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## **MATHEMATICS: PAPER I**

### **MARKING GUIDELINES**

Time: 3 hours

150 marks

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**SECTION A**

**QUESTION 1**

(a) (1)  $2x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$   
 $(2x-1)(x-1) = 0$  A  
 $x = \frac{1}{2}$  or  $x = 1$  CA

(2)  $x(x-3) \leq 4$   
 $x^2 - 3x - 4 \leq 0$  M  
 $(x-4)(x+1) \leq 0$  A  

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & 4 & & \\ & & & & | & & \\ -1 & & & & 0 & & + \\ \hline & + & 0 & & - & & 0 & + \end{array}$$
  
 $-1 \leq x \leq 4$  A A

(3)  $\log_x 8 = 2 \log_x$   
 $x^2 = 8$  M  
 $x = \pm \sqrt{8}$   
 $x = \sqrt{8}$  A

(b) (1)  $(x-2)^{-1} - (x-1)^{-1}$   
 $= \frac{1}{x-2} - \frac{1}{x-1}$  A  
 $= \frac{(x-1) - (x-2)}{(x-2)(x-1)}$  M  
 $= \frac{x-1-x+2}{(x-2)(x-1)}$   
 $= \frac{1}{(x-2)(x-1)}$  A

(2)  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{y} + \sqrt{y^3}}{\sqrt{y}} - 1\right)^2$   
 $= \left(\frac{\sqrt{y} + y\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{y}} - 1\right)^2$  M  
 $= \left(\frac{\sqrt{y}(1+y)}{\sqrt{y}} - 1\right)^2$  A  
 $= (1+y-1)^2$  A  
 $= y^2$  A

No working  
 1 mark if 1 correct  
 0 marks for incorrect answer

$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9-8}}{4}$  (2)

RHS = 0  $\left. \begin{array}{l} x^2 - 3x + 4 \leq 0 \\ \text{No solution} \end{array} \right\} 0 \frac{3}{4}$  (4)

Converting to Exponential  
(2)

$\frac{-3}{(x)} \frac{2}{3}$   
 LCD (3)

Simplifying surd  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{y} + \sqrt{y^3} - \sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{y}}\right)^2$   
 $= \left(\frac{\sqrt{y^3}}{\sqrt{y}}\right)^2$   
 $= \frac{y^3}{y}$   
 $= y^2$  (4)

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**QUESTION 2**

(a) (1)  $21 ; 20\frac{1}{4} ; 19\frac{1}{2} \dots$

A.P.  $a = 21; d = -\frac{3}{4}$  A

$T_n = 21 + (n - 1)\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)$  M

$= 21 - \frac{3n}{4} + \frac{3}{4}$  A

$= 21,75 - \frac{3}{4}n \quad / \quad \frac{87 - 3n}{4}$

$\quad / \quad \frac{3(29 - n)}{4}$

(2)  $T_{29-n} + T_{29+n}$

$= \frac{87 - 3(29 - n)}{4} + \frac{87 - 3(29 + n)}{4}$  M

$= \frac{3n}{4} + \frac{-3n}{4}$  A

$= 0$

(b)  $\sum_{k=3}^5 (-1)^k \frac{2}{k}$

$= (-1)^3 \times \frac{2}{3} + (-1)^4 \times \frac{2}{4} + (-1)^5 \times \frac{2}{5}$  M

$= -\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{5}$  A

$= -\frac{17}{30}$  A

(c)  $y = (x^3 - p^2)(x^2 + 1)$

$= x^5 + x^3 - p^2x^2 - p^2$  M A

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \underbrace{5x^4 + 3x^2}_{A} - \underbrace{2p^2x}_A$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = (3x^2)(x^2 + 1) + (x^3 - p^2)(2x)$

$= 3x^4 + 3x^2 + 2x^4 - 2p^2x$

$= 5x^4 + 3x^2 - 2p^2x$

$bn + c$

Sub. in  $T_n$  for AP  $\frac{-3n}{4} +$

$21\frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{4}(29 - n)$  (3)

Sub. into  $T_n$  found in (a)

Using 1 value for n

calculating  $\frac{2}{3}$  & marking (3)

zero

1 more example  $\frac{3}{3}$

Expanding

$-2 + 1$   
 $-\frac{47}{30}$  (3)

