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**Mathematics Extension 1**

**SOLUTIONS**

## Multiple Choice

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| 1. B | 6. A  |
| 2. A | 7. A  |
| 3. B | 8. A  |
| 4. D | 9. B  |
| 5. B | 10. D |

## Brief Explanations

**Question 1** Standard ratio of intervals calculation.

**Question 2** Use the double-angle formula  $\cos ax = 1 - 2\sin^2(ax/2)$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x/x = 1$ .

**Question 3** Converting the expression using  $t$  formula does not yield the result in (B).

**Question 4** Counter-example to (A) is the upper half of  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ . Counter example to (B) is simply  $y = x$ . Counter example to (C) is  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ . Hence, the answer is (D).

**Question 5** For domain, solve  $-1 \leq \frac{x-1}{x+1} \leq 1$  to get  $x \geq 0$ . Lower limit occurs when  $x = 0$ , so  $y = -\pi/2$ . As  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\frac{x-1}{x+1} \rightarrow 1$ , so the upper limit is  $\pi/2$ , with a weak inequality since  $\pi/2$  is the horizontal asymptote.

**Question 6** Standard Newton's Method problem, except replace  $x_0$  and  $x_1$  with  $x_n$  and  $x_{n+1}$  respectively.

**Question 7** Express the numerator as  $x^2 = (a^2 + x^2) - a^2$ . Split it, then calculate as usual.

**Question 8** Cham must win the last game, so the remaining 6 games becomes a normal binomial probability question with Cham winning four games out of six. Multiply this answer by 0.9 to make Cham win the last game.

**Question 9** Use the Quotient Rule, but be careful not to make any unjustified manipulations. Although the functions are increasing, they may not necessarily be positive.

**Question 10** Note that when  $x > 0$ ,  $\ddot{x} > 0$  since  $k > 0$ . Hence, it must be concave up and the only such curve is (D).

# Written Response

## Question 11 (a) (i)

Firstly, we need to solve for where they intersect, so we must solve  $\ln x = x - 1$ . Trivially,  $x = 1$  is a solution. We now use the angle between two lines formula.

From  $y = \ln x$ ,  $m_1 = \frac{1}{x} = 1$ , since we substitute in  $x = 1$ . For  $y = x - 1$ ,  $m_2 = 1$  always.

However, notice that the two gradients are the same. This means that the angle between the two tangents is zero. More precisely, the tangents coincide.

## Question 11 (a) (ii)

We know that the tangents coincide, but  $y = x - 1$  is a line in itself, so it must therefore be a tangent to  $y = \ln x$ .

## Question 11 (b)

$$u = 1 - \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow x = (1 - u)^2 = (u - 1)^2$$

$$dx = 2(u - 1)du$$

$$x = 1 \Rightarrow u = 0$$

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow u = 1$$

$$I = 2 \int_1^0 \sqrt{u}(u - 1)du.$$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 \sqrt{u}(1 - u)du.$$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 u^{\frac{1}{2}} - u^{\frac{3}{2}} du.$$

$$= 2 \left[ \frac{2}{3} u^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{2}{5} u^{\frac{5}{2}} \right]_0^1$$

$$= 2 \left( \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{5} \right)$$

$$= \frac{8}{15}$$

**Question 11 (c)**

Firstly, we express the function as such

$$\ln\left(\frac{1+\sin x}{1+\cos x}\right) = \ln(1+\sin x) - \ln(1+\cos x)$$

Differentiating the function and letting the derivative be zero, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\cos x}{1+\sin x} + \frac{\sin x}{1+\cos x} &= 0 \\ \cos x + \cos^2 x + \sin x + \sin^2 x &= 0 \\ \sin x + \cos x + 1 &= 0 \\ \sin x + \cos x &= -1\end{aligned}$$

Using the Auxiliary Angle method, we have

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

We now solve it.

$$\begin{aligned}\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ x + \frac{\pi}{4} &= -\frac{\pi}{4} + 2k\pi, -\frac{3\pi}{4} + 2k\pi, \quad \text{where } k \in \mathbb{Z} \\ x &= -\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi, -\pi + 2k\pi\end{aligned}$$

Notice that in either case, we have an undefined y value . Hence, there exist no stationary points.  $\square$

**Question 11 (d)**

We simply compute the integral.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 kx \, dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 1 - \cos 2kx \, dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ x - \frac{1}{2k} \sin 2kx \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{2k} \sin k\pi \right] \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{4}, \text{ since } \sin k\pi = 0, \text{ for all integer values of } k.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the integral is independent of the value of  $k$ . □

**Question 11 (e) (i)**

Let the roots be  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ .

