

PURE MATHEMATICS A-LEVEL PAPER 1

8.30 am – 11.30 am (3 hours)

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SECTION A (40 marks)

Answer ALL questions in this section.

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1. (a) Resolve $\frac{1}{(2x-1)(2x+1)(2x+3)}$ into partial fractions.

(b) Prove that $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{(2k-1)(2k+1)(2k+3)} = \frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{8(2n+1)} + \frac{1}{8(2n+3)}$
for all positive integers n .

Hence or otherwise, evaluate $\sum_{k=10}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k-1)(2k+1)(2k+3)}$.
(6 marks)

2. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of positive real numbers, where

$$a_1 = 1 \text{ and}$$

$$a_n = \frac{12a_{n-1} + 12}{a_{n-1} + 13}, \quad n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

(a) Prove that $a_n \leq 3$ for all positive integers n .

(b) Prove that $\{a_n\}$ is convergent and find its limit.

(6 marks)

3. (a) Let R be the matrix representing the rotation in the Cartesian plane anticlockwise about the origin by 60° .
- (i) Write down R and R^6 .
- (ii) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix}$. Verify that $A^{-1}RA$ is a matrix in which all the elements are integers.
- (b) Using the results of (a), or otherwise, find a 2×2 matrix M , in which all the elements are integers, such that $M^3 = I$ but $M \neq I$, where $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(7 marks)

4. Let $f(x) = x^3 + px^2 + qx + r$, where p , q and r are non-zero real numbers.
- (a) If $f(x)$ is divisible by $x^2 + q$, find r in terms of p and q .
- (b) Suppose that $f(x)$ is divisible by both $x - a$ and $x + a$, where a is a non-zero real number.
- (i) Factorize $f(x)$ as a product of three linear polynomials with real coefficients.
- (ii) If $f(x)$ and $f(x + a)$ have a non-constant common factor, find p in terms of a .

(7 marks)

5. Let n be a positive integer.

- (a) Let $a > 0$.

(i) If k is a positive integer, prove that $a + a^k \leq 1 + a^{k+1}$.

(ii) Prove that $(1 + a)^n \leq 2^{n-1}(1 + a^n)$.

- (b) Let x and y be positive real numbers. Using (a)(ii), or otherwise,

prove that $\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)^n \leq \frac{x^n + y^n}{2}$.

(7 marks)

6. Let $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$. For each $n \in \mathbf{N}$, define $x_n = \sin^n \theta + \cos^n \theta$.

(a) Find a function $f(\theta)$, which is independent of n , such that $x_{n+1}x_1 - x_{n+2} = f(\theta)x_n$. Also express $f(\theta)$ in terms of x_1 .

- (b) Suppose that x_1 is a rational number. Using mathematical induction, prove that x_n is a rational number for every n .

(7 marks)

SECTION B (60 marks)

Answer any **FOUR** questions in this section. Each question carries 15 marks.
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7. (a) Consider the system of linear equations

$$(E): \begin{cases} x + (a-2)y + az = 1 \\ x + 2y + 4z = 1 \\ ax - y + 3z = b \end{cases},$$

where $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$.

- (i) Prove that (E) has a unique solution if and only if $a \neq 2$ and $a \neq 4$. Solve (E) in this case.
- (ii) For each of the following cases, determine the value(s) of b for which (E) is consistent, and solve (E) for such value(s) of b .
- (1) $a = 2$,
- (2) $a = 4$.

(10 marks)

(b) If all solutions (x, y, z) of $\begin{cases} x + 2z = 1 \\ x + 2y + 4z = 1 \\ 2x - y + 3z = 2 \end{cases}$

satisfy $k(x^2 - 3) > yz$, find the range of values of k .

(5 marks)

8. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha - k & \alpha - \beta - k \\ k & \beta + k \end{pmatrix}$, where $\alpha, \beta, k \in \mathbf{R}$ with $\alpha \neq \beta$.

Define $X = \frac{1}{\alpha - \beta}(A - \beta I)$ and $Y = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}(A - \alpha I)$, where I is the 2×2 identity matrix.

- (a) Evaluate $XY, YX, X+Y, X^2$ and Y^2 . (4 marks)

- (b) Prove that $A^n = \alpha^n X + \beta^n Y$ for all positive integers n . (4 marks)

- (c) Evaluate $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{2004}$. (4 marks)

- (d) If α and β are non-zero real numbers, guess an expression for A^{-1} in terms of α, β, X and Y , and verify it. (3 marks)

9. (a) Let $f(x)$ be a polynomial with real coefficients. Prove that a real number r is a repeated root of $f(x) = 0$ if and only if $f(r) = f'(r) = 0$. (5 marks)

(b) Let $g(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c$, where a, b and c are real numbers. If $a^2 < 3b$, prove that all the roots of $g(x) = 0$ are distinct. (6 marks)

(c) Let k be a real constant. If the equation $12x^3 - 8x^2 - x + k = 0$ has a positive repeated root, find all the roots of the equation. (4 marks)

10. Let n be a positive integer.

(a) Suppose $0 < p < 1$.