Expanding

-1 if -2p appears in answer

$(3x^2)(2x) \frac{1}{4}$

<p>(d) <math>f(x) = x^3 - \frac{3}{x^3}</math>  <math>= x^3 - 3x^{-3}</math></p>	<p>A</p>	
<p><math>f'(x) = 3x^2 + 9x^{-4}</math></p>	<p>A M</p>	Finding derivative
<p>Slope = <math>f'(3) = 3 \times 3^2 + \frac{9}{3^4}</math></p>	<p>M</p>	Substitution
<p><math>= 27 + \frac{1}{9}</math></p>		Answer only $\frac{5}{5}$ for
<p><math>= 27\frac{1}{9}</math> or <math>\left(\frac{244}{9}\right)</math> or (27,1)</p>	<p>CA</p>	correct answer (5)
		<b>[18]</b>

**QUESTION 3**

<p>(a) <math>5,7(1+i)^7 = 6</math></p>	<p>A</p>	<p>Correct values in position</p>
<p><math>(1+i)^7 = \frac{20}{19} / \frac{6}{5,7}</math></p>		
<p><math>1+i = \sqrt[7]{\frac{20}{19}}</math> or <math>\left(\frac{6}{5,7}\right)^{\frac{1}{7}}</math></p>	<p>M</p>	<p>Rooting <math>1 + i = I</math> <math>i = 0 \frac{2}{4}</math></p>
<p><math>= 1,007354526</math></p>	<p>A</p>	
<p><math>i \approx 0,7\%</math></p>	<p>CA</p>	<p>(4)</p>
<p>(b) 2009: <math>\frac{400}{10,825}</math></p>	<p>M</p>	<p>Conversion</p>
<p><math>= \text{€ } 36,95\ 150115</math></p>	<p>A</p>	
<p>2010: <math>\frac{2100}{10,516}</math></p>		
<p><math>= \text{€ } 199,69\ 57018</math></p>	<p>A</p>	
<p>% increase: <math>\frac{162,7442006}{36,95150115} \times 100</math></p>	<p>M</p>	<p>% increase</p>
<p><math>= 440,4\%</math></p>	<p>A</p>	<p>(5)</p>
		<p><math>\frac{2100 - 400}{400} \times 100 = \frac{2}{5}</math> 425%</p>

(c) (1) 
$$F_v = \frac{500 \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{0,085}{12} \right)^{360} - 1 \right]}{\frac{0,085}{12}}$$

$$= 825\,352,8556 \quad \text{M}$$

$$\approx \text{R } 825\,352,86 \quad \text{A}$$

**360** A

$$\frac{0,085}{12} \quad \text{A}$$

Sub. in Fv of Annuity

(4)

(2) 
$$\frac{600 \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{0,085}{12} \right)^n - 1 \right]}{\frac{0,085}{12}} = 825352,86 \quad \text{M}$$

Fv of Annuity = Ans

$$(1,007\dots)^n - 1 = 9,743749042$$

$$(1,007\dots)^n = 10,7437\dots \quad \text{A}$$

$$n = \log_{1,007\dots}(10,7437\dots)$$

$$= 336,3844621 \quad \text{A}$$

M Introducing Logs

i.e. 28 years

CA

(5)

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**QUESTION 4**

(a) 
$$\left. \begin{aligned} A &= 8 \\ B &= 16 \\ C &= 12 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{A}$$

(1)

(b) 
$$\begin{aligned} X &= 2n && \text{A} \\ Y &= n^2 && \text{A} \end{aligned}$$

Black tri's: 
$$\left. \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 2 & 6 & 12 \\ 1^{\text{st}} \text{ diff.} & & 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ diff.} & & & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{M}$$

Finding differences

$$Z = 0 + (n-1)2 + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2} \times 2 \quad \text{A}$$

$$= 2n - 2 + n^2 - 3n + 2$$

$$= n^2 - n \quad \text{A}$$

(5)

ALTERNATIVELY

$$\left. \begin{aligned} T_1 &= 0 \times 1 \\ T_2 &= 1 \times 2 \\ T_3 &= 2 \times 3 \\ T_4 &= 3 \times 4 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{M}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 2a &= d & a &= 1 \\ T_0 &= c & &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{M}$$

$$T_n = 1n^2 + bn + 0 \quad \text{A}$$

$$T_1 = 1 + b = 0$$

$$b = -1 \quad \text{A}$$

$$Z = T_n = (n-1)n \quad \text{A}$$

(c)  $n^2 - n = 1260$  M  
 $n^2 - n - 1260 = 0$   
 $(n - 36)(n + 35) = 0$  OR  $n = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 4 \cdot 1260}}{2}$  A  
 $n = 36$  or  $n = -35$  A  
\*N.V.  
 i.e. The 36<sup>th</sup> diagram A

