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CENTRAL WEST EDUCATION DIVISION
2025 MALAWI SCHOOL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION MOCK EXAMINATION

MATHEMATICS

Subject Number: M131/I

Tuesday, 8 April

Time Allowed: 2 hours
08:00 – 10:00 am

PAPER I
(100 marks)

Instructions

1. This paper contains 13 printed pages.
Please check.
2. Answer all the twenty questions in this paper.
3. The maximum number of marks for each answer is indicated against each question.
4. Write your answers in the spaces provided on the question paper.
5. Scientific Calculators may be used
6. All working must be clearly shown
7. Write your **Name and School** at the top of each page of your question paper.
8. In the table provided on the page, tick against the question number you have answered

Question Number	Tick if answer is correct	Do not write in these columns
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Answer all twenty questions in the spaces provided.

Factorize $12x - 10xy - 12xy^2$ completely. (4 marks)

2. Simplify $\frac{\sqrt{252} - \sqrt{28}}{\sqrt{45} + \sqrt{5}}$ leaving the answer with rational denominator. (4 Marks)

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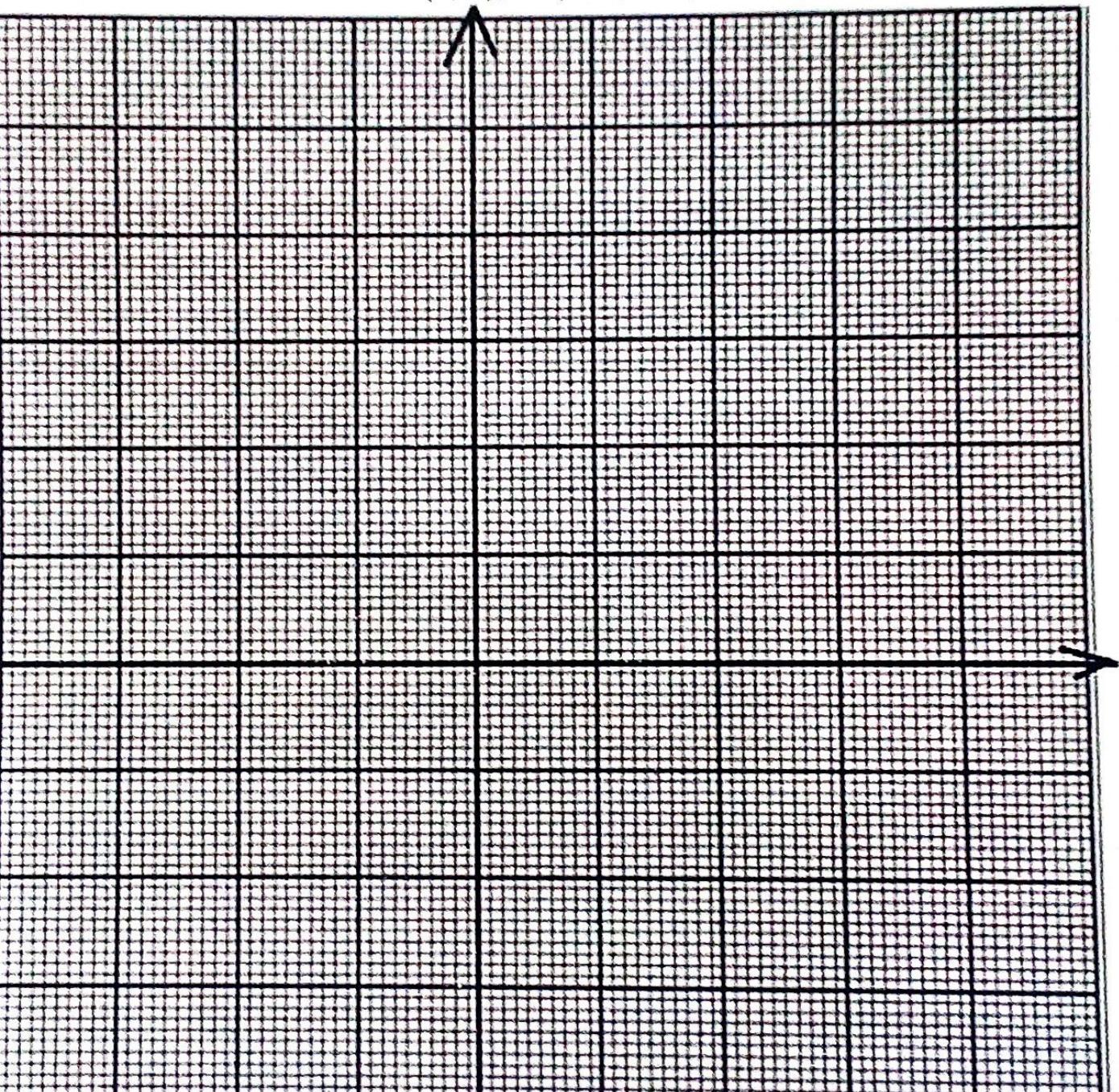
Given that $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, find $5(A - BC)$ (5 marks)

