

# NSW INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

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PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

1999

MATHEMATICS

2/3 UNIT (COMMON)

*Time Allowed - Two hours  
(Plus 5 minutes reading time)*

## DIRECTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Attempt ALL questions.

ALL questions are of equal value.

All necessary working should be shown in every question. Marks may be deducted for careless or badly arranged work.

Board-approved calculators may be used.

Each question attempted is to be handed in separately clearly marked Question 1, Question 2 etc..

Write your student Name/Number on every page.

This paper **must not be removed** from the examination room.

STUDENT NAME / NUMBER .....

## Question 1

- (a) Solve :  $\frac{1}{3}(x-2) - \frac{1}{2}(2-x) = 1$  2
- (b) Find the value of  $x$  if  $\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{50} - \sqrt{18}$  2
- (c) A formula used in Physics to determine the acceleration,  $f$ , of a simple pulley system with masses  $M$  and  $m$  at each end is : 2
- $$f = \frac{(M-m)g}{(M+m)}$$
- (where  $g$  is the acceleration due to gravity).
- Find the value of  $m$  if  $M = 16$ ,  $g = 10$  and  $f = 2.5$ .
- (d) In a survey taken several months ago on the Republic referendum, 52% voted "YES" and 48% voted "NO". Following the decision to change the wording of the question, a second survey was taken. It was found that 10% of the "YES" voters changed to "NO", while 10% of the "NO" voters changed to "YES". What percentage of the people surveyed voted "YES" in the second survey? 2
- (e) Solve the following quadratic equation leaving your answer in surd form. 2
- $$(2x-1)^2 = 6$$
- (f) Express  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}-2}$  with rational denominator. 2

## Question 2

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(a) Expand and simplify

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

(ii)  $\sqrt{(a-5)(a+5)+25}$

(b) The three legs of the triangular sailing course for next year's Olympic Games have lengths 8 kilometres, 10 kilometres and 16 kilometres. Draw a sketch showing this information and calculate the size of the smallest angle that the yachts will have to turn to negotiate the course. (answer to the nearest minute)

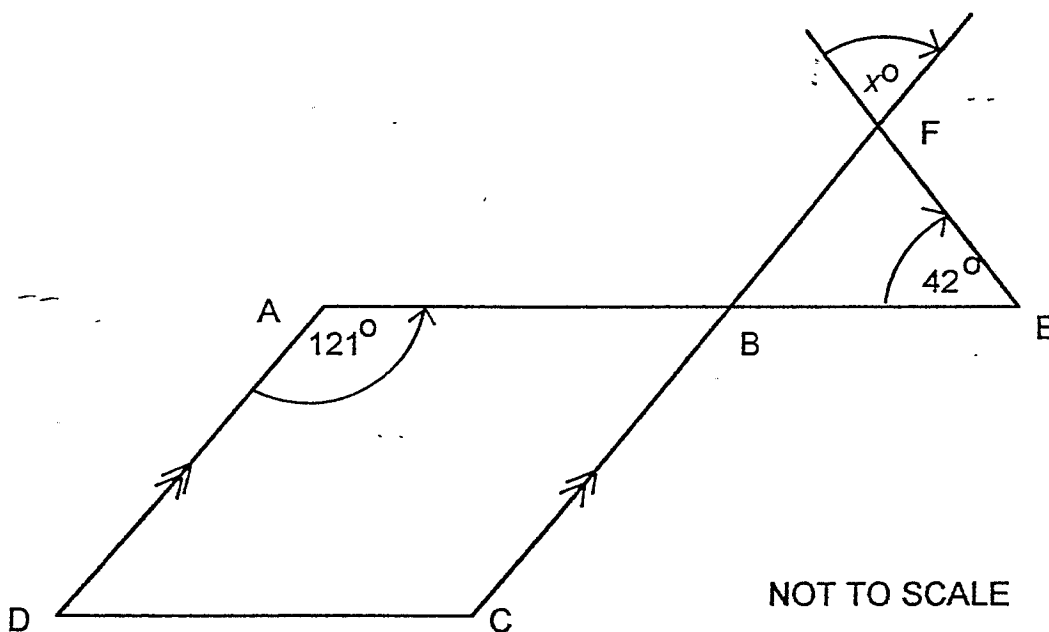
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(c) Express  $1.0\dot{2}\dot{6}$  as a simple fraction.