Setting  $T_n = 1260$

Answer from b

∴ Showing that  $T_{36}$   
 gives  $1260 \frac{4}{4}$

(4)  
**[10]**

**QUESTION 5**

On Answer Sheet

**[12]**



<p>(b) (1) G.P. <math>a = 1024</math>, <math>r = -\frac{1}{4}</math> <sup>A</sup></p> <p><math>y = T_{20}</math> <sup>M</sup></p> <p><math>= 1024\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^{19}</math> <sup>A</sup></p> <p>(2) <math>S_{\infty} = \frac{1024}{1 - \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)}</math> <sup>M</sup></p> <p><math>= 819,2</math> <sup>A</sup></p>	<p>Sub. into G.P. formula</p> <p>Sub. in Sum to Infinity</p> <p>If <math>r = -4</math> (2)</p> <p><math>S_{\infty} = \frac{1024}{5} = 204,8</math> [12]</p>
<p>NB: Answers only with no working but 819,2 ½</p>	

**QUESTION 8**

<p>(a) <math>y \geq -\frac{x}{2} + 30</math> <sup>A A</sup></p> <p><math>y \leq -3x + 150</math> <sup>A A</sup></p> <p><math>y \leq -x + 70</math> <sup>A A</sup></p>	<p><math>x + 2y \geq 60</math></p> <p><math>3x + y \leq 150</math></p> <p><math>x + y \leq 70</math></p>
<p>(b) 50 large flags <sup>A</sup></p>	<p>(1)</p>
<p>(c) <math>P = 8x + 4y</math> <sup>A</sup></p> <p><math>4y = -8x + P</math></p> <p><math>y = -2x + \frac{P}{4}</math> <sup>M</sup></p> <p>Max. Profit at D(40 ; 30) <sup>A M</sup></p> <p><math>P = 8 \times 40 + 4 \times 30</math></p> <p><math>= R440</math> <sup>CA</sup></p>	<p>Converting to std. form</p> <p>Sub. into Profit</p>
	<p>(5)</p>



(d) New  $P = 4x + 4y$  A

$4y = -4x + P$  M

$y = -x + \frac{P}{4}$

Converting to std. form

Objective function has same gradient as one of the constraints. A

At E:  $y = -x + 70$  and  $y = -\frac{x}{4} + 50$

$-x + 70 = -\frac{x}{4} + 50$  M

$-4x + 280 = -x + 200$

$-3x = -80$

$x = \frac{80}{3} \quad (26,7)$

$y = -\frac{80}{3} + 70$

$= \frac{130}{3} \quad (43,3)$

Equating

$27 \leq x \leq 40 \quad x \in N$

$30 \leq y \leq 43 \quad y \in N \quad \text{with } y = -x + 70$  A

ALTERNATIVELY: Any point on ED

i.e. 14 solutions: Give any 3.

(27; 43), (28, 42), (29; 41), (30; 40), (31; 39),  
(32; 38), (33; 37), (34; 36), (35; 35), (36; 34), <sup>A</sup>

(37; 33), (38; 32), (39; 31), (40; 30)

(6)

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**QUESTION 9**

(a)  $R(x) = x^2\left(\frac{C}{2} - \frac{x}{3}\right)$

(1)  $R(C) = C^2\left(\frac{C}{2} - \frac{C}{3}\right)$   
 $= \frac{C^3}{6}$

M

Substitution  $x = c$

A

$2R\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)^2\left(\frac{C}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{C}{2}\right)$   
 $= 2 \cdot \frac{C^2}{4} \left(\frac{3C - C}{6}\right)$

M

Substitution  $x = \frac{c}{2}$

$= 2 \cdot \frac{C^2}{4} \cdot \frac{C}{3}$

$= \frac{C^3}{6}$

A

$= R(C)$

(4)

(2)  $R(x) = x^2\left(\frac{C}{2} - \frac{x}{3}\right)$   
 $= \frac{Cx^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3}$

A

Setting  $(x - x^2 = 0$

$R'(x) = Cx - x^2$

Der.

