

Markscheme

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Mathematics: analysis and approaches

Higher level

Paper 1

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Instructions to Examiners

Abbreviations

- M** Marks awarded for attempting to use a correct **Method**.
- A** Marks awarded for an **Answer** or for **Accuracy**; often dependent on preceding **M** marks.
- R** Marks awarded for clear **Reasoning**.
- AG** Answer given in the question and so no marks are awarded.
- FT** Follow through. The practice of awarding marks, despite candidate errors in previous parts, for their correct methods/answers using incorrect results.

Using the markscheme

1 General

Award marks using the annotations as noted in the markscheme *eg M1, A2*.

2 Method and Answer/Accuracy marks

- Do **not** automatically award full marks for a correct answer; all working **must** be checked, and marks awarded according to the markscheme.
- It is generally not possible to award **M0** followed by **A1**, as **A** mark(s) depend on the preceding **M** mark(s), if any.
- Where **M** and **A** marks are noted on the same line, *e.g. M1A1*, this usually means **M1** for an **attempt** to use an appropriate method (*e.g.* substitution into a formula) and **A1** for using the **correct** values.
- Where there are two or more **A** marks on the same line, they may be awarded independently; so if the first value is incorrect, but the next two are correct, award **A0A1A1**.
- Where the markscheme specifies **A3, M2** etc., do **not** split the marks, unless there is a note.
- The response to a “show that” question does not need to restate the **AG** line, unless a **Note** makes this explicit in the markscheme.
- Once a correct answer to a question or part question is seen, ignore further working even if this working is incorrect and/or suggests a misunderstanding of the question. This will encourage a uniform approach to marking, with less examiner discretion. Although some candidates may be advantaged for that specific question item, it is likely that these candidates will lose marks elsewhere too.
- An exception to the previous rule is when an incorrect answer from further working is used **in a subsequent part**. For example, when a correct exact value is followed by an incorrect decimal approximation in the first part and this approximation is then used in the second part. In this situation, award **FT** marks as appropriate but do not award the final **A1** in the first part.

Examples:

	Correct answer seen	Further working seen	Any FT issues?	Action
1.	$8\sqrt{2}$	5.65685... (incorrect decimal value)	No. Last part in question.	Award A1 for the final mark (condone the incorrect further working)
2.	$\frac{35}{72}$	0.468111... (incorrect decimal value)	Yes. Value is used in subsequent parts.	Award A0 for the final mark (and full FT is available in subsequent parts)

3 Implied marks

Implied marks appear in **brackets e.g. (M1)**, and can only be awarded if **correct** work is seen or implied by subsequent working/answer.

4 Follow through marks (only applied after an error is made)

Follow through (**FT**) marks are awarded where an incorrect answer from one **part** of a question is used correctly in **subsequent** part(s) (e.g. incorrect value from part (a) used in part (d) or incorrect value from part (c)(i) used in part (c)(ii)). Usually, to award **FT** marks, **there must be working present** and not just a final answer based on an incorrect answer to a previous part. However, if all the marks awarded in a subsequent part are for the answer or are implied, then **FT** marks should be awarded for *their* correct answer, even when working is not present.

For example: following an incorrect answer to part (a) that is used in subsequent parts, where the markscheme for the subsequent part is **(M1)A1**, it is possible to award full marks for *their* correct answer, **without working being seen**. For longer questions where all but the answer marks are implied this rule applies but may be overwritten by a **Note** in the Markscheme.

- Within a question part, once an **error** is made, no further **A** marks can be awarded for work which uses the error, but **M** marks may be awarded if appropriate.
- If the question becomes much simpler because of an error then use discretion to award fewer **FT** marks, by reflecting on what each mark is for and how that maps to the simplified version.
- If the error leads to an inappropriate value (e.g. probability greater than 1, $\sin \theta = 1.5$, non-integer value where integer required), do not award the mark(s) for the final answer(s).
- The markscheme may use the word “their” in a description, to indicate that candidates may be using an incorrect value.
- If the candidate’s answer to the initial question clearly contradicts information given in the question, it is not appropriate to award any **FT** marks in the subsequent parts. This includes when candidates fail to complete a “show that” question correctly, and then in subsequent parts use their incorrect answer rather than the given value.
- Exceptions to these **FT** rules will be explicitly noted on the markscheme.
- If a candidate makes an error in one part but gets the correct answer(s) to subsequent part(s), award marks as appropriate, unless the command term was “Hence”.

