



SCEGGS Darlinghurst

2008

**Preliminary Course
Semester 2 Examination**

Mathematics Extension 1

**Outcomes Assessed: PE2 – PE6
Task Weighting: 40%**

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General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 1½ hours
- This paper has five questions
- Write using blue or black pen
- Answer all questions on the pad paper provided
- Write your Student Number at the top of each page
- Attempt all questions and show all necessary working
- **Start each question on a new page**
- Marks will be deducted for careless or badly arranged work
- Mathematical templates, geometrical equipment and scientific calculators may be used

Total marks – 60

- Attempt Questions 1 – 5

Question 1 (12 marks)

Marks

- (a) The point P divides the interval AB joining $A(-2, -3)$ and $B(1, 2)$ externally in the ratio $3 : 2$.

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Find the co-ordinates of P .

- ~~(b)~~ The equation $2x^3 - 4x - 7 = 0$ has roots α, β and γ . Find the value of:

(i) $\alpha\beta\gamma$

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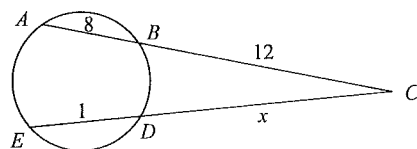
(ii) $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \alpha\gamma$

1

(iii) $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2$

2

- (c)



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In the diagram ABC and EDC are straight lines.

$AB = 8\text{cm}$, $BC = 12\text{cm}$ and $DE = 1\text{cm}$

Find x giving reasons.

- ~~(d)~~ A polynomial is given by $P(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 6$. Find the values of a and b if $(x + 3)$ is a factor and if 12 is the remainder when $P(x)$ is divided by $(x + 1)$

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Question 2 (12 marks)

Marks

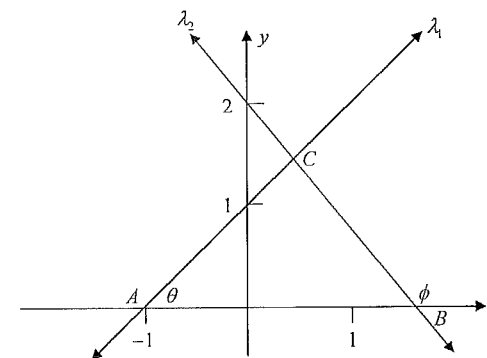
- (a) (i) Express $\sqrt{3} \cos \theta + \sin \theta$ in the form $A \sin(\theta + \alpha)$ where $A > 0$.

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- (ii) Hence solve the equation $\sqrt{3} \cos \theta + \sin \theta = -\sqrt{3}$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.

2

- (b) The line λ_1 has the equation $x - y + 1 = 0$ and meets the x -axis at A . The line λ_2 has the equation $\sqrt{3}x + y - 2 = 0$ and meets the x -axis at B . λ_1 and λ_2 meet at C .



- (i) Find the exact value for $\tan \angle ACB$ ($\angle ACB$ is acute) in its simplest form.

2

- (ii) Find θ and ϕ and hence show $\angle ACB = 75^\circ$.

2

- (iii) Hence find the exact value of $\tan 75^\circ$

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Question 2 (continued)

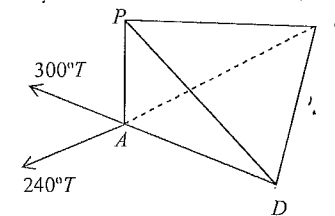
Marks

- (c) (i) How many words can be created from the letters of the word COONABARABRAN. 1
- (ii) What is the probability that a word chosen at random has all the "A"s together? 2

Question 3 (12 marks)

Marks

- (a) Let $P(x) = (x - 2)(x - 1)^2(x + 2)^3$
- (i) Evaluate $P(0)$. 1
- (ii) Sketch $y = P(x)$ labelling all important features 3
- (b) (i) If there are 8 men and 6 women, how many committees of 5 people can be chosen? 1
- (ii) If a committee is chosen by random find the probability that it would have a majority of men. 2
- (c) The diagram below shows Donna standing at D on level ground, whilst Gemma is standing 2000m away at G on the same level ground. They both take the bearing and elevation of a plane P at the same instant. Donna finds the bearing is $300^\circ T$ and the angle of elevation 25° , whilst Gemma finds the bearing to be $240^\circ T$ and the angle of elevation 17° .

