

Paper I Answers (2020/21)

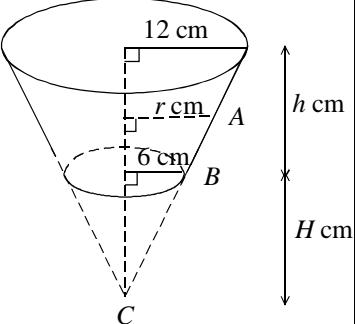
	Solution	Marks	Remarks
1.	$\frac{(a^3b^{-2})^4}{a^{-5}}$ $= \frac{a^{12}b^{-8}}{a^{-5}}$ $= \frac{a^{12-(-5)}}{b^8}$ $= \frac{a^{17}}{b^8}$	1M 1M 1A -----(3)	for $(xy)^m = x^m y^m$ or $(x^m)^n = x^{mn}$ for $z^{-p} = \frac{1}{z^p}$ or $\frac{z^p}{z^q} = z^{p-q}$
2.	<p>(a) $x^2 - 6xy + 9y^2$ $= (x - 3y)^2$</p> <p>(b) $x^2 - 6xy + 9y^2 - 4$ $= (x - 3y)^2 - 4$ $= (x - 3y + 2)(x - 3y - 2)$</p>	1A 1M 1A -----(3)	or $(3y - x)^2$ for using the result of (a) or equivalent
3.	$5a = 3b$ $a : b = 3 : 5 = 6 : 10$ $c = \frac{b}{2}$ $b : c = 2 : 1 = 10 : 5$ $\therefore a : b : c = 6 : 10 : 5$ Let $a = 6k$, $b = 10k$, $c = 5k$, where $k \neq 0$ By substitution, $2a + b - 3c = 14$ We have $12k + 10k - 15k = 14$ $7k = 14$ $k = 2$ $\therefore c = 5k = 10$	1A 1M 1A -----(3)	----- either one
4.	<p>The selling price $= \\$160 \times (1 + 10\%)$ $= \\$176$</p> <p>The marked price $= \\$176 \div 80\%$ $= \\$220$</p>	1M 1A 1M 1A -----(4)	

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<p>5. Let x be the number of female members, then the number of male members is $\frac{4}{3}x$.</p> $x + \frac{4}{3}x = 280$ $\frac{7}{3}x = 280$ $x = 120$ <p>The difference between the number of male members and the number of female members $= \frac{1}{3} \times 120$ $= 40$</p>	1A 1M+1A 1A	1M for getting a linear equation in one unknown
<p>The difference between the number of male members and the number of female members $= 280 - 2 \times 120$ $= 40$</p>	1A	
<p>Let x and y be the number of male members and the number of female members respectively.</p> <p>Then $x = \frac{4}{3}y$ and $x + y = 280$</p> $\therefore \frac{4}{3}y + y = 280$ $\frac{7}{3}y = 280$ $y = 120$ $x = 160$ <p>The difference between the number of male members and the number of female members $= 160 - 120$ $= 40$</p>	1A+1A 1M 1A	1M for getting a linear equation in one unknown
	(4)	
<p>6. (a) $6 - x > \frac{3 - 4x}{2}$</p> $12 - 2x > 3 - 4x \quad (6 - x > \frac{3}{2} - 2x)$ $-2x + 4x > 3 - 12 \quad (-x + 2x > \frac{3}{2} - 6)$ $2x > -9$ $\therefore x > -\frac{9}{2}$ <p>$42 - 7x \leq 0$ $7x \geq 42$ $x \geq 6$</p> <p>\therefore The solution of the compound inequality is $x > -\frac{9}{2}$.</p>	1M 1A 1A	for putting x on one side
(b) 5	1A (4)	

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7. (a) The coordinates of A' are $(7, 1)$. The coordinates of B' are $(-4, -4)$.		1A 1A	accept $A'(7, 1)$ or $A' = (7, 1)$ accept $B'(-4, -4)$ or $B' = (-4, -4)$
(b) The slope of AB $= \frac{7+4}{-1-4} = -\frac{11}{5}$ The slope of $A'B'$ $= \frac{1+4}{7+4} = \frac{5}{11}$ \therefore The slope of $AB \times$ The slope of $A'B'$ $= (-\frac{11}{5})(\frac{5}{11})$ $= -1$ $\therefore AB \perp A'B'$	1M	1 f.t. -----(4)	accept $m_{AB} = -\frac{11}{5}$ either one
8. $\therefore AC = AD$ $\therefore \angle ACD = \angle ADC$ $= 62^\circ$ $\therefore BE // CD$ $\therefore \angle AFE = \angle ACD$ $= 62^\circ$ $\angle BAC = \angle AFE - \theta$ $= 62^\circ - \theta$ $\therefore AB = AC$ $\therefore \angle ABC = \frac{180^\circ - \angle BAC}{2}$ $= \frac{180^\circ - (62^\circ - \theta)}{2}$ $= 59^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}$ $\angle FBC = 59^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2} - \theta$ $= 59^\circ - \frac{\theta}{2}$	1M 1M 1A 1M 1A 1A -----(5)		