5 Mis-read

If a candidate incorrectly copies values or information from the question, this is a mis-read (**MR**). A candidate should be penalized only once for a particular misread. Use the **MR** stamp to indicate that this has been a misread and do not award the first mark, even if this is an **M** mark, but award all others as appropriate.

- If the question becomes much simpler because of the **MR**, then use discretion to award fewer marks.
- If the **MR** leads to an inappropriate value (e.g. probability greater than 1, $\sin \theta = 1.5$, non-integer value where integer required), do not award the mark(s) for the final answer(s).
- Miscopying of candidates' own work does **not** constitute a misread, it is an error.
- If a candidate uses a correct answer, to a "show that" question, to a higher degree of accuracy than given in the question, this is NOT a misread and full marks may be scored in the subsequent part.
- **MR** can only be applied when work is seen. For calculator questions with no working and incorrect answers, examiners should **not** infer that values were read incorrectly.

6 Alternative methods

Candidates will sometimes use methods other than those in the markscheme. Unless the question specifies a method, other correct methods should be marked in line with the markscheme. If the command term is 'Hence' and not 'Hence or otherwise' then alternative methods are not permitted unless covered by a note in the mark scheme.

- Alternative methods for complete questions are indicated by **METHOD 1**, **METHOD 2**, etc.
- Alternative solutions for parts of questions are indicated by **EITHER . . . OR**.

7 Alternative forms

Unless the question specifies otherwise, **accept** equivalent forms.

- As this is an international examination, accept all alternative forms of **notation** for example 1.9 and 1,9 or 1000 and 1,000 and 1.000.
- Do not accept final answers written using calculator notation. However, **M** marks and intermediate **A** marks can be scored, when presented using calculator notation, provided the evidence clearly reflects the demand of the mark.
- In the markscheme, equivalent **numerical** and **algebraic** forms will generally be written in brackets immediately following the answer.
- In the markscheme, some **equivalent** answers will generally appear in brackets. Not all equivalent notations/answers/methods will be presented in the markscheme and examiners are asked to apply appropriate discretion to judge if the candidate work is equivalent.

8 Format and accuracy of answers

If the level of accuracy is specified in the question, a mark will be linked to giving the answer to the required accuracy. If the level of accuracy is not stated in the question, the general rule applies to final answers: *unless otherwise stated in the question all numerical answers must be given exactly or correct to three significant figures.*

Where values are used in subsequent parts, the markscheme will generally use the exact value, however candidates may also use the correct answer to 3 sf in subsequent parts. The markscheme will often explicitly include the subsequent values that come “*from the use of 3 sf values*”.

Simplification of final answers: Candidates are advised to give final answers using good mathematical form. In general, for an **A** mark to be awarded, arithmetic should be completed, and any values that lead to integers should be simplified; for example, $\sqrt{\frac{25}{4}}$ should be written as $\frac{5}{2}$. An exception to this is simplifying fractions, where lowest form is not required (although the numerator and the denominator must be integers); for example, $\frac{10}{4}$ may be left in this form or written as $\frac{5}{2}$.

However, $\frac{10}{5}$ should be written as 2, as it simplifies to an integer.

Algebraic expressions should be simplified by completing any operations such as addition and multiplication, e.g. $4e^{2x} \times e^{3x}$ should be simplified to $4e^{5x}$, and $4e^{2x} \times e^{3x} - e^{4x} \times e^x$ should be simplified to $3e^{5x}$. Unless specified in the question, expressions do not need to be factorized, nor do factorized expressions need to be expanded, so $x(x+1)$ and $x^2 + x$ are both acceptable.

Please note: intermediate **A** marks do NOT need to be simplified.

9 Calculators

No calculator is allowed. The use of any calculator on this paper is malpractice and will result in no grade awarded. If you see work that suggests a candidate has used any calculator, please follow the procedures for malpractice.