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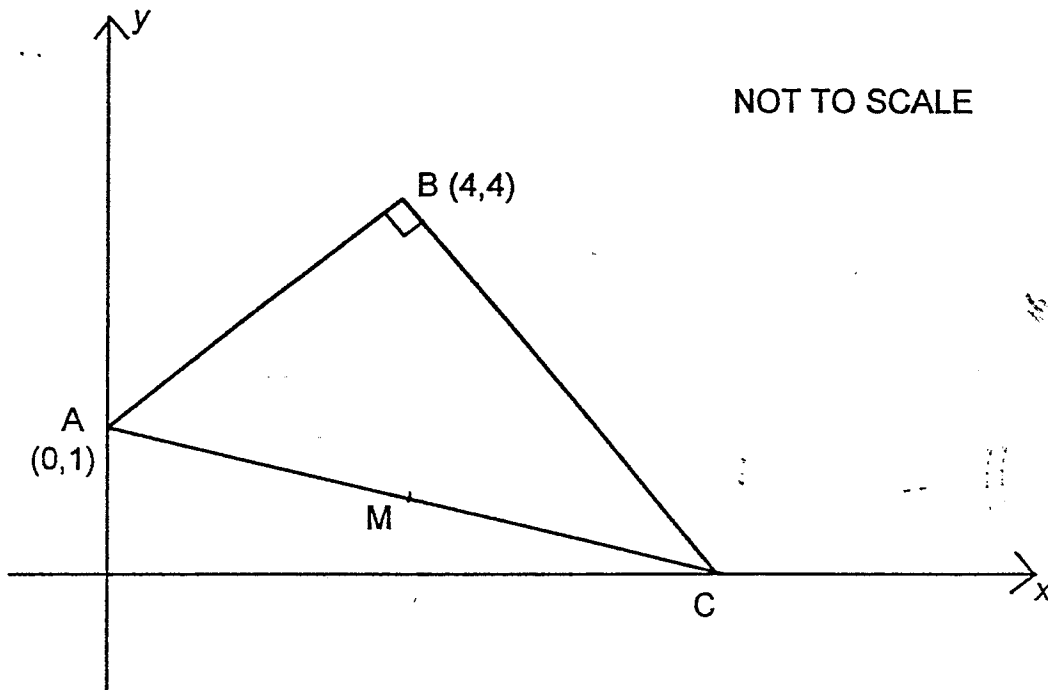
(d) In the diagram below  $AD \parallel BC$ .

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Copy the diagram onto your worksheet and find the value of  $x$ , giving reasons.

**Question 3***(Start a new page)*

- (a) Find the exact value of  $\tan 120^\circ \cdot \sin (-30^\circ)$  2
- (b) Find the shortest distance between the parallel lines,  $y = 2x$  and  $4x - 2y + 7 = 0$  2
- (c) 8



In the diagram above, C lies on the  $x$ -axis and AB is perpendicular to BC. M is the midpoint of AC. Copy the diagram onto your worksheet.

- (i) Find the gradient of AB.
- (ii) Show that the equation of BC is  $4x + 3y - 28 = 0$ .
- (iii) Show that C has coordinates (7,0).
- (iv) Find the coordinates of point M.
- (v) A circle has centre M and radius MC. Find the radius of this circle.
- (vi) Find the equation of this circle and show that it also passes through the points A and B.

## Question 4

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(a) Factorise completely each of the following :

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(i)  $x^2 + 4x + 4 - y^2$ .

