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HSC ASSESSMENT TASK  
EXAMINATION

# Extension I Mathematics

Time allowed: 55 minutes

## INSTRUCTIONS

- There are 3 sections of value 13, 13 and 12
- Marks for each part of a question are indicated
- All questions should be attempted on the separate paper provided
- All necessary working should be shown
- Start each question on a new page
- Approved scientific calculators and drawing templates may be used badly arranged work.

## Section A

13 Marks

1. Two of the roots of the polynomial equation  $x^3 - 13kx^2 + 13kx - 1 = 0$  are  $k$  and  $\frac{1}{k}$  where  $k > 0$ .
  - (i) Find the third root [1]
  - (ii) Find the possible value(s) of  $k$  [2]
2. A polynomial  $P(x)$  is of degree 3. It is also odd. Ie.  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ .
  - (i) Show that  $x$  is a factor of  $P(x)$ . [2]
  - (ii) This polynomial has  $(x + 3)$  as a factor and when it is divided by  $(x - 2)$  the remainder is 10. Find  $P(x)$ . [2] ✗
3. The polynomial  $P(x) = ax^3 + bx + c$  (where  $a \neq 0, c \neq 0$ ) has one factor in the form  $(x^2 + px + 1)$  where  $p$  is real and  $p \neq 0$ .
  - (i) Find the other factor. [1]
  - (ii) Hence or otherwise show that  $a^2 - c^2 = ab$  [2] ✗
4. (i) Show that  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 4 = 0$  has a root between 3 and 4. [1]
   
  
 (ii) Apply Newton's Method once to find a more accurate approximation of the root given that given  $x = 3.5$  is an approximate root. Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places. [2] ✗

## Section B – Start a new page

13 Marks

5. (i) Show that  $\sqrt{3} \sin x - \cos x$  can be rewritten as  $2 \sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$  [2]
   
  
 (ii) Hence or otherwise solve  $\sqrt{3} \sin x - \cos x = 1$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$  [2]

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## Section B Continued

6. (i) Show that the equation  $\sqrt{3} \sec^2 \theta - 2 \tan \theta - 2\sqrt{3} = 0$  can be rewritten as  $(\sqrt{3} \tan \theta + 1)(\tan \theta - \sqrt{3}) = 0$  [2]

- (ii) Hence or otherwise find the general solutions to the equation

$$\sqrt{3} \sec^2 \theta - 2 \tan \theta - 2\sqrt{3} = 0 \quad [2]$$

7. (i) Write down the expansion  $\tan(\alpha + \beta)$  [1]

The diagram shows a building,  $AC$ , with windows at  $D$  and  $E$ . From a point,  $B$ , on horizontal ground, it is found that  $\angle ABE = \angle DBC$ .

$$DC = 9m, DE = 72m, AE = 36m$$

$$BC = x \text{ metres}$$

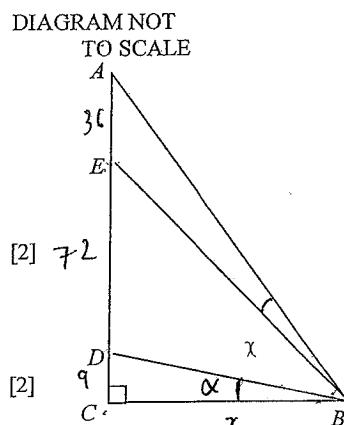
$$\angle CBD = \alpha, \angle EBC = \beta$$

(ii)

$$\text{Show that } \frac{117}{x} = \frac{90x}{x^2 - 729}$$

Hint: First find  $\tan(\alpha + \beta)$  in  $\triangle ABC$

- (iii) Hence show that  $x = 56.2m$  to 3 significant figures [2]



12 Marks

[2]

## Section C – Start a new page

8. Prove that  $\frac{\sin 8A}{1 + \cos 8A} = \tan 4A$  [2]

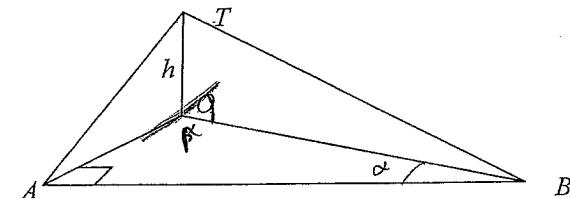
9. Show that  $\frac{2 \cos A}{\cosec A - 2 \sin A} = \tan 2A$  [3]

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10. Prove that  $\frac{\sin 3\theta}{\sin \theta} - \frac{\cos 3\theta}{\cos \theta}$  is independent of  $\theta$ . [2]

11. A surveyor stands at a point  $A$ , which is due south of a tower  $OT$  of height  $h$  m. The angle of elevation of the top of the tower from  $A$  is  $45^\circ$ . The surveyor then walks 100 m due east to point  $B$ , from where she measures the angle of elevation of the top of the tower to be  $30^\circ$ .



