### **Question 13**

For Candidate A, if  $k \le 2$ , she can score a maximum of 4 marks so cannot pass. If k = 3, the only way to pass is by getting them all correct, with probability  $\frac{1}{n^3}$ . For k = 4, she can score 5 marks with 3 correct answers and 8 marks with 4 correct answers, giving probability  ${}^4C_3\frac{1}{n^3}$   $(1-\frac{1}{n})+\frac{1}{n^4}=\frac{4n-3}{n^4}$ . Then, finally, if k = 5, she can score 7 marks with 4 correct answers and 10 marks with 5 correct answers, so the probability of passing is  ${}^5C_4\frac{1}{n^4}$   $(1-\frac{1}{n})+\frac{1}{n^5}=\frac{5n-4}{n^5}$ . It now remains to demonstrate that  $P_4-P_3>0$  and that  $P_4-P_5>0$  to justify that k=4 is best.

For Candidate B's strategy, we have a conditional probability:

$$P(k = 4 \mid pass) = \frac{P(k = 4 \& pass)}{P(pass)} = \frac{\frac{\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{4n - 3}{n^4}}{\left(\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{n^3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{4n - 3}{n^4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{5n - 4}{n^5}\right)},$$

where the denominator consists of the terms P(k = 3 & pass), P(k = 4 & pass) and P(k = 5 & pass) respectively.

In the case of Candidate C, the probability of passing is just

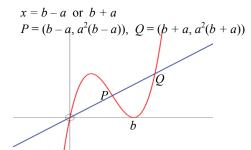
$$P(3H) \times P(pass \mid 3H) + P(4H) \times P(pass \mid 4H) + P(5H) \times P(pass \mid 5H)$$

$$= {}^{5}C_{3} \frac{n^{3}}{(n+1)^{5}} \times \frac{1}{n^{3}} + {}^{5}C_{4} \frac{n^{4}}{(n+1)^{5}} \times \frac{4n-3}{n^{4}} + {}^{5}C_{5} \frac{n^{5}}{(n+1)^{5}} \times \frac{5n-4}{n^{5}} = \frac{25n-9}{(n+1)^{5}}.$$

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Mark Scheme

Q1 
$$a^2x = x(b-x)^2$$
  
 $\Rightarrow a = b-x \text{ or } -a = b-x$ 

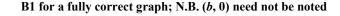


M1 equating the two equations (with/without the factor of x)

M1 for solving method, this way or via a quadratic equation ... which should be  $x^2 - (b^2 - a^2)$ 

A1 both

A1 both y-coordinates



[There is no need for candidates to justify that this is the correct arrangement: a second, more interesting, sketch arises when 0 < b < a but the question does not require it.]

$$y = x^3 - 2bx^2 + b^2x \implies \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 4bx + b^2$$

or 
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (b-x)^2 - 2x(b-x)$$
  
=  $3(b^2 - 2ab + a^2) - 4b(b-a) + b^2$   
=  $3a^2 - 2ab$  or  $a(3a-2b)$  at  $P$ 

Eqn. of tgt. at P is

$$y - a^{2}(b - a) = a(3a - 2b)(x - [b - a])$$

$$y = a(3a - 2b)x + a^{2}(b - a) - (3a^{2} - 2ab)(b - a)$$

$$y = a(3a - 2b)x - (b - a)[4a^{2} - 2ab]$$

$$y = a(3a - 2b)x + 2a(b - a)^{2}$$

M1 for differentiating a cubic

using the *Product Rule* of differentiation on  $y = x(b-x)^2$ 

M1 for substituting x = b - a

A1 (AG) for correct gradient in any form

M1 method for tgt. eqn. via  $y - y_c = m(x - x_c)$  or y = mx + c with P's coords. substd.

A1 (AG) legitimately obtained & written in this form

$$S = \int_{0}^{b-a} (x^3 - 2bx^2 + b^2x) dx - \frac{1}{2} a^2(b-a)^2$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{2}{3}bx^3 + \frac{1}{2}b^2x^2\right]_{0}^{b-a} - \frac{1}{2}a^2(b-a)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (b-a)^4 - \frac{2}{3} b(b-a)^3 + \frac{1}{2} b^2 (b-a)^2 - \frac{1}{2} a^2 (b-a)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{12}(b-a)^2 \{3(b-a)^2 - 8b(b-a) + 6(b^2 - a^2)\}$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{12}(b-a)^3 (3b-3a-8b+6b+6a)$ 

$$= \frac{1}{12}(b-a)^3(b+3a)$$

M1 method for finding area by  $\int n \cdot - \Delta$  area

B1 for correct  $\int$ n. of a 3 (or 4) term cubic (even if  $\Delta$  omitted)

M1 for substn. of correct limits in any integrated terms

M1 for correctly factoring out at least two linear terms (must have a difference of two areas or equivalent)

A1 (AG) legitimately obtained

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Area  $\triangle OPR = \frac{1}{2}$  (y-coord. of R)×(x-coord. of P)

$$T = \frac{1}{2} .2a(b-a)^2.(b-a) = a(b-a)^3$$

$$\frac{S}{T} = \frac{1}{12} \cdot \frac{b+3a}{a}$$
 or  $S - \frac{1}{3}T = \dots$  or  $3S - T = \dots$ 

$$\frac{b+3a}{a} > \frac{a+3a}{a} : b > a$$

or 
$$3S - T = \frac{1}{4} (b - a)^4 > 0$$
 :  $b \neq a$ 

M1 correct method for required area

A1 correct, factorised form for T seen at some stage

M1 for genuine attempt to consider any of these algebraically

A1 (AG) correct result legitimately obtained

E1 for proper justification of result

(E0 for unexplained 'backwards' logic)

(i) 
$$\log_{10} \pi^2 < 1$$

- M1 Taking logs to base 10 of given inequality RHS might still be in terms of a log
- A1 Simplifying to an expression involving only one log (might be awarded later)

$$\frac{1}{\log_2 \pi} + \frac{1}{\log_5 \pi} = \frac{\log_{10} 2}{\log_{10} \pi} + \frac{\log_{10} 5}{\log_{10} \pi}$$

M1 Writing both denominators in the same base

(might not be base 10)

$$=\frac{1}{\log_{10}\pi}$$

M1 A1 Simplifying to an expression involving only one log

Linking to given inequality to complete the proof that LHS > 2 AG

E1 Penalise answers which assume the result here

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(ii) 
$$\ln \pi > 1 + \frac{1}{5} \ln 2$$