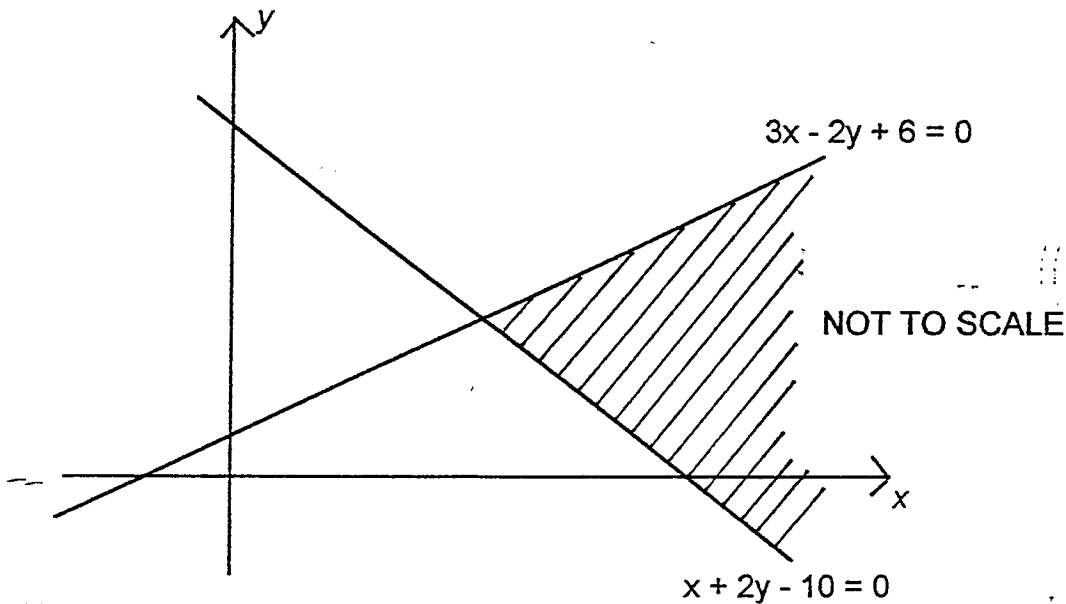
(ii)  $5x^2 - 9xy - 2y^2$

(b) Simplify :  $3 \sin^2 A + 4 \cos^2 A - 3$ 

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(c) The diagram below shows the graphs  $3x - 2y + 6 = 0$  and  $x + 2y - 10 = 0$ .

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State the pair of inequalities which define the shaded region.

(d) Solve for  $p$  :  $|p - 2| = 2p - 1$ 

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(e) On the same set of axes, draw neat sketches of the graphs (for  $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$ ) of the following functions:

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$$y = 2 \sin x$$

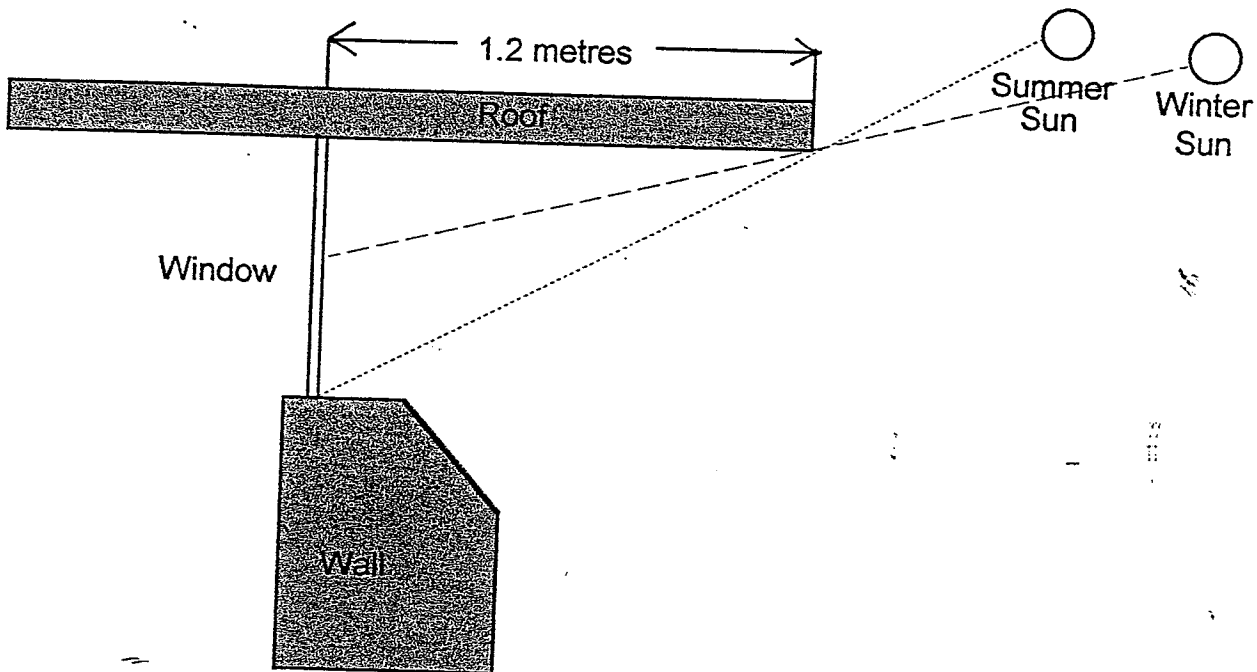
$$y = 2 \sin x + 1$$

## Question 5

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(a) For what values of  $k$  will  $kx^2 - x + k$  be negative definite? 4

(b) The diagram below shows a window of a house protected from the summer sun by an overhanging roof which is 1.2 metres wide. In the middle of summer, when the angle of elevation of the sun is  $42^\circ$ , the window is completely shaded as illustrated. In the middle of winter, exactly half of the window is shaded. 4



(i) Copy the sketch and show the angle of elevation in the middle of summer.

(ii) Calculate the height of the window.

(iii) Find the angle of elevation of the sun in the middle of winter.  
(answer to the nearest degree)

(c) (i) Express  $-x^2 + 2x + 3$  in the form  $-(x - a)^2 + b$  4

(ii) Sketch the graph of the parabola  $y = -x^2 + 2x + 3$ .

(iii) Using this graph, or otherwise, find the maximum value of  $-x^2 + 2x + 3$ .

## Question 6

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(a) Differentiate each of the following :

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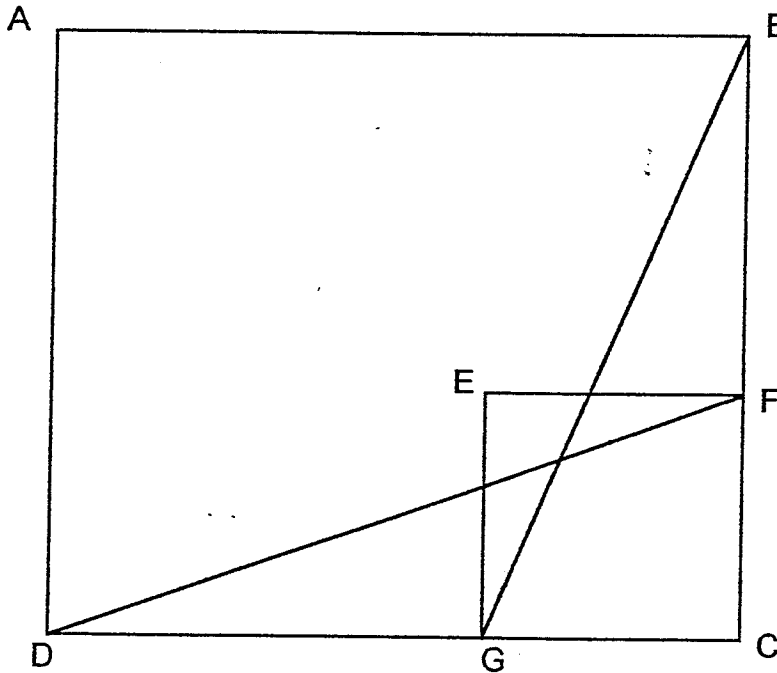
(i)  $\frac{1}{2}x^4 - 3x + 7$

(ii)  $\frac{2x}{x^2 + 4}$

(iii)  $\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x}}$

(b) In the diagram below, ABCD and EFCG are squares.