- (i) Express the length of  $OA$  and  $OB$  in terms of  $h$ . [1]

- (ii) Show that  $h = 50\sqrt{2}$ . [2]

- (iii) Calculate the bearing of  $B$  from the base of the tower. [2]

*End of Task*

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = \frac{-d}{a} = 1 \quad \text{for } \alpha, \beta, \gamma \text{ being roots}$$

$$\therefore K \times \frac{1}{K} \times \gamma = 1$$

i. The third root is 1

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -\frac{b}{a} = 13K$$

$$1K + \frac{1}{K} + 1 = 13K$$

$$K^2 + 1 + K = 13K^2$$

$$12K^2 - K - 1 = 0$$

$$12K^2 - 4K + 3K - 1 = 0$$

$$4K(3K-1) + (3K-1) = 0$$

$$(4K+1)(3K-1) = 0$$

$$\therefore K = -\frac{1}{4} \text{ or } K = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(x) \text{ is odd.}$$

$$\therefore P(x) = -P(-x)$$

$$\therefore P(0) = -P(0)$$

$$\text{Hence: } P(0) = 0$$

$\therefore x$  is a factor.

If  $(2x+3)$  is a factor

so is  $(2x-3)$  (as odd)

$$\therefore P(x) = ax(x-3)(x+3)$$

$$P(2) = 10$$

$$10 = 2a \times -1 \times 5$$

$$10 = -10a$$

$$a = -1$$

$$\therefore P(x) = -x(x-3)(x+3)$$

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**SOLUTIONS**

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= ax^3 + bx + c \\ &= x^2 + px + 1 \overline{)ax^3 + bx + c} \\ &\quad \underline{ax^3 + apx^2 + ax} \\ &\quad -apx^2 + (b-a)x + c \\ &\quad \underline{-apx^2 - ap^2 x - ap} \\ &\quad (b-a+ap^2)x+c+ap \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{other factor is } & ax-ap \\ (b-a+ap^2)x+c+ap &= 0 \\ \therefore a-b &= ap^2 \quad (1) \& -c = ap \quad (2) \\ p &= -\frac{c}{a} \end{aligned}$$

Subst (2) into (1)

$$a-b = a \times \frac{c^2}{a^2}$$

$$\therefore a^2 - ba = c^2$$

$$\therefore a^2 - c^2 = ab$$

f(3) = -1  
f(4) = 16  
Note: Given that the function is a polynomial by definition  
is continuous for all values of x. Hence as f(3) < 0 & f(4) > 0  
there must be a zero between x<sub>1</sub> = 3 & x<sub>2</sub> = 4.  
 $x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)}$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x + 1$$

$$x_2 = 3.5 - \frac{5.625}{16.75} \quad f(3.5) = 16.75 \quad 0.5$$

$$f(3.5) = 5.625 \quad 0.5$$

$$= 3.16 \quad (\text{to 2 d.p.}) \quad 0.5$$

Alternatively  
& more concisely  
↓

$$ax^3 + bx + c$$

$$= (x^2 + px + 1)(ax + q)$$

(Observation) (2)  
Equal coeff's.

$$\text{of } x^2: 0 = c + ap \quad (1)$$

$$\text{of } x: b = cq + a \quad (2)$$

eliminate p. (1)

$$p = -\frac{c}{a} \quad \text{from (1)}$$

$$\text{Sub in (2)} \quad b = c\left(-\frac{c}{a}\right) + a$$

$$\therefore ab = -c^2 + a^2 \quad (1)$$

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derivative  
significance

here  
mechanical  
errors.