We know that  $\alpha\beta\gamma = 1$  and that  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\gamma}$ . The second expression simplifies to become  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma = S$ .

From here, we can reconstruct the polynomial.

$$P(x) = x^3 - Sx^2 + Sx - 1$$

Since  $P(1) = 0$ , we have  $x = 1$  being a root. □

**Question 11 (e) (ii)**

Firstly, we factorise our cubic polynomial.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(x) &= x^3 - Sx^2 + Sx - 1 \\
 &= x^3 - 1 - Sx(x-1) \\
 &= (x-1)(x^2 + x + 1 - Sx) \\
 &= (x-1)(x^2 + x(1-S) + 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

If the cubic has 3 real roots, then the discriminant of the quadratic must be  $\geq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= (1-S)^2 - 4 \\ &\geq 0 \\ (1-S)^2 &\geq 4 \\ 1-S &\geq 2 \quad \Rightarrow S \leq -1 \\ 1-S &\leq -2 \quad \Rightarrow S \geq 3\end{aligned}$$

**Question 12 (a) (i)**

Using the Cosine Rule, we have  $\cos \theta = \frac{CA^2 + CB^2 - AB^2}{2 \times CA \times CB}$ .

Note that  $A$  and  $B$  are endpoints of the diameter of the base circle. This means that

$\angle ADB = \frac{\pi}{2}$  (Thales' Theorem), so  $\triangle ADB$  is right-angled. This means that we can use Pythagoras' Theorem on it.

We now use Pythagoras' Theorem repeatedly to find  $CA$ ,  $CB$  and  $AB$ .

$$CA^2 = x^2 + h^2$$

$$CB^2 = y^2 + h^2$$

$$AB^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

Substituting these into our expression for  $\cos \theta$ , we have

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x^2 + h^2 + y^2 + h^2 - x^2 - y^2}{2\sqrt{x^2 + h^2}\sqrt{y^2 + h^2}} = \frac{h^2}{\sqrt{h^2 + x^2}\sqrt{h^2 + y^2}} \quad \square$$

**Question 12 (a) (ii)**

We first make a couple of manipulations to prepare us for taking the limit as  $h$  gets large.

$$\begin{aligned}\cos \theta &= \frac{h^2}{\sqrt{h^2 + x^2}\sqrt{h^2 + y^2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{h^2}}\sqrt{1 + \frac{y^2}{h^2}}} \quad \dots (\text{divide top and bottom by } h^2)\end{aligned}$$

As  $h \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\cos \theta \rightarrow 1$ , so  $\theta \rightarrow 0$ .

**Question 12 (b) (i)**

Consider the sum  $S_n = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + \dots + n$ .

Using the Sum of AP formula, we have  $S_n = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$ , so

$n(n+1) = 2(1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + \dots + n)$  and therefore  $n(n+1)$  is even.  $\square$

**Alternatively**

Suppose  $n$  is even, so  $n = 2k$ , where  $k$  is an integer.

$n(n+1) = 2k(2k+1)$ , which is even since  $k$  is an integer.

Suppose  $n$  is odd, so  $n = 2k + 1$ , where  $k$  is an integer.

$$n(n+1) = (2k+1)(2k+2) = 2(2k+1)(k+1)$$

In either case,  $n(n+1)$  is even.  $\square$

**Question 12 (b) (ii)**

Base Case:  $n = 1$

$1 + 3 + 2 = 6$ , which is obviously divisible by 6.