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9. (a)	$\frac{b}{19+a+b} = \frac{1}{8}$ $8b = 19 + a + b$ $a - 7b = -19 \quad \text{---(1)}$ <p>and $7 + a = 12 + b$</p> $a - b = 5 \quad \text{---(2)}$ <p>By solving (1) and (2), we have $a = 9, b = 4$.</p>	1M 1M 1A	for both correct
(b)	<p>The original mean = 6.40625 New mean = 6.375 The decrease in the mean is 0.03125</p>	1M 1A	----- either one ----- r.t. 0.0313
	<p>The decrease in the mean is $\frac{1}{32}$ $= 0.03125$</p>	1M+1A	1M for numerator
		(5)	

	Solution	Marks	Remarks
10. (a)	$S = aA + bA^2$, where a and b are non-zero constants. Sub. $A = 4$, $S = 56$ and $A = 7$, $S = 140$ We have $4a + 16b = 56$ $a + 4b = 14 \quad \dots \quad (1)$ and $7a + 49b = 140$ $a + 7b = 20 \quad \dots \quad (2)$ By solving (1) and (2), we have $a = 6$, $b = 2$. $\therefore S = 6A + 2A^2$ When $A = 6$, $S = 6 \times 6 + 2 \times 6^2$ $= \$108$	1A 1M 1A 1A -----(4)	for either substitution for both correct
(b)	When $A = 12$, $S = 6 \times 12 + 2 \times 12^2$ $= \$360$ $\neq 4 \times \$108$ $= \$432$ \therefore The claim is not correct.	1M 1A 1A -----(2)	f.t.
11. (a)	The inter-quartile range $= 128 - 114$ $= 14(\text{s})$	1M 1A -----(2)	
(b) (i)	$130 + b - (100 + a) \geq 14 + 24$ $b - a \geq 8$ $\begin{cases} a = 0 \\ b = 8 \end{cases} \text{ or } \begin{cases} a = 0 \\ b = 9 \end{cases} \text{ or } \begin{cases} a = 1 \\ b = 9 \end{cases}$	1M	
(ii)	When $a = 0$ and $b = 9$, the standard deviation is the greatest. The greatest possible standard deviation ≈ 9.20271699 $\approx 9.20(\text{s})$	1M	for at least two correct.
	When $a = 0$ and $b = 8$, the standard deviation $\approx 9.107551812 \approx 9.11(\text{s})$ When $a = 0$ and $b = 9$, the standard deviation $\approx 9.20271699 \approx 9.20(\text{s})$ When $a = 1$ and $b = 9$, the standard deviation $\approx 9.089966997 \approx 9.09(\text{s})$ Since $9.20 > 9.11 > 9.09$ \therefore The greatest possible standard deviation $\approx 9.20(\text{s})$	1M 1A -----(4)	r.t. 9.20(s)

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<p>12. (a) By using the similar triangles, we have $\frac{H}{h+H} = \frac{6}{12}$ $H = h$ $\frac{1}{3}\pi \times 12^2 \times 2h - \frac{1}{3}\pi \times 6^2 h$ $= 672\pi$ $96h - 12h = 672$ $84h = 672$ $h = 8$</p> 	1M 1M 1A							
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<p>(b) Let r cm be the radius of the water surface. By using the similar triangles, we have</p> $\frac{6}{r} = \frac{8}{12}$ $r = 9$ $AC = \sqrt{9^2 + 12^2}$ $= 15$ $BC = \sqrt{6^2 + 8^2}$ $= 10$ <p>The area of the vessel wetted by the water $= \pi \cdot 9 \cdot 15 - \pi \cdot 6 \cdot 10 + \pi \times 6^2$ $= 111\pi \text{ (cm}^2\text{)}$</p>	1M 1M 1M 1M 1A	----- either one ----- 1M for $\pi \cdot 9 \cdot 15 - \pi \cdot 6 \cdot 10$ 1A						
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<p>13. (a) Let $f(x) = (x^2 - 1)(ax + b) + 4x + k$, where a and b are constants.</p> $f(-1) = -4 + k = 0$ $k = 4$	1M 1M 1A -----(3)	$f(x) = (x^2 - 1)q(x) + 4x + k$, where $q(x)$ is a polynomial.
<p>(b) $f(x) = (x^2 - 1)(ax + b) + 4x + 4$</p> <p>Since $f(0) = -4$</p> $\therefore -b + 4 = -4$ $b = 8$ $\therefore f(x) = (x+1)(x-1)(ax+8) + 4(x+1)$ $f(x) = 0$ $(x+1)[(x-1)(ax+8)+4] = 0$ <p>If $f(x) = 0$ has repeated roots different from -1, then $(x-1)(ax+8)+4 = 0$ has repeated roots,</p> $ax^2 + (8-a)x - 4 = 0$ $\Delta = (8-a)^2 + 16a = 0$ $a^2 + 64 = 0$ <p>Since a is a real number, the equation $(x-1)(ax+8)+4 = 0$ cannot have repeated roots. i.e. the equation $f(x) = 0$ cannot have repeated roots different from -1. Thus, the claim is correct.</p>	1M 1A 1M 1M 1A -----(5)	f.t.

