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Higher School Certificate  
Trial Examination

# Mathematics

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## General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 3 hours
- Write using black or blue pen
- Board-approved calculators may be used
- A table of standard integrals is provided at the back of this paper.
- All necessary working should be shown in every question.

Total marks - 120

- Attempt Questions 1–10
- All questions are of equal value.

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Answer each question on a NEW page.

|   | Marks |
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| Question 1 (12 marks)   |       |
| (a) Evaluate, correct to two significant figures,<br>$\frac{195 \cdot 32}{4 \cdot 6^2 + 5 \cdot 73}$      | 2     |
| (b) Solve $\frac{y}{4} - \frac{y-6}{8} = 2$ .   | 2     |
| (c) Solve $x^2 + 3x > 10$   | 2     |
| (d) State the range of:<br>$y = (x-1)^2 + 4$  | 1     |
| (e) Express $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}-1}$ as a single fraction with a rational denominator. | 3     |
| (f) Simplify fully:<br>$\log_a a^2 - \log_a \frac{1}{a}$  | 2     |

Question 3 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

- (a) A yacht sails from Robinson Island on a bearing of  $240^\circ$  for 120km. It then turns and sails on a bearing of  $110^\circ$  until it reaches a destination due south of its original position.  
Calculate the distance of the yacht from Robinson Island to the nearest kilometre.

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Question 2 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

- A(2, 4) and B(8, 12) are the ends of a diameter of a circle.

- (a) Find the co-ordinates of the centre, C, of the circle.

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- (b) Find the radius of the circle.

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- (c) State the equation of the circle.

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- (d) Hence show that D(5, 13) lies on the circle.

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- (e) Show that  $AD \perp BD$ .

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- (f) The perpendicular bisector of AB meets the circle at X and Y. Find the equation of XY in general form.

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- (g) Show that the area of  $\triangle XDY$  is  $20\text{m}^2$ .

2

- (h) Show that  $3x + 4y - 22 = 0$  is a tangent to the circle.

2

- (b) Differentiate:

(i)  $y = \ln(x^2 + 1)$

1

(ii)  $y = \frac{e^{3x}}{\sin 3x}$

2

- (c) Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 - x - 6}$$

1

- (d) Solve  $\sin^2 \theta - \sin \theta - 2 = 0$ ,  $-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$ .

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- (e)  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $3x^2 - 6x + 2 = 0$

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Find the value of  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}$

Question 4 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

(a) Evaluate  $\sum_{r=1}^4 r^2 - 1$

1

(b) Find:

(i)  $\int 3\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} dx$

2

(ii)  $\int_0^2 (e^{3x} + e^{-3x})^2 dx$

3

(c) Show that:

$$\frac{2 \cos^3 \theta - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta \cos^2 \theta - \sin^3 \theta} = \cot \theta$$

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(d) (i) Sketch the curve  $y = 3 \sin 2x$  in the domain  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$  showing the main features of the graph.

2

(ii) Hence use your graph to find the number of solutions to the equation  $3 \sin 2x - 1 = 0$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ .

1

Question 5 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

(a) A bottle of water is placed in the common room fridge where the temperature is maintained at  $0^\circ\text{C}$ . The rate at which the temperature of the water falls is proportional to its temperature at that time. ( $\frac{dT}{dt} = -kT$  where  $T$  is its temperature.) When the water is placed in the fridge its temperature is  $40^\circ\text{C}$  and after 17 minutes its temperature is  $24^\circ\text{C}$ .

(i) Show that the function  $T = Ce^{-kt}$  satisfies the equation  $\frac{dT}{dt} = -kT$ .

1

(ii) Find the value of the constant  $C$ .

1

(iii) Show the exact value of  $k$  is  $\frac{1}{17} \ln \left( \frac{5}{3} \right)$ .

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(iv) Find the temperature of the water after 43 minutes to the nearest degree.

1

(b) A sheep, grazing in a paddock, is tethered to a stake by a rope 20m long. If the stake is 10m from a long fence, find the area over which the sheep can graze.

3

(c) One set of cards contains the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and another set contains the letters H, O, L, L, Y. One card is selected at random from each set. Find the probability of selecting:

(i) a 4 and an H.

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(ii) an odd number and a vowel.

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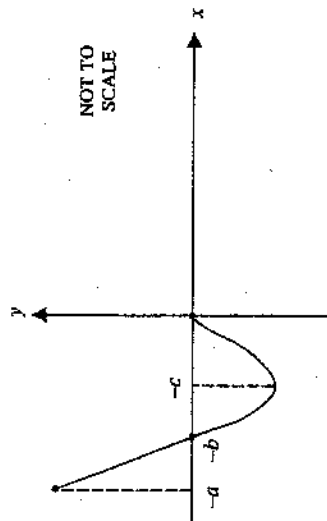
(iii) a number less than 3 or an L.

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Question 6 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

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- (a) The diagram shows the graph of a function  $y = f(x)$ , for  $-a \leq x \leq 0$ .



It is known that  $f(x)$  is an odd function and is stationary at  $(0, 0)$ .

- (i) Sketch the graph  $y = f(x)$ , for  $-a \leq x \leq a$ . 1
- (ii) On a separate diagram, sketch  $y = f'(x)$ . 2

- (b) In a new quiz show called "Dopier than Ever", you win \$6 000 for answering the first question correctly, \$14 000 for answering the second question correctly and \$22 000 for answering the third question correctly and so on for the following questions. You finish when you answer a question incorrectly. Your total winnings for the contest is the sum of money you win on each question.