M1 Using the change-of-base-formula to turn into "ln"

A1 Producing a correctly simplified version (may be given implicitly later)

E1 Penalise answers which assume the result here

 $\ln 2 > \frac{2}{3}$ Combining both facts to get  $\ln \pi > \frac{17}{15}$  **AG** 

M1 A1 Taking natural logs of given inequality

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(iii) 
$$\ln \pi < 1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 10$$

$$= \frac{\log_{10} 10}{2 \log_{10} e}$$

M1 Converting to base 10 using the change-of-base-formula

 $\log_{10} e > \frac{1}{3} \log_{10} 20$ 

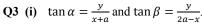
$$= \frac{1}{3} (1 + \log_{10} 2)$$

A1 Correct use of given result

Putting it all together to get  $\ln \pi < \frac{15}{13}$  **AG** 

E2 Penalise if inequality directions misused

M1 Taking log to base 10 of given inequality



**B1 B1** 

If 
$$\beta = 2\alpha$$
 then

$$\tan 2\alpha = \frac{2\tan\alpha}{1-\tan^2\alpha}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{2y}{x+a}}{1-\frac{y^2}{(x+a)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{y}{2a-x}$$
i.e.  $\frac{y}{2a-x} = \frac{2y(x+a)}{(x+a)^2-y^2}$ 

M1 equating with 
$$\tan \beta$$

1.e. 
$$\frac{1}{2a-x} = \frac{1}{(x+a)^2 - y^2}$$

$$y((x+a)^2 - y^2) = 2y(x+a)(2a-x)$$
  
(x+a)^2 - y^2 = 2(x+a)(2a-x) since y > 0

M1 for getting rid of fractions

$$(x + a)^2 - y^2 = 2(x + a)(2a - x)$$
 since  $y > x^2 + a^2 + 2ax - y^2 = 4a^2 - 2x^2 + 2ax$  so  $3x^2 - 3a^2 = y^2$ 

E1 for justifying this step (this could happen earlier)

## A1 (AG)

$$y = PR \sin \alpha = PS \sin 2\alpha$$
 so  $PR = 2PS \cos \alpha$ 

M1 M1 for useful expression for  $\cos \alpha$ 

$$x + a = PR \cos \alpha = 2PS \cos^2 \alpha$$
  
 $2a - x = PS \cos 2\alpha = 2PS \cos^2 \alpha - PS$ 

M1 A1 A1 for expressing 
$$x^2$$
 and  $y^2$  in terms of  $a$  and a length

$$2a - x = PS \cos 2\alpha = 2PS \cos^2 \alpha - PS$$
  
 $\sin 3x - 3a = 2PS(1 - \cos^2 \alpha) = 2PS \sin^2 \alpha$   
 $\sin 3(x^2 - a^2) = 4PS^2 \sin^2 \alpha \cos^2 \alpha = y^2$ .

M1 A1 for expression for 
$$3(x^2 - a^2)$$
  
M1 A1 (AG) for checking equality

### Alt.2:

Let angle bisector of S meet PR at T.

PST and PRS are similar

so 
$$PT/PS = PS/PR$$

$$PT = PR \frac{x-a/2}{x+a}$$
, and so

$$PR^{2}\left(x-\frac{a}{2}\right) = PS^{2}(x+a)$$

Pythagoras gives

M1 A1 unsimplified cubic

$$((x-2a)^2 + y^2)(x+a) = ((x+a)^2 + y^2)\left(x - \frac{a}{2}\right)$$

Simplifying: 
$$\frac{3a}{2}y^2 = \frac{9a}{2}(x^2 - a^2)$$

For methods (not involving similar triangles) which reach a higher-order polynomial in a, x and y, give M1 M1 A1. As progress towards this, give M1 M1 for Sine Rule + Pythagoras.

### Alt.3:

$$y = \tan \alpha . (x + a)$$
 and  $y = \tan \beta . (2a - x)$ 

$$\tan \alpha \cdot (x+a) = \frac{2 \tan \alpha}{1 - \tan^2 \alpha} (2a - x)$$
  
$$\tan \alpha \neq 0 \text{ so } x + a = \frac{2a - x}{1 - \tan^2 \alpha}$$

M1 for double tangent A1

$$\tan \alpha \neq 0$$
 so  $x + a = \frac{2a - x}{1 - \tan^2 \alpha}$ 

E1

giving 
$$x = \frac{3 + \tan^2 \alpha}{3 - \tan^2 \alpha} a$$

M1 A1 writing x in terms of  $\alpha$  and tan  $\alpha$ 

and  $y = \cdots$ 

M1 A1 for expression for y and checking  $y^2 = 3(x^2 - a^2)$ 

(ii) If 
$$3(x^2 - a^2) = y^2$$
 then

$$(x + a)^2 - y^2 = 2(x + a)(2a - x)$$

M1 rearranging into something useful

 $x \neq 2a, -a$  (the latter because y > 0)

E1 justifying this

meaning both sides non-zero so

$$\frac{y}{2a-x} = \frac{2y(x+a)}{(x+a)^2 - y^2}$$

$$\frac{2y}{x+a}$$

M1 A1 for something in terms of 
$$\tan \alpha$$

So 
$$\tan \beta = \tan 2\alpha$$

Some candidates might just say "everything in (i) is reversible", without checking. I suggest such a claim would get the three M marks above but not the A or E marks. If for some reason a candidate does this part but not (i), they should also get the two B1 marks and the first M1 from part (i) for using these facts here.

Other methods exist which give instead  $\cos 2\alpha = \pm \cos \beta$ .

### Alt.:

$$\tan(\beta - \alpha) = \frac{\frac{y}{2a - x} - \frac{y}{x+a}}{\frac{y^2}{(x+a)(2a - x)}}$$

$$= \frac{y(2x - a)}{(x+a)(2a - x) + y^2}$$

$$= \frac{y(2x - a)}{(x+a)(2a - x) + 3x^2 - 3a^2}$$

$$= \frac{y(2x - a)}{(x+a)(2x - a)}$$
A1

Since  $x \neq a/2$  (as otherwise  $y^2 < 0$ )

F1 (be generous if the

Since  $x \neq a/2$  (as otherwise  $y^2 < 0$ ) we get  $tan(\beta - \alpha) = tan \alpha$ 

E1 (be generous if there is an attempt to justify)

**A1** 

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This means 
$$\beta = 2\alpha + k\pi$$
 for some integer  $k$ . B1  $0 < \alpha < \pi$  so  $y > 0$  and  $0 < \beta < \pi$  B1 OR  $y > 0$  and  $x < 2\alpha$  so  $0 < \beta < \pi/2$  you so  $-\pi < 2\alpha - \beta < 2\pi$  M1 so  $k = 0, -1$  A1 giving  $\beta = 2\alpha$  or  $\beta = 2\alpha - \pi$ .