Induction Hypothesis:  $n = k$

$$k^3 + 3k^2 + 2k = 6M, \quad M \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Inductive Step:  $k \Rightarrow k+1$

$$\begin{aligned} (k+1)^3 + 3(k+1)^2 + 2(k+1) &= k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1 + 3k^2 + 6k + 3 + 2k + 2 \\ &= (k^3 + 3k^2 + 2k) + 3k^2 + 9k + 6 \\ &= 6M + 3(k^2 + 3k + 2) \quad \dots (\text{from the inductive hypothesis}) \\ &= 6M + 3(k+1)(k+2) \end{aligned}$$

However, from (i),  $k(k+1)$  is even. Let it be expressed as  $2N$ , where  $N$  is an integer.

$$\begin{aligned} 6M + 3(2N + 2) &= 6M + 6(N+1) \\ &= 6(M + N + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $M$  and  $N$  are integers, the proof by induction is complete.  $\square$

**Question 12 (c) (i)**

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dt}(\alpha P_2 + \beta P_1) &= \alpha(\beta(P_1 - P_2)) + \beta(-\alpha(P_1 - P_2)) \\
&= \alpha\beta(P_1 - P_2) - \alpha\beta(P_1 - P_2) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, by integrating both sides with respect to  $t$ , we have  $\alpha P_2 + \beta P_1 = k$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

**Question 12 (c) (ii)**

Since the population eventually reaches a limit, the gradient of the population function must gradually decrease or ‘flatten out’, hence as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\frac{dP_1}{dt} \rightarrow 0$ .

Thus, to find the limiting value of say  $P_1$ , we let  $\frac{dP_1}{dt} = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dP_1}{dt} &= -\alpha(P_1 - P_2) \\
&= 0 \\
P_1 &= P_2
\end{aligned}$$

This means that both populations eventually approach the same limit. Substituting this into our result from (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha P_1 + \beta P_1 &= k \\
P_1 &= \frac{k}{\alpha + \beta}
\end{aligned}$$



**Question 12 (d)**

Let  $\angle DAB = x$ .

$$\angle DCB = x \quad \dots (\text{angles subtended from chord } BD)$$

$$\angle FEA = 90^\circ - x \quad \dots (\angle \text{ sum of } \triangle FEA)$$

$$\angle BEP = 90^\circ - x \quad \dots (\text{vertically opposite angles})$$

$$\angle PEC = 90^\circ - \angle BEP \quad \dots (\text{since } \angle BEC = 90^\circ)$$

$$= x$$

Thus  $\triangle EPC$  is isosceles with  $PE = PC$  since  $\angle PEC = \angle DCB = x$ .

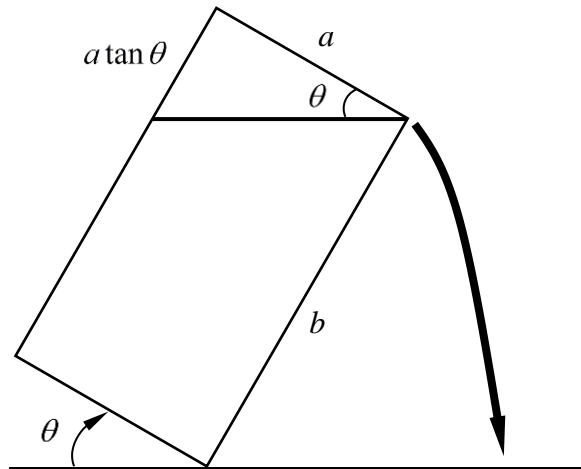
$$\angle FDE = 90^\circ - x \quad \dots (\angle \text{ sum of } \triangle ADB)$$

$$\angle ABC = 90^\circ - x \quad \dots (\text{angles subtended from chord } AC)$$

Thus  $\triangle EPB$  is isosceles with  $PE = PB$  since  $\angle PEB = \angle PBE = 90^\circ - x$ .

Hence, since  $PB = PC$  and  $BC$  is a straight line,  $P$  bisects  $BC$ .  $\square$

**Question 12 (e)**



We know that the width of the solid is  $c$ , so to find the volume of it, we must first find the area of the cross section. To do this, we subtract the area of the small triangle from the area of the rectangle.

$$A(\theta) = ab - \frac{a^2}{2} \tan \theta$$

$$V(\theta) = abc - \frac{a^2 c}{2} \tan \theta$$

We want to find the rate at which water flows out, so we want  $\frac{dV}{dt}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV}{dt} &= \frac{dV}{d\theta} \times \frac{d\theta}{dt} \\ &= \frac{dV}{d\theta} \times \omega \end{aligned}$$

Since we know what  $V$  is with respect to  $\theta$ , we can calculate  $\frac{dV}{dt}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV}{dt} &= \frac{dV}{d\theta} \times \omega \\ R_1 &= -\frac{a^2 c \omega}{2} \sec^2 \theta \end{aligned}$$

Since the solid for  $R_2$  will work exactly the same, except  $a$  and  $b$  are interchanged, we can simply state that

$$R_2 = -\frac{b^2 c \omega}{2} \sec^2 \theta$$

And hence, by working out the ratio, we have the result.  $\square$

**Question 13 (a) (i)**

When the particle is at  $\frac{1}{k}$  of its positive extremity,  $x = \frac{A}{k}$ , where  $A$  is the amplitude.