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<p>14. (a) $C : x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 6y - 12 = 0$</p> <p>Sub. $(-2, b)$ into C, we have</p> $4 + b^2 - 8 - 6b - 12 = 0$ $b^2 - 6b - 16 = 0$ $(b+2)(b-8) = 0$ $b = -2 \text{ (rejected)} \text{ or } b = 8$	1A -----(1)	
<p>(b) (i) The coordinates of G are $(-2, 3)$</p> <p>Let (x, y) be the coordinates of P</p> <p>Since $PQ = PG$, we have</p> $\sqrt{(x+6)^2 + (y-11)^2} = \sqrt{(x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2}$ $8x - 16y + 144 = 0$ $\Gamma : x - 2y + 18 = 0$	1M 1A	or equivalent
<p>The coordinates of M, the mid-point of QG are $(-4, 7)$</p> <p>The slope of $QG = \frac{11-3}{-6+2} = -2$</p> <p>The slope of $\Gamma = \frac{1}{2}$</p> $\Gamma : \frac{y-7}{x+4} = \frac{1}{2}$ $x - 2y + 18 = 0$	1M 1A	or equivalent
<p>$\therefore -2 - 2(8) + 18 = 0$</p> <p>$\therefore \Gamma$ passes through H.</p>	1A	f.t.
<p>(ii)</p>		
<p>Note that M is the mid-point of both QG and HK.</p> <p>Let (c, d) be the coordinates of K</p> <p>then $\frac{c-2}{2} = -4$, $\frac{d+8}{2} = 7$</p> $c = -6, \quad d = 6$	1A	for both correct

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<p>The slope of $\Gamma = \frac{1}{2}$</p> $\tan \angle KRO = \frac{1}{2}$ $\angle KRO \approx 26.56505118^\circ$ <p>The slope of the straight line $KG = \frac{6-3}{-6+2} = -\frac{3}{4}$</p> $\phi \approx 36.869897565^\circ$ <p>$\therefore \angle KRG < 26.56505118^\circ$ and $\angle KGR > 36.869897565^\circ$ $\therefore \angle KGR > \angle KRG$</p> <p>Thus, the claim is agreed.</p>	1M 1M 1A	either one f.t.
<p>The coordinates of R are $(-18, 0)$</p> $KR = \sqrt{12^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{180}$ $KG = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5$ $\therefore KR > KG$ $\therefore \angle KGR > \angle KRG$ <p>Thus, the claim is agreed.</p>	1M 1M 1A	$\angle KRG \approx 15.9453959^\circ$ $\angle KGR \approx 47.48955292^\circ$ f.t.
	-----(7)	

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15. (a) The required probability $= \frac{C_6^7 + C_5^7 C_1^5 + C_4^7 C_2^5}{C_6^{12}}$ $= \frac{1}{2}$	1M 1A	1M for numerator	
The required probability $= \left(\frac{7}{12}\right)\left(\frac{6}{11}\right)\left(\frac{5}{10}\right)\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)\left(\frac{3}{8}\right)\left(\frac{2}{7}\right) + \left(\frac{7}{12}\right)\left(\frac{6}{11}\right)\left(\frac{5}{10}\right)\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)\left(\frac{3}{8}\right)\left(\frac{5}{7}\right) \cdot C_1^6$ $+ \left(\frac{7}{12}\right)\left(\frac{6}{11}\right)\left(\frac{5}{10}\right)\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)\left(\frac{5}{8}\right)\left(\frac{4}{7}\right) \cdot C_2^6$ $= \frac{1}{2}$	1M 1A	1M for $P_1 + P_2 + P_3$ accept 0.5	
(b) The required probability $= \frac{P_3^3 \cdot P_4^4}{P_6^6}$ $= \frac{1}{5}$	1M+1M 1A	1M for numerator, 1M for denominator	(2)
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16. (a) Let a be the 1 st term of the sequence, r be the common ratio. Then $ar = 200$ ----(1) $\frac{a}{1-r} = 800$ ----(2) $\frac{(2)}{(1)}$ we have $\frac{1}{r(1-r)} = 4$ $4r^2 - 4r + 1 = 0$ $\therefore r = \frac{1}{2}, a = 400$	1M 1A	either one for both correct	(1) (2)
(b) $\frac{400[1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n]}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} > 800(1 - 10^{-10})$ $1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n > 1 - 10^{-10}$ $(\frac{1}{2})^n < 10^{-10}$ $\log(\frac{1}{2})^n < \log 10^{-10}$ $n \log \frac{1}{2} < -10$ $n > 33.21928095$ \therefore The least value of n is 34.	1M 1M 1M 1A		(3)