(i) By considering the function $f(x) = x^p - px$ on $(0, \infty)$, or otherwise, prove that $x^p \leq px + 1 - p$ for all $x > 0$.

(ii) Using (a)(i), or otherwise, prove that $a^p b^{1-p} \leq pa + (1-p)b$ for all $a, b > 0$.

(iii) Let $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$ and $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_n$ be positive real numbers. Using (a)(ii), or otherwise, prove that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^p b_i^{1-p} \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^p \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i \right)^{1-p}$$

(9 marks)

(b) Suppose $0 < s < 2$. Let $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ and $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n$ be positive real numbers. Prove that

(i) $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^s y_i^{2-s} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{2-s} y_i^s \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Q1

(ii) $\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^s y_i^{2-s} \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{2-s} y_i^s \right) \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right)$

(6 marks)

11. (a) Let $\mathbf{u} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{v} = 3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$ be vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 .
- (i) Find all vectors \mathbf{w} in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 9$ and $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 1$.
- (ii) Find the vector \mathbf{w}_0 which has the least magnitude among the vectors obtained in (a)(i).

Prove that \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w}_0 are linearly dependent. (7 marks)

- (b) Suppose that \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 . Let \mathbf{c} be a linear combination of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} , $p = \mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{a}$ and $q = \mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{b}$.

- (i) For any vector \mathbf{r} in \mathbb{R}^3 satisfying $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{a} = p$ and $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{b} = q$, prove that $\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{c}$ is orthogonal to both \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .

Hence deduce that $|\mathbf{r}| \geq |\mathbf{c}|$.

- (ii) If $\mathbf{c} = s\mathbf{a} + t\mathbf{b}$, express s and t in terms of p , q , \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . (8 marks)

12. Let n be a positive integer.

- (a) Assume that θ is not an integral multiple of π .

- (i) Prove that

$$\frac{(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n - 1}{\cos \theta + i \sin \theta - 1} = \frac{\sin \frac{n\theta}{2}}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}} \left(\cos \frac{(n-1)\theta}{2} + i \sin \frac{(n-1)\theta}{2} \right).$$

- (ii) Using the identity $\sum_{k=1}^n z^k = z \left(\frac{z^n - 1}{z - 1} \right)$ for $z \neq 1$, or

otherwise, prove that $\sum_{k=1}^n \cos k\theta = \frac{\sin \frac{n\theta}{2} \cos \frac{(n+1)\theta}{2}}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}$ and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \sin k\theta = \frac{\sin \frac{n\theta}{2} \sin \frac{(n+1)\theta}{2}}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}.$$

- (iii) Using (a)(ii), or otherwise, prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \cos^2(k\theta) = \frac{n}{2} + \frac{\sin n\theta \cos(n+1)\theta}{2 \sin \theta}.$$

(9 marks)

- (b) For $n > 1$, evaluate

(i) $\sum_{k=1}^n \sin^2 \left(\frac{k\pi}{n} \right),$

(ii) $\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sin \frac{k\pi}{n} + \cos \frac{k\pi}{n} \right)^2.$

(6 marks)

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PURE MATHEMATICS A-LEVEL PAPER 2

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SECTION A (40 marks)

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1. Evaluate

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\tan 3x + \cos 4x)^{\frac{1}{x}}$,

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\cos \sqrt{2004+x} - \cos \sqrt{x})$.

(7 marks)

2. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + ax + b & \text{when } x \leq 1, \\ \frac{\sin \pi x}{\pi} & \text{when } x > 1. \end{cases}$

If f is differentiable at 1, find a and b .

(6 marks)

3. (a) Evaluate $\int \sec^3 \theta d\theta$.

(b) Consider the curve $C: x^2 = 2y$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

Find the length of C .

(7 marks)

4. Using the substitution $u = \frac{1}{x}$, prove that $\int_{\frac{1}{2}}^2 \frac{\ln x}{1+x^2} dx = 0$.

Hence, or otherwise, evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{3n} \frac{\ln \left(2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2n} \right) \right)}{2n \left(1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2n} \right)^2 \right)}$.

(6 marks)

5. (a) For each non-negative integer n , define $I_n = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} x^n dx$.

(i) Evaluate I_0 .

(ii) Prove that if I_n is convergent, then $I_{n+1} = (n+1)I_n$.

(iii) Express I_n in terms of n .

(b) For each non-negative integer n , define $J_n = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{n+1} \right)^2 dx$.

Find a non-negative integer m such that $J_m \leq J_n$ for all n .

(8 marks)

6. Consider the two planes $\Pi_1: x+y+z=1$ and $\Pi_2: x-y+z=2$.

(a) Find a parametric equation of the line of intersection of Π_1 and Π_2 .

(b) Find the equation(s) of the plane(s) containing all the points which are equidistant from Π_1 and Π_2 .

