



SOUTH SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL
PRELIMINARY COURSE
MATHEMATICS
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION
2008

Time Allowed—1.5 Hours

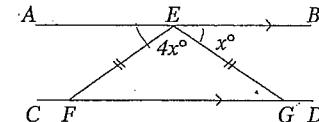
Directions to Candidates

- Attempt ALL questions
- All necessary working must be shown. Marks may be deducted for careless or badly arranged work.
- Board approved calculators maybe used.
- Each question is to start on a new page.
- All questions are of equal value.

Question 1

(i) Evaluate $\frac{3.216 \times 10^9}{4.8 \times 10^{-6}}$.

(ii) In the diagram given below, $AB \parallel CD$ and $EF = EG$. Find the value of x , giving reasons.



(iii) Simplify $9\sqrt{7} + 2\sqrt{75} - 2\sqrt{63} + 4\sqrt{3}$.

(iv) Expand and simplify $(\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2})^2$.

(v) Factorise $(x-y)^2 - (x+y)^2$.

(vi) Factorise $x^2 - 4x - 32$.

Question 2

(i) Solve $5x^2 + 6x - 3 = 0$ by the quadratic formula. (Round off to 2 decimal places)

(ii) Simplify $\frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{6}}$ to a single fraction with a rational denominator.

(iii) Given the equation of motion $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$, find u (correct to 1 decimal place) when $v = 56$, $a = 2$ and $s = 9$.

(iv) Solve simultaneously

$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 4y &= 9 \\ 6x + 2y &= 3. \end{aligned}$$

(v) Evaluate correct to 2 decimal places $\frac{13.2 + 6.7}{9.1 - 4.8}$.

Question 3

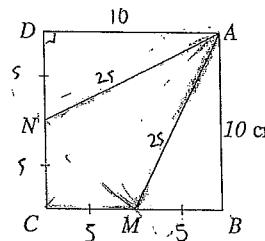
(i) Express $0.2\bar{5}$ as a common fraction. Show all working.

(ii) Solve each of the following:

(a) $-3 < 1 - x < 4$;

(b) $|x + 1| = 4$.

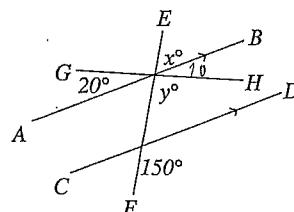
- (iii) ABCD is a square of side length 10 cm. M is the midpoint of BC and N is the midpoint of CD.



- a. Prove that $\triangle ABM \cong \triangle ADN$.
- b. What type of quadrilateral is the figure $AMCN$? Give reasons.
- c. Find the area of the quadrilateral $AMCN$.

Question 4

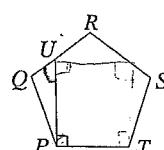
- (i) In the diagram given below, $AB \parallel CD$. Find the values of x and y , giving reasons.



(ii) Find the value of x in the equation $\frac{2}{15} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{x}$.

(iii) Simplify $\frac{x^3 - 8}{3x^2 + 6x + 12} \div \frac{x^3 - 2x^2}{3}$.

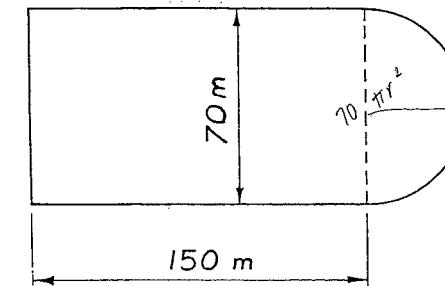
(vi)



$PQRST$ is a regular pentagon and $PU \perp PT$. Find the size of $\angle QUP$, in degrees. Give reasons.

Question 5

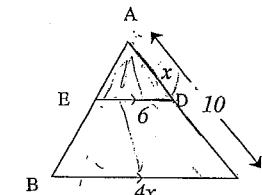
- (i) A sporting field is in the shape of a rectangle with a semicircle at one end as shown in the diagram.



Using the approximate value $\frac{22}{7}$ for π , find:

- (a) the area of the entire field;
- (b) the total cost of fencing the boundary of the field at a cost of \$30 per metre.