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<p>17.</p> <p>(a) $\because AB \parallel DP$ (given) $\therefore \angle DPA = \angle BAP$ (alt. \angles) and $\angle BAP = \angle ACB$ (\angle in alt. segment) $\therefore \angle DPA = \angle ACB$ ($\angle ACD$) $\therefore A, C, P, D$ are concyclic. (converse of \angles in the same segment)</p>		accept $ACPD$ is a cyclic quadrilateral								
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<p>(Students can follow the following procedures to prove four points are concyclic) $\angle CDP = \angle ABD = \angle AEC = \angle CAP$)</p> <p>(b) $\because ACPD$ is a cyclic quadrilateral $\therefore \angle PAC = \angle PDC$ $= \angle DBA$ ($\because AB \parallel DP$) and $\angle DCA = \angle PAB$ $\therefore \angle PCD + \angle DCA = \angle PAD + \angle PAB$ i.e. $\angle PCA = \angle DAB$ $\therefore \triangle PAC \sim \triangle DAB$ Thus, the claim is agreed.</p>	1M 1A 1A	-----(3) accept students who prove $\triangle PAC \sim \triangle DAB$ f.t.								
<p>PD is produced to Q. $\angle PCA = \angle QDA$ $= \angle DAB$</p>	1A									

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18. (a)	$CB = \frac{3}{2}x$ $FB = x + \frac{3}{2}x = \frac{5}{2}x$ $\frac{1}{2}(\frac{5}{2}x)^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 = 42$ $x^2 = 16$ $x = 4$	1M 1A	
	$DC = \sqrt{2}x, EB = \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2}x$ $\frac{(\sqrt{2}x + \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2}x) \cdot \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}x}{2} = 42$ $x^2 = 16$ $x = 4$	1M 1A	
(b) (i)	$A'E = AE = 10, DE = 6$ In $\Delta A'DE$, $(A'D)^2 = 10^2 + 6^2 - 2(10)(6)\cos 40^\circ$ $A'D \approx 6.638875419$ $\approx 6.64 \text{ (cm)}$	1M 1A	-----(2)
(ii)	Construct $A'M \perp EB$ such that M is the foot of perpendicular, and also construct $A'N \perp DC$ such that N is the foot of perpendicular. The required angle is $\angle A'MN$ (Denote by θ). $A'M = 10 \sin 45^\circ = 5\sqrt{2}$ $DC = 4\sqrt{2}, DN = 2\sqrt{2}$ $(A'N)^2 \approx 6.638875419^2 - (2\sqrt{2})^2$ $A'N \approx 6.006219012$ $MN \approx 6 \sin 45^\circ = 3\sqrt{2}$ In $\Delta A'MN$, $\cos \theta \approx \frac{(5\sqrt{2})^2 + (3\sqrt{2})^2 - 6.006219012^2}{2(5\sqrt{2})(3\sqrt{2})}$ $\theta \approx 57.85329859^\circ$ $> 40^\circ$ \therefore The claim is agreed.	1M 1M 1M 1A	f.t. -----(5)

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<p>19. (a) $\begin{aligned} g(x) &= \frac{1}{k}x^2 - 2x + 3k - 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{k}(x^2 - 2kx) + 3k - 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{k}(x^2 - 2kx + k^2 - k^2) + 3k - 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{k}(x - k)^2 + 2k - 1 \end{aligned}$</p> <p>The coordinates of the vertex of the graph of $y = g(x)$ are $(k, 2k - 1)$.</p>	1A 1M 1A -----(3)	
<p>(b) (i) $y = -g(x+2)$</p> <p>The coordinates of P are $(k-2, 1-2k)$</p> <p>$y = g(8-x)$</p> <p>The coordinates of Q are $(8-k, 2k-1)$</p> <p>Denote the circumcentre by $S(3, 0)$</p> <p>Since $PS = RS$, we have</p> $\sqrt{(k-5)^2 + (1-2k)^2} = \sqrt{5^2 + 2^2}$ $5k^2 - 14k - 3 = 0$ $(k-3)(5k+1) = 0$ $\therefore k = 3 \text{ or } k = -\frac{1}{5} \text{ (rejected)}$	1A 1M 1A	----- either one
<p>(ii) When $k = 3$,</p> <p>the coordinates of P are $(1, -5)$,</p> <p>the coordinates of Q are $(5, 5)$.</p> <p>$m_{QR} = \frac{3}{7}$</p> <p>$m_{PR} = -\frac{7}{3}$</p> <p>$\therefore m_{QR} \cdot m_{PR} = -1$</p> <p>$\therefore \angle QRP = 90^\circ$</p> <p>$\triangle PQR$ is a right-angled triangle.</p> <p>Thus, the coordinates of the orthocentre are $R(-2, 2)$.</p>	1M 1A	----- consider one case
$m_{PQ} = \frac{5}{2}, m_{RQ} = \frac{3}{7} \quad (m_{PR} = -\frac{7}{3})$ <p>The equation of the altitude on PQ from R is</p> $\frac{y-2}{x+2} = -\frac{2}{5}$ <p>i.e. $2x + 5y - 6 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$</p> <p>The equation of the altitude on RQ from P is</p> $\frac{y+5}{x-1} = -\frac{7}{3}$ <p>i.e. $7x + 3y + 8 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$</p> <p>By solving (1) and (2), the coordinates of the orthocentre are $R(-2, 2)$.</p>	1M 1A	----- either one The equation of the altitude on RP from Q is $3x - 7y + 20 = 0$

