



SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

PRELIMINARY MATHEMATICS

Half Yearly Examination 2001

Time Allowed: 1 hour (plus 5 minutes reading time)

Total Marks: 60

Examiner: Mr P Bigelow

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Attempt *all* questions.
- *All* questions are of equal value.
- All necessary working should be shown in every question. Full marks may not be awarded if work is careless or badly arranged.
- Approved calculators may be used.
- Return your answers in 5 booklets, 1 for each question. Each booklet must show your name.
- If required, additional Writing Booklets may be obtained from the Examination Supervisor upon request.

Question One [13 marks]

(a) Express 0.00639 in scientific notation.

(b) Use a calculator to evaluate $\frac{40.7}{9.6 \times 5.3}$ correct to 2 decimal places.

(c) Simplify (i) $2x^2 + 3x^2$

(ii) $\frac{4a + 8}{12}$

(d) Simplify (i) $\sqrt{7} \times 3\sqrt{7}$

(ii) $\sqrt{90} - \sqrt{40}$

(e) If $F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32$ Find (i) F when $C = 20$
(ii) C when $F = 113$

(f) Factorise (i) $a^2 - 64$

(ii) $y^2 - 5y - 14$

(g) Expand then simplify $(4c - 1)(2c - 3)$

(h) Write down the value of a if $x^2 - 22x + a$ is a perfect square.

Question Two [12 marks]

(a) How many zeros are significant in 0.0407 ?

(b) Evaluate $3 - |4 - 5| - 2$

(c) Write down the exact values of

(i) $\sin 60^\circ$

(ii) $\tan \frac{5\pi}{3}$

(d) Write $0.\dot{0}4\dot{1}$ as a fraction in simplest form.

(e) Given the set $\left\{ \frac{\pi}{6}, 0.\dot{8}, \sin 30^\circ, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 37\% \right\}$

(i) Which numbers are rational?

(ii) Write the numbers in ascending order of magnitude.

(f) Express $\frac{4}{3\sqrt{6}}$ with a rational denominator in simplest form.

(g) Solve (i) $14 - 3x < x - 2$.

(ii) $2x(x + 4) \geq 0$

Question Three [11 marks]

(a) Expand then simplify

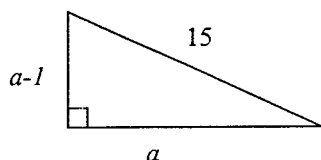
(i) $(\sqrt{3} + 1)^2$

(ii) $(2\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})$

(b) Factorise (i) $2x - 6y - xy + 3y^2$

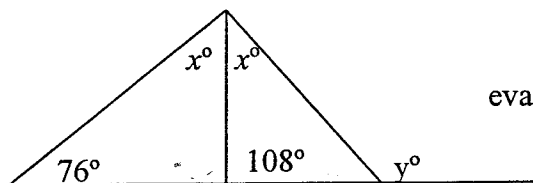
(ii) $6a^2 - 7a - 10$

(c)



find a by forming
then solving an equation. (Express your answer
correct to 1 decimal place)

(d)



evaluate x and y

(e) Evaluate $a + b$ if $\frac{a}{b} = -1$

(f) If $\frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{2}{3}$ write down the value

of $\frac{1}{x-1}$

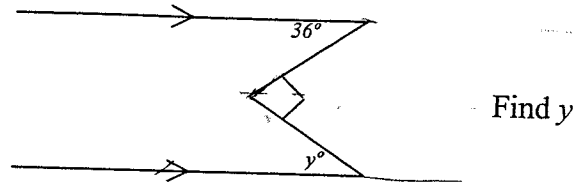
Question Four [12 marks]

(a) Solve (i) $|1 - a| = 4$

(ii) $a^2 = 2a$

(b) How many sides has a regular polygon if each interior angle is 168° ?