- (ii) In the diagram given below (All lengths are in cm.)



- (a) Prove that the triangles AED and ABC are similar.

- (b) Hence or otherwise, find the exact value of x .

- (iii) For the function $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$:

- (a) Show that $f\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = f\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$.

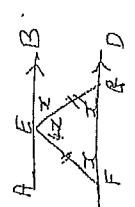
- (b) Find x such that $f(x) = -2$.

END OF EXAMINATION

55H TRIGONOMETRY EXAM

$$\text{SECTION 1} \quad (12 \text{ marks})$$

$$\frac{6.7 \times 10^4}{6.7 \times 10^4} \quad \text{①}$$



$$\angle EAF = 2^\circ \text{ (Alternate } \angle \text{)} \\ \angle EFC = 2^\circ \text{ (base } \angle \text{ in } \triangle \text{)}$$

$$x + x + x = 180 \quad (\text{Angles in } \triangle)$$

$$6x = 180$$

$$x = 30^\circ \quad \text{③}$$

$$1) \frac{9\sqrt{7} + 2\sqrt{15}}{7} - 2\sqrt{63} + 4\sqrt{3} \\ = 9\sqrt{7} + 10\sqrt{3} - 6\sqrt{7} + 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{7} + 14\sqrt{3} \quad \text{②}$$

$$1) \frac{(\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2})^2}{2\sqrt{5} + 6\sqrt{10} + 9\sqrt{4}} \quad \text{②}$$

$$= \frac{23 + 6\sqrt{10}}{23 + 6\sqrt{10}}$$

$$1) \frac{(x-4)^2 - (x+4)^2}{[(x-4) - (x+4)][(x-4) + (x+4)]} \\ = \frac{-8x}{-8} = x-4 \quad [x+4 + x-4] \\ = [-2x][2x] \quad \text{②}$$

$$= -4x \quad \text{②}$$

QUESTION 3 (12 marks)

$$i) \text{ Let } x = 0.25 \\ = 0.25555 \dots \\ 10x = 2.55555 \dots \\ -(9x = 2.3)$$

$$x = \frac{2.3}{9}$$

$$ii) a) -3 < 1-x < 4 \\ -3-1 < -x < 4-1 \\ -4 < -x < 3 \\ 4 > x > -3 \quad \text{②}$$

$$b) |x+1| = 4 \\ x+1 = 4 \quad \text{or} \quad x+1 = -4 \\ x = 3 \quad \text{②}$$

$$c) \text{ Area of } AMCN \\ x = -5 \quad \text{②}$$

$$= \text{Area Square} - 2 \text{ Area Tri} \\ = (10 \times 10) - 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}bh\right) \\ = (10 \times 10) - (2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 1) \\ = 100 - 50$$

$$= 50 \text{ sq cm} \quad \text{②}$$

QUESTION 2 (12 marks)

$$i) 5x^2 + 6x - 3 = 0$$

$$b=5, \quad c=-3$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 + 60}}{10} \\ = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{96}}{10} \quad \text{②}$$

$$= \frac{-6 \pm 4\sqrt{6}}{10} \quad \text{①}$$

$$= 0.38 \text{ or } -1.53 \quad \text{②}$$

$$x = 1 \quad \text{②}$$

$$ii) 3x - 4y = 9 \quad \text{①}$$

$$6x + 2y = 3 \quad \text{②}$$

$$0x - 6y = 18 \quad \text{③}$$

$$Sub \text{ ② } 0x - 6y = 18 \quad \text{④}$$

$$Sub \text{ ② } 6x - 3 = 3$$

$$6x = 6$$

$$x = 1$$

$$Solution \quad x = 1, y = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{③}$$

$$iii) 4.63 \quad \text{②}$$

$$iv) 4.63 \quad \text{②}$$

$$v) 4.63 \quad \text{②}$$

$$vi) 4.63 \quad \text{②}$$

$$vii) 4.63 \quad \text{②}$$

$$viii) 4.63 \quad \text{②}$$

$$ix) 4.63 \quad \text{②}$$

$$x = 1, y = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{③}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{③}$$

$$z = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$w = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$v = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$u = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$t = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$s = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$r = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