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(iii) Since ΔPQR is a right-angled triangle, circumcentre $S(3, 0)$ is lying on the mid-point of the hypotenuse PQ . Note that $PR = RQ = \sqrt{58}$, PQR is a right-angled isosceles triangle. The in-centre I is lying on the altitude RS . Let r be the radius of the inscribed circle, then $RI = \sqrt{2}r$ \therefore The radius of the circumcircle $= RS = (1 + \sqrt{2})r$ Thus, the claim of the student is agreed.	1M 1M 1A 1A	f.t.
The lengths of the three sides of the triangle PQR are $\sqrt{58}$, $\sqrt{58}$ and $2\sqrt{29}$. Let r be the radius of the inscribed circle, then $\frac{(\sqrt{58} + \sqrt{58} + 2\sqrt{29})r}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{58} \cdot \sqrt{58}}{2}$ $r = \frac{29}{\sqrt{58} + \sqrt{29}}$ The radius of the circumcircle $= RS$ $= \sqrt{29}$ $\therefore \frac{RS}{r} = \frac{\sqrt{29}}{\frac{29}{\sqrt{58} + \sqrt{29}}}$ $= 1 + \sqrt{2}$ ∴ The claim of the student is agreed.	1M 1A	
	1A	f.t.
		-----(9)

Paper 2 Solutions

Answers (From left to right)

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1. [B]

$$\frac{(6x^{-5})^{-2}}{4x} = \frac{6^{-2}x^{10}}{4x}$$

$$= \frac{x^9}{36 \times 4}$$

$$= \frac{x^9}{144}$$

2. [C]

$$\frac{3a+b}{3a} = 2 - \frac{b}{a}$$

$$3a + b = 6a - 3b$$

$$4b = 3a$$

$$b = \frac{3a}{4}$$

3. [D]

$$\frac{1}{5+3x} - \frac{1}{5-3x}$$

$$= \frac{5-3x-(5+3x)}{(5+3x)(5-3x)}$$

$$= \frac{-6x}{25-9x^2}$$

$$= \frac{6x}{9x^2 - 25}$$

4. [B]

$$\begin{aligned} & m^2 - 2m - 9n^2 + 6n \\ &= m^2 - 9n^2 - 2m + 6n \\ &= (m+3n)(m-3n) - 2(m-3n) \\ &= (m-3n)(m+3n-2) \end{aligned}$$

5. [C]

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 3x^2 + x + 2k \\ f(k+1) - f(k-1) &= [3(k+1)^2 + (k+1) + 2k] - [3(k-1)^2 + (k-1) + 2k] \\ &= 3(k+1)^2 - 3(k-1)^2 + 2 \\ &= 3k^2 + 6k + 3 - 3k^2 + 6k - 3 + 2 \\ &= 12k + 2 \end{aligned}$$

6. [A]

$$\begin{aligned} g(-x) &= x^2 - ax + b \\ \therefore g(x) &= g(-x) \\ \therefore x^2 + ax + b &= x^2 - ax + b \\ 2ax &= 0 \\ a &= 0 \\ g(x) &= x^2 + b \\ g(-1) &= 1 + b = -3 \\ b &= -4 \\ g(x) &= x^2 - 4 \\ \text{The remainder } &= g(-2) = 4 - 4 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

7. [A]

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + (a+b)x &\equiv (x+2)(x-3) + b \\ x^2 + (a+b)x &\equiv x^2 - x - 6 + b \\ \therefore a+b &= -1 \text{ and } -6+b=0 \\ \text{Solving } b &= 6, a = -7 \end{aligned}$$

Alternative solution:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + (a+b)x &\equiv (x+2)(x-3) + b \\ \text{Sub. } x=0, \text{ we have } &-6+b=0, b=6 \\ x^2 + (a+b)x &\equiv (x+2)(x-3) + 6 \\ \text{Sub. } x=3, \text{ we have } &9+3(a+6)=6, a=-7 \end{aligned}$$

8. [D]

$$y = -(px + 3)^2 + q$$

$$= -p^2(x + \frac{3}{p}) + q$$

The vertex is $(-\frac{3}{p}, q)$

Since the vertex lies in the quadrant II ,

so $p > 0$ and $q > 0$.

9. [D]

$$\text{The cost} = 160 \times 85\% \div (1 + 8.8\%)$$

$$= 125$$

$$\text{The percentage profit} = \frac{160 - 125}{125} \times 100\%$$

$$= 28\%$$

10. [B]

$$\text{The actual area} = 4 \times 25000^2 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$= 4 \times 250^2 \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 2.5 \times 10^5 \text{ m}^2$$

11. [C]

$$t = \frac{kp}{\sqrt{q}} , k \text{ is a constant}$$

$$p_1 = 0.65p , q_1 = 1.69q$$

$$t_1 = \frac{k(0.65p)}{\sqrt{1.69q}}$$

$$= 0.5t$$

$\therefore t$ is decreased by 50% .