We now need to find its maximum velocity.

Using the information provided, we can model the particle's movement by  $x = A \sin nt$ , so  $v = An \cos nt$ . Since  $\cos nt$  oscillates between  $\pm 1$ , the maximum velocity must be  $An$ , so  $\frac{1}{k}$  of that would be  $\frac{An}{k}$ .

We now find the times where the above conditions occur.

$$\begin{aligned} A \sin nt &= \frac{A}{k} & An \cos nt &= \frac{An}{k} \\ \sin nt &= \frac{1}{k} & \cos nt &= \frac{1}{k} \end{aligned}$$

But  $\sin^2 nt + \cos^2 nt = 1$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k^2} + \frac{1}{k^2} &= 1 \\ k^2 &= 2 \\ k &= \sqrt{2} \quad \dots (\text{since } k > 0) \end{aligned}$$

**Question 13 (a) (ii)**

When  $k = \sqrt{2}$ , we have

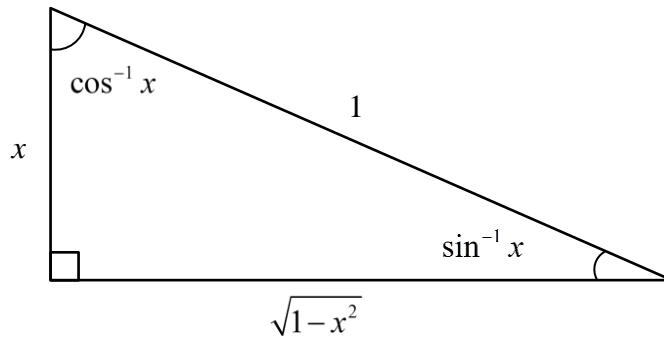
$$\begin{aligned} \sin nt &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ nt &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\ t &= \frac{\pi}{4n} \end{aligned}$$

But the period is  $T = \frac{2\pi}{n}$ , and we immediately see that  $t = \frac{T}{8}$ .

**Question 13 (b) (i)**

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x) &= \sin(\sin^{-1} x) \cos(\cos^{-1} x) + \sin(\cos^{-1} x) \cos(\sin^{-1} x) \\ &= x^2 + \sqrt{1-x^2} \times \sqrt{1-x^2} \quad \dots (\text{by considering the triangles below}) \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

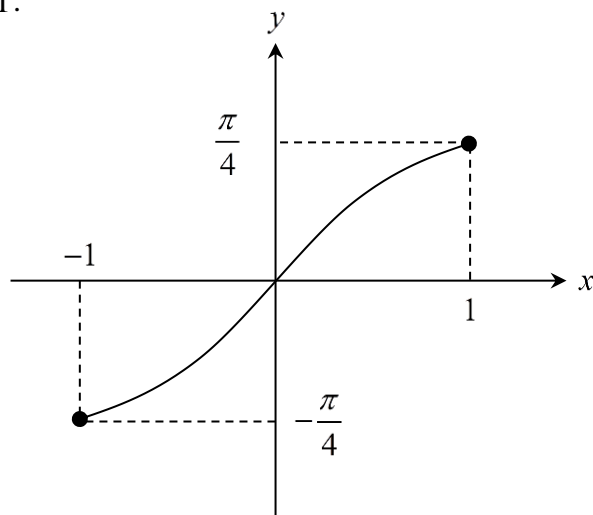
$$\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \square$$



Note that  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \sin^{-1} x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ , so  $\cos(\sin^{-1} x) \geq 0$ . Similarly,  $0 \leq \cos^{-1} x \leq \pi$ , so  $\sin(\cos^{-1} x) \geq 0$ .

**Question 13 (b) (ii)**

Because of the  $\sin^{-1} x$  and  $\cos^{-1} x$ , we have the conditions that  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ . Since  $\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , we are essentially sketching  $y = \tan^{-1} x$ , except with the added condition that  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ .

**Question 13 (b) (iii)**

From the diagram, we see that  $f(x)$  is an odd function, so its integral is 0.

