



SYDNEY BOYS HIGH  
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MOORE PARK, SURRY HILLS

**November 2002**

**First HSC Assessment Task**

# Mathematics

## **General Instructions**

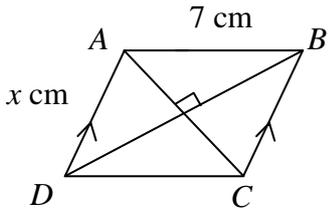
- Reading Time – 5 Minutes
- Working time – 90 Minutes
- Write using black or blue pen. Pencil may be used for diagrams.
- Board approved calculators may be used
- All necessary working should be shown in every question

## **Total Marks – 60**

- All Questions may be attempted
- Each Question is worth 12 marks

Examiner – *A.M. Gainford*

**Question 1.** (12 Marks) (Start a new booklet.)

- (a) Calculate  $(5 \cdot 413698 \times 10^{12}) \div (2 \cdot 910064 \times 10^{17})$ , giving your answer in scientific notation, correct to 6 significant figures. **1**
- (b) Calculate the probability of obtaining a total of 8 when two standard dice are rolled. **1**
- (c) Factorise completely  $2x^2 + 2x - 12$ . **1**
- (d) In the figure  $ABCD$ ,  $AB \parallel CD$ ,  $AD \parallel CB$  and  $AC \perp BD$ . If  $AB = 7\text{cm}$ ,  $AD = x\text{cm}$ , find the value of  $x$ . **1**
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- (e) Write an equation for the parabola with vertex  $(0, 0)$  and focus  $(0, 2)$ . **1**
- (f) Sketch on the number plane the graph of the function  $y = \log_3 x$  in the domain  $0 < x \leq 9$ . **1**
- (g) Find the 24th term of the arithmetic series  $7 + 4\frac{1}{2} + 2 + \dots$  **1**
- (h) Given that  $\log_a 10 = 2 \cdot 094$  and  $\log_a 2 = 0 \cdot 6309$ , find  $\log_a 500$ . **1**
- (i) Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x - 3}$ . **2**
- (j) Find the values of  $k$  for which  $x^2 + kx + 2$  is positive definite. **2**

**Question 2.** (12 Marks) (Start a new booklet.)

(a) Find and simplify the derivative of each of the following: 6

(i)  $x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 2$

(ii)  $\sqrt{1-x}$

(iii)  $x\sqrt{1-x^2}$

(iv)  $\frac{x+2}{1-x}$

(b) Consider the parabola with equation  $y = \frac{1}{4}x^2 - x$  4

(i) Write the equation in the form  $(x-h)^2 = 4a(y-k)$ .

(ii) State the vertex and focus.

(iii) Sketch the curve.

(c) (i) Evaluate  $\sum_{r=1}^5 2r-1$  2

(ii) Express the geometric series  $1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + 256$  in sigma notation.

**Question 3.** (12 Marks) (Start a new booklet.)

- (a) Seventy-five tagged fish are released into a dam known to contain fish. Later a sample of forty-two fish was netted from this dam and then released. Of these forty-two fish it was noted that five were tagged. **1**

Estimate the number of fish in the dam.

- (b) The vertices of a triangle are  $A(3,4)$ ,  $B(-2,2)$  and  $C(5,-3)$ . **8**

(i) Find the coordinates of  $D$ , the midpoint of the side  $BC$ .

(ii) Write down the equation of the side  $AB$ .

(iii) Find the equation of the line through  $C$  parallel to  $AD$ .

(iv) Find the coordinates of  $E$ , the point of intersection of the two lines described in parts (ii) and (iii).

- (c) (i) Find the value of  $m$  for which  $\log(9^m) = \log 3 - \log \sqrt{3}$ . **3**

(ii) Evaluate  $\log_b a \times \log_a b$ .

