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# **Sec 4 Maths**

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## **SET A PAPER 1 Question**

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Answer **all** the questions

Write in dark blue or black ink on both sides of the paper.

You may use a soft pencil for any diagrams or graphs.

Write your answers on the writing papers provided.

Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures or 1 decimal place in the case of angles in degrees, unless a different level of accuracy is specified in the question.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

The total number of marks for this paper is **80**.

The use of electronic calculator is expected, where appropriate

You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.

## Mathematical Formulae

### 1. ALGEBRA

#### Quadratic Equation

For the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ ,

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

#### Binomial Theorem

$$(a + b)^n = a^n + \binom{n}{1}a^{n-1}b + \binom{n}{2}a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{r}a^{n-r}b^r + \dots + b^n$$

where  $n$  is a positive integer and  $\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}$ .

### 2. TRIGONOMETRY

#### Identities

$$\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A = 1$$

$$\sec^2 A = 1 + \tan^2 A$$

$$\operatorname{cosec}^2 A = 1 + \cot^2 A$$

$$\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm \cos A \sin B$$

$$\cos(A \pm B) = \cos A \cos B \mp \sin A \sin B$$

$$\tan(A \pm B) = \frac{\tan A \pm \tan B}{1 \mp \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A$$

$$\cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A = 2 \cos^2 A - 1 = 1 - 2 \sin^2 A$$

$$\tan 2A = \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}$$

$$\sin A + \sin B = 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(A + B) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A - B)$$

$$\sin A - \sin B = 2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(A + B) \sin \frac{1}{2}(A - B)$$

$$\cos A + \cos B = 2 \cos \frac{1}{2}(A + B) \cos \frac{1}{2}(A - B)$$

$$\cos A - \cos B = -2 \sin \frac{1}{2}(A + B) \sin \frac{1}{2}(A - B)$$

#### Formulae for $\Delta ABC$

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

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$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2}bc \sin A$$

1. A particle moves in a straight line from a fixed point O such that t seconds after leaving O, its velocity, v m/s is given by  $v = 10(1 - e^{-2t})$ . Calculate

(i) the acceleration of the particle when  $t = 1$ . [2]

(ii) the displacement of the particle from O when  $t = 1$ . [3]

2. (i) Find the coordinates of all the points at which the graph of  $y = |3 - \frac{x}{2}| - 1$  meets the coordinates axes. [3]

(ii) Hence sketch the graph of  $y = |3 - \frac{x}{2}| - 1$  for  $-2 \leq x \leq 9$  and state the range of values of y. [3]

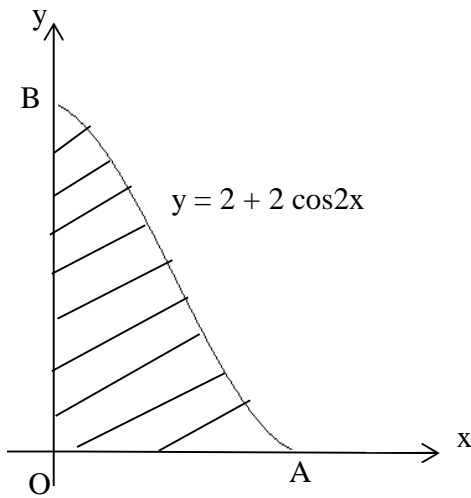
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3. The diagram shows part of the curve  $y = 2 + 2 \cos 2x$ , meeting the x-axis at A and y-axis at B

(i) Show that the x-coordinate of A is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and find the y-coordinate of B. [3]

(ii) Hence find the area of the shaded region. [3]

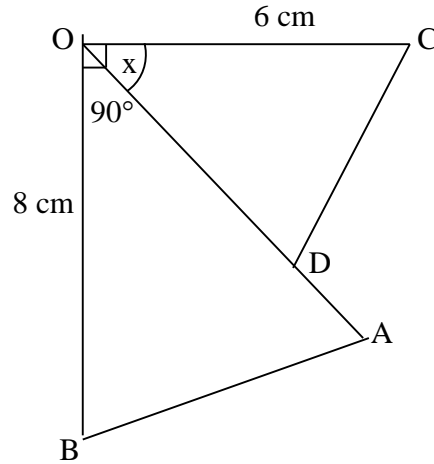


4. (a) Find the coefficient of  $x^2$  in the expansion of  $(2x - \frac{1}{3x^2})^8$ . [3]

(b) In the Binomial expansion of  $(1 + ax)^n$ , the first three terms are  $1 + 3x + 4x^2 + \dots$ . Calculate the value of  $n$  and of  $a$ . [4]

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5. The diagram shows two isosceles triangles AOB and COD. Given that  $OA = OB = 8 \text{ cm}$ ,  $OC = OD = 6 \text{ cm}$ ,  $\angle COB = 90^\circ$  and  $\angle COD = x^\circ$ .