(c)



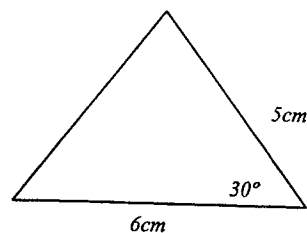
(d) Simplify $\frac{\tan \theta}{\sec \theta}$

(e) Solve the simultaneous equations

$$3x + 2y - 10 = 0$$

$$4x + 3y - 13 = 0$$

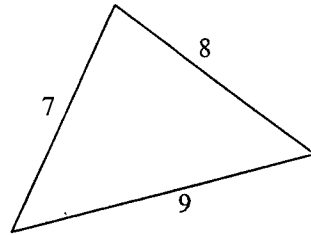
(f) Find the area of the triangle



Question Five

[12 marks]

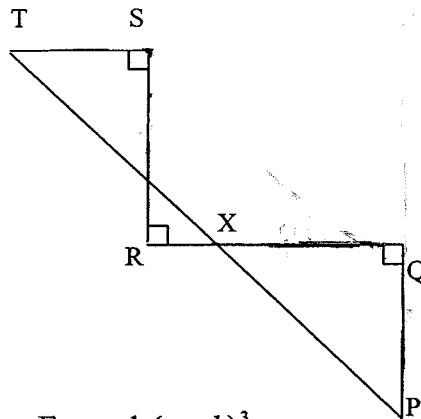
- (a) Find the size of the smallest angle in the triangle (to the nearest degree)



- (b) Express as a single fraction in simplest form

$$\frac{5x}{x^2 - 16} - \frac{4}{x + 4}$$

- (c)



In the diagram
 $PQ = QR = RS = 8$
and $ST = 2$

Find the length of QX

- (d) (i) Expand $(a + b)^3$

- (ii) Given that $x + \frac{1}{x} = -1$ evaluate $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$

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Q1

a) $6.39 \text{ mm} \times 10^{-3}$

f) i) $a^2 - 64 = \cancel{(a+8)(a-8)}$
 $= (a+8)(a-8)$

ii) $y^2 - 5y - 14$

$(y-7)(y+2) \rightarrow 0$

~~$y=7$~~

g) $(4c-1)(2c-3)$

$8c^2 - 14c + \textcircled{4}$

$2(4c^2 - 7c + 2)$

~~$(2(4c^2 - 7c + 2))$~~

h) $x^2 - 22x + a$

If it is a perfect square

$(-11)^2 = a$

$a = 121 \checkmark$

2.a) 1

b) $3 - |4 - 5| - 2 =$

$= 0 \checkmark$

c) i) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \checkmark$

ii) ~~$\frac{5}{7}$~~

$= \frac{110}{7} \times \frac{3}{1} = \frac{330}{7}$

$= \tan^{-1} \frac{330}{7} = 88^\circ 47' \text{ (a.m.)}$

d) $41 \cdot 4i$ be x

$100x = 41 \cdot 4i$

$99x = 41$

$x = \frac{41}{99} \checkmark$

e) i) 37% , $0.3 \checkmark$ $\sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$

ii) ~~0.857~~ $0.3333\dots$, $.5$, $.707106\dots$, $.37$
 0.5235

$= .3, 37\%, \sin 30^\circ, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \checkmark$

f) $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{4}{3\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{-3\sqrt{6}}{-3\sqrt{6}} = \frac{-12\sqrt{246}}{-18}$
 $= \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{3 \times 3}$
 $= \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{9}$
 $\frac{4}{3\sqrt{6}+1} \times \frac{3\sqrt{6}-1}{3\sqrt{6}-1}$
 $= \frac{12\sqrt{6}}{18}$
 $= \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{3}$