10. Presentation of candidate work

Crossed out work: If a candidate has drawn a line through work on their examination script, or in some other way crossed out their work, do not award any marks for that work unless an explicit note from the candidate indicates that they would like the work to be marked.

More than one solution: Where a candidate offers two or more different answers to the same question, an examiner should only mark the first response unless the candidate indicates otherwise. If the layout of the responses makes it difficult to judge, examiners should apply appropriate discretion to judge which is “first”.

SECTION A

- 1.
- (a) -2 (accept $(0, -2)$) **A1**
[1 mark]
- (b) $y = \frac{3}{2}$ (must be an equation) **A1**
- Note:** Do not accept \neq sign.
- [1 mark]**
- (c) attempt to reflect the graph of f in the x -axis OR one correct value seen **(M1)**
- both correct values $-\frac{3}{2}$ and 2 (seen anywhere) **A1**
- $-\frac{3}{2} < y \leq 2$ **A1**
- [3 marks]**
Total [5 marks]

2. (a) attempt to set equal to a parameter or to add detail to cartesian form (M1)

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+2}{3} = z = \lambda \Rightarrow x = 2\lambda + 1, y = 3\lambda - 2, z = \lambda \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-(-2)}{3} = \frac{z-0}{1}$$

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{OR} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{or equivalent}) \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award **A0** if $\mathbf{r} =$ OR $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} =$ is omitted.

[2 marks]

(b) attempt to equate at least one component (M1)

$$1 + 2\lambda = t \quad \text{OR} \quad -2 + 3\lambda = 4 \quad \text{OR} \quad \lambda = -8 + 2t$$

$$\lambda = 2 \quad \text{OR} \quad t = 5 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\text{intersection point} = (5, 4, 2) \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Condone coordinates given in vector form.

[3 marks]

Total [5 marks]

3.

(a) correct substitution in sine rule (A1)

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{5} = \frac{\sin 2\theta}{6\sqrt{2}} \text{ (or equivalent)}$$

attempt to use double angle rule for $\sin 2\theta$ (M1)

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{5} = \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{6\sqrt{2}}$$

$$6\sqrt{2} \sin \theta = 10 \sin \theta \cos \theta \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{1}{5} = \frac{2 \cos \theta}{6\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{OR equivalent} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5} \quad \text{AG}$$

[3 marks]

(b) valid attempt to find $\sin \theta$ (M1)

$$\sin^2 \theta + \left(\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5} \right)^2 = 1 \quad \text{OR right triangle with adjacent side and hypotenuse labelled}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{5} \quad \text{A1}$$

[2 marks]

(c) $\frac{1}{2} \times 6\sqrt{2} \times \text{DC} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{5} = 2\sqrt{14}$ (A1)

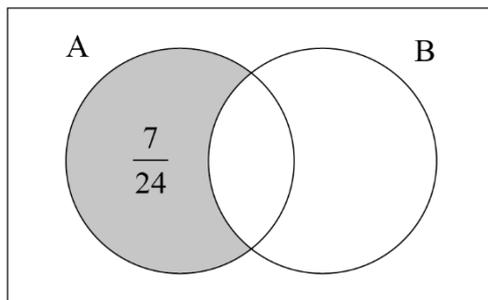
$$\text{DC} = \frac{10}{3} \quad \text{A1}$$

[2 marks]

Total [7 marks]

4. (a) attempt to use a Venn diagram OR law of addition

(M1)



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A \cap B') + P(B)$$

$$\frac{5}{8} = \frac{7}{24} + P(B)$$

(A1)

$$P(B) = \frac{8}{24} \left(= \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

A1

[3 marks]

- (b) **METHOD 1:** finding $P(A)$

attempt to find $P(A)$

M1

$$P(A \cap B') = P(A) \times P(B') \quad \text{OR} \quad P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A) \times P(B)$$

$$P(A) \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{7}{24} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{5}{8} = \frac{2}{3} P(A) + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{7}{16}$$

(A1)

EITHER

$$P(A' | B) = \frac{P(A' \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A') \times P(B)}{P(B)} = P(A') \quad (\text{seen anywhere}) \quad \text{OR} \quad 1 - \frac{7}{16}$$

(A1)

OR

$$P(A' | B) \left(= \frac{P(A' \cap B)}{P(B)} \right) = \frac{\frac{9}{48}}{\frac{16}{48}} \left(= \frac{\frac{3}{16}}{\frac{1}{3}} \right)$$

(A1)

THEN

$$P(A' | B) = \frac{9}{16}$$

A1

continued...