**Question 4. (12 Marks) (Start a new booklet.)**

- (a) Given the expression  $2x^2 + 4x - 1$ : **2**
- (i) Find the value of  $x$  when the expression has its minimum value.
- (ii) State the minimum value of this expression
- (b) Find the co-ordinates of the point on the curve  $y = x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x - 7$  where the gradient of the tangent is zero. **2**
- (c) The twelfth term of an arithmetic series is 2, and the fifteenth term is  $-4$ . Find the first term and the common difference. **2**
- (d) (i) Write a quadratic equation with roots  $-5$  and  $7$ . **3**
- (ii) Solve the quadratic inequality  $x^2 - 2x - 3 \geq 0$ .
- (e) Consider the recurring decimal fraction  $F = 0.4\dot{3}\dot{7}$ . **3**
- (i) Express  $F$  as an infinite sum of terms, all but the first of which form a geometric series.
- (ii) Hence or otherwise express  $F$  as a common fraction in lowest terms.

**Question 5. (12 Marks) (Start a new booklet.)**

(a) Solve the equation  $x^4 - 3x^2 + 2 = 0$ . 2

(b) Consider the curve with equation  $y = x - \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $x > 0$ : 3

- (i) Find the gradient of the tangent at the point on the curve where  $x = 2$ .
- (ii) Write in general form the equations of the tangent and normal to the curve at this point.

(c) An amount  $\$A$  is borrowed at  $r\%$  per annum reducible interest, calculated monthly. 7  
The loan is to be repaid in equal monthly instalments of  $\$M$ .

Let  $R = \left(1 + \frac{r}{1200}\right)$  and let  $\$B_n$  be the amount owing after  $n$  monthly repayments have been made.

(i) Show that  $B_n = AR^n - M\left(\frac{R^n - 1}{R - 1}\right)$ .

Pat borrows  $\$90\,000$  at  $8\%$  per annum reducible interest, calculated monthly. The loan is to be repaid in 96 equal monthly instalments.

- (ii) Show that the monthly repayments should be  $\$1272 \cdot 30$ .
- (iii) With the twenty-fourth payment, Pat pays an additional  $\$10\,000$ , so this payment is  $\$11272 \cdot 30$ . After this, repayments continue at  $\$1272 \cdot 30$  per month. How many more repayments will be needed?

**This is the end of the paper.**



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**Sample Solutions**

### Question 1

1) a)  $5413698 \times 10^{12} \div 2.910064 \times 10^{17}$

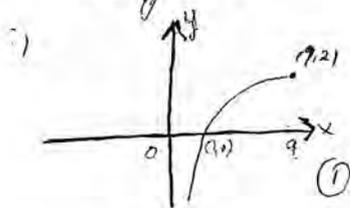
b.s.f)  $1.86037 \times 10^{-5}$  (1)

b)  $\frac{5}{36}$  (1)

c)  $2(x^2 + x - 6)$  (1) *keine*  
 $2(x+3)(x-2)$  *antwort*

d)  $x=7$  (1)

e)  $x^2 = 8y$  (1)



g)  $d = -2i$   
 $a = 7$   
 $T_{24} = a + 23d$   
 $= 7 + 23(-2i)$   
 $= 7 - 46i$   
 $= 50i$  (1)

h)  $\log 500 = \log \frac{1000}{2}$   
 $= \log 1000 - \log 2$   
 $= 3 \log 10 - \log 2$   
 $= 6.282 - 0.6309$   
 $= 5.6511$  (3)

i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x+3)(x-3)}{x-3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} x+3 = 6$  (2)

j)  $k^2 - 8 < 0$   
 $-\sqrt{8} < k < \sqrt{8}$

Q1.