B1 for bounding  $\beta$  (the bound you get depends on whether you use the information given in this part or given earlier) M1 for using this to bound kA1 only two values of k – don't worry about a sign error

A1 cao (don't need to check both are possible)

### Alt. part (ii) (all 11 marks):

Construct the point S' = (2x - 2a, 0), making PSS' isosceles.

Now  $PS^2 = y^2 + (2a - x)^2$ 

 $=3(x^2-a^2)+(2a-x)^2$  $=(2x-a)^2 = RS'^2$ 

M2\* A2\*

M2\*

Thus we have PS = PS' = RS'

If S' lies between R and S, this gives RPS' =  $\alpha$ 

and PS'R =  $\pi - 2\alpha$  so  $\beta = 2\alpha$ .

If R lies between S' and S, this gives

 $PRS' = (\pi - \beta)/2 \text{ so } \beta = 2\alpha - \pi.$ 

M1 A1

B1 for considering both cases

M1 A1

Candidates who attempt this are likely to do all the calculations separately for the two cases. If so, give 1 mark out of each 2\* above for each part where the corresponding working appears.

$$f'(x) = \frac{x \ln x \cdot 2(1 - (\ln x)^2) - 2 \ln x \cdot \frac{1}{x} - (1 - (\ln x)^2)^2 \cdot \left(x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \ln x\right)}{(x \ln x)^2}$$

M1 Use of product or quotient rule (or alt. substn.)

A1 1st term (numerator) correct

A1 2<sup>nd</sup> term (numerator) & denominator correct

Showing both f(x) and f'(x) = 0 when  $(\ln x)^2 = 1$ 

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(i) 
$$u = \ln t$$

$$I = \int \frac{(1 - u^2)^2}{u} \, \mathrm{d}u$$

 $= \ln |u| - u^2 + \frac{1}{4} u^4 \qquad (+c)$ 

$$= \ln |\ln x| - (\ln x)^2 + \frac{1}{4} (\ln x)^4 + \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 1$$
$$= \ln |\ln x| - (\ln x)^2 + \frac{1}{4} (\ln x)^4 + \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{for } x > 1$$

M1 Any sensible substitution

**M1 A1 Full substitution used; correct** = 
$$\int \left(\frac{1}{u} - 2u + u^3\right) du$$

A1 Penalise absence of modulus signs here (but allow for next 2 marks)

**A1** 

**A1** 

$$F(x^{-1}) = \ln |-\ln x| - (-\ln x)^2 + \frac{1}{4} (-\ln x)^4 + \frac{3}{4}$$
$$= F(x)$$

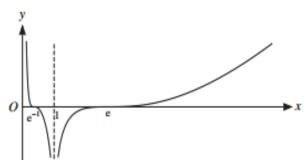
M1 For using  $ln(x^{-1}) = -ln x$ 

E1 For candidates who notice that F(x) takes the same functional form, this will be quite easy. Otherwise, two cases are required.

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(ii)



- G1 Asymptote x = 0
- G1 Asymptote x = 1
- G1 Negative gradient for 0 < x < 1
- G1 Positive gradient for x > 1
- G1 Stationary points at  $x = e^{-1}$  and  $x = e^{-1}$
- G1 Points of inflexion at  $x = e^{-1}$  and x = e
- G1 Zeroes at  $x = e^{-1}$  and x = e
- G1 Generally correct shape

(i)

(ii) 
$$P(x) = k(x-1)(x-2)(x-3) \dots (x-N) + 1$$

k(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x-4)+1

 $P(N+1) = k(N)(N-1)(N-2) \dots (1) + 1$ = k(N!) + 1 = 1 iff k = 0

**B**1

M1 P(N+1) for an  $N^{th}$ -degree polynomial

**Alt.** P(x) = 1 is a polynomial of degree N so has N roots, 1 to N inclusive; but if P(N+1) = 1 also

then it has N+1 ... a contradiction

A1

 $P(N+1) = 2 \text{ iff } k = \frac{1}{N!}$ 

A1 (no k, no mark)

 $P(N+r) = \frac{1}{N!} (N+r-1) (N+r-2) (N+r-3) \dots (r) + 1$ 

$$= \frac{(N+r-1)!}{N!(r-1)!} + 1 \text{ or } \binom{N+r-1}{N} + 1$$

B1 any form

Let m = N + r (so that m > N)

Require  $P(m) = {m-1 \choose N} + 1 = m$  or  ${m-1 \choose N} = m-1$ 

M1 or equivalent statement

$$\binom{m-1}{N} = \frac{(m-1)(m-2)(m-3)...(m-N)}{N(N-1)...\times 2} = m-1$$

M1 for general approach

$$\Rightarrow m = N + 2$$
 i.e.  $r = 2$ 

Question only requires candidates to find a suitable r so noting r = 2 (M1) and checking that it works (M1 A1) can score all of these final 3 marks

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(iii) 
$$S(x) = (x-a)(x-b)(x-c)(x-d) + 2001$$

B1 stated (a, b, c, d) distinct integers)

S(e) = (e-a)(e-b)(e-c)(e-d) + 2001 = 2018(a)

 $\Rightarrow (e-a)(e-b)(e-c)(e-d) = 17$ 

**M1 A1** 

⇒ 17 has (at least) 4 distinct integer factors

M1 looking at factorisations of 17

However, 17 has only four factors;  $\pm 1$ ,  $\pm 17$  and, as both 17s cannot be used, no such integer e exists

A1 must be fully explained

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**(b)** S(x) = (x - a)(x - b)(x - c)(x - d) + 2001 (integers a < b < c < d)

$$S(0) = abcd + 2001 = 2017 \implies abcd = 16$$

and we require 16 to be written as the product of

four distinct integers a, b, c, d with a < b < c < d

Thus  $a, b, c, d \in \{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16\}$ ; allow  $\{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8\}$  M1