$x = c$  or  $x = 0$

$R''(x) = C - 2x = 0$

A M

Der. = 0  $\frac{3}{5}$

$2x = C$

$x = \frac{C}{2}$

A

(5)

(b)  $y = 4x^2 + x^{-1}$  Der.

Stat. Pt. :  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 8x - x^{-2} = 0$  M

$$8x = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$x^3 = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$
 Only one solution A

ALTERNATIVELY:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 8x - x^{-2}$$

$$= 8x - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{8x^3 - 1}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{(2x - 1)(4x^2 + 2x + 1)}{x^2}$$
 M
   

$$= 0 \text{ when } x = \frac{1}{2}$$
 A

At  $x = \frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{dy}{dx} = 8 \times \frac{1}{4} - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-2}$  M

$$= 2 - 16$$

$$= -14 < 0$$
 A

At  $x = \frac{3}{4}$   $\frac{dy}{dx} = 8 \times \frac{3}{4} - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-2}$

$$= 6 - \frac{16}{9}$$

$$= \frac{38}{9} > 0$$

∴ Local minimum CA

ALTERNATIVELY:

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 8 + 2x^{-3}$$

$$= 8 + \frac{2}{x^3}$$
 2nd Der. A
   

When  $x = \frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 8 + 2 \div \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$  M

$$= 2 + 2 \times 8$$

$$= 24 > 0$$

∴ Local minimum CA

Der. = 0

Table of values

Substitution

(6)

No working

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Local min  $\frac{6}{6}$

Only  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

Or only local min.  $\frac{3}{6}$

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**QUESTION 10**

(a)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2450}(x-50)(x-100)^2$   
 $= \frac{1}{2450}(x-50)(x^2 - 200x + 10000)$  M  
 $= \frac{1}{2450}(x^3 - 200x^2 + 10000x - 50x^2 + 10000x - 500000)$   
 $= \frac{1}{2450}(x^3 - 250x^2 + 20000x - 500000)$  A  
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2450}(3x^2 - 500x + 20000) = 0$  A M  
 $(3x-200)(x-100) = 0$  OR  $x = \frac{500 \pm \sqrt{500^2 - 240000}}{6}$   
 $x = \frac{200}{3}$  or  $x = 100$  A  
 $f(x) = \frac{1}{2450}\left(\frac{200}{3} - 50\right)\left(\frac{200}{3} - 100\right)^2$  M  
 $= 7,558578987$  CA  
 $\therefore$  Highest point : (66,7 ; 7,6)

(b)  $y = ax^2 + bx$   
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2ax + b$  A  
 At O :  $m = b$  M  
 $\therefore b = 2$  A  
 At R :  $2a \times 20 + 2 = -3$  A M  
 $40a = -5$   
 $a = -\frac{1}{8}$  A

Table on calc. in steps of 5 or x. Answer given between 65 + 68  
 Expanding  $\frac{6}{7}$

Der. = 0

Substitution

(7)

(6)

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**QUESTION 11**

(a) A M

	<b>Dist. (km)</b>	<b>Speed (km.h<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>Time (hours)</b>
There	$d$	165	$\frac{d}{165}$
Back	$d$	110	$\frac{d}{110}$
Return	$2d$	?	$\frac{d}{165} + \frac{d}{110}$

Total distance/ total time

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Speed} &= 2d \div \left( \frac{d}{165} + \frac{d}{110} \right) && \text{A} \\ &= 2d \div \frac{2d + 3d}{330} && \text{M} \\ &= 2d \times \frac{330}{5d} \\ &= 132 \text{ km.h}^{-1} && \text{A} \end{aligned}$$

Simplifying

(5)

(b) Let  $x = 5\,967\,564\,928$  M

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{x^2 - (x-2)(x+2)} && \text{A} \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 - (x^2 - 4)} \\ &= \sqrt{4} && \text{A} \\ &= 2 && \text{A} \end{aligned}$$

(4)

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$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{8^2 - 6 \times 0} \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{28^2 - 26 \times 30}$$

$$= \sqrt{4}$$

$$= 2 \qquad \frac{2}{4}$$

$$\sqrt{3^2 - 1 \times 5}$$

$$= 2 \qquad \frac{3}{4}$$

$$+ 1 \text{ more example } \frac{4}{4}$$