



**MATHEMATICS Compulsory Part**  
**PAPER 1**  
**Question-Answer Book**

9:00 am — 11:15 am (2¼ hours)

This paper must be answered in English

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. After the announcement of the start of the examination, you should first write your Candidate Number in the space provided on Page 1 and stick barcode labels in the spaces provided on Pages 1 and 3.
2. This paper consists of THREE sections, A(1), A(2) and B.
3. Attempt ALL questions in this paper. Write your answers in the spaces provided in this Question-Answer Book. Do not write in the margins. Answers written in the margins will not be marked.
4. Supplementary answer sheets will be supplied on request. Write your Candidate Number, mark the question number box and stick a barcode label on each sheet, and fasten them with string INSIDE this book.
5. Unless otherwise specified, all working must be clearly shown.
6. Unless otherwise specified, numerical answers should be either exact or correct to 3 significant figures.
7. The diagrams in this paper are not necessarily drawn to scale.
8. No extra time will be given to candidates for sticking on the barcode labels or filling in the question number boxes after the 'Time is up' announcement.

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**SECTION A (1) (35 marks)**

1. Simplify  $\frac{(a^3b^{-2})^4}{a^{-5}}$  and express your answer with positive indices . (3 marks)

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- ## 2. Factorize

(a)  $x^2 - 6xy + 9y^2$  ,

(b)  $x^2 - 6xy + 9y^2 - 4$  .

(3 marks)

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3. Let  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  be non-zero numbers such that  $5a = 3b$  and  $c = \frac{b}{2}$ . If  $2a + b - 3c = 14$ ,

find  $c$ .

(3 marks)

4. The cost of a handbag is \$160. A shop sells the handbag at its marked price with 20% off but also wants to make a profit of 10%. Find the marked price.

(4 marks)

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5. There are 280 members in a fitness centre. The number of male members is  $\frac{1}{3}$  more than the number of female members. Find the difference of the number of male members and the number of female members. (4 marks)

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6. Consider the compound inequality

$$6 - x > \frac{3 - 4x}{2} \text{ or } 42 - 7x \leq 0 \dots\dots (*)$$

- (a) Solve (\*).  
(b) Write down the number of non-positive integers satisfying (\*).

(4 marks)

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7. The coordinates of the points  $A$  and  $B$  are  $(-1, 7)$  and  $(4, -4)$  respectively.  $A$  is rotated clockwise about the origin through  $90^\circ$  to  $A'$ .  $B'$  is the reflection image of  $B$  with respect to the  $y$ -axis.

(a) Write down the coordinates of  $A'$  and  $B'$ .

(b) Prove that  $AB$  is perpendicular to  $A'B'$ .

(4 marks)

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8. In figure 1,  $E$  is a point lying on  $AD$ .  $AC$  and  $BE$  intersect at the point  $F$ . It is given that  $AB = AC = AD$ ,  $BE \parallel CD$ ,  $\angle ADC = 62^\circ$  and  $\angle ABE = \theta$ .

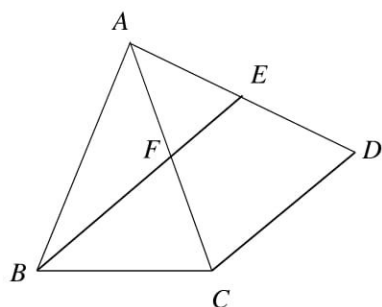


Figure 1

Express  $\angle BAC$  and  $\angle FBC$  in terms of  $\theta$ . (5 marks)

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9. The table below shows the distribution of the numbers of subjects taken by a class of students .

Number of subjects taken	5	6	7	8
Number of students	7	$a$	12	$b$

It is given that a student is randomly selected from the class . The probability that the student takes 8 subjects is  $\frac{1}{8}$  and the median of the above distribution is 6.5 .

- (a) Find  $a$  and  $b$  .
- (b) A student taking 8 subjects now withdraws from one subject . Find the change in the mean of the distribution due to the withdrawal from one subject by that student.

(5 marks)

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**SECTION A (2) (35 marks)**

10. The price of a crystal ornament of area  $A \text{ cm}^2$  is  $\$S$ .  $S$  partly varies as  $A$  and partly varies as  $A^2$ . When  $A = 4$ ,  $S = 56$  and when  $A = 7$ ,  $S = 140$ .

(a) Find the price of a crystal ornament of area  $6 \text{ cm}^2$ . (4 marks)

(b) Someone claims that the price of a crystal ornament of area  $12 \text{ cm}^2$  is 4 times the price of a crystal ornament of area  $6 \text{ cm}^2$ . Is the claim correct? Explain your answer. (2 marks)

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- | <u>Stem ( tens )</u> | <u>Leaf ( units )</u> |          |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| 10                   | <i>a</i>              |          |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
| 11                   | 0                     | 1        | 2 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 9 |   |  |
| 12                   | 2                     | 3        | 5 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 9 |  |
| 13                   | 5                     | <i>b</i> |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |

- (4 marks)

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**SECTION B (35 marks)**

15. 6 people are randomly selected from a group of 7 boys and 5 girls to form a committee .

