

TIME ALLOWED: 1 hour

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS

TOTAL MARKS = 50

**INSTRUCTIONS:** You can use a calculator.

You must show your method.

Answer all the questions.

You must make sure the work you present is yours and is not copied from somewhere else.

**Formulae**

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

$$a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$$

**Questions**

1. Give two examples each of
  - a) An irrational number
  - b) A rational number to 2 significant figures
  - c) A perfect square

[6 marks]

Ans

- a)  $\pi, \sqrt{3}$
- b) 0.123, 23.9
- c) 16, 25

2. A visitor to this country buys a bag costing 55.00 including VAT of 15%. How much VAT can be reclaimed? [4 marks]

Ans

Item + VAT = 55.00 [original value (100%) + VAT (15%=115%)]

Original value =  $100/115 \times 55$

VAT value = Item+VAT- original value

VAT = 7.174

3. Find the value of

[2 marks]

$$4 \times 9^2 - 27 \div 3$$

Ans

$$4 \times 81 - 9 = 324 - 9 = 315$$

4. Rationalise

[2 marks]

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}}$$

Ans

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}$$

5. Write the equation using only positive indices.

[2 marks]

$$9x^{-4}y^{-1}$$

Ans

$$\frac{9}{x^4y}$$

6. Expand

[2 marks]

$$\frac{(6x - 3)}{3}(x - 3)$$

Ans

$$\begin{aligned} & (2x - 1)(x - 3) \\ & 2x^2 - 6x - 1x + 3 \\ & 2x^2 - 7x + 3 \end{aligned}$$

7. Use Pascal's triangle to show that

[5 marks]

$$(-2a + b)^4 = (b - 2a)^4$$

Ans

$$1a^4b^0 + 4a^3b^1 + 6a^2b^2 + 4a^1b^3 + 1a^0b^4$$

$$a = -2a, b$$

$$b = b, -2a$$

$$a^4 + 4a^3b + 6a^2b^2 + 4ab^3 + b^4$$

$$a = -2a, b = b$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (-2a)^4 + 4(-2a)^3(b) + 6(-2a)^2(b)^2 + 4(-2a)(b)^3 + (b)^4 \\ & 16a^4 - 32a^3b + 24a^2b^2 - 8ab^3 + b^4 \dots (Equation 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$(b)^4 + 4(b)^3(-2a) + 6(b)^2(-2a)^2 + 4(b)(-2a)^3 + (-2a)^4$$

$$b^4 - 8b^3a + 24b^2a^2 - 32ba^3 + 16a^4$$

By rearranging we get equation (1) above. Hence  $(-2a + b)^4 = (b - 2a)^4$

8. Rearrange the equation to make x the subject.

[3 marks]

$$y = \frac{x + 3}{3x + 5}$$

Ans

$$y(3x + 5) = x + 3$$

$$y3x + 5y = x + 3$$

$$y3x - x = 3 - 5y$$

$$x(3y - 1) = 3 - 5y$$

$$x = \frac{3 - 5y}{3y - 1}$$

9. Solve the simultaneous equation

[4 marks]

$$x + 4y = 10$$

$$2x + 3y = 5$$

Ans

$$x + 4y = 10 \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad (1) \times 2$$

$$2x + 3y = 5 \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad (2) \times 1$$

$$2x + 8y = 20 \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad (3)$$

$$2x + 3y = 5 \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad (4)$$

*(3) minus (4)*

$$5y = 15 \Rightarrow y = 3 \quad (\text{substitute into (1)})$$

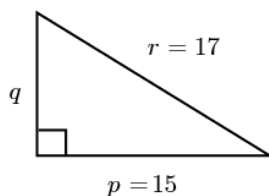
$$x + 4y = 10 \quad - \quad - \quad - \quad (1)$$

$$x + 4 \cdot 3 = 10$$

$$x = 10 - 12 = -2$$

10. Find the value of q in the figure below

[2 marks]



Ans

$$r^2 = p^2 + q^2$$

$$q^2 = r^2 - p^2$$

$$q^2 = 17^2 - 15^2$$

$$q = \sqrt{17^2 - 15^2} = 8$$

11. Write 10.09476 in

a. 3 s.f

b. 3 d.p

[4 marks]

Ans

a. 10.1    b. 10.095

12. Convert

a. 45 degrees to radian

b. 1.6 radian to degrees

[2 marks]

Ans

$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad & \frac{\pi}{180} \times 45 = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ radians} \\ b) \quad & \frac{180}{\pi} \times \frac{8}{5} = \frac{36 \times 8}{\pi} = 91.673 \end{aligned}$$

13. Determine all the angles between  $0^\circ$  and  $360^\circ$  whose cosecant is 1.6586.

[4 marks]

Ans

*Sine is positive in the first and second quadrant. But*

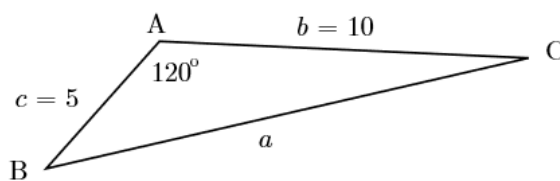
$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec} \theta} = \frac{1}{1.6586} = 0.6029545 \therefore$$

*First quadrant,  $\theta = 37.08179$*

*Second quadrant,  $180 - \theta = 142.92$*

14. Find the length of side BC in the figure below.

[2 marks]



Ans

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 &= b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A \\ a^2 &= 10^2 + 5^2 - 2 \cdot 10 \cdot 5 \cos 120 \\ a^2 &= 100 + 25 - 100 \cdot (-0.5) \\ a^2 &= 125 + 50 \\ a &= \sqrt{175} = 5\sqrt{7} = 13.229 \end{aligned}$$

15. The angle of depression of a ship viewed from the top of a vertical cliff 75m high is 30 degrees.

- Find the distance of the ship from the base of the cliff at this time.
- If the ship is sailing away from the cliff at a constant speed and a minute and a half later, its angle of depression from the top of the cliff is 15 degrees. Find the speed of the ship in meters per second.

[6 marks]

Ans

$$\tan 30 = \frac{75}{y} \Rightarrow y = \frac{75}{\tan 30} = 75\sqrt{3} = 129.9038$$

$$\tan 15 = \frac{75}{z} \Rightarrow z = \frac{75}{\tan 15} = 279.9038$$

$$\text{speed} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}, \text{ but time} = 1.5 \times 60 = 90 \text{ seconds}$$

$$\text{and distance} = \frac{279.9038 - 75\sqrt{3}}{90} = \frac{150}{90} = \frac{5}{3} = 1.67 \text{ m/s}$$