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Copy the diagram onto your worksheet.

- (i) Prove that  $\triangle DFC \cong \triangle BGC$
- (ii) Hence show that  $\angle FDC = \angle BGE$

(c) Find the point(s) of intersection of the graphs  $xy = -4$  and  $2x + y = 2$ 

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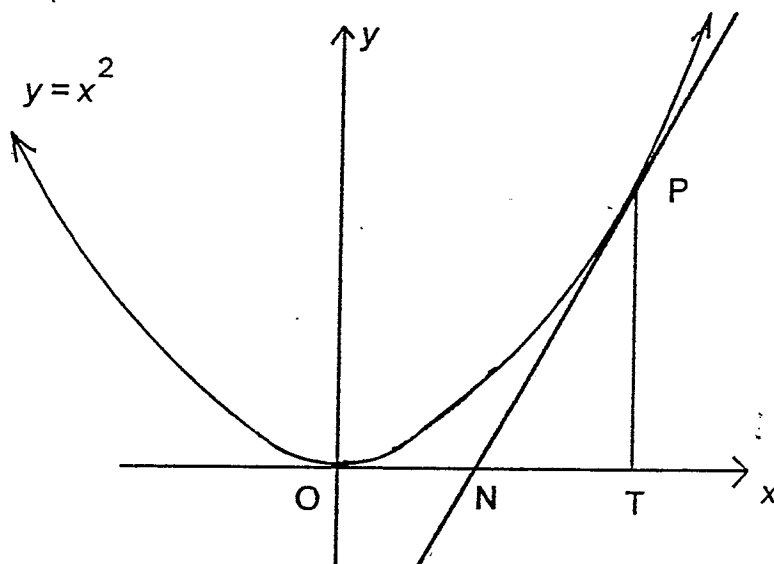
## Question 7

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(a) If  $\tan B = -2$  and  $0^\circ < B < 270^\circ$ , find the value of  $\operatorname{cosec} B$  in surd form. 2

(b) Draw neat sketch of the graph of the function  $y = \sqrt{4-x}$   
State the domain of this function. 2

(c) In the diagram below, PN is the tangent to the parabola  $y = x^2$  touching it at point P. OT = 3 units. 5



(i) Find the coordinates of point P.

(ii) Show that PN has equation  $y = 6x - 9$ .

(iii) Find the coordinates of the point N.

(iv) Hence, or otherwise, find the area of triangle OPN.

(d) Given that  $f(x) = \frac{a^x + a^{-x}}{2}$ , show that  $f(2x) = 2[f(x)]^2 - 1$  3



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Q10

(a)  $2(x-2) - 3(2-x) = 6$   
 $2x - 4 - 6 + 3x = 6$   
 $5x = 16$   
 $x = 3.2$

(b)  $5\sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{2} = 2\sqrt{2}$   
 $= \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{2}$   
 $= \sqrt{8}$   
 $x = 8$

(c)  $2.5 = \frac{(16-m) \times 10}{(16+m)}$   
 $40 + 2.5m = 160 - 10m$   
 $12.5m = 120$   
 $m = 9.6$

(d)  $52\% - 10\% \text{ of } 52\%$   
 $+ 10\% \text{ of } 48\%$   
 $= (52 - 5.2 + 4.8)\%$   
 $= 51.6\%$

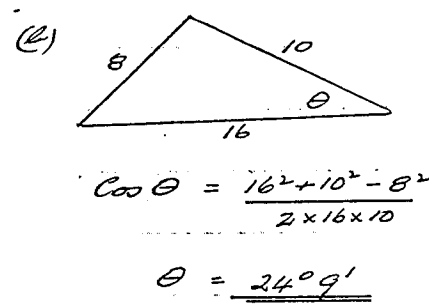
(e)  $2x - 1 = \pm\sqrt{6}$   
 $2x = 1 \pm \sqrt{6}$   
 $x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{6}}{2}$

(f)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}-2} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}+2}{\sqrt{3}+2}$   
 $= \frac{\sqrt{3}+2}{3-4}$   
 $= -\sqrt{3}-2$