If a = -16, then  $b, c, d \in \{\pm 1\}$  and this cannot be done distinctly

If a = -8, then  $b, c, d \in \{\pm 1, \pm 2\}$  with exactly one of them -<sub>ve</sub>  $\Rightarrow$  (a, b, c, d) = (-8, -1, 1, 2)

If a = -4, then  $b, c, d \in \{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4\}$  with exactly one of them -<sub>ve</sub> Ш

 $\Rightarrow$  (a, b, c, d) = (-4, -2, 1, 2) or (-4, -1, 1, 4)

IV If a = -2, then  $b, c, d \in \{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8\}$  with exactly one of them -<sub>ve</sub>  $\Rightarrow$  (a, b, c, d) = (-2, -1, 2, 4) or (-2, -1, 1, 8)

 $a \neq -1$  since then abcd < 0 and if a > 0 then  $abcd \ge 64$ 

There are thus 5 ways in which a, b, c, d can be chosen s.t. S(0) = 2017

M1 for a (partially) systematic case analysis

A1 for any three correct solutions

A1 for all five and no extras

E1 for correct justification no solutions in cases I, V

<u>Important note:</u> Candidates need to identify clearly the *number* of cases (so the actual solutions are not required) and may still gain the marks despite numerical errors if the method for finding them is clearly explained. However, I very much doubt this will happen.

- **Alt. 1** The cases could be argued by sign first and then value, as follows.
  - a, b, c, d cannot be all  $+_{ve}$  or all  $-_{ve}$  since then  $abcd \ge 64$

so we must have two  $+_{ve}$  and two  $-_{ve}$ .

Note that  $|a| \neq 16$  since all three others must then have |..| = 1.

So the options are:

- I (a, b) = (-8, -4) impossible since *abcd* already too big
- II (a, b) = (-8, -2) impossible since then both c, d must equal 1
- III  $(a, b) = (-8, -1) \implies (c, d) = (1, 2)$
- **IV**  $(a, b) = (-4, -2) \implies (c, d) = (1, 2)$
- **V**  $(a, b) = (-4, -1) \Rightarrow (c, d) = (1, 4)$
- **VI**  $(a, b) = (-2, -1) \implies (c, d) = (1, 8) \text{ or } (2, 4)$

and there are thus 5 ways in which a, b, c, d can be chosen s.t. S(0) = 2017

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A1 for any three correct solutions

A1 for all five and no extras

E1 for correct justification no solutions in cases I, II

Alt. 2 Instead, one might reason thus:

As a product of four factors, in magnitude order,

We reject the first and last of these since we can have at most two of equal magnitude (two  $+_{ve}$  and two  $-_{ve}$ ). This leaves us with

- I 1.1.2.8 gives  $(a, b, c, d) = \{-1, 1, -2, 8\}$  or  $\{-1, 1, 2, -8\}$ 
  - i.e. (a, b, c, d) = (-2, -1, 1, 8) or (-8, -1, 1, 2)
- II 1.1.4.4 gives  $(a, b, c, d) = \{-1, 1, -4, 4\}$ 
  - i.e. (a, b, c, d) = (-4, -1, 1, 4)
- III 1.2.2.4 gives  $(a, b, c, d) = \{-2, 2, 1, -4\}$  or  $\{-2, 2, -1, 4\}$ 
  - i.e. (a, b, c, d) = (-4, -2, 1, 2) or (-2, -1, 2, 4)

M1 for a (partially) systematic case analysis

- A1 for any three correct solutions
- A1 for all five and no extras
- E1 for initial justification which 4-term factorisations of 16 work

Q6 
$$2\sin\theta \left(\sin\theta + \sin 3\theta + \sin 5\theta + ... + \sin(2n-1)\theta\right)$$
$$= 2\sin\theta \sin\theta + 2\sin\theta \sin 3\theta + 2\sin\theta \sin 5\theta + ... + 2\sin\theta \sin(2n-1)\theta$$

$$\equiv (\cos 0 - \cos 2\theta) + (\cos 2\theta - \cos 4\theta) + (\cos 4\theta - \cos 6\theta) + \dots$$

... + 
$$\left(\cos(2n-2)\theta - \cos 2n\theta\right)$$

 $\equiv 1 - \cos 2n\theta$  since all intermediate terms cancel

M1 complete method using given identity

A1 (AG) legitimately obtained

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(i) The midpoint of the 
$$k^{\text{th}}$$
 strip is at  $x = \frac{\left(k - \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi}{n}$  or  $\frac{(2k-1)\pi}{2n}$  **B**

Ht. of strip is 
$$\sin \frac{(2k-1)\pi}{2n}$$
 and its area is  $\frac{\pi}{n} \sin \frac{(2k-1)\pi}{2n}$  **B**

 $A_n = \text{sum of all strips}$ 

$$= \frac{\pi}{n} \Big( \sin \theta + \sin 3\theta + \sin 5\theta + \dots + \sin(2n-1)\theta \Big), \ \theta = \frac{\pi}{2n} \quad \mathbf{M}$$

$$=\frac{\pi}{n}\left(\frac{1-\cos 2n\theta}{2\sin \theta}\right)$$

M1 for using the initial result

$$= \frac{\pi}{n} \left( \frac{1 - \cos \pi}{2 \sin \theta} \right) = \frac{\pi}{n} \left( \frac{2}{2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2n} \right)} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_n \sin \frac{\pi}{2n} = \frac{\pi}{n}$$

A1 (AG) fully established

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(ii) 
$$B_n = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\pi}{n} \right) \left\{ \sin 0 + 2 \left( \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{n} \right) + \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{n} \right) + \sin \left( \frac{3\pi}{n} \right) + \dots + \sin \left( \frac{(n-1)\pi}{n} \right) \right) + \sin \pi \right\}$$

M1 use of Trapezium Rule formula in context

$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right) \left(\sin\theta + \sin 2\theta + \sin 3\theta + \dots + \sin(n-1)\theta\right), \ \theta = \frac{\pi}{n}$$

$$B_n \sin \frac{\pi}{2n} = \left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right) \sin \frac{1}{2} \theta \left(\sin \theta + \sin 2\theta + \sin 3\theta + \dots + \sin(n-1)\theta\right)$$
$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) \left(2 \sin \frac{1}{2} \theta \sin \theta + 2 \sin \frac{1}{2} \theta \sin 2\theta + 2 \sin \frac{1}{2} \theta \sin 3\theta + \dots + 2 \sin \frac{1}{2} \theta \sin(n-1)\theta\right)$$