4. Given $Q = \left[\frac{4-2T}{T+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{x}}$. Make T the subject of the formula. (5 marks)
5. Simplify $\frac{2}{x^2+x} - \frac{1}{x^2+3x+2}$ (4 Marks)

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On the graph paper below, use a scale of 2 cm to represent 2 unit on both axes, draw the final triangle **XYZ** whose vertices are $X(2, 6)$, $Y(-6, -2)$, $Z(-2, -2)$ and its image triangle $X'Y'Z'$ whose vertices are $X'(4, 0)$, $Y'(6, 4)$, $Z'(4, 4)$.



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now in German, calculate the work

A chord 26 cm long is 12 cm from the centre of the circle. Calculate the length of the cord placed 7 cm from the centre of the same circle, correct your answer to 2 significant figures.

10. Figure 2 shows a circle BPQR in which ABC is a tangent at B and BQ is a diameter.
Angle $\text{BAR} = 110^\circ$.

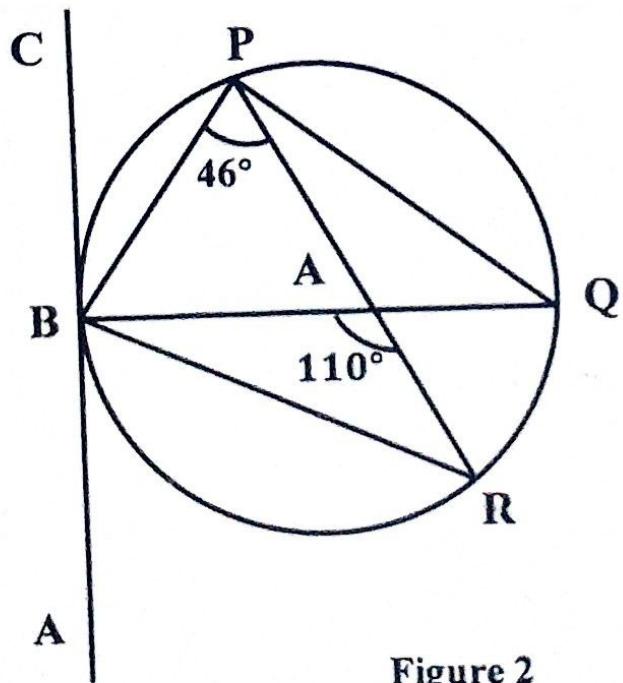


Figure 2

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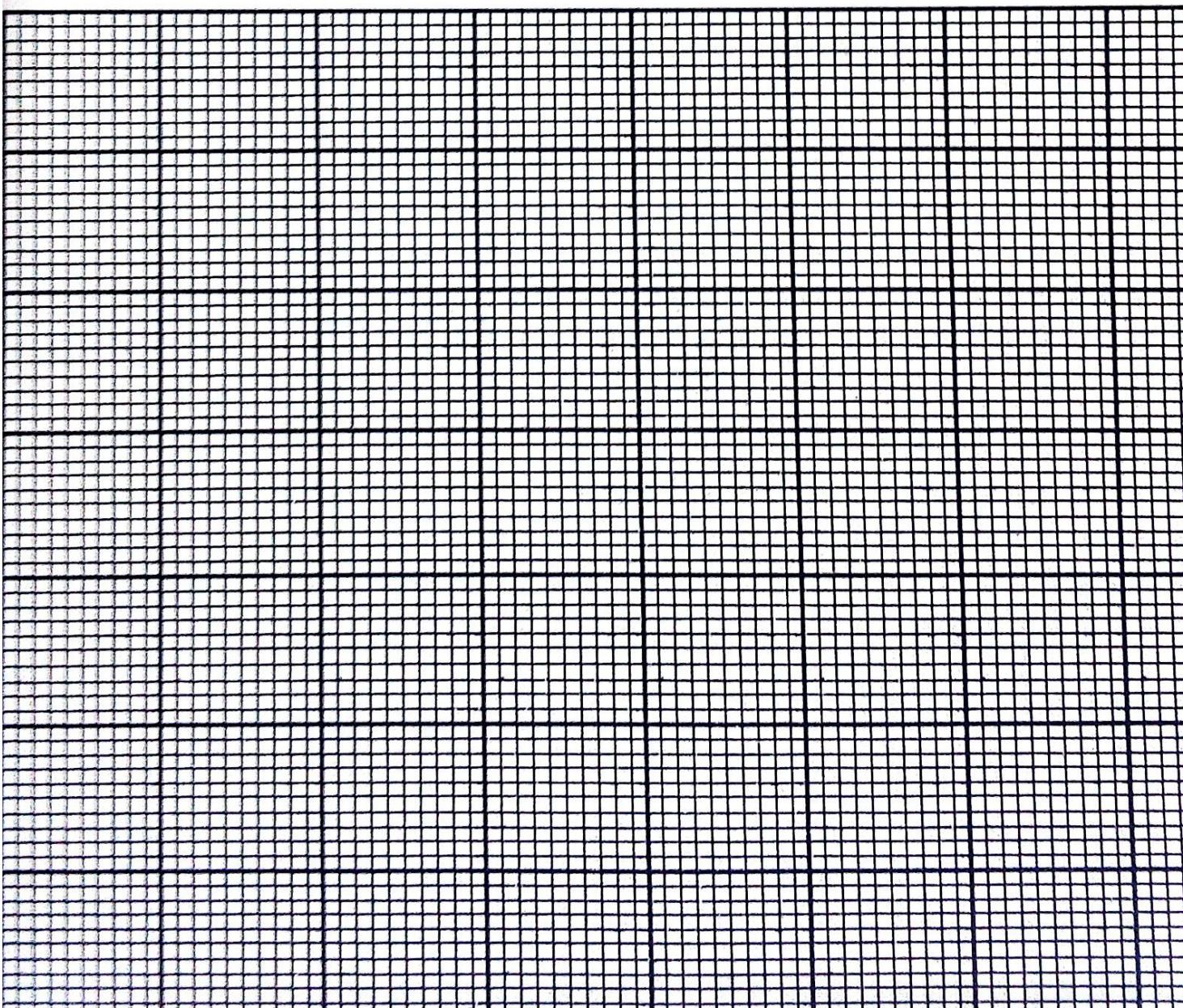
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If angle $BPR = 46^\circ$, calculate angle RB

11. The first three terms of a G.P are $\frac{1}{64}, \frac{1}{32}, \frac{1}{16}, \dots$ Find
the nth term.

12. A straight line l passes through $(a, 4)$ and $(3a, 3)$ with an equation $x + 6y - c = 0$. Find the values of a and c .

13. A car starts from rest and accelerates to 8m/s in 2 seconds. It then maintains this speed for 2 seconds before accelerating at 5m/s^2 in the next 3 seconds.
- i. Using a scale of 2cm to represent 2 units on the graph paper provided below, draw the velocity time graph to represent this information.



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3. (Continue)