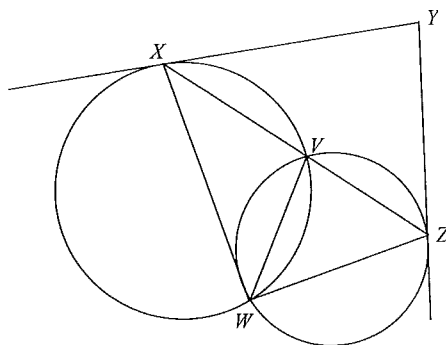


- (i) Copy the diagram onto your sheet, showing all the information given. 1
- (ii) Show that if the height PA of the plane is h metres then 3
- $$h = \frac{2000}{(\tan^2 65^\circ + \tan^2 73^\circ - 2 \tan 65^\circ \tan 73^\circ \cos 60^\circ)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$
- (iii) Find h to 3 significant figures. 1

Question 4 (12 marks)

Marks

- (a) Todd and Meaghan go to the cinema with three other couples. They sit together as a group in a single row.
- (i) In how many ways can they be arranged? **1**
- (ii) In how many ways can they sit so that each couple is together? **2**
- (iii) Todd and Meaghan had an argument going into the cinema and decided they do not want to sit together. How many arrangements are possible if the other couples are still sitting with their partners? **2**
- (b) Two circles intersect at V and W as shown. A line through V cuts the two circles at X and Z . The tangents at X and Z meet at Y . **3**



Prove $XYZW$ is a cyclic quadrilateral.

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Question 4 (continued)

Marks

- (c) (i) Sketch the graph of the polynomial $P(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 12x$ showing the intercepts on the x -axis. **2**
- (ii) Hence, solve the inequality $x - 1 \geq \frac{12}{x}$. **2**

Marks

Question 5 (12 marks)

- (a) If $2^a + 3^b = 17$ and $2^{a+2} - 3^{b+1} = 5$ find the values of a and b . 2
- (b) Show that $\frac{\sin 5x}{\sin x} - \frac{\cos 5x}{\cos x} = 4 \cos 2x$ 3
- (c) Let $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 1}$
- (i) For what values of x is $f(x)$ undefined 1
- (ii) Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 1}$ 1
- (iii) Find $f(0)$ and hence sketch the curve of $y = f(x)$ 3
- (iv) On the same axes sketch $y = x - 1$ 1
- (v) Hence find the number of solutions to $x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 1 = 0$ 1
Explain your answer.

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Q1 a) A(-2, -3) B(1, 2)



$$x = \frac{3x_1 + -2x_2}{3 + -2} \quad y = \frac{3x_2 + -2x_1 - 3}{3 + -2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{3 + 4}{1} \quad = \frac{6 + 6}{1}$$

$$= 7 \quad = 12$$

$\therefore P(7, 12) \quad \checkmark$

b) i) $xp + y = -\frac{d}{a}$
 $= -\frac{-7}{2}$
 $= \frac{7}{2} \quad \checkmark$

ii) $xp + py + y = \frac{c}{a}$
 $= \frac{-4}{2}$
 $= -2 \quad \checkmark$

iii) $x^2 + p^2 + d^2 = (x + p + d)^2 = 2(xp + py + xy) \quad \checkmark$
 $= 0^2 - 2x - 2$
 $= 4 \quad \checkmark$

c) $AC \times BC = EC \times DC$ (product of the intercepts = c^2 secants through a point outside) \checkmark

$$20 \times 12 = x(x+1)$$

$$x^2 + x - 240 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(x-15)(x+16) = 0$$

$$x = 15 \quad \checkmark \quad x > 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Comm - 3

Several students have not learned the correct formula

There is no excuse for not knowing these formula. Be careful with coefficients.
 $P(x) = 2x^2 - 4x - 7 = 7b = 0$