M1 use of initial result

$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) \left\{ \left(\cos\frac{1}{2}\theta - \cos\frac{3}{2}\theta\right) + \left(\cos\frac{3}{2}\theta - \cos\frac{5}{2}\theta\right) + \dots + \left(\cos(n - \frac{3}{2})\theta - \cos(n - \frac{1}{2})\theta\right) \right\}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) - \cos\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right) \right\}$$

A1 all intermediate terms cancelled

Now, 
$$\cos(n - \frac{1}{2})\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right) = \cos\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{2n}\right) = -\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)$$

M1 dealing with the final term in {}

so 
$$B_n \sin \frac{\pi}{2n} = \left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) \left\{ 2\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) \right\} = \frac{\pi}{n}\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)$$

A1

(iii) 
$$A_n + B_n$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)} + \frac{\pi \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)} = \frac{\pi}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)} \left(1 + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)\right)$$
 M1
$$= \frac{\pi}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)} \left(1 + 2\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right) - 1\right)$$
 M1 use of double-angle formula
$$2\pi \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2\pi \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)}$$
A1 or equivalent later tidying up
$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) = \pi \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) = \pi \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)$$

$$B_{2n} = \frac{\pi \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)}{2n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)} = \frac{\pi \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)}{n \cdot 2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)} = \frac{\pi \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)}$$
 M1  $B_n$  result with  $n \to 2n$ 

$$=\frac{1}{2}(A_n+B_n)$$
 as required

A1 (AG) fully established

Alt.  $A_n = \frac{\pi}{n} \csc \frac{\pi}{2n}$  and  $B_n = \frac{\pi}{n} \cot \frac{\pi}{2n}$ , so the result now boils down to trig. identity work:

$$A_n + B_n = \frac{\pi}{n} \left( \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right), \ \theta = \frac{\pi}{2n}$$
 M1
$$= \frac{1 + 2c^2 - 1}{2sc} = \frac{c}{s} \text{ where } c = \cos \frac{1}{2}\theta \text{ and } s = \sin \frac{1}{2}\theta$$
 M1 A1 using half-angle results
$$= 2 \frac{\pi}{2n} \cot \frac{\pi}{4n} = 2B_{2n}$$
 A1 B1

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$$A_n B_{2n} = \frac{\pi}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)} \times \frac{\pi \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)} \quad \text{using the work above}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{\pi \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)}{n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)} \right]^2$$

**B1** sensible expression for LHS

$$A_{2n} = \frac{\pi}{2n\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)} = \frac{\pi\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)}{n.2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)} = \frac{\pi\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4n}\right)}{n\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)}$$
 M1 attempt at RHS

Since all terms are positive, we can take positive square roots to get the required result,

$$\sqrt{A_n B_{2n}} = A_{2n}$$
 A1 (AG) fully established

**Q7 (i)** If 
$$x = \frac{pz+q}{z+1}$$
 and  $x^3 - 3pqx + pq(p+q) = 0$  then

$$\frac{(pz+q)^3}{(z+1)^3} - 3pq\left(\frac{pz+q}{z+1}\right) + pq(p+q) = 0 \text{ so}$$

$$\frac{(pz+q)^3}{(pz+q)^3} - 3pq(pz+q)(z+1)^2$$

$$+pq(p+q)(z+1)^3 = 0$$
i.e.  $(p^3 - 3p^2q + p^2q + pq^2)z^3$ 

$$+(3p^2q - 3pq^2 - 6p^2q + 3p^2q + 3pq^2)z^2$$

$$+(3pq^2 - 3p^2q - 6pq^2 + 3p^2q + 3pq^2)z$$

$$+(q^3 - 3pq^2 + p^2q + pq^2) = 0$$
i.e.  $(p-q)^2(pz^3+q) = 0$  and  $p \neq q$  so

M1 substitution

M1 multiplying by  $(z + 1)^3$ 

M1 for expanding & collecting like terms A1 (AG) for checking middle terms vanish

A1 for correct first/last terms (do not need to divide by  $(p-q)^2$  to get this mark, but it will help later!)

**Alt.:** write  $z = \frac{x-q}{n-x}$  (M1) and substitute in  $az^3 + b = 0$  (M1). Expand and collect terms (M1) and check  $\frac{b}{a} = \frac{q}{n}$  for no quadratic term (A1). Initial cubic legitimately obtained (A1).

(ii) We need 
$$pq = c$$
 and  $pq(p+q) = d$  so  $p+q = \frac{d}{c}$  M1 conditions on  $p, q$ 

These are roots of a quadratic  $y^2 - \frac{d}{c}y + c = 0$ 

M1 A1

This has distinct real roots iff  $\left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^2 - 4c > 0$ Since  $c^2 > 0$ , iff  $d^2 > 4c^3$ .

M1 for evaluating discriminant

A1 (AG)

Candidates who evaluate  $d^2 - 4c^3$  in terms of p and q and show the inequality holds just get first M1 (this is the converse). By writing p = c/q or vice versa it is possible to get a quadratic for one of them, but unless they justify that p, q distinct when the discriminant is positive, don't give the final A1. Another alternative is to calculate

$$(p-q)^2 = \frac{d^2}{c^2} + 4c$$
 and use this to deduce values for p and q (this is equivalent to the normal solution).

(iii) We need 
$$p + q = 1$$
 and  $pq = -2$  so  $p = 2$ ,  $q = -1$  M1 A1 (using quadratic or by inspection)

So this reduces to 
$$2z^3 - 1 = 0$$
 and  $z = 2^{-1/3}$ 

M1 A1 ft for value of z

and 
$$x = \frac{2z-1}{z+1} = \frac{2^{2/3}-1}{2^{-1/3}+1}$$

M1 A1 ft calculating x

**OR** ... so 
$$p = -1$$
,  $q = 2$ 

So this reduces to 
$$2 - z^3 = 0$$
 and  $z = 2^{1/3}$ 

(only one of these needed)

and 
$$x = \frac{2-z}{z+1} = \frac{2-2^{1/3}}{2^{1/3}+1}$$
 (equivalent to above)

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# (iv) x = p is a root:

 $pz^3 + a = 0$ 

factoring gives 
$$(x - p)(x^2 + p - 2p^2) = 0$$
  
and  $(x - p)(x - p)(x + 2p) = 0$  so  $x = p, -2p$ 

$$= v. -2v$$
 A1

Thus the equation reduces to the above with

$$p = \frac{d}{2c}$$
 so has roots  $x = \frac{d}{2c}, \frac{-d}{c}$ .