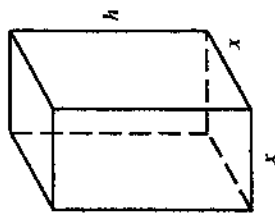
- (i) What is the prize money for the 10th question only? 2
- (ii) How many questions must you correctly answer to exceed \$1 000 000 in total winnings? 3

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Question 6 (continued)

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- (c) A box in the shape of a square prism has a volume of  $32\text{cm}^3$  and no lid. The square base has length  $x$  cm and the box is  $h$  cm high.



- (i) Show that the surface area of the box is given by:  $SA = x^2 + \frac{128}{x}$ . 1
- (ii) Find the dimensions of the box that has the least surface area. 3

Question 7 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

- (a) Show that  $x^3 - x^2 - x + 1 = (x+1)(x-1)^2$ . 1
- (b) Consider the function,  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x^2}$ . 1
- (i) Prove that  $f'(x) = \frac{2-x}{x^3}$ . 2
- (ii) Find the co-ordinates of the stationary point on  $y = f(x)$  and determine its nature. 2
- (iii) Find the co-ordinates of P, the only point where  $y = f(x)$  meets the x-axis. 1
- (iv) Sketch  $y = f(x)$  showing all important features. 3
- (v) Show that the equation of the tangent at P is given by the equation  $y = x - 1$ . 1
- (vi) Using part (a) or otherwise, find the co-ordinates of the other point where this tangent meets the curve. 2

Question 8 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

- (a) The following is a table of values for the function  $y = \frac{2}{x(x+1)}$ .

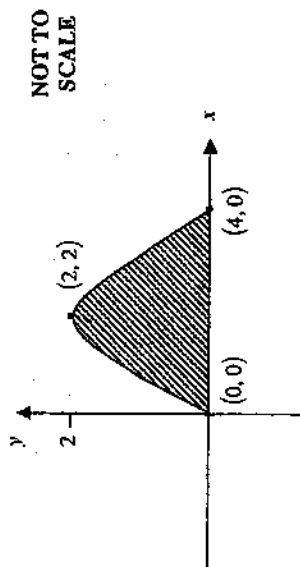
| x | 1 | 2             | 3             | 4              | 5              |
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| y | 1 | $\frac{1}{3}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{10}$ | $\frac{1}{15}$ |

- (i) Using the information in the table and Simpson's rule with 5 function values, find an approximation for  $\int_1^5 \frac{2}{x(x+1)} dx$  correct to 3 decimal places. 2
- (ii) It is also true that  $\frac{2}{x(x+1)} = \frac{2}{x} - \frac{2}{x+1}$ . Use direct integration to find the value of  $\int_1^5 \frac{2}{x(x+1)} dx$  correct to 3 decimal places. 3
- (iii) Explain the difference between your answers in parts (i) and (ii). 1
- (b) A particle moves in a straight line so that its velocity  $v$  in metres per second at time  $t$  is given by  $v = 4 - 2t$ . At time  $t = 0$  the particle is at  $x = 1$ .
- (i) Find the displacement  $x$  of the particle as a function of  $t$ . 2
- (ii) When is the particle at rest and what is its acceleration at that time? 2
- (iii) Find the distance the particle travels in the first 4 seconds. 2

Question 9 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

- (a) Can there be a geometric series with a limiting sum of  $\frac{2}{3}$  and a first term of 4? 2  
Justify your answer with appropriate calculations.

- (b) The producers of Play School are replacing the Arched Window. It will still have a base length of 4m and a height of 2m as shown in the diagram below.



The new arch is to be either an arc of a parabola or a half-cycle of a sine curve.

- (i) If the arch is the arc of a parabola, the equation of the curve is of the form: 1

$$f(x) = ax(4-x)$$

Show that the value of  $a$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

- (ii) If the arch is a sine curve, the equation of the curve is of the form, 1

$$g(x) = A \sin \frac{\pi x}{4}$$

Find the value of  $A$ .

- (iii) Calculate the area for each window design and hence decide which would be cheaper to build. 4

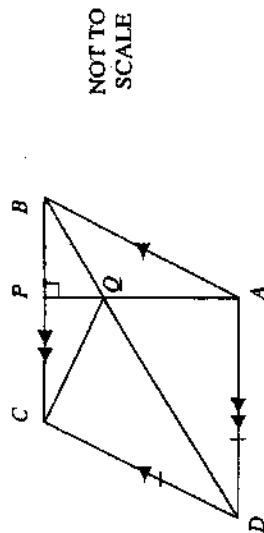
- (c) A rectangular lawn is 60 metres long and 30 metres wide. A pigeon wanders randomly around the lawn. Find the probability that the pigeon is:

- (i) more than 10 metres from the edge of the lawn. 2  
(ii) not more than 10 metres from a corner of the lawn. 2

Question 10 (12 marks) Start a NEW page.

- (a) Consider the function  $y = xe^{-2x}$ . 3  
Prove that  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 0$

- (b) In the rhombus  $ABCD$ ,  $AP$  is constructed perpendicular to  $BC$  and intersects the diagonal  $BD$  at  $Q$ .



- (i) State why  $\angle ADB = \angle CDB$ . 1  
(ii) Prove that  $\triangle AQD \cong \triangle CQD$ . 2  
(iii) Hence find  $\angle QCD$ . 1

- (c) After several mornings of horrendous traffic, Chris decides to move closer to work. She takes out a loan for \$500,000 at an interest rate of 12% p.a. compounded monthly for 20 years.

- (i) Show that the amount she owes on the loan after  $n$  months,  $A_n$ , is given by the expression: 3

$$A_n = 100M - 1.01^n (100M - 500,000)$$

where  $M$  is the size of her monthly repayments.

- (ii) Her repayments are fixed at \$550.5 per month. In which year does Chris still owe \$250,000? 2

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