Only a few students could recall this property

d) $P(-3) = 0 \quad P(-1) = 12$

$\therefore (-3)^3 + ax(-3)^2 + bx(-3) + 6 = 0 \quad \checkmark$

$$-27 + 9a - 3b + 6 = 0$$

$$9a - 3b = 21$$

$(-1)^3 + a(-1)^2 + b(-1) + 6 = 12 \quad \checkmark$

$$-1 + a - b + 6 = 12$$

$$a - b = 7$$

$\therefore 9a - 3b = 21 \dots \textcircled{1}$

$a - b = 7 \dots \textcircled{2} \times 3$

$$3a - 3b = 21 \dots \textcircled{3}$$

$\textcircled{1} - \textcircled{3} \quad 6a = 0$

$$a = 0$$

using $\textcircled{2} \quad b = -7 \quad \checkmark$

Recs - 3

Some students confused the concepts of factor and remainder

Q2 a) i) $\sqrt{3} \cos \theta + \sin \theta = A \sin(\theta + \alpha)$

$$= A \sin \theta \cos \alpha + A \cos \theta \sin \alpha$$

$\therefore A \cos \alpha = 1$

$$A \sin \alpha = \sqrt{3}$$

$$A^2 \sin^2 \alpha + A^2 \cos^2 \alpha = (\sqrt{3})^2 + 1^2$$

$$A^2 = 3 + 1$$

$$= 4$$

$$A = 2 \quad \checkmark \quad A > 0$$

$$\frac{A \sin \alpha}{A \cos \alpha} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{1}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{1}$$

$$\alpha = 60^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

$\therefore \sqrt{3} \cos \theta + \sin \theta = 2 \sin(\theta + 60^\circ)$

ii) $2 \sin(\theta + 60^\circ) = -\sqrt{3}$

$$\sin(\theta + 60^\circ) = \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$\theta + 60^\circ$ lies in the 3rd & 4th quadrant

$$\theta + 60^\circ = 240^\circ \quad \theta + 60^\circ = 300^\circ$$

$$\theta = 180^\circ \quad \checkmark \quad \text{or} \quad \theta = 240^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

Comm - 2

Done very well. Just be careful with the auxiliary angle. I saw 30° a few times!

Need to practise solving trig. equations. The quadrant work was poor.

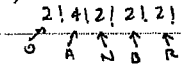
b) i) $M_1 = 1$ $M_2 = -\sqrt{3}$
 $\tan \angle ACB = \left| \frac{1 - (-\sqrt{3})}{1 + 1 \cdot (-\sqrt{3})} \right|$ ✓
 $= \left| \frac{1 + \sqrt{3}}{1 - \sqrt{3}} \right|$
 $= \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$ ✓

First line was done very well but a majority of students didn't realize the impact of the $| |$ sign.

ii) $\tan \theta = 1$ $\tan \phi = -\sqrt{3}$
 $\theta = 45^\circ$ $\phi = 120^\circ$ ✓
 $\phi = \angle ACB + \theta$ (exterior angle equals sum of two opposite interior angles) ✓
 $120^\circ = \angle ACB + 45^\circ$
 $\angle ACB = 75^\circ$

Again done well but many students left out the reasons (No penalty)

iii) $\tan 75^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$ ✓ Reas - 5

c) i) $\frac{13!}{2!4!2!2!2!} = 16216200$ ✓ Comm-1


Done well

ii) No. of words with A's together = $\frac{10!}{2!2!2!2!} = 226800$ ✓

Many students made an addition error

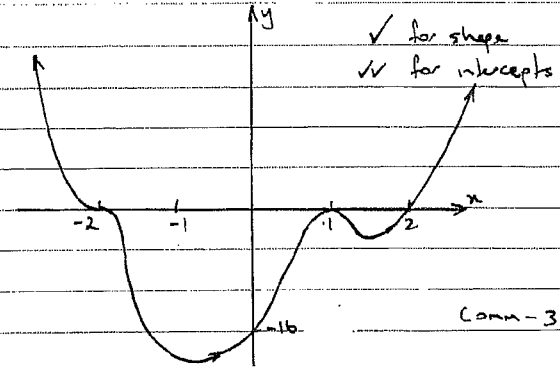
$\therefore P(\text{A's together}) = \frac{226800}{16216200}$
 $= \frac{2}{143}$ ✓ Reas - 2

i.e. $\frac{9!}{2!2!2!2!}$ or forgot

to divide by the 4 '2!'s

Q3 a) i) $P(x) = (x-2)(x-1)(x+2)^2$
 $= -16$ ✓

ii) $y - nt : x = 0$
 $y = -16$
 $x + nt : y = 0$
 $x = 2$ $x = 1$ $x = -2$
 multiplicity 1 2 3