A1 ft

Equivalent values of p, such as  $\sqrt[3]{d/2}$  are fine here, but NOT  $p = \sqrt{c}$  as this isn't necessarily the correct sign.

(i) 
$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( s(x)^3 + c(x)^3 \right) = 3s(x)^2 s'(x) + 3c(x)^2 c'(x)$$
 using the Chain Rule of differentiation M1  

$$= 3s(x)^2 \cdot c(x)^2 + 3c(x)^2 \cdot - s(x)^2 = 0 \implies s(x)^3 + c(x)^3 = \text{constant A1}$$
Since  $s(0)^3 + c(0)^3 = 0^3 + 1^3 = 1$ ,  $s(x)^3 + c(x)^3 = 1$  for all  $x$  A1

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(ii)  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( s(x)c(x) \right) = s(x)c'(x) + s'(x)c(x)$  using the Product Rule of differentiation

(ii) 
$$\frac{d}{dx}(s(x)c(x)) = s(x)c'(x) + s'(x)c(x) \quad \text{using the } \textit{Product Rule} \text{ of differentiation}$$

$$= s(x)^2 - s(x)^2 + c(x)^2 \cdot c(x) \quad \text{with derivatives substd. M1}$$

$$= c(x)^3 - s(x)^3 = c(x)^3 - \left[1 - c(x)^3\right] \text{ using (i)'s result} \qquad \text{A1}$$

$$= 2c(x)^3 - 1 \quad \text{must show that given answer is obtained from (i)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{s(x)}{c(x)} \right) = \frac{c(x)s'(x) - s(x)c'(x)}{c(x)^2}$$
 using the *Quotient Rule* of differentiation
$$= \frac{c(x)c(x)^2 - s(x) - s(x)^2}{c(x)^2}$$
 with derivatives substd. M1
$$= \frac{c(x)^3 + s(x)^3}{c(x)^2} = \frac{1}{c(x)^2}$$
 using (i)'s result m.s.t.g.a.i.o.f.(i) A1

(iii) 
$$\int s(x)^2 dx = -c(x) + K$$
 ignore missing K's throughout B1

correct splitting and ...

 $\int s(x)^5 dx = \int s(x)^3 s(x)^2 dx$ 

$$= \int \left[1 - c(x)^{3}\right] s(x)^{2} dx \text{ using (i)'s result } \dots \text{ use of (i) or } \int n. \text{ by parts*}$$
 M1
$$= \int s(x)^{2} dx - \int c(x)^{3} - c'(x) dx \text{ or use of parts twice }$$
 M1
$$= -c(x) + \frac{1}{4}c(x)^{4} + K \text{ using "reverse Chain Rule" integration }$$
 A1
$$NB^{*} I = \int s^{5} dx = \int s^{3}s^{2} dx = s^{3} - c + \int 3s^{2}c^{3} dx = -c s^{3} + 3 \int s^{2}(1 - s^{3}) dx$$

$$= -c s^{3} + 3 \int s^{2} dx - 3I \Rightarrow 4I = -c s^{3} - 3c \Rightarrow I = -\frac{3}{4}c(x) - \frac{1}{4}c(x)s(x)^{3} + K$$
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(iv) 
$$u = s(x) \Rightarrow du = s'(x) dx = c(x)^2 dx$$
 &  $1 - u^3 = 1 - s(x)^3 = c(x)^3$  full substn. prepn. B1
$$\int \frac{1}{(1 - u^3)^3} du = \int \frac{1}{c(x)^2} c(x)^2 dx = \int 1 dx = x + K = s^{-1}(u) + K$$
 M1 A1

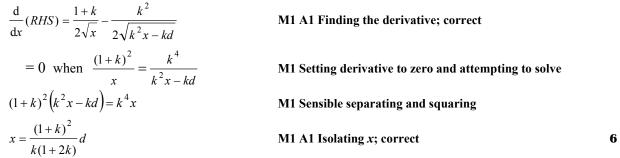
(v) 
$$\int \frac{1}{\left(1 - u^3\right)^{\frac{4}{3}}} du = \int \frac{1}{c(x)^4} \cdot c(x)^2 dx$$
 full substn. M1
$$= \int \frac{1}{c(x)^2} dx = \frac{s(x)}{c(x)} + K \quad \text{using (ii)'s result } \mathbf{A1 in } s/c \text{ (ft sign)} = \frac{u}{\left(1 - u^3\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}} + K \qquad \mathbf{A1 in } u$$
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$$\int (1 - u^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} du = \int c(x) \cdot c(x)^2 dx = \int c(x)^3 dx$$
 **full substn. M1**

$$= \int \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \left[ s(x) c(x) \right] \right) dx$$
 using (ii)'s result **M1**

$$= \frac{1}{2} x + \frac{1}{2} s(x) c(x) + K = \frac{1}{2} s^{-1}(u) + \frac{1}{2} u \left( 1 - u^3 \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} + K$$
 **A1 3**

9	$mg x \sin \alpha \ge mg d \sin \beta$ $\Rightarrow x \sin \alpha \ge d \sin \beta$	M1 Attempt to use conservation of energy A1 Correct	2
	Acceleration down the slope is $g \sin \alpha$	B1	
	$v^2 = 2g x \sin \alpha$	M1A1 Use of appropriate kinematic formula; correct	
	$t_1 = \frac{x}{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2gx\sin\alpha}} \text{ or } \sqrt{\frac{2x}{g\sin\alpha}}$	A1	
	Acceleration up the slope is $-g \sin \beta$	B1 Clear use of correct sign convention required	
	$d = v t_2 - \frac{1}{2} g \sin\beta t_2^2$	M1 A1 Use of appropriate kinematic formulae.	
		NB: this and the previous M1A1 can also be gained from conservation of energy considerations	
	$t_2 = \frac{v \pm \sqrt{v^2 - 2dg\sin\beta}}{g\sin\beta}$	M1 A1 Use of the quadratic formula; correct	
	Justifying taking the negative sign	E1	
		M1 Algebraic working towards correct form	
	$\left(\frac{g\sin\alpha}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}T = (1+k)\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{k^2x - kd}$	A1 Given Answer convincingly obtained	12



(i) 
$$2D - nR = (2M + nm)a \Rightarrow a = \frac{2D - nR}{2M + nm}$$
  
 $D - T = Ma$   
 $T = \frac{D(2M + nm) - M(2D - nR)}{2M + nm}$   
 $= \frac{n(mD + MR)}{2M + nm}$ 

2M + nm

U - (n-k)R = (n-k)ma

M1 A1 Use of N2L for the train; a correct

B1 N2L for the front engine

M1 Combining results

A1 Getting Given Answer legitimately

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(ii) For the 
$$r^{\text{th}}$$
 carriage, with  $1 \le r \le k$ 

$$T_{r-1} - T_r - R = ma$$

$$T_{r-1} - T_r = R + ma > 0 \implies \text{tensions decreasing}$$
Noting the same applies after the  $2^{\text{nd}}$  engine
If  $U$  is the tension of the connection to  $2^{\text{nd}}$  engine ...