- ii. Use your graph to find the maximum velocity rea

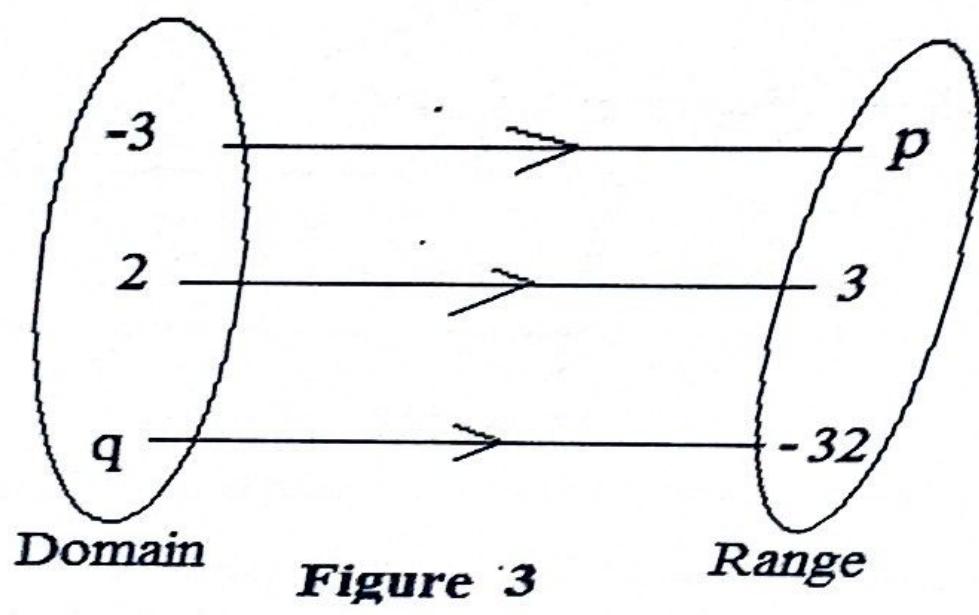


Figure 3

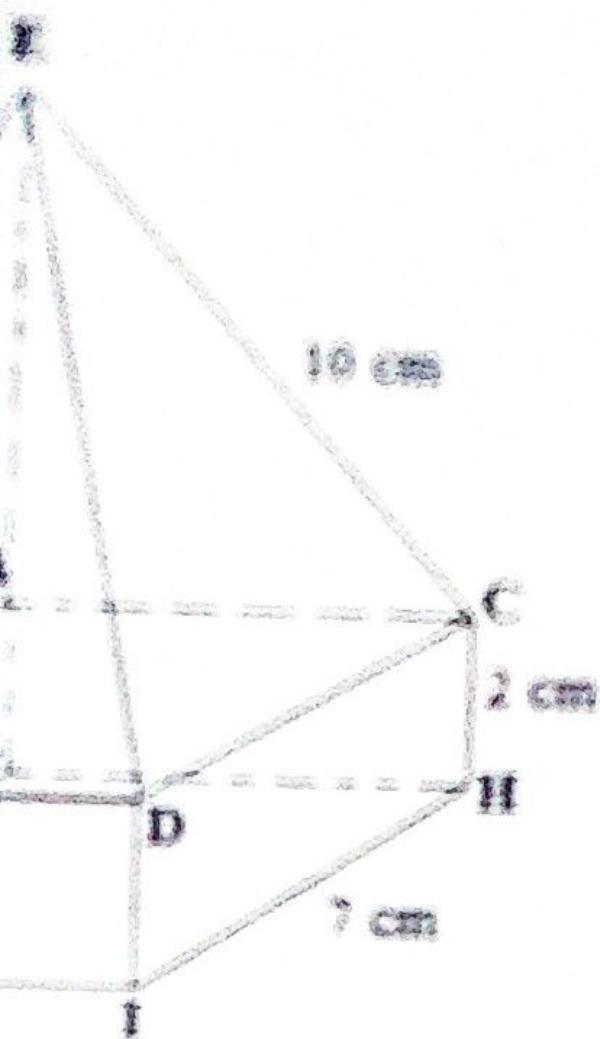


Figure 4

on top of a square based cuboid

and $CH = 2 \text{ cm}$, calculate the total surface area of the

(6 marks)

17. The mean of the numbers $5, 7, p, 13$, and 16 is 10 .

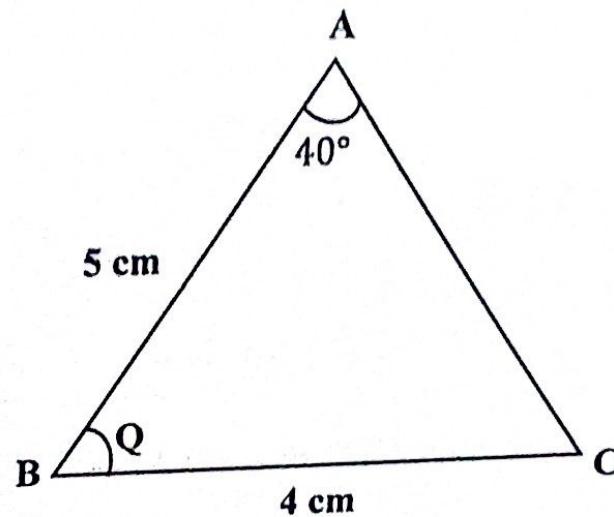
If the standard deviation of this data is 6 , calculate the possible values of p (6 Marks)

18. Using a scale of 2 cm to represent 2 units on both axes, show the region W represented by
the following system of inequalities by shading the unwanted region on the graph paper on

9. The variable P varies jointly as the cube of x and inversely as the square root of the product of yz . $P = 54$, when $x = 6$, $y = 4$ and $z = 16$. Find the product of yz when $x = 3$ and P is maintained its value. **(6 Marks)**

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The figure below is a triangle ABC. AB = 5 cm, BC = 4 cm and $\angle BAC = 40^\circ$.



Find the value of the Q (Write your answer to the nearest degree)

(5 marks)

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