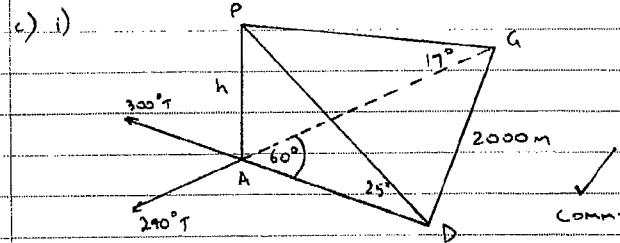
Students who used calculus were generally less successful

b) i) No. of committees = ${}^{14}C_5 = 2002$ ✓

Some students used permutations instead of combinations

ii) No. of committees with majority of men
 $= {}^8C_3 \times {}^6C_2 + {}^8C_4 \times {}^6C_1 + {}^8C_5 \times {}^6C_0$ ✓
 $= 840 + 420 + 56$
 $= 1316$

$\therefore P(\text{majority of men}) = \frac{1316}{2002} = \frac{94}{143}$ ✓ Reas - 3



Students needed to be convincing. Some students clearly fudge from the answer.

ii) $\tan 65^\circ = \frac{AD}{h}$ $\tan 73^\circ = \frac{AG}{h}$
 $AD = h \tan 65^\circ$ $AG = h \tan 73^\circ$ ✓

cosine rule: $DG^2 = AD^2 + AG^2 - 2AD \cdot AG \cdot \cos 60^\circ$ ✓
 $2000^2 = h^2 \tan^2 65^\circ + h^2 \tan^2 73^\circ - 2h^2 \tan 65^\circ \tan 73^\circ \cos 60^\circ$

- Angles must be clearly identified - 3 letters
 - Only a few students were able to show how 60° was calculated

$= h^2 (\tan^2 65^\circ + \tan^2 73^\circ - 2 \tan 65^\circ \tan 73^\circ \cos 60^\circ)$
 $h^2 = \frac{2000^2}{\tan^2 65^\circ + \tan^2 73^\circ - 2 \tan 65^\circ \tan 73^\circ \cos 60^\circ}$ ✓

- More supporting work was required.

$$h = \frac{2000}{\sqrt{\tan^2 65^\circ + \tan^2 73^\circ - 2 \tan 65^\circ \tan 73^\circ \cos 60^\circ}} \quad \text{Recs-3}$$

iii) $h = 695$ (to 3 sig. figs) ✓

Q4 a) i) No. of arrangements = $8!$
 $= 40320$ ✓

ii) No. of arrangements = $4! \times 2! \times 2! \times 2!$
 $= 384$ ✓

iii)

T	M	M	M	} 6 ways
T		M	M	
	T	M	M	

∴ No. of arrangements = $6 \times 2 \times 3! \times 2! \times 2!$
 $= 576$ Recs-5

b) let $\angle YXZ = \alpha$ and $\angle YZK = \beta$
 $\therefore \angle XYZ = 180 - (\alpha + \beta)$ (angle sum of a triangle is 180°) ✓
 $\angle ZWV = \beta$ (angle of tangent equals angle in the alternate segment) ✓
 $\angle XWV = \alpha$ (" " " " ✓)
 $\angle XWE = \angle XWV + \angle ZWV$
 $= \alpha + \beta$
 $\therefore \angle XWE + \angle XYZ = 180$
 $\therefore XYEW$ is a cyclic quadrilateral as opposite angles are supplementary. ✓

c) i) $P(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 12x$
 $= x(x^2 - x - 12)$
 $= x(x-4)(x+3)$

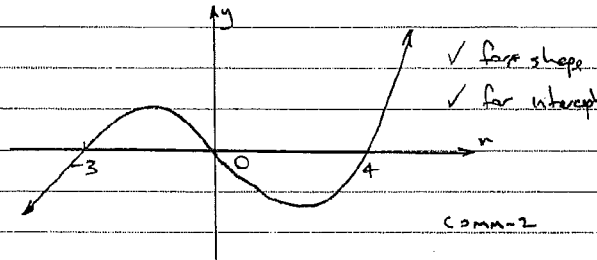
This was done well.

parts ii) & iii) were done poorly but they were tricky. Have a look at the solution and ask questions

TANGENTS FROM DIFFERENT CIRCLES ARE NOT EQUAL IN LENGTH !!!
 Everyone except 2 or 3 people thought they did.