12. [C]

$$-5 < 3 - 2x < x + 6$$

From $-5 < 3 - 2x$, we have

$$-8 < -2x$$

$$\therefore x < 4$$

From $3 - 2x < x + 6$, we have

$$-3x < 3$$

$$\therefore x > -1$$

$$\therefore -1 < x < 4$$

13. [A]

Let $a_1 = a$. Then from $a_3 = 11$ and $a_{n+2} = 2a_n + a_{n+1}$,

we have $a_2 = 11 - 2a$, $a_4 = 33 - 4a$, $a_5 = 55 - 4a$,

and $a_6 = 121 - 12a$

$$\therefore 121 - 12a = 85$$

$$12a = 36$$

$$a = 3$$

14. [D]

CB produced meets FE at N .

The area of the pentagon = The area of $CDEN$ + The area of $ABNF$

$$\therefore 3.5 \times 6.5 + (9.5 - 3.5) \times 3.5 \leq y < 4.5 \times 7.5 + (10.5 - 4.5) \times 4.5$$

$$\text{i.e. } 43.75 \leq y < 60.75$$

15. [C]

Let r and θ be the original radius and the angle at the centre of the sector respectively.

Then the new radius and the angle at the centre are $\frac{5}{4}r$ and $(1 - k\%) \theta$ respectively.

$$\therefore \pi r^2 \times \frac{\theta}{360^\circ} = \pi \left(\frac{5}{4}r\right)^2 \times \frac{(1 - k\%) \theta}{360^\circ}$$

$$1 = \frac{25}{16}(1 - k\%)$$

$$1 - k\% = \frac{16}{25}$$

$$k = 36$$

16. [D]

The slant height of the triangle with the base of 10 is $\sqrt{12^2 + 16^2} = 20$;
the slant height of the triangle with the base of 32 is $\sqrt{12^2 + 5^2} = 13$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The total surface area} &= \left(\frac{10 \times 20}{2} + \frac{32 \times 13}{2}\right) \times 2 + 32 \times 10 \\ &= 936 \text{ (cm}^2\text{)}\end{aligned}$$

17. [C]

$$DE : EC = 7 : 9$$

Let $x \text{ cm}^2$ be the area of ΔDEF ,

$$\text{then } \frac{x}{x+32} = \frac{7^2}{9^2}$$

$$81x = 49(x+32)$$

$$32x = 49 \times 32$$

$$x = 49$$

Note that $AB : DE = AF : FE = 2 : 7$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The area of } \Delta AFB &= 49 \times \frac{2^2}{7^2}, \\ &= 4\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The area of } \Delta DAF &= 49 \times \frac{2}{7}, \\ &= 14\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The area of } ABCD &= 32 + 49 + 4 + 14, \\ &= 99 \text{ (cm}^2\text{)}\end{aligned}$$

18. [A]

$$\therefore AB = BC = 2CD$$

$$\therefore AB : BC : CD = 2 : 2 : 1$$

$$\therefore \Delta ABE \sim \Delta ACF$$

$$\therefore BE : CF = 1 : 2$$

$$\therefore \Delta DCG \sim \Delta DBE$$

$$\therefore CG : BE = 1 : 3$$

and $CG : BE : GF = 1 : 3 : 5$

Trapezium $BCGE$ and ΔEFG have the same height,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{the ratio of the two areas} &= \frac{1+3}{2} : \frac{5}{2} \\ &= 4 : 5\end{aligned}$$

19. [A]

$$x = a$$

$$y = x - b = a - b$$

$$\text{and } y + c = 180^\circ$$

$$\text{i.e. } a - b + c = 180^\circ \quad (\text{I is true})$$

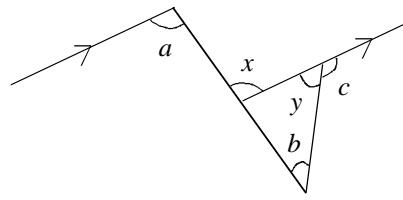
If II. is true ,

$$\text{then } 2a = 360^\circ, \quad a = 180^\circ$$

Thus, II. is false ,

$$\text{If III. is true, then } 2b = 90^\circ, \quad b = 45^\circ$$

Thus, III. must not be true .



20. [A]

$$\because BC = BE$$

$$\therefore \angle CBE = 180^\circ - 2 \times 56^\circ = 68^\circ$$

$$\therefore AB = BC = BE$$

$$\therefore \angle BAE = \frac{180^\circ - (90^\circ + 68^\circ)}{2} = 11^\circ$$

$$\angle AFD = 11^\circ + 45^\circ = 56^\circ$$

21. [B]

Join BD .

$$BD = \sqrt{9^2 + 12^2} = 15$$

$$\therefore BC^2 + BD^2 = 64 + 225 = 289 = CD^2$$

$$\therefore \angle CBD = 90^\circ$$

$$\tan \angle ADB = \frac{9}{12}, \quad \tan \angle DBC = \frac{8}{15}$$

$$\therefore \angle ADB = 36.870^\circ, \quad \angle DBC = 28.072^\circ$$

$$\angle ADC = \angle ADB + \angle BDC$$

$$= 36.870^\circ + 28.072^\circ$$

$$= 64.942^\circ$$

$$= 65^\circ$$

22. [C]