QUESTION 1 (12 marks)

$$i) 56^2 = u^2 + 2 \times 9$$

$$3136 = u^2 + 18$$

$$3136 = u^2 + 36$$

$$3100 = u^2$$

$$\pm 55.7 = u \quad \text{②}$$

$$i) 3x - 4y = 9 \quad \text{①}$$

$$6x + 2y = 3 \quad \text{②}$$

$$0x - 6y = 18 \quad \text{③}$$

$$Sub \text{ ② } 0x - 6y = 18 \quad \text{④}$$

$$Sub \text{ ② } 6x - 3 = 3$$

$$6x = 6$$

$$x = 1$$

$$Solution \quad x = 1, y = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{③}$$

$$z = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$w = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$v = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$u = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$t = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$s = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$r = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$q = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$p = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$n = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$m = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

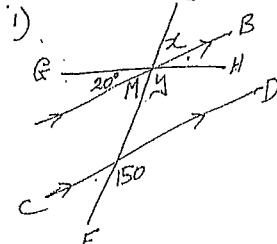
$$l = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$k = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$j = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

$$i = 1 \quad \text{③}$$

QUESTION 4 (12 marks)



$$\angle BMH = 20^\circ \text{ (Vertically Opp)}$$

$$y + 20 = 150^\circ \text{ (Corresp } \angle's)$$

$$y = 130^\circ$$

$$y + 20 + x = 180^\circ \text{ (Straight } \angle)$$

$$130 + 20 + x = 180$$

$$x = 30^\circ \quad (4)$$

$$\text{i) } \frac{2}{15} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{2}{15} = \frac{x+8}{8x}$$

$$16x = 15(x+8)$$

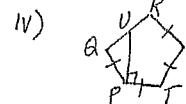
$$16x = 15x + 120$$

$$x = 120 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{iii) } \frac{x^3 - 8}{3(x^2 + 2x + 4)} \div \frac{x^3 - 2x^2}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(x-2)(x^2 + 2x + 4)}{3(x^2 + 2x + 4)} \times \frac{3}{x^2(x-2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x^2} \quad (3)$$



$$\angle A = 108^\circ \text{ (\angle in regular pentagon)}$$

$$90 + \angle UPQ = 108^\circ \text{ (\angle in pentag)}$$

$$\angle UPQ = 18^\circ$$

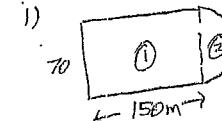
$$\angle Q + \angle UPQ + \angle QUP = 180^\circ \text{ (\angle's in } \triangle)$$

$$108 + 18 + \angle QUP = 180$$

$$126 + \angle QUP = 180$$

$$\angle QUP = 54^\circ \quad (3)$$

QUESTION 5 (12 marks)



$$\text{a) Area} = L \times W + \frac{1}{2} \pi r^2$$

$$= 150 \times 70 + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{22}{7} \times 35^2$$

$$= 12425 \text{ m}^2 \quad (2)$$

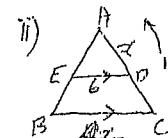
$$\text{b) Perimeter} = 150 + 70 + 150 + \frac{1}{2} \text{ circle}$$

$$= 370 + \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times \frac{22}{7} \times 35$$

$$\text{Cost} = 480 \text{ m}$$

$$= 480 \times 30$$

$$= \$14400 \quad (2)$$



$$\text{a) } \angle A \text{ Common}$$

$$\angle AED = \angle ABC \text{ (Corresp } \angle's)$$

$$\angle ADE = \angle ACB \text{ (")}$$

$$\therefore \triangle AED \sim \triangle ABC \text{ (AAA)} \quad (2)$$

b) Corresponding sides are in ratio

$$\frac{6}{4x} = \frac{8}{10}$$

$$60 = 4x^2$$

$$15 = x^2$$

$$\sqrt{15} = x \quad (2)$$

$$\text{iii) } f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\text{a) } f\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \frac{a}{b} + \frac{1}{\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{b}{a} + \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\therefore f\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = f\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{b) } -2 = x + \frac{1}{x}$$

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

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

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

$$x = -1 \quad (2)$$