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = 0$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} x dx = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\pi}{2} dx$$

$$= \pi$$

**Alternatively**

$$\int_{-1}^1 \sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} x dx = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\pi}{2} + \tan^{-1} x dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\pi}{2} dx$$

$$= \pi \quad \dots (\text{since } \tan^{-1} x \text{ is an odd function})$$

**Question 13 (c) (i)**

Since we know that the equation of the tangent is  $y = px - ap^2$ , we can immediately find the coordinates of  $R$ , by letting  $y = 0$  and solving for  $x$ . From this, we have  $R(ap, 0)$ .

**Question 13 (c) (ii)**

From the definition of the parabola, we know that  $PS = PM$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Midpoint } MS &= \left( \frac{2ap+0}{2}, \frac{a-a}{2} \right) \\ &= (ap, 0) \quad \dots (\text{which are the coordinates of } R)\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Midpoint } PT &= \left( \frac{2ap+0}{2}, \frac{ap^2-ap^2}{2} \right) \\ &= (ap, 0) \quad \dots (\text{which are the coordinates of } R)\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have two pairs of adjacent sides being equal and the two diagonals bisecting, and thus  $PSTM$  is a rhombus.  $\square$

**Question 13 (c) (iii)**

$$\begin{aligned}\angle PRS &= 90^\circ && \dots (\text{since diagonals intersect perpendicularly}) \\ \angle SOR &= 90^\circ && \dots (\text{angle between coordinate axes}) \\ \angle PSR &= \angle RSO && \dots (\text{since diagonals bisect opposite angles})\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\triangle ORS \parallel \triangle RPS$ , as the two triangles are equiangular.  $\square$

**Question 13 (c) (iv)**

Using similar triangle ratios of corresponding sides, we have  $\frac{SR}{SO} = \frac{SP}{SR}$  and thus

$$SR^2 = SO \times SP. \quad \square$$

**Question 14 (a) (i)**

We can show from the equations of motion and defining the landing position as the origin:

$$\ddot{y} = -g$$

$$\dot{y} = -gt$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + h$$

When  $y = 0$ , the ball lands on the ramp, which gives the time of flight

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$$

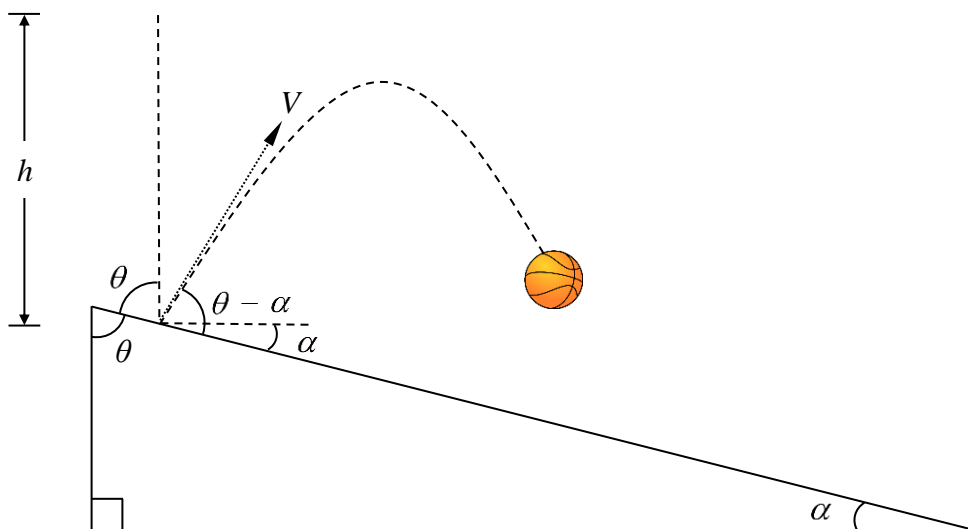
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{y} &= -g \times \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} \\ &= -\sqrt{2gh}\end{aligned}$$

But since we defined speed as  $V$ , we then have

$$V = \sqrt{2gh} \quad \square$$

**Question 14 (a) (ii)**

Note that the angle of inclination to the horizontal is  $\theta - \alpha$ .



$$\ddot{x} = 0$$

$$\dot{x} = V \cos(\theta - \alpha)$$

$$x = Vt \cos(\theta - \alpha)$$

$$\ddot{y} = -g$$

$$\dot{y} = -gt + V \sin(\theta - \alpha)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + Vt \sin(\theta - \alpha)$$