Q11

(1)  $(4x^2 - 12x + 9) - (4x^2 + 12x + 9)$   
 $= 4x^2 - 12x + 9 - 4x^2 - 12x - 9$   
 $= -24x$

(1)  $\sqrt{a^2 - 25 + 25}$   
 $= \sqrt{a^2} = a$



(c)  $x = 1.02\bar{6}$  — ①  
 ①  $\times 10$   $10x = 10.2\bar{6}$  — ②  
 ②  $\times 100$   $1000x = 1026.2\bar{6}$  — ③  
 ③ - ②  $990x = 1016$   
 $x = \frac{1016}{990}$   
 $= 1\frac{13}{495}$

(d)  $\angle ABC + 121^\circ = 180^\circ$   
 (Point L's, AD || BC)  
 $\angle ABC = 59^\circ$   
 $\angle EBF = 59^\circ$  (vert opp)  
 $\angle BFE + 59^\circ + 42^\circ = 180^\circ$   
 (Angle sum of  $\triangle BFE$ )  
 $\therefore \angle BFE = 79^\circ$   
 $\therefore x = 79$  (vert opp)

Q13

(a)  $-\sqrt{3} \times -\frac{1}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   
 (b) (0,0) lies on  $y = 2x$   
 $d = \frac{|4 \times 0 - 2 \times 0 + 7|}{\sqrt{4^2 + 2^2}}$   
 $= \frac{7}{\sqrt{20}}$

(c) (i)  $m_{AB} = \frac{4-1}{4-0} = \frac{3}{4}$   
 (ii)  $m_{BC} = -\frac{4}{3}$   
 Eqn BC  $y - 4 = -\frac{4}{3}(x - 4)$   
 $3y - 12 = -4x + 16$   
 $4x + 3y - 28 = 0$

(iii) At C,  $y = 0$   
 $\therefore 4x + 3 \times 0 - 28 = 0$   
 $x = 7$   
 C is (7,0)

(iv)  $M = \left(\frac{7+0}{2}, \frac{0+1}{2}\right)$   
 $= \left(3\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$   
 (v)  $r = \sqrt{(7 - 3\frac{1}{2})^2 + (0 - \frac{1}{2})^2}$   
 $= \sqrt{12\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}}$   
 $= \sqrt{12\frac{1}{2}}$   
 $= \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}}$

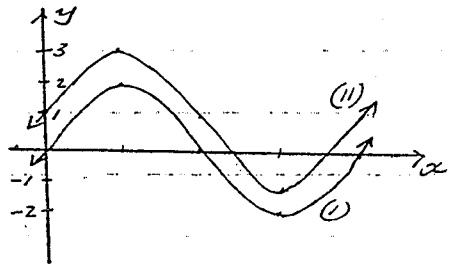
(vi)  $(x - 3\frac{1}{2})^2 + (y - \frac{1}{2})^2 = \frac{25}{2}$   
 sub (0,1)  $(-3\frac{1}{2})^2 + (\frac{1}{2})^2$   
 $= 12\frac{1}{2}$   
 sub (4,4)  $(\frac{1}{2})^2 + (3\frac{1}{2})^2$   
 $= 12\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\therefore$  The circle passes through A and B

Q14(a)

(1)  $(x+y)^2 - y^2$   
 $= (x+y+y)(x+y-y)$   
 (ii)  $(5x+y)(x-2y)$   
 (b)  $3(\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A)$   
 $+ \cos^2 A - 3$   
 $= 3 \times 1 + \cos^2 A - 3$   
 $= \cos^2 A$   
 (c)  $3x - 2y + 6 > 0$   
 $x + 2y - 10 > 0$

(d)  $p - 2 = 2p - 10$  OR  $q - 2 = 1 - 2q$   
 $-1 = q$   $\therefore q = 1$   
 CHECK  $|1-2| = 2 \times 1 - 1$   $|1-2| = 2 \times 1 - 1$   
 $3 = -3 \times$   $1 = 1$  ✓  
 $\therefore q = 1$

Q4(c)