Question 4 continued.

METHOD 2: attempt to find $P(A \cap B)$

attempt to use $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B)$

M1

$$x = \left(x + \frac{7}{24}\right) \times \frac{1}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{7}{48}$$

A1

$$P(A' | B) = P(B) - P(A \cap B) + 1 - P(A \cup B) \quad \text{OR} \quad = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{7}{48} + 1 - \frac{5}{8}$$

(A1)

$$P(A' | B) = \frac{27}{48} \left(= \frac{9}{16} \right)$$

A1

[4 marks]

Total [7 marks]

- 5.
- (a) recognising $\Delta > 0$ (seen anywhere) **(M1)**
- $\Delta = k^2 - 4(15 - k) (= k^2 + 4k - 60)$ **A1**
- valid attempt to solve quadratic (in)equality **(M1)**
- $(k - 6)(k + 10)$ OR $k = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(-60)}}{2}$
- two correct values -10 and 6 (seen anywhere) **A1**
- $k < -10, k > 6$ **A1**
- [5 marks]**
- (b) recognising constant or product of roots is positive **(M1)**
- $15 - k > 0 \Rightarrow k < 15$
- $k < -10, 6 < k < 15$ **A1**
- [2 marks]**
- Total [7 marks]**

6.

(a) correct substitution into distance formula **A1**

$$l^2 = x^2 \ln x + 4 - x^2 + x^2 \quad \text{OR} \quad \sqrt{(x-0)^2 + (\sqrt{x^2 \ln x + 4 - x^2} - 0)^2} \quad \text{OR}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 + x^2 \ln x + 4 - x^2}$$

$$l = \sqrt{x^2 \ln x + 4}$$

AG

[1 mark]

(b) recognising $\frac{dl}{dx} = 0$ (seen anywhere) **(M1)**

EITHER

attempt to use chain rule with l **(M1)**

$$\frac{1}{2}(x^2 \ln x + 4)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \frac{d}{dx}(x^2 \ln x + 4)$$

attempt to use product rule with $\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 \ln x + 4)$ **(M1)**

$$\frac{1}{2}(x^2 \ln x + 4)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \left[x^2 \times \frac{1}{x} + \ln x \times 2x \right] \quad \text{A1}$$

OR

recognising to minimise $x^2 \ln x + 4$ **(M1)**

attempt to use product rule **(M1)**

$$x^2 \times \frac{1}{x} + \ln x \times 2x \quad \text{A1}$$

THEN

$x + 2x \ln x = 0$ (or equivalent) **A1**

$$\Rightarrow \ln x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = e^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad \left(= \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}} \right) \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award **A0** for including $x = 0$ in the final answer.

[6 marks]

Total [7 marks]

7. METHOD 1 (product of quadratic factors)

attempt to write as product of two quadratic factors **(M1)**

$$x^4 + px^3 - 2x^2 + qx - 3 = (x^2 + 2x + 1)(ax^2 + bx + c)$$

$$= (x^2 + 2x + 1)(x^2 + bx - 3) \text{ OR } (x^2 + 2x + 1)(x^2 - 3) \quad \textbf{A1}$$

attempt to compare their coefficients **(M1)**

$$p = b + 2 \text{ OR } q = b - 6 \text{ OR } -2 = 2b + 1 - 3$$

$$b = 0 \quad \textbf{(A1)}$$

$$p = 2, q = -6 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

METHOD 2 (double root)

let $f(x) = x^4 + px^3 - 2x^2 + qx - 3$

recognition that $f(-1) = 0$ **(M1)**

$$p + q = -4 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

recognition that $f'(x) = 0$ at $x = -1$ since it has a double root **(M1)**

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 + 3px^2 - 4x + q$$

$$3p + q = 0 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

$$p = 2, q = -6 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

METHOD 3 (division by $(x+1)$ twice)