Join CA and AE .

$$\therefore \angle ABC = 90^\circ$$

$\therefore CA$ is the diameter of the circle.

$$\angle AEC = 90^\circ$$

$$\angle DCA = 180^\circ - (90^\circ + 36^\circ) = 54^\circ$$

Let X be the centre,

$$\text{then } XC = XD = \frac{3}{\cos 54^\circ}$$

$$\text{The area of the circle} = \pi \times \left(\frac{3}{\cos 54^\circ}\right)^2 = 81.838 = 82 \text{ (cm}^2\text{)}$$

23. [B]

$$\angle DEC = \beta$$

$$\text{In } \triangle DEC, EC = \frac{DC}{\tan \beta}$$

$$\text{In } \triangle ABC, AC = \frac{AB}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{DC}{\cos \alpha}$$

$$\therefore \frac{EC}{AC} = \frac{\cos \alpha}{\tan \beta}$$

24. [C]

Note that POQ is a straight line, where O is the pole.

$$\angle ROQ = 350^\circ - 290^\circ = 60^\circ$$

$$\text{The area of } \triangle PQR = \frac{1}{2} \times (5+3) \times 6 \sin 60^\circ$$

$$= 12\sqrt{3}$$

25. [D]

Obviously, I. is true.

Consider $\frac{x}{b} + \frac{y}{c} = 1$. Let $x = 0$, we have $y = c$; let $y = 0$, we have $x = b$

$\therefore b$ and c are negative numbers.

Thus, II. is true.

From $a < 0$ and $b < 0$, we have $ab > 0$

and $b > \frac{1}{a}$, so $ab < 1$ ($\because a < 0$)

\therefore III. is also true.

26. [B]

Let h be the height of ΔPAB .

Then $\frac{1}{2}(AB)(h) = 20$

Since AB is a constant, h is also a constant.

\therefore The locus of P is a pair of parallel lines.

27. [A]

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2hx - 2ky + h^2 + k^2 - r^2 = 0$$

$$(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$$

Centre is (h, k) , radius is r ($r > 0$).

From the graph, we know that the centre lies in the quadrant III,

so $h < 0$ and $k < 0$.

We also know from the graph that $-h > r$ and $r > -k$

So $r + h < 0$ and $r + k > 0$

i.e. I. and II. are true,

and $-h > -k$

$$k - h > 0$$

i.e. III. is false.

28. [D]

The required probability $= \frac{14}{20} = \frac{7}{10}$

29. [B]

Obviously I. and III. are true, but II. is false.

30. [D]

When $h = 9$, A. is false.

When $h = 6$, B. is false.

When $h = 6$, C. is false.

When $h = 9$, the data has the greatest inter-quartile range,

its value $= 7.5 - 4 = 3.5 < 4$

\therefore D. must be true.

31. [C]

$$\begin{aligned} & 8^{17} + 8^4 - 8^3 \\ & = (2^3)^{17} + 8^3(8-1) \\ & = 2^{51} + 7(2^3)^3 \\ & = 2^{51} + 7(2^9) \\ & = 2^{48} \cdot 2^3 + 7(2^8 \cdot 2) \\ & = (2^4)^{12} \cdot 8 + 14(2^4)^2 \\ & = 8 \times 16^{12} + 14 \times 16^2 \\ & = 80000000000E00_{16} \end{aligned}$$

32. [A]

When the graph on the right is $y = f(x)$, then the graph on the left is $y = -f(-x)$.

33. [D]

$$\begin{aligned} & (\log_a x)^2 + 4 \log_a x^2 - 18 = \log_a x \\ & (\log_a x)^2 + 8 \log_a x - 18 = \log_a x \\ & (\log_a x)^2 + 7 \log_a x - 18 = 0 \\ & (\log_a x + 9)(\log_a x - 2) = 0 \\ & \log_a x = -9 \text{ or } \log_a x = 2 \\ & x = \frac{1}{a^9} \text{ or } x = a^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Product of roots } mn = \frac{1}{a^9} \cdot a^2 = \frac{1}{a^7}$$

34. [B]

I. is true, but II. is false.

$$AC = -\log_a y, BC = -\log_b y$$

$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{AC - BC}{BC}$$

$$= \frac{AC}{BC} - 1$$

$$= \frac{-\log_a y}{-\log_b y} - 1$$

$$= \frac{\log_a y}{\frac{\log_a y}{\log_a b}} - 1$$

$$= \log_a b - \log_a a$$

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

35. [B]

Obviously, I. is an arithmetic sequence, while II. is not an arithmetic sequence (It is a geometric sequence).

$$\therefore 7 \log \sqrt{a} - 3 \log \sqrt{a} = 4 \log \sqrt{a}$$

$$3 \log \sqrt{a} - \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} = 3 \log \sqrt{a} - \log(\sqrt{a})^{-1}$$

$$= 3 \log \sqrt{a} + \log \sqrt{a}$$

$$= 4 \log \sqrt{a}$$

\therefore III. is an arithmetic sequence.