(a) Find the probability that there are more boys than girls in the committee . (2 marks)

(b) It is given that there are 3 boys and 3 girls in the committee . They are now arranged randomly in a row for a photograph . Find the probability that no girls are arranged next to each other . (3 marks)

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17. In figure 2 ,  $AP$  and  $CP$  are the tangents to the circle  $ABC$  at the points  $A$  and  $C$  respectively .  $CBD$  is a straight line and  $AB \parallel DP$  .

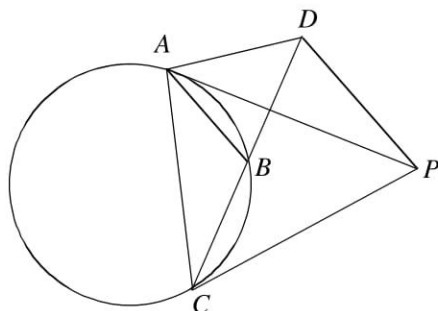


Figure 2

- (a) Prove that  $A$  ,  $C$  ,  $P$  ,  $D$  are concyclic . (3 marks)
- (b) Someone claims that  $\triangle PAC \sim \triangle DBA$  . Do you agree ? Explain your answer . (3 marks)

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18. Figure 3(a) shows a pentagonal paper card  $ABCDE$ . It is made by cutting off the right-angled triangle  $CFD$  from the square paper card  $ABFE$ . It is given that  $FC : CB = 2 : 3$ ,  $FC = FD = x$  cm and the area of the quadrilateral  $BCDE$  is  $42 \text{ cm}^2$ .

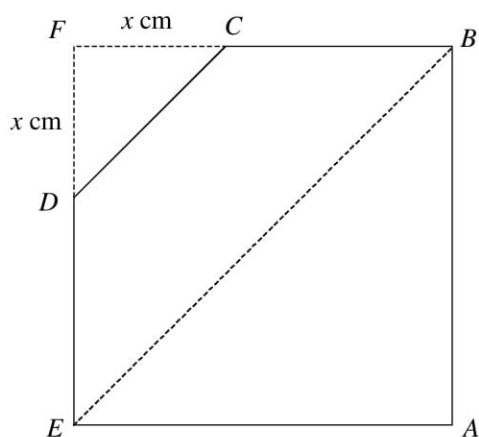


Figure 3 (a)

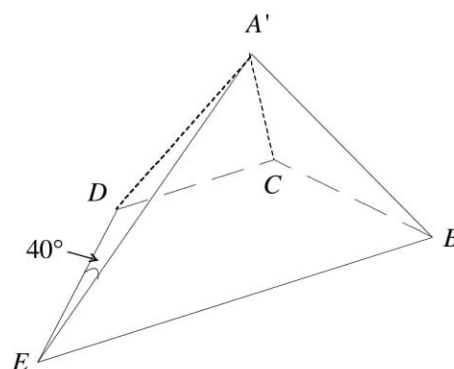


Figure 3 (b)

- (a) Find  $x$ . (2 marks)
- (b) The triangular part  $ABE$  of the pentagonal paper card in Figure 3(a) is folded along  $EB$  until the vertex  $A$  reaches the position  $A'$  (see Figure 3(b)) such that  $\angle A'ED = 40^\circ$ .
- (i) Find the length of  $A'D$ .
- (ii) Someone claims that the angle between the planes  $A'EB$  and  $DEBC$  exceeds  $40^\circ$ . Is the claim correct? Explain your answer.

(5 marks)

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19. Let  $g(x) = \frac{1}{k}x^2 - 2x + 3k - 1$ , where  $k$  is a positive integer. The coordinates of the point  $R$  are  $(-2, 2)$ .

(a) Using the method of completing the square, express, in terms of  $k$ , the coordinates of the vertex of the graph of  $y = g(x)$ . (3 marks)

(b) On the same rectangular coordinate system, let  $P$  and  $Q$  be the vertex of the graph of  $y = -g(x+2)$  and the vertex of the graph of  $y = g(8-x)$  respectively. It is given that the coordinates of the circumcentre of  $\triangle PQR$  are  $(3, 0)$ .

(i) Find  $k$ .

(ii) Find the coordinates of the orthocentre of  $\triangle PQR$ .

(iii) A student claims that the radius of the circumcircle of  $\triangle PQR$  is  $(1 + \sqrt{2})$  times the radius of the inscribed circle of  $\triangle PQR$ . Do you agree? Explain your answer.

(9 marks)

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