



SCEGGS Darlinghurst

2008

Preliminary Course
Semester 1 Examination

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Student Number

Mathematics Extension 1

Outcomes Assessed: P1, P3, P4, P5 and PE3
Task Weighting: 20%

General Instructions

- Time allowed – 1 hour
- This paper has **four** questions
- Write your Student Number at the top of each page
- Attempt **all** questions
- Write using blue or black pen
- Answer all questions on the pad paper provided
- Draw all diagrams using a pencil and ruler
- Begin each question on a new page
- Marks will be deducted for careless or badly arranged work
- Approved scientific calculators and mathematical templates may be used

Total marks – 40

- Attempt Questions 1 – 4

Question	Reasoning	Communication	Marks
1	/2		/10
2	/2	/4	/10
3	/3	/3	/10
4	/3		/10
TOTAL	/10	/7	/40

Marks

Question 1 (10 marks)

(a) It is given that $\frac{1}{A} = \frac{1}{B} + \frac{1}{C}$ 2

Evaluate B when $A = 3.6$ and $C = 4.7$, answering correct to 1 decimal place.

(b) If $f(x) = 2x - x^2$, find:

(i) $f(-2)$ 1

(ii) $f(x-2)$ 2

(c) Evaluate $\frac{\cos 315^\circ + \sin 240^\circ}{\tan 120^\circ}$. Answer in simplest rationalised form. 3

(d) Simplify $\frac{3x^3}{x-2} + \frac{24}{2-x}$ 2

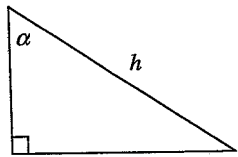
Question 2 (10 marks)

(a) If $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1} + 1$,

- (i) state the domain of $f(x)$. 1
- (ii) sketch $y = f(x)$, showing all important features. 3

(b) Solve $3\sin\theta = 2\cos\theta$ for $-180^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$. 3
 Answer correct to the nearest minute.

- (c) (i) 2



Prove that the area of this triangle is $\frac{1}{2}h^2 \sin\alpha \cos\alpha$.

- (ii) If it is given that the area is 25cm^2 and $\alpha = 37^\circ$, calculate the length of h correct to 2 significant figures. 1

Question 3 (10 marks)

- (a) Sketch the function $y = f(x)$ defined by: 3

$$f(x) \begin{cases} = -x - 2 & \text{for } x < -2 \\ = \sqrt{4 - x^2} & \text{for } -2 \leq x \leq 2 \\ = x - 2 & \text{for } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

- (b) (i) Solve $\frac{3}{2x-1} \leq 2$ 3

- (ii) Graph your solution on a number plane. 1

- (c) Prove that: 3

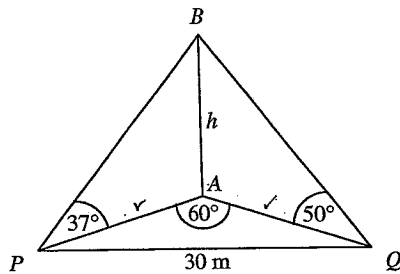
$$\cot A (\operatorname{cosec} A - \cot A) = \frac{\cos A}{1 + \cos A}$$

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Question 4 (10 marks) Marks

- (a) (i) Sketch the curves $y = (x+3)^2$ and $y = (x+1)(x+4)$ on the same set of axes. 1
- (ii) Prove that they intersect at one point only, stating the co-ordinates of this point. 2
- (iii) Hence, or otherwise, solve $(x+3)^2 > (x+1)(x+4)$. 1

(b) A vertical tower AB of height h metres is standing on horizontal ground. Two points, P and Q are on ground level, 30 m apart. The angles of elevation of the top of the tower from P and Q are 37° and 50° respectively. It is given that $\angle PAQ = 60^\circ$.



- (i) Prove $AP = \frac{h}{\tan 37^\circ}$. 1
- (ii) Find a similar expression for AQ . 1
- (iii) Prove that: 2
- $$h^2 \left[\frac{1}{\tan^2 37^\circ} + \frac{1}{\tan^2 50^\circ} - \frac{1}{\tan 37^\circ \tan 50^\circ} \right] = 900$$
- (iv) Hence find the height of the tower correct to the nearest metre. 2

End of paper

1) a) $\frac{1}{3.6} = \frac{1}{B} + \frac{1}{4.7}$
 $\frac{1}{B} = \frac{1}{3.6} - \frac{1}{4.7}$
 $B = 15.4$ (1 dp) ✓✓

b) i) $f(-2) = 2x - 2 - (-2)^2$
 $= -4 - 4$
 $= -8$ ✓

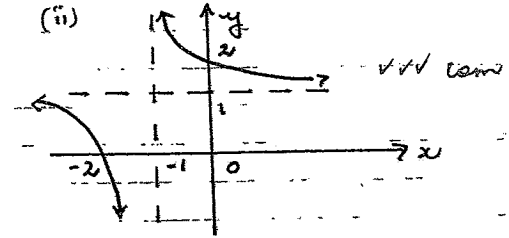
(ii) $f(x-2) = 2(x-2) - (x-2)^2$
 $= 2x - 4 - (x^2 - 4x + 4)$
 $= 2x - 4 - x^2 + 4x - 4$
 $= -x^2 + 6x - 8$

c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{2 - \sqrt{6}}{2\sqrt{2}}$
 $= \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}}$
 $= \frac{6 - 2\sqrt{6}}{12}$
 $= \frac{3 - \sqrt{6}}{6}$

d) $\frac{3x^3}{x-2} + \frac{24}{2-x} = \frac{3x^3 - 24}{x-2}$
 $= \frac{3(x^3 - 8)}{x-2}$
 $= \frac{3(x-2)(x^2 + 2x + 4)}{x-2}$
 $= 3(x^2 + 2x + 4)$ ✓✓

