises $p^2 q^2$ using difference of squares
- \checkmark argues that $p^2 q^2$ cannot equal 2.

4. [6 marks]

Find the values of x, y and z in each of the following:

a) A, B, C and D all lie on the circle with centre O:



Solution

$$5x+x=180x=30$$

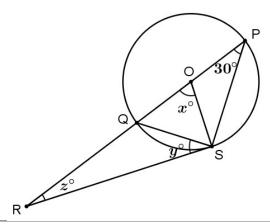
$$z = 2 \times 30$$
60

$$y = 360 - 60$$
\$\ddot{300}\$

Specific behaviours

✓✓✓ 1 mark per correct value

b) \overline{RS} is tangent to the circle with centre O.



$$x = 2 \times 30$$
60

$$y = 30$$

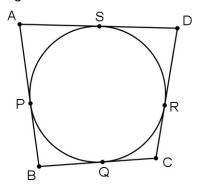
$$z=180-90-60$$
630

Specific behaviours

✓✓✓ 1 mark per correct value

5. [5 marks]

ABCD is a quadrilateral such that each of the four sides is tangent to the same circle, at the points P, Q, R and S, as illustrated below. If AB=15, BC=10 and CD=12, find the length AD.



Solution

Since the sides are tangent to the circle, we may write:

$$w = AS = AP$$
, $x = BQ = BP$, $y = CQ = CR$ and $z = DS = DR$.

Thus

$$w + x = 15$$
 (1)

$$x + y = 10$$
 (2)

$$y + z = 12$$
 (3)

Adding equations (1) and (3) gives

$$w + x + y + z = 27$$

and subtracting equation (2) gives

$$w + z = 17$$

Hence AD = 17.

Specific behaviours

- ✓ uses theorem for tangent segments from the same point
- ✓ identifies segments of equal lengths
- ✓ sets up equations for side lengths using sums of segment lengths
- ✓ solves set of equations for w + z
- ✓ states correct value

[Accept alternative methods.]

6. [11 = 3+4+4 marks]

Solve each of the following trigonometric equations for x in the stated domain.

Show all working to support your answers.

a)
$$2\cos(x) = \sqrt{3}$$
 for $0 \le x \le 2\pi$

Solution

$$2\cos(x) = \sqrt{3}\cos(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x = \frac{\pi}{6} \vee \frac{11\pi}{6}$$

Specific behaviours

- \checkmark isolates $\cos(x)$
- ✓ states at least one correct solution
- ✓ states two correct solutions

[No marks for answers only]

b)
$$\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}$$
 for $-\pi \le x \le \pi$

Solution

$$\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}x + \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{5\pi}{4} + k 2\pi i x + \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{7\pi}{4} + k 2\pi$$

Hence

$$x = \pi + k 2\pi$$

$$\dot{c} x = \frac{3\pi}{2} + k 2\pi$$

With
$$k=0$$
, $x=\pi$ or $x=\frac{3\pi}{2}$

With
$$k=-1$$
, $x=-\pi$ or $x=\frac{-\pi}{2}$

Hence
$$x = -\pi$$
, $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ or π

Specific behaviours

$$\checkmark$$
 isolates $\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$

- ✓ states at least one correct solution for $x + \frac{\pi}{4}$
- ✓ states at least one correct solution or for x
- \checkmark states all three correct solutions for x

[No marks for answers only]

c)
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\tan(5x)=1$$
 for $0 \le x \le \pi$

Solution

$$\tan(5x) = \sqrt{3}5x = \frac{\pi}{3} + k\pi x = \frac{\pi}{15} + k\frac{\pi}{5}$$

Letting k = 0,1,2,3 and 4 we obtain:

$$x = \frac{\pi}{15}, \frac{4\pi}{15}, \frac{7\pi}{15}, \frac{10\pi}{15}$$
 and $\frac{13\pi}{15}$

Specific behaviours

- \checkmark isolates tan(5x)
- \checkmark obtains $\frac{\pi}{3}$ as a solution for 5x
- \checkmark obtains $\frac{\pi}{15}$ as a solution for x
- \checkmark states all five correct solutions for x

[No marks for answers only]