Q5

(a)  $\Delta = (-1)^2 - 4 \cdot k \cdot k$

$= 1 - 4k^2 < 0$

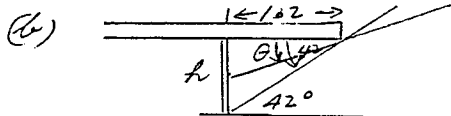
$4k^2 > 1$

$k^2 > \frac{1}{4}$

$k > \frac{1}{2}$  or  $k < -\frac{1}{2}$

For -ve,  $a < 0$

$\therefore k < -\frac{1}{2}$



(i)  $\tan 42^\circ = h/1.2$

$h = 1.2 \tan 42^\circ$

$= \underline{1.08 \text{ m}}$

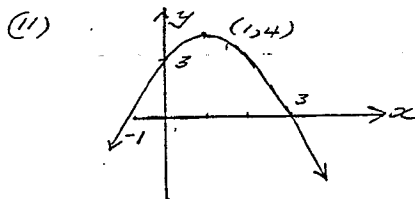
(ii)  $\tan \theta = \frac{0.54}{1.2}$

$\theta = \underline{24^\circ}$

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

$= -(x^2 - 2x + 1) + 4$

$= \underline{-(x-1)^2 + 4}$



(ii) Max val is 4

Q6

(a) (i)  $\frac{1}{2} : 4x^3 - 3$

$= \underline{2x^3 - 3}$

(ii)  $\frac{(x^2+4) \cdot 2 - 2x \cdot 2x}{(x^2+4)^2}$   
 $= \underline{\frac{8 - 2x^2}{(x^2+4)^2}}$

(iii)  $y = x^{1/2} = x^{3/2}$

$y' = \frac{3}{2} x^{1/2}$   
 $= \underline{\frac{3\sqrt{x}}{2}}$

(b) In  $\Delta$ 's DFC, BGC

(i)

DC = BC (sides of square ABCD)

FC = GC (sides of square EFCG)

LC is common

$\therefore \underline{\Delta DFC \cong \Delta BGC \text{ (SAS)}}$

(ii)  $\angle FDC = \angle GBC$

(corr. angles in cong  $\Delta$ 's)

$EG \parallel BC$  ( $EG, FC$  opp

sides of square EFCG)

$\therefore \angle GBC = \angle BGE$  (alt  $\angle$ 's  $EG \parallel BC$ )

$\therefore \underline{\angle FDC = \angle BGE}$

(c)  $y = 2 - 2x$

$x(2 - 2x) = -4$

$-2x^2 + 2x = -4$

$-2x^2 + 2x + 4 = 0$

$x^2 - x - 2 = 0$

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

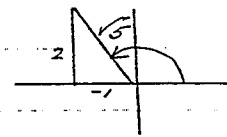
$x = 2, -1$

$y = -2, 4$

(2, -2), (-1, 4) are the points of int.

Q7

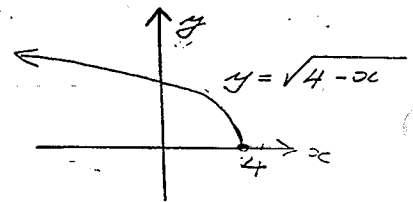
(a) B is in Quad 2



$\cos B = \frac{+1}{\sqrt{5}}$

(b)  $4 - x \geq 0$

Domain  $x \leq 4$



(c) (i) P  $x = 3$  P is (3, 9)

(ii)  $y' = 2x$

$m = 6$

$y - 9 = 6(x - 3)$

$y = 6x - 9$

(iii) N,  $y = 0$   $x = 1\frac{1}{2}$

$(1\frac{1}{2}, 0)$

(iv) base =  $1\frac{1}{2}$

height = 9

$A = (3 \times 9) - (\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times 9)$

$= \underline{20\frac{1}{4} \text{ units}^2}$

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

$2[f(x)]^2 - 1$

$= 2 \left[ \frac{a^{2x} + 2 + a^{-2x}}{4} \right] - 1$

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

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

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

$= f(2x)$