36. [A]

$$(k - 2i)(2 + ki)^2$$

$$= (k - 2i)(4 - k^2 + 4ki)$$

$$= k(4 - k^2) + 8k - 8i + 2k^2i + 4k^2i$$

$$\text{Real part} = k(4 - k^2) + 8k$$

$$= -k^3 + 12k$$

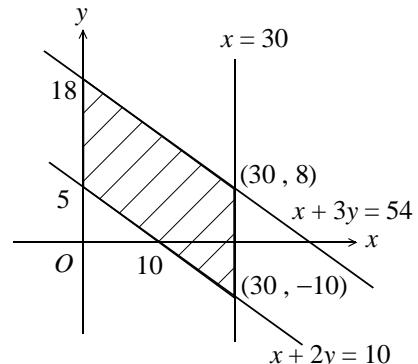
37. [C]

$$\text{Let } f(x, y) = 2x - 3y + 2$$

$$f(0, 5) = -13, \quad f(0, 18) = -52$$

$$f(30, 8) = 38, \quad f(30, -10) = 92$$

The greatest value of $f(x, y)$ is 92.



38. [D]

Construct the vertical line XN such that it meets the plane $EFGH$ at N , and join FN .

$$\text{Then } FN = \sqrt{b^2 + c^2}, \quad XN = 2a$$

$$\text{and } XF = \sqrt{4a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

Construct $XM \perp AD$ such that the foot of the perpendicular is M , and join MF .

$$MF = \sqrt{4a^2 + c^2}$$

$$\theta = \angle XFM$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{MF}{XF} = \frac{\sqrt{4a^2 + c^2}}{\sqrt{4a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

39. [A]

Join DC .

$$\angle DCE = \angle BDE = 35^\circ$$

$$\angle CDE = \angle BCQ = 65^\circ$$

$$\angle DEC = 180^\circ - 35^\circ - 65^\circ = 80^\circ$$

$$\angle DBE = 80^\circ - 35^\circ = 45^\circ$$

$$\angle BFC = \angle BCQ - \angle DBE$$

$$= 65^\circ - 45^\circ$$

$$= 20^\circ$$

40. [D]

$$4x + 3y + k = 0$$

$$y = -\frac{4x+k}{3}$$

$$\text{Sub. into } x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 2y - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{We have } x^2 + \left(-\frac{4x+k}{3}\right)^2 + 2x - 2\left(-\frac{4x+k}{3}\right) - 2 = 0$$

$$9x^2 + (4x+k)^2 + 18x + 6(4x+k) - 18 = 0$$

$$25x^2 + (8k+42)x + k^2 + 6k - 18 = 0$$

$$\Delta = (8k+42)^2 - 100(k^2 + 6k - 18) < 0$$

$$-36k^2 + 72k + 3564 < 0$$

$$k^2 - 2k - 99 > 0$$

$$(k-11)(k+9) > 0$$

$$\therefore k < -9 \text{ or } k > 11$$

Alternative solution:

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

$$\text{Centre} = (-1, 1), \text{ radius} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4+4+8} = 2$$

The perpendicular distance between the centre and the straight line $4x + 3y + k = 0$

$$= \frac{|4(-1) + 3(1) + k|}{\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}} = \frac{|k-1|}{5}$$

\because The circle and the straight line do not intersect,

$$\therefore \left| \frac{k-1}{5} \right| > 2$$

$$\frac{k-1}{5} < -2 \text{ or } \frac{k-1}{5} > 2$$

$$\therefore k < -9 \text{ or } k > 11$$

41. [B]

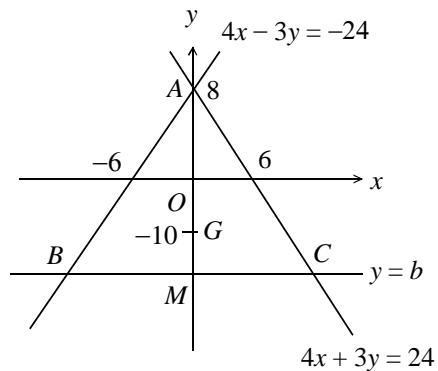
Obviously, ABC is an isosceles triangle

Centroid G lies on the y -axis.

$$\therefore AG = 18$$

$$\therefore GM = 9$$

$$\therefore b = -10 - 9 = -19$$



42. [B]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The required permutations} &= C_2^4 \times P_3^6 \times P_2^2 \times P_5^5 \\ &= 172800 \end{aligned}$$

43. [C]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The required probability} &= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \\ &= \frac{4}{9} \end{aligned}$$

44. [A]

Let x_1 and x_2 be the test scores of two students and $x_1 > x_2$.

And let m be the mean score of the test.

Then the difference of the standard scores of the two students

$$= \frac{x_1 - m}{6} - \frac{x_2 - m}{6}$$

$$= \frac{x_1 - x_2}{6}$$

$$= \frac{18}{6}$$

$$= 3$$

45. [D]

The standard deviation of the last 5 data before amendment = The standard deviation of the first 5 data.

\therefore The variance of the last 5 data after amendment

$$= 2^2 \times 2^2$$

$$= 16$$