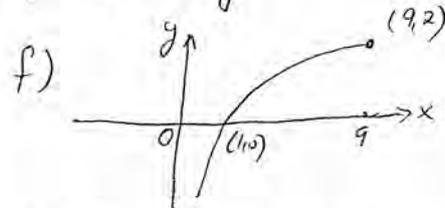
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b)  $\frac{5}{36}$

c)  $2(x+3)(x-2)$

d)  $x=7$

e)  $x^2 = 8y$



g)  $T_{24} = a + 23d = -50i$

h) 5.6511

i) 6 (2)

j)  $-\sqrt{8} < k < \sqrt{8}$  (2)

## Question 2

(a) (i)  $\frac{d}{dx}(x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 2) = 3x^2 - 6x + 1$

(ii)  $\sqrt{1-x} = (1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$   
 $\frac{d}{dx}(1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}(1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times -1$

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

$$= -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x}}$$

(iii)  $x\sqrt{1-x^2}$

$$u = x \quad v = \sqrt{1-x^2} = (1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$u' = 1 \quad v' = \frac{1}{2}(1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times -2x = -x(1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x\sqrt{1-x^2}) = vu' + uv'$$

$$= \sqrt{1-x^2} \times 1 + x \times -\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1-x^2} - \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1-x^2-x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1-2x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

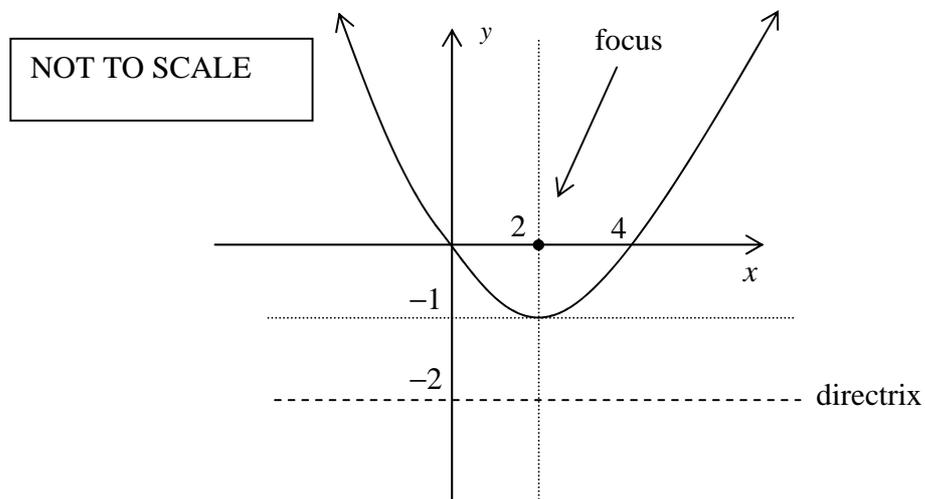
(iv)  $\frac{x+2}{1-x}$

$$u = x+2 \quad v = 1-x$$

$$u' = 1 \quad v' = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{x+2}{1-x} \right) &= \frac{vu' - uv'}{v^2} \\ &= \frac{(1-x) \times 1 - (x+2) \times -1}{(1-x)^2} \\ &= \frac{1-x+x+2}{(1-x)^2} = \frac{3}{(1-x)^2} \\ &= \frac{3}{(x-1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (i)  $y = \frac{1}{4}x^2 - x$   
 $4y = x^2 - 4x$   
 $4y + 4 = x^2 - 4x + 4$  (complete the square)  
 $4(y+1) = (x-2)^2$   
 $\therefore (x-2)^2 = 4(y+1)$   
 $h = 2, a = 1, k = -1$
- (ii) Vertex (2, -1)  
Focus (2, 0) (1 unit above the vertex)
- (iii)



- (c) (i)  $\sum_{r=1}^5 (2r-1) = 1+3+5+7+9 = 25$
- (ii)  $1+2+4+8+K+256 = \sum_{r=1}^9 2^{r-1} = \sum_{r=0}^8 2^r$

Question 3

a)  $\frac{5}{12}$  of the sample were tagged. We assume a random distribution of fish so if  $x$  is the total number of fish then.