g) i) $|4 - 3x| < x - 2$

ii) ~~$2x(x+4) \geq 0$~~

$|4| < 4x$

~~$x = 4$~~ $x > 4 \checkmark$

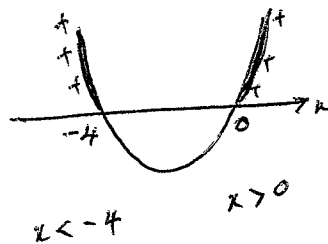
ii) ~~$2x(x+4) > 0$~~ \Rightarrow

~~$2x^2 + 8 > 0$~~

~~$x^2 + 4 > 0$~~

~~$x^2 > -4$~~

not real



Q3

a) i) $(\sqrt{3} + 1)^2 = 3 + 2\sqrt{3} + 1$
 $= 4 + 2\sqrt{3} \checkmark$

ii) $(2\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}) = 20 - 3$
 $= 17 \checkmark$

b) i) $x(2-y) + 3y(-2+y)$
 $= (x-3y)(2-y) \checkmark$

ii) $\frac{(6a-12)(6a+5)}{6} \approx 0$

$(a-2)(6a+5) \checkmark$

c) $2a^2 - 2a + 1 = 225 \checkmark$

$2a^2 - 2a - 224 = 0$

$a^2 - a - 112 = 0$

$a = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{449}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm 16\sqrt{7}}{2} = 21.7$ or $\frac{-20.7}{2}$
Not valid.

d) $x + 76 = 108^\circ$ (int. opp. \angle 's = ext. \angle)
 $x = 32^\circ \checkmark$

$y = 2x + 76^\circ$ (sum of int. \angle 's = ext. \angle)

$y = 140^\circ$

e) if $a + b = -1$, $a = -b$ or $-a = b$ and ~~and~~

$\therefore a + -a = 0$ \Downarrow implies $a+b=0$

$a + b = 0 \checkmark$

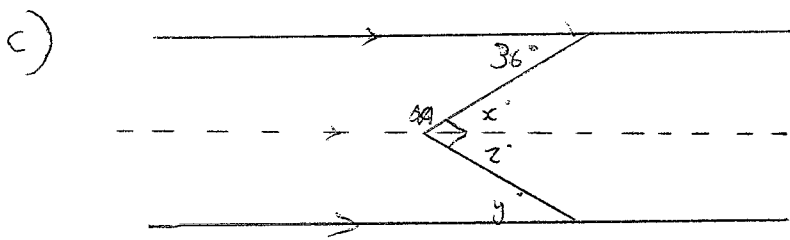
f) $\frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{2}{3}$ \rightarrow $3 = 2x+2$ $\therefore \frac{1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}-1}$
 $\therefore 2x = 1$ $\therefore \frac{1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{2}}$
 $x = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\frac{2}{3x+3} \therefore 3x+3 = 3$ $\frac{1}{-1} = -1 = \frac{-2}{2}$
 $x = 0$

Q4

a) i) $|1-a| = 4$
 $a = \bar{7}3$ or 5 ✓

ii) $a^2 = 2a$
 $a(2+a) = 0$
 $a = 0$ ✓ or $a = -2$ ✓

b) ext. $\angle = 12^\circ$
 $12n = 360$
 $\therefore n = 30$ ✓ \therefore There are 30 sides



$x^\circ = z^\circ$ (adj. \angle 's in bisected angle) Not given.
 $x = 36^\circ$ (alt \angle 's in \parallel lines) but $x + z = 90^\circ$ (given)
 $36 + z = 90^\circ$
 $\therefore z = 54^\circ$
 $\therefore y = 36^\circ$ (alt \angle 's in \parallel lines)

d) $\frac{\tan \theta}{1} = \tan \cos \theta$
 $\frac{1}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\sin}{\cos} \cdot \cos \theta$
 $= \sin \theta$ ✓

e) $3x + 2y - 10 = 0$
 $4x + 3y - 13 = 0$
 $\frac{1}{2} 4x + \frac{3}{2} (13x - 10) - 13 = 0$
 $2 - \frac{1}{2}x = 0$
 $x = 4$ ✓
 $y = -1$ ✓

f) $\frac{ab}{2} \sin C = 15 \sin 30^\circ$
 $= 7.5 \text{ cm}^2$ ✓

Q5

$$a) \cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

$$\cos A = \frac{64 + 81 - 49}{144} \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}$$