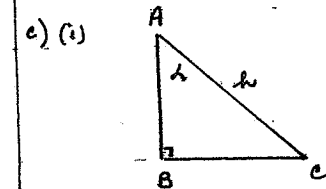
Reas ✓

2) a) (i) all real x except $x = -1$ ✓/low



b) $\tan \theta = \frac{2}{3}$

Acute angle = $33^\circ 41'$
 1st, 3rd quadrants
 $\theta = 33^\circ 41', 213^\circ 41'$ $0 \leq \theta < 360^\circ$
 $\therefore \theta = 33^\circ 41', -146^\circ 19'$ $-180^\circ \leq \theta < 180^\circ$



Area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2} AB \times BC$

$\sin \theta = \frac{BC}{h}$

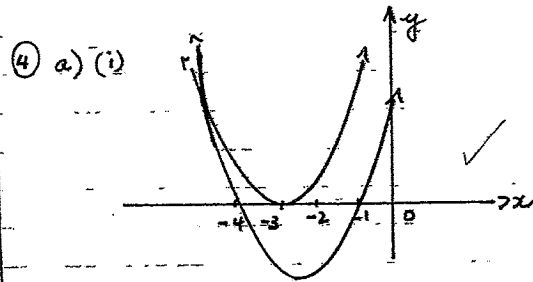
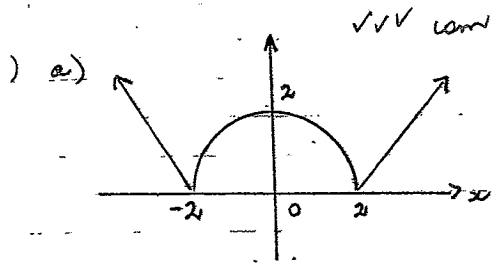
$\therefore BC = h \sin \theta$

$\cos \theta = \frac{AB}{h}$

$\therefore AB = h \cos \theta$

$\therefore \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} h \sin \theta \cdot h \cos \theta$ Reas ✓✓
 $= \frac{1}{2} h^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$

(ii) $25 = \frac{1}{2} h^2 \sin 37^\circ \cos 37^\circ$
 $h^2 = 50 \div (\sin 37^\circ \cos 37^\circ)$
 $h^2 = 104.0299 \dots$
 $h = 10$ (2 s.p.)



b) (i) $3(2x-1)^2 \leq 2(2x-1)^2$

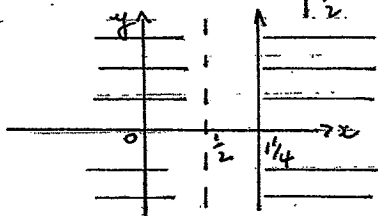
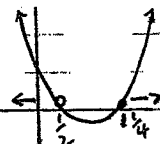
$$3(2x-1) \leq 2(4x^2-4x+1)$$

$$6x-3 \leq 8x^2-8x+2$$

$$8x^2-14x+5 > 0$$

$$(2x-1)(4x-5) > 0$$

$$x < \frac{1}{2}, \quad x > \frac{5}{4}$$



c) L.H.S. = $\cot A (\operatorname{cosec} A - \cot A)$

$$= \frac{\cos A}{\sin A} \left(\frac{1}{\sin A} - \frac{\cos A}{\sin A} \right)$$

$$= \cos A \left(\frac{1 - \cos A}{\sin^2 A} \right)$$

$$= \cos A \left(\frac{1 - \cos A}{1 - \cos^2 A} \right)$$

$$= \cos A \left(\frac{1 - \cos A}{(1 + \cos A)(1 - \cos A)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\cos A}{1 + \cos A} \quad \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$$

$$= \text{R.H.S.} \quad \text{Reas}$$

(ii) $(x+3)^2 = (x+1)(x+4)$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 = x^2 + 5x + 4$$

$$x = -5$$

$$y = (-5+3)^2$$

$$= 4$$

there is only one simultaneous solution

i.e. there is only one point of intersection $(-5, 4)$ ✓

(iii) $x > -5$ ✓

b) (i) $\tan 37^\circ = \frac{h}{AP}$ ✓

$$\therefore AP = \frac{h}{\tan 37^\circ}$$

(ii) $AQ = \frac{h}{\tan 50^\circ}$ ✓ Reas

(iii) By Cosine Rule:

$$30^2 = \frac{h^2}{\tan^2 37^\circ} + \frac{h^2}{\tan^2 50^\circ} - 2 \times \frac{h^2}{\tan 37^\circ \tan 50^\circ} \cos 60^\circ$$

$$900 = h^2 \left[\frac{1}{\tan^2 37^\circ} + \frac{1}{\tan^2 50^\circ} - \frac{1}{\tan 37^\circ \tan 50^\circ} \right]$$

(iv) $h^2 = 900 \div 1.35161 \dots$

$$h = 25.804 \dots$$

$$h = 26 \text{ m (nearest metre)}$$

height is 26 m (nearest metre)