The sum of the areas of  $\triangle AOB$  and  $\triangle COD$  is  $A \text{ cm}^2$ .

- (a) Show that  $A = 18 \sin x + 32 \cos x$  [2]
- (b) Find the value of  $R$  and  $\alpha$  for which  $A = R \sin(x + \alpha)$ , where  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$  [2]

Given that  $x$  can vary, find

- (c) the maximum value of  $A$  and the corresponding value of  $x$ . [2]
- (d) the value of  $x$  for which the area of  $\triangle AOB$  is twice the area of  $\triangle COD$ . [2]

6. Solve the following equations

(i)  $\log_3 (3^{x+1} - 8) = x.$  [4]

(ii)  $\log_4 x + 2 \log_x 4 = 3.$  [4]

7. Given that  $y = (x - 1) \sqrt{2x + 7}.$

(i) Show that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x + 6}{\sqrt{2x + 7}}.$  [3]

(ii) Hence evaluate  $\int_1^9 \frac{x + 2}{\sqrt{2x + 7}} dx.$  [3]

(iii) Find the rate of change of  $x$  when  $x = 1$ , given that  $y$  is changing at a constant rate of 6 units per second. [3]



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8. The table shows experimental values of two variables  $x$  and  $y$ .

$x$	1.6	1.8	2	3.4	5
$y$	0.65	0.82	1	2.5	4.7

It is known that  $x$  and  $y$  are related by an equation of the form  $\frac{p}{y} - \frac{q}{x^2} = 1$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are constants.

Plot the straight line graph of  $\frac{1}{y}$  against  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  for the given data and use your graph to estimate

(i) the value of  $p$  and of  $q$ ,

(ii) the value of  $x$  when  $\frac{2}{y} = 3$ . [9]

9. (a) Given that  $\sin(x + b) + \cos(x + b) = \cos x$  where  $b$  is the acute angle such that  $\tan b = \frac{3}{4}$ , find the value of  $\tan x$  [4]

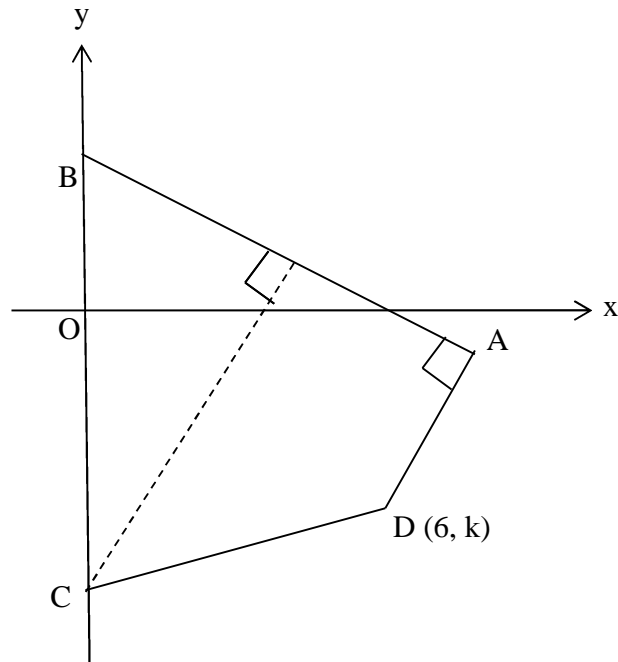
(b) If  $\cos 2\theta = -\frac{4}{5}$  and  $90^\circ \leq \theta \leq 135^\circ$ , calculate, without using the calculator, the value of

(i)  $\cos \theta$

(ii)  $\sin 2\theta$

(iii)  $\sin 4\theta$ . [6]

10. Solutions to this question by accurate drawing will not be accepted.



The diagram above shows a quadrilateral ABCD. The equation of line AB is  $2y + x - 6 = 0$ , and the y- coordinate of A is  $-1$ . The point B lies on the y-axis. The perpendicular bisector of AB meets the y-axis at the point C. The coordinates of D is  $(6, k)$  and AD is perpendicular to AB.

- (i) Find the coordinates of the point A. [1]
- (ii) Find the value of k. [2]
- (iii) Find the coordinates of the points B and C. [3]
- (iv) Find the equation of the line parallel to AB, passing through C. [2]
- (v) Calculate the area of the triangle ABC, and hence find the distance of C from the line AB. [4]

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