But by the angle sum of the right-angled triangle in the ramp we have  $\theta + \alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , which

means that  $\theta - \alpha = \frac{\pi}{2} - 2\alpha$  so our displacement equations are

$$\begin{aligned} x &= Vt \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 2\alpha\right) \\ &= Vt \sin 2\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + Vt \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - 2\alpha\right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + Vt \cos 2\alpha \quad \square \end{aligned}$$



**Question 14 (a) (iii)**

First find the Cartesian equation of the parabola. We know that

$$t = \frac{x}{V \sin 2\alpha}$$

Substitute this into  $y$ .

$$y = -\frac{gx^2}{2V^2 \sin^2 2\alpha} + x \frac{\cos 2\alpha}{\sin 2\alpha}$$

To find where the parabola intersects with the ramp, we need the equation of the ramp, where the origin of the number plane is at the point of launch. In this case, it is  $y = -x \tan \alpha$ . Now solve simultaneously to find the value of  $x$ , which is the horizontal distance.

$$-\frac{gx^2}{2V^2 \sin^2 2\alpha} + x \frac{\cos 2\alpha}{\sin 2\alpha} = -x \tan \alpha$$

$$x \left( \frac{gx}{2V^2 \sin^2 2\alpha} - \frac{\cos 2\alpha}{\sin 2\alpha} - \tan \alpha \right) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{2V^2 \sin^2 2\alpha}{g} \left( \tan \alpha + \frac{\cos 2\alpha}{\sin 2\alpha} \right)$$

But  $x = 0$  is the launch position so we consider

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{2V^2 \sin^2 2\alpha}{g} \left( \tan \alpha + \frac{\cos 2\alpha}{\sin 2\alpha} \right) \\ &= \frac{2V^2 \sin 2\alpha}{g} (\tan \alpha \sin 2\alpha + \cos 2\alpha) \\ &= \frac{2V^2 \sin 2\alpha}{g} \left( \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha} \times 2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha + 1 - 2 \sin^2 \alpha \right) \\ &= \frac{2V^2 \sin 2\alpha}{g} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $V$  and  $g$  are constants the  $x$  value is maximised when  $\sin 2\alpha = 1$  which occurs when

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

**Question 14 (a) (iv)**

When  $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}$ , we have

$$\dot{x} = V \sin 2\alpha$$

$$= V$$

$$\dot{y} = -gt + V \cos 2\alpha$$

$$= -gt$$

But  $t = \frac{x}{V \sin 2\alpha}$  and  $x = \frac{2V^2 \sin 2\alpha}{g}$  when the projectile hits the ramp, hence  $t = \frac{2V}{g}$

Substitute this into  $\dot{y}$  and we have  $\dot{y} = -2V$ .

Now we note that

$$\begin{aligned} V_0 &= \sqrt{(\dot{x})^2 + (\dot{y})^2} \\ &= \sqrt{5V^2} \\ &= V\sqrt{5} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

noting that  $V > 0$ .

**Question 14 (a) (i)**

We have  $r$  boys and  $s$  girls, hence a total of  $r + s$  people. We are choosing  $k$  prefects from the total of  $r + s$ , which is  $\binom{r+s}{k}$ .

**Question 14 (a) (ii)**

Consider the following table, which shows all the different possible combinations of boys and girls from the  $k$  prefects.

Number of Boys (total of $r$ )	Number of Girls (total of $s$ )	Number of combinations
0	$k$	$\binom{r}{0}\binom{s}{k}$
1	$k-1$	$\binom{r}{1}\binom{s}{k-1}$
2	$k-1$	$\binom{r}{2}\binom{s}{k-2}$
...	...	...
$k$	0	$\binom{r}{k}\binom{s}{0}$

Adding the total number of combinations, we have  $\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{r}{j} \binom{s}{k-j}$ .

But since we are still essentially choosing  $k$  from a total of  $r + s$ , we can conclude the result.

**Question 14 (c) (i)**

Since  $k$  pieces are old, from a total of  $M$ , we have  $\binom{M}{k}$ .

The remaining  $n - k$  pieces must not be old, so they must be chosen from the remaining total of  $N - M$  pieces of fruit, hence  $\binom{N - M}{n - k}$ .