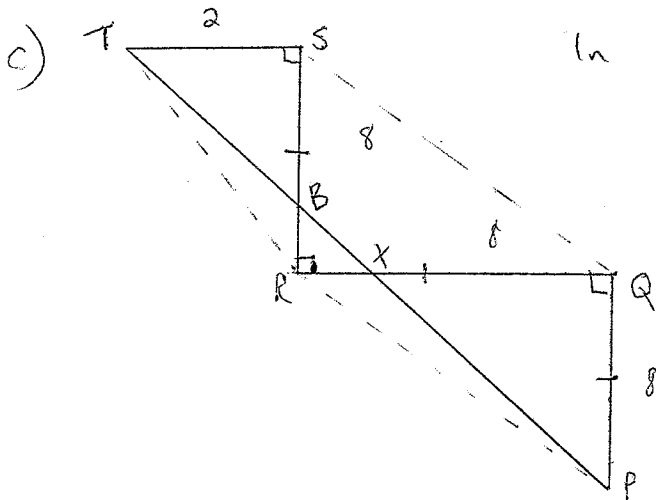
$$A^\circ = 48^\circ 11' \checkmark$$

$$b) \frac{5x}{(x+4)(x-4)} - \frac{4}{x+4}$$

~~$$\frac{5x(x-4) - 4}{(x+4)}$$~~

$$= \frac{5x - 4(x-4)}{(x+4)(x-4)} \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{x+16}{(x+4)(x-4)} \checkmark$$



In Δ s TBS and XBR,

$$\angle R = \angle S \text{ (given)}$$

$$\angle RBX = \angle SBT \text{ (v.o.a. } \angle \text{'s = opp)}$$

$\therefore \Delta TBS \parallel \Delta XBR$ (equiangular),

In Δ s XBR and XPQ,

$$\angle BRX = \angle PQX \text{ (given)}$$

$$\angle BXR = \angle PXQ \text{ (v.o.a. } \angle \text{'s)}$$

$\therefore \Delta XBR \parallel \Delta XPQ$ (equiangular)

$\therefore \Delta XPQ \parallel \Delta TBS$ \checkmark

$$\frac{8-x}{2} = \frac{y}{8-y}$$

~~$$\sqrt{\frac{8-x}{8}}$$~~

$$\frac{8-x}{x} = \frac{y}{8} \checkmark$$

~~$$\frac{8-x}{x} = \frac{64-8x}{x}$$~~

$$\frac{8-x}{2} = \frac{64-8x}{x}$$

$$8 - \frac{64-8x}{x}$$

$$\frac{64 - 8x}{x}$$

$$8 - \frac{64 - 8x}{x}$$

$$\frac{64 - 8x}{x} \times \frac{x}{-64} = \frac{64x - 8x^2}{-64x} \Rightarrow \frac{64 - 8x}{-64} = \frac{8 - x}{8}$$

$$\frac{8 - x}{2} = \frac{64 - 8x}{-64} \quad \frac{8 - x}{8}$$

$$8 - x = -428 \quad \frac{8 - x}{4} \quad /$$

$$32 - 4x = 8 - x$$

$$24 = 3x$$

$$x = 8$$

$$d) i) (a + b)^3 = (a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)(a + b)$$

$$= \cancel{a^3 + b^3 + 2a^2b^2}$$

$$= a^3 + a^2b + ab^2 + b^3 + 2a^2b + 2ab^2$$

$$= a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$$

ii)

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

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x} + 1 = 0$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$\therefore (-1)^3 = -1$$

$$\therefore x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = -1$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = x^3 + 3x^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + 3x\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$(-1)^3 = x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3x + \frac{3}{x}$$

$$= x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$= x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3(-1)$$

$$-1 + 3 = x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$2 = x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$$