Comm-3

∴ y-axis: $x=0$ $P(0)=0$
 x -axis: $y=0$ $P(x)=0$
 $x(x-4)(x+3)=0$
 $x=0$ $x=-3$ $x=4$



Comm-2

ii) $x^2(x-1) > \frac{12}{x} \times x^2$
 $x^3 - x^2 > 12x$
 $x^3 - x^2 - 12x > 0$ ✓
 \therefore from the graph $-3 < x < 0$ and $x > 4$
 Recs-2

Q5 a) let $m = 2^a$ and $n = 3^b$
 $\therefore 2^a + 3^b = 17$ $2^{a+2} - 3^{b+1} = 5$
 $m + n = 17$ $2^a \times 2^2 - 3 \times 3^b = 5$
 $4m - 3n = 5$

$\therefore 4m - 3n = 5 \dots (1)$
 $m + n = 17 \dots (2) \times 3$ ✓
 $3m + 3n = 51 \dots (3)$
 $(1) + (3)$
 $7m = 56$
 $m = 8$
 from (2) $n = 9$

$\therefore 2^a = 8$ $3^b = 9$
 $a = 3$ $b = 2$ ✓
 Recs-2

Draw very well... A few people graphed it the wrong way.

Many students missed the link between i) & ii) because they ended up with $x^2 - x - 12 > 0$. You have to multiply through by x^2 not x to keep $>$

Only a few students were successful in this question

Alternative solutions are possible but only a couple of students were able to correctly find 'a' and 'b'

A couple of "lucky" students "chanced" upon the correct answer by trial and error.

b) LHS = $\frac{\sin 5x}{\sin x} - \frac{\cos 5x}{\cos x}$

= $\frac{\sin 5x \cos x - \cos 5x \sin x}{\sin x \cos x}$ ✓

= $\frac{\sin(5x-x)}{\sin x \cos x}$ ✓

= $\frac{\sin 4x}{\frac{1}{2} \sin 2x}$

= $\frac{2 \sin 2x \cos 2x}{\frac{1}{2} \sin 2x}$ ✓

= $4 \cos 2x$

Recs-3

Very few students could get to this line - Always look at the pattern.

c) i) $x = \pm 1$ ✓

ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{x^2-1}$

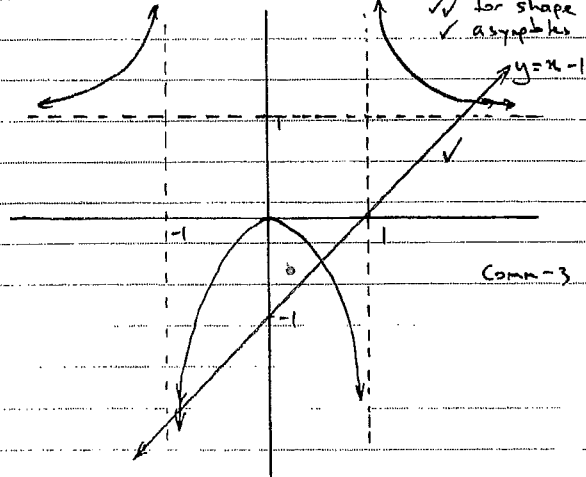
= $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{x^2}{x^2}}{\frac{x^2}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^2}}$

= $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{x^2}}$

= 1 ✓

iii) $f(0) = 0$ ✓

iv)



Comm-3

Well done by most students

for shape ✓ asymptotes

v) Solve simultaneously

$y = \frac{x^2}{x^2-1} \dots \textcircled{1}$ $y = x-1 \dots \textcircled{2}$

$\textcircled{1} = \textcircled{2}$

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

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

$x^2 = x^3 - x - x^2 + 1$

$0 = x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 1$

∴ pts of intersection of $y = \frac{x^2}{x^2-1}$ and $y = x-1$ are the solutions to $x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 1 = 0$

∴ 3 solutions. ✓

Recs-1

A clear statement of the reason was required to obtain this mark.