M1 Considering a general carriage between the two engines

A1

**E**1 **E**1

M1 Considering the tension just after 2<sup>nd</sup> engine (can be done in several ways)

**A1** 

Then 
$$T - U = \frac{n(mD + MR)}{2M + nm} - (n - k)(R + ma)$$

M2 Finding an expression for T-U

From first line, 2D - nR = (2M + nm)a $\Rightarrow 2mD - mnR = (2M + nm)ma$  $\Rightarrow 2mD + 2MR = (ma + R)(2M + nm)$ Substituting in:

M1 Reasonable strategy for dealing with the algebra; such as eliminating D. Don't reward those going round in circles or reverse logic.

$$T - U = \frac{1}{2} n(R + ma) - (n - k)(R + ma)$$
$$= (k - \frac{1}{2} n)(R + ma)$$

A1 Getting to a correct factorised expression

So T > U if  $k > \frac{1}{2}n$ 

E1 Given Answer suitably justified

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(iii) For the 
$$2^{nd}$$
 engine,  $T_k + D - U = Ma$   
 $\Rightarrow T_k = U + Ma - D = U - T$   
From above,  $T > U$  if  $k > \frac{1}{2}n$  so  $T_k < 0$ 

M1 A1 N2L for the 2<sup>nd</sup> engine M1 Eliminating D using N2L on  $1^{st}$  engine (T = D - Ma)

E1 Correct justification using (ii)'s result

### **Q11 (i)** $\angle BAO = \alpha$ (due to || lines)

E1 Accept this just labelled on a diagram

 $\angle ABO = \alpha$  (due to Isos. $\triangle$ ) so  $\angle BOA = 180^{\circ} - 2\alpha$  E1 Or accept Ext. $\angle$  of  $\triangle$ 

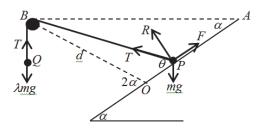
So when P is at O,  $\theta = 2\alpha$ 

and when P is at A,  $\theta = \alpha$  and the result follows

E1 (since qn. says P is between O and A)

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### (ii) Labelled diagram:



**B**1

 $R + T\sin\theta = mg\cos\alpha$ 

 $T = \lambda mg$ 

R > 0 if P is in contact with the plane,

 $\cos \cos \alpha \ge \lambda \sin \theta$ 

If this is true for all values then it holds at the largest possible  $\theta$ ... so  $\cos \alpha \ge \lambda \sin 2\alpha$ i.e.  $\cos \alpha \ge \lambda$ .  $2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha \implies 1 \ge 2\lambda \sin \alpha$ 

M1 A1 Resolving perpr. to plane for P

B1 Resolving vertically for freely-hanging mass

**E**1

E1 Condone no mention that  $\alpha$  < 45°

M1 A1 Resolving parallel to plane; correct

B1 Correct use of  $F \le \mu R$  (condone =)

M1 Use of trig. identity and "cancelling" to get Given Answer Condone oversight of checking for division by zero 7

(iii)  $mg \sin \alpha + T \cos \theta = F$ 

 $F = mg \tan \beta (\cos \alpha - \lambda \sin \theta)$ 

$$\sin\alpha + \lambda\cos\theta = \frac{\sin\beta}{\cos\beta}(\cos\alpha - \lambda\sin\theta)$$

 $\Rightarrow \sin\alpha\cos\beta + \lambda\cos\theta\cos\beta = \sin\beta\cos\alpha - \lambda\sin\beta\sin\theta$ 

 $\Rightarrow \lambda(\cos\theta\cos\beta + \sin\beta\sin\theta) = \sin\beta\cos\alpha - \sin\alpha\cos\beta$ 

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{\sin \beta \cos \alpha - \sin \alpha \cos \beta}{\cos \theta \cos \beta + \sin \beta \sin \theta}$$

$$=\frac{\sin(\beta-\alpha)}{\cos(\beta-\theta)}$$

M1 Isolating  $\lambda$ 

Since  $\theta < 2\alpha$  and  $\beta \ge 2\alpha$  then  $\beta - \theta > 0$ 

The minimum of  $sec(\beta - \theta)$  is achieved when  $\theta$  is a maximum; i.e.  $\theta = 2\alpha$ . For the system to be in equilibrium for all P between O and A then

 $\lambda$  must be less than this

If  $\alpha \le \beta \le 2\alpha$  then the minimum of  $\sec(\beta - \theta)$ 

is achieved when  $\theta = \beta$ 

at which point the condition becomes  $\lambda \leq \sin(\beta - \alpha)$  **B1** 

M1 A1 Use of compound angle formula; answer correct

E1 Explaining how given condition is used

E1 Explaining how considering  $\theta = 2\alpha$  leads to the necessary condition

**E**1

NB follow through marks below are for candidates who have a probability of  $p_1 + p_2 + p_3$  above, and work with this as the probability of an individual head, but check that they actually have  $(1 - p_1 - p_2 - p_3)$  for the probability of a tail, not  $(3 - p_1 - p_2 - p_3)$ ; the latter is a wrong method and gets nothing.