attempt to use division with $(x+1)$ to find remainder **(M1)**

$$p + q = -4 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

attempt to use division once again with $(x+1)$ to find remainder **(M1)**

$$q + 3p = 0 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

$$p = 2, q = -6 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

METHOD 4 (division by $x^2 + 2x + 1$)

attempt to use division to find remainder **(M1)**

$$(q + 3p)x + 2p - 4 (= 0) \text{ (or equivalent)} \quad \textbf{(A1)}$$

equating the coefficients of their remainder to 0 **(M1)**

$$q + 3p = 0 \text{ and } 2p - 4 = 0 \text{ OR } q - p + 2 = 2(1 - 2p) \text{ and } -3 = 1 - 2p \text{ (or equivalent)} \quad \textbf{A1}$$

$$p = 2, q = -6 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

continued...

Question 7 continued.

METHOD 5 (sum and product of roots)

let the four roots be $-1, -1, \alpha$ and β

attempt to set sum of four roots equal to $-p$ OR product of four roots equal to -3 **(M1)**

Note: Award **M1** for expansion of $(x-1)^2(x-\alpha)(x-\beta)$ leading to a quartic

$$x^4 + (2 - \alpha - \beta)x^3 + (\alpha\beta - 2\alpha - 2\beta + 1)x^2 + (2\alpha\beta - \alpha - \beta)x + \alpha\beta (= 0)$$

$(-1) + (-1) + \alpha + \beta = -p$ ($\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = -p + 2$) and $(-1)(-1)\alpha\beta = -3$ ($\Rightarrow \alpha\beta = -3$) **A1**

sum of product of pairs and sum of product of roots taken three at a time

$\alpha\beta - \alpha - \alpha - \beta - \beta + 1 = -2$ ($\Rightarrow \alpha\beta - 2\alpha - 2\beta = -3$) and

$-\alpha\beta - \alpha\beta + \beta + \alpha = -q$ ($\Rightarrow -2\alpha\beta + \beta + \alpha = -q$) **A1**

Note: Award **A1** for any two correct equations.

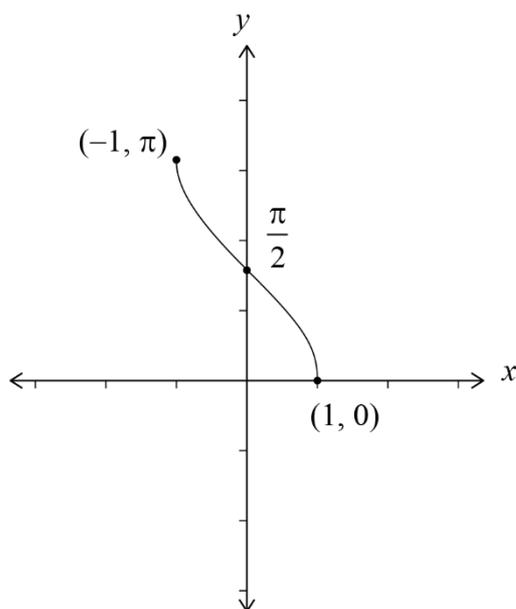
attempt to solve *their* four equations to obtain the value of p and q **(M1)**

$\alpha\beta = -3$ and $\alpha\beta - 2\alpha - 2\beta = -3 \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 0$

$p = 2, q = -6$ **A1**

[5 marks]

8. (a)



For a curve with correct shape within the domain, correct labelled y -intercept and end points. **A2**

Note: Award **A1** for any two of the following provided a curve is seen:

correct shape within the domain

correctly labelled y -intercept

correctly labelled end points.

[2 marks]

continued...

Question 8 continued.