$$\frac{5}{42} = \frac{75}{x} \quad \therefore x = \frac{75 \times 42}{5} = \underline{\underline{630 \text{ fish.}}}$$

b) i)  $x_0 = 15$  is  $\frac{5-2}{2}$  ie 1.5

$y_0 = 15$  is  $\frac{-3+2}{2}$  ie -0.5

So coord of D is  $(1\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$

ii)  $\frac{y-4}{x-3} = \frac{2-4}{-2-3} \Rightarrow -5(y-4) = -2(x-3)$

ie  $-5y+20 = -2x+6$  OR  $\underline{\underline{5y-2x-14=0}}$

ii) slope of AD is  $\frac{4-(-\frac{1}{2})}{3-1\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{4+\frac{1}{2}}{2 \times \frac{3}{2}} = 3$

So required line is  $\frac{y+3}{x-5} = 3$  ie  $\underline{\underline{y=3x-18}}$

iv) Solve simultaneously,  $5y-2x-14=0$  --- (1)  
 $y-3x+18=0$  --- (2)

5 x (i) - (1) gives:  $0 = 13x + 104 = 0$   
 ie  $x = 104 = 8$

Sub  $x=8$  into (1) or (2) gives.

$y = 24 - 18 = 6$  So point of intersection is

E(8,6)

c) i)  $\log q^n = \log 3 - \log \sqrt{3}$  find  $n$ .

Here the base of the logarithm is arbitrary so

lets use base 3. Raising eqn (1) to the power of 3 gives

$q^{3n} = 3 - \sqrt{3}$

ie  $(3^{\frac{1}{2}})^{3n} = 3^1 - 3^{\frac{1}{2}}$

ie this is true iff  $2n = \frac{1}{2}$

$\therefore n = \frac{1}{2} \div 2 = \frac{1}{4}$

ii)  $\log_a a \times \log_a b$  using the change of base rule.

$\log_a a = \frac{\log a}{\log a}$  ie sub this into (1) gives

$\frac{\log a}{\log a} \times \log_a b = 1$

### Question 4

$$(a) \quad 2x^2 + 4x - 1$$

using  $x = \frac{-b}{2a}$

$$x = -1 \quad y = -3$$

$$(ii) \quad x = -1$$

$$(ii) \quad y = -3$$

$$(b) \quad y' = 3x^2 + 6x + 3$$

$$3x^2 + 6x + 3 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$(x + 1)(x + 1) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} x = -1 \\ y = -8 \end{cases} \quad y = (-1)^3 + 3(-1)^2 + 3(-1) - 7$$

$$c) \quad \textcircled{1} \quad a + 11d = 2$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad a + 14d = -4$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad 3d = -6$$

$$d = -2$$

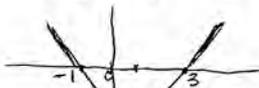
$$\textcircled{1} \quad a - 22 = 2$$

$$\text{1st term } a = 24$$

$$x) \quad (x + 5)(x - 7) = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad x^2 - 2x - 3 \geq 0$$

$$(x - 3)(x + 1) \geq 0$$



$$x \leq -1 \text{ or } x \geq 3$$

$$(e) \quad (i) \quad F = 0.4 + [0.037 + 0.00057 \dots]$$

(ii) after 1st term geometric series

$$a = 0.037 \text{ or } \frac{37}{1000}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{37}{1000}}{1 - \frac{1}{100}}$$

$$= \frac{37}{1000} \times \frac{100}{99}$$

$$= \frac{37}{990}$$

$$F = \frac{4}{10} + \frac{37}{990}$$

$$= \frac{433}{990}$$

or

$$x = 0.4373737 \dots$$

$$10x = 4.373737 \dots$$

$$1000x = 437.3737 \dots$$

$$990x = 433$$

$$x = \frac{433}{990}$$

Question 5

$$(a) \quad x^4 - 3x^2 + 2 = 0$$

$$(x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 2) = 0$$

So  $x^2 - 1 = 0$  and  $x^2 - 2 = 0$

$$x^2 = 1 \qquad x^2 = 2$$

$$x = \pm 1 \quad (i) \qquad x = \pm \sqrt{2} \quad (ii)$$

$$(b) \quad y = x - \frac{1}{x}$$

$$y = x - x^{-1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + x^{-2} = 1 + \frac{1}{x^2}$$