(ii)

value	prob
2	$p^2$
1	2p(1-p)
0	$(1-p)^2$

gives  $E(N_1) = 2p^2 + 2p(1-p) + 0 = 2p$ 

 $Var(N_1) = E(N_1^2) - E(N_1)^2$ 

and  $E(N_1^2) = 4p^2 + 2p(1-p) + 0 = 2p^2 + 2p$ 

so  $Var(N_1) = 2p(1-p)$ 

M1 A1 ft (need P(2) and either P(1) or P(0), but if they give all three, require all correct)

A1 cao

M1 for this or other plausible method

A1 ft for this or other intermediate calculation for Var

A1 (AG)

Alt. approach is to argue that these are twice the corresponding values for one toss (M1 A1) where  $E(X) = E(X^2) = p$  (M1 A1), then getting the two values (A1 A1 AG),

**Or** just to say this is Bin(2,p) (M2) and quote the mean (A2) and variance (A2) for that (which is in formula book: to get marks for this candidates MUST explicitly write Bin(2,p)).

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(iii)

value	prob
2	$(p_1p_2 + p_2p_3 + p_3p_1)/3$
1	$[p_1(1-p_2)+p_2(1-p_1)+$
	$p_2(1-p_3) + p_3(1-p_2) +$
	$p_3(1-p_1) + p_1(1-p_3)]/3$
0	$[(1-p_1)(1-p_2) +$
	$(1-p_2)(1-p_3) +$
	$(1-p_3)(1-p_1)]/3$

M1 for working out probabilities by conditioning on the chosen coins

A1 for at least one prob correct

A1 for all correct (of at least two given)

gives  $E(N_2) = \cdots = 2p$   $Var(N_2) = E(N_2^2) - E(N_2)^2$ and  $E(N_2^2) = 2p + 2(p_1p_2 + p_2p_3 + p_3p_1)/3$ so  $Var(N_2) = 2p + \frac{2(p_1p_2 + p_2p_3 + p_3p_1)}{3} - 4p^2$ 

A1 ft correct expression + A1 cao simplified
M1 for this or other plausible method
A1 ft for this or other intermediate calculation for Var

A1 cao any equivalent expression

Alt. is to calculate probs for each pair of coins (M1 A1 A1) then E(N) and  $E(N^2)$  for each pair of coins (A1 A1), then average at this point to give  $E(N_2)$  and  $E(N_2^2)$  (M1 A1), then calculate variance (A1). For a correct evaluation of the expectation by conditioning on which coins are chosen, but no probabilities/variance, give M1 A1 A1.

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(iv) Look at  $Var(N_1) - Var(N_2) = 2(p_1^2 + p_2^2 + p_3^2 - p_1p_2 - p_2p_3 - p_3p_1)/9$  $= ((p_1 - p_2)^2 + (p_2 - p_3)^2 + (p_3 - p_1)^2)/9$   $\ge 0, \text{ with equality iff}$ 

B1 ft for suitable simplified expression

M1 for attempt to complete square A1 for partial completion

A1 for full completion to get the inequality

 $p_1 - p_2 = p_2 - p_3 = p_3 - p_1 = 0$ , i.e  $p_1 = p_2 = p_3$  E1 for justifying when equality occurs

Anyone who uses the rearrangement inequality here is likely to get full marks – but check final E1!

An example of "partial completion" is writing as  $p_1(p_1 - p_2) + p_2(p_2 - p_3) + p_3(p_3 - p_1)$  from which the result would follow by w.l.o.g.-ing  $p_1 \ge p_2 \ge p_3$ .

Q13 (i) If 
$$k \le 2$$
 she can get at most 4 marks, so P(pass)=0 If  $k = 3$  the only way to pass is 3 right answers, with probability  $\frac{1}{n^3}$ .

If 
$$k=4$$
, 3 or 4 correct will pass, and this has prob. 
$$\frac{4(n-1)}{n^4}+\frac{1}{n^4}=\frac{4n-3}{n^4}.$$

If 
$$k = 5$$
, 4 or 5 correct will pass, and this has prob.  $\frac{5(n-1)}{n^5} + \frac{1}{n^5} = \frac{5n-4}{n^5}$ .

B1 for ruling out 
$$k < 3$$

B1 for needs all correct if 
$$k = 3$$

(give this even if prob. wrong/missing)
M1 for 3/4 needed & attempt to get prob. (but see remark)

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$$\frac{4n-3}{n^4} - \frac{1}{n^3} = \frac{3(n-1)}{n^4} > 0 \text{ since } n > 1.$$

$$\frac{4n-3}{n^4} - \frac{5n-4}{n^5} = \frac{4n^2 - 8n - 4}{n^5} = \frac{4(n-1)^2}{n^5} > 0$$
So  $k = 4$  is best.

M1 comparing via difference/quotient A1 inequality justified

**NB** It is possible to do part (i) without calculating any probabilities: if you would pass with three questions, answering another question cannot hurt you, and if you would fail after four questions, answering another question cannot help you. A candidate who explains this will get most of the marks above, but do not give the two marks  $A1^*$  unless these probabilities appear later on – you do need to calculate these probabilities at some point.

(ii) 
$$P(k = 4 \mid pass) = \frac{P(k=4 \cap pass)}{P(pass)}$$
$$= \frac{\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{4n-3}{n^4}}{\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{4n-3}{n^4} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{n^3} + \frac{5n-4}{n^5}}$$
$$= \frac{4n^2 - 3n}{5n^2 + 2n - 4}$$

M1 for this in any form

M1 A1ft for substituting probs from before or re-calculating

A1cao (simplified to a quotient of polys, not nec. lowest terms)

If a candidate jumps straight to the second line, assume they know where it comes from. However, if they jump straight to the second line without the  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$ s (and without justifying that they cancel), withhold the final **A1**.

(iii) 
$$P(pass) = P(3 \text{ heads})P(pass | 3 \text{ heads})$$
  
+  $P(4 \text{ heads})P(pass | 4 \text{ heads})$   
+  $P(5 \text{ heads})P(pass | 5 \text{ heads})$   
=  $10 \frac{n^3}{(n+1)^5} \times \frac{1}{n^3} + 5 \frac{n^4}{(n+1)^5} \times \frac{4n-3}{n^4} + \frac{n^5}{(n+1)^5} \times \frac{5n-4}{n^5}$ 

M1 for conditioning on the number of heads

M1 A1 for calculating binomial probabilities
M1 A1cao for substituting probs from before or
re-calculating

If a candidate works throughout with a particular value of n (typically 2) they can get at most the following marks: B1 B1 M1 A0 M1 A0 (4/6) M1 A0 M0 A0 A0 (1/5) M1 M0 A0 A0 (1/4) M1 M1 A1 M1 A0 (4/5), total 10.