We are choosing  $n$  pieces from a total of  $N$ , so the total number of combinations is  $\binom{N}{n}$ .

Thus, the probability is  $P(k) = \frac{\binom{M}{k} \binom{N - M}{n - k}}{\binom{N}{n}}$ .

**Question 14 (c) (ii)**

We can explicitly expand the terms.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{LHS} &= k \times \frac{M!}{k!(M - k)!} \\
 &= \frac{M!}{(k - 1)!(M - k)!} \\
 &= M \times \frac{(M - 1)!}{(k - 1)!(M - k)!} \\
 &= M \times \binom{M - 1}{k - 1} \\
 &= \text{RHS}
 \end{aligned}$$

### **Alternatively**

We will use two methods to count the number of ways of choosing a team of  $k$  from a total of  $M$ , and one captain from the team of  $k$ .

#### Method #1:

Choose  $k$  team members from a total of  $M$ , so  $\binom{M}{k}$ .

Choose one captain from  $k$ , so  $\binom{k}{1}$ .

Hence, we have  $k \binom{M}{k}$

#### Method #2:

Choose one captain from the  $M$ , so  $\binom{M}{1}$ .

Choose  $k-1$  team members from the remaining  $M-1$ , so  $\binom{M-1}{k-1}$ .

Hence, we have  $M \binom{M-1}{k-1}$ .

Since the two expressions count the same thing, we can equate them.

**Question 14 (c) (iii)**

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^n k \times P(k) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n k \times P(k) && \dots (\text{since the first term is zero}) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n k \times \binom{M}{k} \binom{N-M}{n-k} \binom{N}{n}^{-1} \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \binom{N}{n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n M \binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{N-M}{n-k} && \dots (\text{from (c) (ii)}) \\
&= \frac{M}{n} \binom{N}{n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{N-M}{n-k} \\
&= \frac{M}{n} \binom{N}{n}^{-1} \binom{N-1}{n-1} && \dots (\text{see below}) \\
&= \frac{M}{n} \times \binom{N}{n}^{-1} \times \frac{n}{N} \binom{N}{n} && \dots (\text{from (c) (ii) again}) \\
&= \frac{M}{N} \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

Regarding the above manipulation, we used the following:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{N-M}{n-k} = \binom{M-1}{0} \binom{N-M}{n-1} + \binom{M-1}{1} \binom{N-M}{n-2} + \dots + \binom{M-1}{n-1} \binom{N-M}{0}$$

Now compare this with

$$\binom{r+s}{k} = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{r}{j} \binom{s}{k-j} = \binom{r}{0} \binom{s}{k} + \binom{r}{1} \binom{s}{k-1} + \dots + \binom{r}{k} \binom{s}{0}$$

We see that we have to make the substitutions  $r = M - 1$ ,  $s = N - M$ ,  $k = n - 1$  and  $j = k$ .

Doing so, we have

$$\binom{N-1}{n-1} = \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{N-M}{n-k}$$

**Alternatively:**

We still proceed the same as above, except we take a different path about halfway through.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^n k \times P(k) &= \frac{M}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{N-M}{n-k}}{\binom{N}{n}} \\
&= \frac{M}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{N-M}{n-k}}{\frac{N}{n} \binom{N-1}{n-1}} \quad \dots (\text{from (c) (ii)}) \\
&= \frac{M}{N} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{N-M}{n-k}}{\binom{N-1}{n-1}} \\
&= \frac{M}{N} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{(N-1)-(M-1)}{(n-1)-(k-1)}}{\binom{N-1}{n-1}}
\end{aligned}$$

All that remains to prove is that the large summand is equal to 1.

Notice how the summand is the exact same formula as in (c) (i), except with  $N-1$  pieces of fruit,  $M-1$  of which are old. From the basket, we pick  $n-1$  pieces of fruit.

The probability of  $k-1$  of those pieces being old is 
$$\frac{\binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{(N-1)-(M-1)}{(n-1)-(k-1)}}{\binom{N-1}{n-1}}.$$

Since  $k-1$  can vary from 0 to  $n-1$ , we have  $k$  varying from 1 to  $n$ .

This means that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\binom{M-1}{k-1} \binom{N-M}{n-k}}{\binom{N-1}{n-1}}$  is the sum across the sample space of the probabilities,

and so it must be equal to 1, where the required result follows immediately.  $\square$