(6 marks)

$$m = \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$2m = n+1$$

$$2m-1 = n$$

SECTION B (60 marks)

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7. Let $f(x) = \frac{|x|x^3}{x^3 - 2}$ ($x \neq \sqrt[3]{2}$). 1.259
- (a) (i) Find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$ for $x > 0$.
- (ii) Write down $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$ for $x < 0$.
- (iii) Prove that $f'(0)$ exists.
- (iv) Does $f''(0)$ exist? Explain your answer. (5 marks)
- (b) Determine the range of values of x for each of the following cases:
- (i) $f'(x) > 0$,
- (ii) $f'(x) < 0$,
- (iii) $f''(x) > 0$,
- (iv) $f''(x) < 0$. (3 marks)
- (c) Find the relative extreme point(s) and point(s) of inflexion of $f(x)$. (2 marks)
- (d) Find the asymptote(s) of the graph of $f(x)$. (3 marks)
- (e) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$. (2 marks)

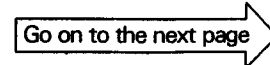
8. (a) For any non-negative integers m and n , define

$$I_{m,n}(x) = \int_0^x \cos^m \theta \cos n\theta \, d\theta \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

Prove that

$$I_{m+1,n+1}(x) = \frac{\cos^{m+1} x \sin(n+1)x}{m+n+2} + \frac{m+1}{m+n+2} I_{m,n}(x). \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$

- (b) Evaluate $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^4 \theta \cos 3\theta \, d\theta$. (4 marks)
- (c) Evaluate $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^4 \theta \cos 3\theta \, d\theta$. (5 marks)



9/ Consider the ellipse $E: \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, where a and b are two positive constants with $a > b$. Let P be the point $(a \cos \theta, b \sin \theta)$, where $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(a) Prove that P lies on E .

(1 mark)

(b) Let L be the tangent to E at P . L cuts the x -axis and the y -axis at P_1 and P_2 respectively. Find

(i) the equation of L ,

(ii) the coordinates of P_1 and P_2 .

(4 marks)

(c) Consider the two circles $C_1: x^2 + y^2 = a^2$ and $C_2: x^2 + y^2 = b^2$. Also consider the two points P_1 and P_2 described in (b). For $k = 1, 2$, let L_k be the tangent to C_k from P_k , with the point of contact Q_k lying in the first quadrant.

(i) Prove that L_1 is parallel to L_2 .

(ii) Find the coordinates of Q_1 and Q_2 .

(iii) Let l be the straight line passing through Q_1 and Q_2 .

Is l a common normal to C_1 and C_2 ? Explain your answer.

(10 marks)

10/ (a) (i) Evaluate $\int \frac{dx}{1 - \sqrt{2x + x^2}}$.

(ii) Prove that

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{1 - \sqrt{2x + x^2}} dx = \pi.$$

(iii) Using (a)(ii), deduce that

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{2\sqrt{2} + 4x + 2\sqrt{2}x^2}{1 + x^4} dx = \pi.$$

(6 marks)

(b) (i) Let k be a non-negative integer. Prove that

$$-x^{4k+4} \leq \sum_{n=0}^k (-1)^n x^{4n} - \frac{1}{1+x^4} \leq x^{4k+4}$$

for all real numbers x .

(ii) Using (b)(i) and (a)(iii), or otherwise, prove that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^n \left(\frac{2}{4n+1} + \frac{2}{4n+2} + \frac{1}{4n+3}\right) = \pi.$$

Candidates may use the fact, without proof, that for any

given polynomial $p(x)$, $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} x^k p(x) dx = 0$.

(9 marks)

11. For any real number x , let $[x]$ denote the greatest integer not greater than x . Let $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{when } x \text{ is an integer,} \\ x - [x] - \frac{1}{2} & \text{when } x \text{ is not an integer.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) (i) Prove that f is a periodic function with period 1.
 (ii) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$, where $-2 \leq x \leq 3$.
 (iii) Write down all the real number(s) x at which f is discontinuous. (6 marks)

(b) Define $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$ for all real numbers x .

- (i) If $0 \leq x \leq 1$, prove that $F(x) = \frac{x^2 - x}{2}$.
 (ii) Is F a periodic function? Explain your answer.
 (iii) Evaluate $\int_0^\pi F(x) dx$.

(9 marks)

12. (a) Let $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a twice differentiable function. Assume that a and b are two distinct real numbers.

- (i) Find a constant k (independent of x) such that the function $h(x) = f(x) - f(b) - f'(x)(x-b) - k(x-b)^2$ satisfies $h(a) = 0$. Also find $h(b)$.

$$\exists c \in (a, b)$$

- (ii) Let I be the open interval with end points a and b . Using Mean Value Theorem and (a)(i), prove that there exists a real number $c \in I$ such that

$$f(b) = f(a) + f'(a)(b-a) + \frac{f''(c)}{2}(b-a)^2.$$

(7 marks)

- (b) Let $g: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a twice differentiable function. Assume that there exists a real number $\beta \in (0, 1)$ such that $g(x) \leq g(\beta) = 1$ for all $x \in (0, 1)$.

- (i) Using (a)(ii), prove that there exists a real number $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ such that $g(1) = 1 + \frac{g''(\gamma)}{2}(1-\beta)^2$.

- (ii) If $g''(x) \geq -2$ for all $x \in (0, 1)$, prove that $g(0) + g(1) \geq 1$. (8 marks)

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