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2 \sin(x - \frac{\pi}{6}) \\ &= 2(\sin x \cos \frac{\pi}{6} - \cos x \sin \frac{\pi}{6}) \\ &= 2\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin x - \frac{1}{2} \cos x\right) \\ &= \sqrt{3} \sin x - \cos x \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} \sin x - \cos x = 2 \sin(x - \frac{\pi}{6})$$

$$2 \sin(x - \frac{\pi}{6}) = 1$$

$$\sin(x - \frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\quad 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi \\ \therefore x &= \frac{\pi}{3}, \pi \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi \end{aligned}$$

$$6i) \sqrt{3} \sec^2 \theta - 2 \tan \theta - 2\sqrt{3} = 0 \quad \text{Alternatively}$$

$$(\sqrt{3} \tan \theta + 1)(\tan \theta - \sqrt{3})$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \tan^2 \theta - 3 \tan \theta + \tan \theta \sqrt{3}$$

$$= \sqrt{3} (\sec^2 \theta - 1) - 2 \tan \theta - \sqrt{3}$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \sec^2 \theta - 2 \tan \theta - 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} \sec^2 \theta - 2 \tan \theta - 2\sqrt{3} = 0$$

can be rewritten as

$$(\sqrt{3} \tan \theta + 1)(\tan \theta - \sqrt{3}) = 0$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \text{or} \quad \tan \theta = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \theta \approx \pi n - \frac{\pi}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad \theta = \pi n + \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or} \quad r &= \sqrt{s^2 + l^2} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{3} \sin \alpha - \cos \alpha$$

$$= 2(\sin \alpha \cos \frac{\pi}{6} - \cos \alpha \sin \frac{\pi}{6})$$

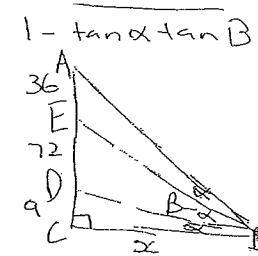
$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = 2 \cos \alpha$$

$$1 = 2 \sin \alpha$$

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

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \textcircled{6} \quad \text{vs} \quad \textcircled{1} \text{M}$$



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

$$\tan(\beta + \alpha) = \frac{117}{x}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{81}{x}$$

$$\therefore \tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{117}{x} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{81}{x}}{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{81}{x}}$$

$$\frac{117}{x} = \frac{90x}{1 - \frac{729}{x^2}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{117}{x} = \frac{90x}{x^2 - 729}$$

$$117x^2 - 85293 = 90x^2$$

$$27x^2 = 85293$$

$$x^2 = 3159$$

$$\therefore x = 56.2 \text{ m}$$

(to 3 s.f.)

(note:  $x > 0$ )

$$\frac{\sin 8A}{1 + \cos 8A} = \tan 4A$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{2 \sin 4A \cos 4A}{1 + 2 \cos^2 4A - 1}$$

$$= 2 \tan 4A$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

∴ true

$$\cos 2A - 2\sin A = \tan 2A$$

$$LHS = \frac{2\cos A}{\sin A - 2\sin A}$$

$$= \frac{2\cos A}{\frac{\sin A}{1 - 2\sin^2 A}}$$

$$= \frac{2\sin A \cos A}{\sin A}$$

$$= \frac{\cos 2A}{\frac{\sin 2A}{\cos 2A}} = \tan 2A = RHS$$

∴ true.

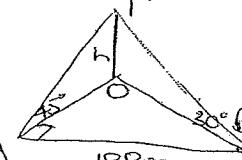
$$= \frac{\sin 30 \cos \theta - \cos 30 \sin \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\sin(30 - \theta)}{\sin 2\theta}$$

$$= \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2 \sin 2\theta}$$

$\stackrel{?}{=} 2$  which is indept of  $\theta$ .

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{h}{OB}$$



$$\tan 40^\circ = \frac{OB}{OA}$$

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{h}{OA}$$

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$$h^2 + 100^2 = 3h^2 \quad (\text{By Pythag})$$

$$2h^2 = 10000$$

$$h^2 = 5000$$

$$h = \sqrt{25} \times \sqrt{100} \times \sqrt{2}$$

$$= 50\sqrt{2} \text{ m}$$

(Note:  $h > 0$ )

$$(iii) \tan \angle AOB = \frac{100}{OA}$$

$$= \frac{100}{50\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \angle AOB = 54^\circ 44'$$

$$180^\circ - 54^\circ 44' = 125^\circ 16' T$$

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