(i) at  $x=2$ ,  $m = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{5}{4}$  (i)

(ii) At  $x=2$ ,  $y = 2 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{4}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$  point  $(2, \frac{3}{2})$

gradient tangent  $\frac{5}{4}$   
 gradient normal  $-\frac{4}{5}$

eq<sup>n</sup> tangent  $(y - \frac{3}{2}) = \frac{5}{4}(x - 2)$

$$4y - 6 = 5x - 10$$

$$\therefore 5x - 4y - 4 = 0 \quad (i)$$

eq<sup>n</sup> normal  $(y - \frac{3}{2}) = -\frac{4}{5}(x - 2)$

$$5y - \frac{15}{2} = -4x + 8$$

$$10y - 15 = -8x + 16$$

$$\therefore 8x + 10y - 31 = 0 \quad (ii)$$

(c) (i) \$A\$ at  $r\%$  p.a. calculated monthly -  
equal instalments \$M\$.

$$\$B_1 = A + \left( A \times \frac{r\%}{12} \right) - M$$

$$= A + \frac{Ar}{1200} - M$$

$$= A \left( 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right) - M$$

$$\$B_2 = \left[ A \left( 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right) - M \right] + \left[ A \left( 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right) - M \right] \times \frac{r}{1200} - M$$

$$= \left[ A \left( 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right) - M \right] \left[ 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right] - M$$

$$= A \left( 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right)^2 - \left( 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right) M - M$$

$$= A \left( 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right)^2 - M \left[ 1 + \left( 1 + \frac{r}{1200} \right) \right]$$

$$= A(R)^2 - M(1+R)$$

$$\therefore \$B_n = AR^n - M(1+R+\dots+R^{n-1})$$

$$\text{using } S_n = \frac{R^n - 1}{R - 1} = \frac{R \times R^{n-1} - 1}{R - 1} = \frac{R^n - 1}{R - 1}$$

$$\therefore \$B_n = AR^n - M \left( \frac{R^n - 1}{R - 1} \right) \text{ as required. } \textcircled{3}$$

(c) (i) \$90,000  $R = 1.006 = 1 \frac{1}{150}$  96 instalments

$$0 = 90,000 \times \left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right)^{96} - m \left(\frac{\left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right)^{96} - 1}{\left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right) - 1}\right)$$

$$m = \frac{90,000 \times \left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right)^{96}}{\left(\frac{\left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right)^{96} - 1}{\left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right) - 1}\right)} = \$1272.30 \quad (1)$$

$$(ii) \$B_{24} = 90,000 \times \left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right)^{24} - 1272.30 \left(\frac{\left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right)^{24} - 1}{\left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right) - 1}\right)$$
$$= \$72565.1165$$

Now  $\$B_{24} = \$72565.1165 - \$10,000 = \$62565.1165$

is yet to be paid.

$$\text{So } 0 = 62565.1165 \times \left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right)^n - 1272.30 \left(\frac{\left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right)^n - 1}{\left(1 \frac{1}{150}\right) - 1}\right)$$

$$0 = 62565.1165 \times 1.006^n - 190845 \left(1.006^n - 1\right)$$

$$0 = 62565.1165 \times 1.006^n - 190845 \times 1.006^n + 190845$$

$$-190845 = -128279.8835 \times 1.006^n$$

$$1.487723521 = 1.006^n$$

$$\ln 1.487723521 = n \ln 1.006$$

$$n = \frac{\ln 1.487723521}{\ln 1.006}$$

$$n = 59.785$$

$\Rightarrow$  60 more payments (3)