

L6 Mathematics Mock

Paper 1 (Teacher X)

January 2022

2021-2022

Duration: 1 hour 15 minutes

Total number of marks: 60

Write your answers on file paper provided.

You are permitted to use a scientific or graphical calculator in this paper.

Final answers should be given to a degree of accuracy appropriate to the context.

Relevant information from the formula booklet is given below:

Formulae

AS Level Mathematics A (H230)

Binomial series

$$(a+b)^n = a^n + {}^n C_1 a^{n-1}b + {}^n C_2 a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + {}^n C_r a^{n-r}b^r + \dots + b^n \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

$$\text{where } {}^n C_r = \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

Differentiation from first principles

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

- 1.
- (i) The equation $x^2 + 3x + k = 0$ has repeated roots. Find the value of the constant k . [2]
- (ii) Solve the inequality $6 + x - x^2 > 0$. [2]

2.

Solve the equation $3x^{\frac{2}{3}} + x^{\frac{1}{3}} - 2 = 0$. [5]

- 3.
- (i) Express $4x^2 - 12x + 11$ in the form $a(x + b)^2 + c$. [3]
- (ii) State the number of real roots of the equation $4x^2 - 12x + 11 = 0$. [1]
- (iii) Explain fully how the value of r is related to the number of real roots of the equation $p(x + q)^2 + r = 0$ where p, q and r are real constants and $p > 0$. [2]

4.

Find the equation of the normal to the curve $y = \frac{6}{x^2} - 5$ at the point on the curve where $x = 2$. Give your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a, b and c are integers. [7]

5.

A student's attempt to solve the equation $2 \log_2 x - \log_2 \sqrt{x} = 3$ is shown below.

$$2 \log_2 x - \log_2 \sqrt{x} = 3$$

$$2 \log_2 \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{x}} \right) = 3 \quad \text{using the subtraction law for logs}$$

$$2 \log_2 (\sqrt{x}) = 3 \quad \text{simplifying}$$

$$\log_2 x = 3 \quad \text{using the power law for logs}$$

$$x = 3^2 = 9 \quad \text{using the definition of a log}$$

(a) Identify two errors made by this student, giving a brief explanation of each. (2)

(b) Write out the correct solution. (3)

6.

Given

$$2^x \times 4^y = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

express y as a function of x .

(3)

7.

A research engineer is testing the effectiveness of the braking system of a car when it is driven in wet conditions.

The engineer measures and records the braking distance, d metres, when the brakes are applied from a speed of $V \text{ km h}^{-1}$.

Graphs of d against V and $\log_{10} d$ against $\log_{10} V$ were plotted.

The results are shown below together with a data point from each graph.

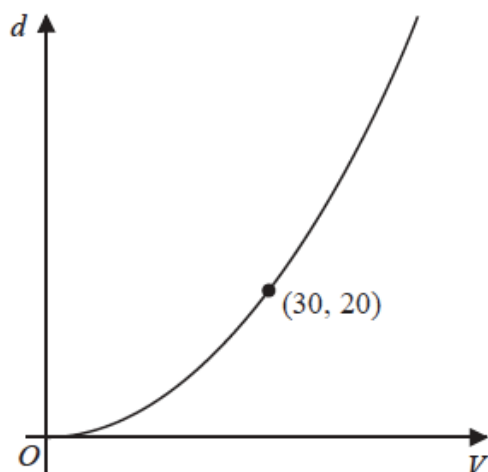


Figure 5

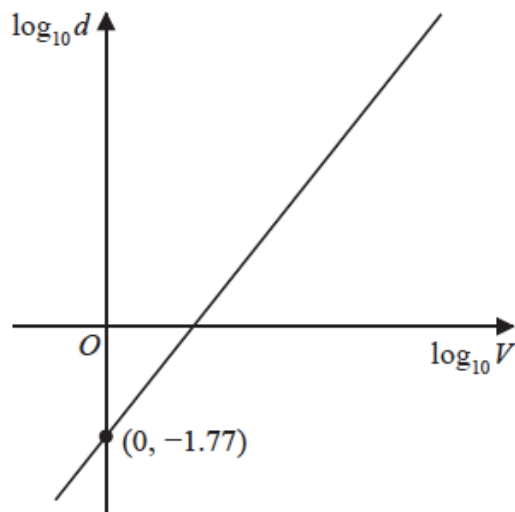


Figure 6

- (a) Explain how Figure 6 would lead the engineer to believe that the braking distance should be modelled by the formula

$$d = kV^n \quad \text{where } k \text{ and } n \text{ are constants}$$

with $k \approx 0.017$

(3)

Using the information given in Figure 5, with $k = 0.017$

- (b) find a complete equation for the model giving the value of n to 3 significant figures.

(3)

Sean is driving this car at 60 km h^{-1} in wet conditions when he notices a large puddle in the road 100 m ahead. It takes him 0.8 seconds to react before applying the brakes.

- (c) Use your formula to find out if Sean will be able to stop before reaching the puddle.

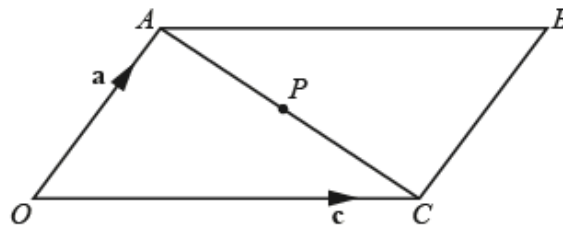
(3)

8.

Find the region of the curve $y = x^3 - 4x^2 + 6$ where the curve is decreasing. Express your answer in set notation.

9.

$OABC$ is a parallelogram with $\overrightarrow{OA} = \mathbf{a}$ and $\overrightarrow{OC} = \mathbf{c}$. P is the midpoint of AC .



(i) Find the following in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{c} , simplifying your answers.

(a) \overrightarrow{AC} [1]

(b) \overrightarrow{OP} [2]

(ii) Hence prove that the diagonals of a parallelogram bisect one another. [4]

10.

Trees in a forest may be affected by one of two types of fungal disease, but not by both.

The number of trees affected by disease A, n_A , can be modelled by the formula

$$n_A = ae^{0.1t}$$

where t is the time in years after 1 January 2017.

The number of trees affected by disease B, n_B , can be modelled by the formula

$$n_B = be^{0.2t}$$

On 1 January 2017 a **total** of 290 trees were affected by a fungal disease.

On 1 January 2018 a **total** of 331 trees were affected by a fungal disease.

(a) Show that $b = 90$, to the nearest integer, and find the value of a . [3 marks]

(b) Estimate the total number of trees that will be affected by a fungal disease on 1 January 2020. [1 mark]

(c) Find the year in which the number of trees affected by disease B will first exceed the number affected by disease A. [3 marks]

(d) Comment on the long-term accuracy of the model. [1 mark]