(b) **METHOD 1**

recognizing to use compound angle rule for $\cos(A+B)$ **(M1)**

$$\cos(\arccos x)\cos(\arccos x\sqrt{3}) - \sin(\arccos x)\sin(\arccos x\sqrt{3})$$

valid attempt to find $\sin(\arccos x)$ or $\sin(\arccos x\sqrt{3})$ in terms of x **(M1)**

use of the identity $\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta}$ OR use of a right-angled triangle
($\sin A$ and $\sin B$ are both positive)

$$x \times x\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{1-x^2} \times \sqrt{1-3x^2} \left(= \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} \right) \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\cos \frac{3\pi}{2} = 0 \quad (\text{seen anywhere}) \quad \text{A1}$$

attempt to write an equation in x without the square roots **(M1)**

$$3x^4 = 1 - 4x^2 + 3x^4$$

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

(as seen in part (a) graph, when $x = \frac{1}{2}$, $\arccos(x) + \arccos(x\sqrt{3}) < \pi \Rightarrow$ no solution)

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{A1}$$

continued...

Question 8 continued.

METHOD 2

recognizing to use compound angle rule for $\sin(A+B)$ **(M1)**

$$\sin(\arccos x)\cos(\arccos x\sqrt{3}) + \cos(\arccos x)\sin(\arccos x\sqrt{3})$$

valid attempt to find $\sin(\arccos x)$ or $\sin(\arccos x\sqrt{3})$ in terms of x **(M1)**

use of the identity $\sin\theta = \sqrt{1-\cos^2\theta}$ OR use of a right-angled triangle

($\sin A$ and $\sin B$ are both positive)

$$\sqrt{1-x^2} \times x\sqrt{3} + x \times \sqrt{1-3x^2} \left(= \sin \frac{3\pi}{2} \right) \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\sin \frac{3\pi}{2} = -1 \quad (\text{seen anywhere}) \quad \text{(A1)}$$

attempt to write an equation in x without the square roots **(M1)**

$$4x^4 - 4x^2 + 1 = 4x^2 - 12x^4 \quad \left(\Rightarrow 16x^4 - 8x^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (4x^2 - 1)^2 = 0 \right)$$

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

(as seen in part (a) graph, when $x = \frac{1}{2}$, $\arccos(x) + \arccos(x\sqrt{3}) < \pi \Rightarrow$ no solution)

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{A1}$$

[6 marks]

Total [8 marks]

9. METHOD 1

assume that $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} < 4$ (for $0 < x < 1$)

M1

Note: Award **M0** for statements such as “let $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} < 4$ ”.

Award **M0** for incorrect use of weak inequality signs such as “assume that $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} \leq 4$ ”.

since $0 < x < 1$ ($\Rightarrow x > 0$ and $1-x > 0$, therefore) $x(1-x) > 0$ (seen anywhere)

R1

Note: Subsequent marks after this **M1R1** are independent of these two marks and can only be awarded provided a correct or weak inequality ($<$ or \leq) is used at the assumption step.

attempt to form a quadratic inequality in x (using their assumption)

(M1)

$$1 < 4x(1-x) \text{ OR } \frac{1-4x(1-x)}{x(1-x)} < 0$$

$$4x^2 - 4x + 1 < 0 \text{ (or equivalent)}$$

A1

EITHER

$$(2x-1)^2 < 0 \text{ (or equivalent)}$$

A1

a contradiction, since $(2x-1)^2 \geq 0$ (for $0 < x < 1$)

R1

OR

a graph of $y = 4x^2 - 4x + 1$ with the vertex touching the x-axis at $x = \frac{1}{2}$

A1

a contradiction, since $4x^2 - 4x + 1 \geq 0$ (for $0 < x < 1$)

R1

THEN

hence $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} \geq 4$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < x < 1$.

AG

Note: Award a maximum of **M0R1(M1)A1A1R0** for incorrect use of weak inequality signs.

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Question 9 continued.

METHOD 2

assume that $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} < 4$ (for $0 < x < 1$)

M1

Note: Award **M0** for statements such as “let $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} < 4$ ”.

Award **M0** for incorrect use of weak inequality signs such as “assume that $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} \leq 4$ ”.

Subsequent marks after this **M1** are independent and can only be awarded provided a correct or weak inequality ($<$ or \leq) is used at the assumption step.

$$\frac{1}{x(1-x)} \equiv \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{1-x} \Rightarrow 1 \equiv A(1-x) + Bx$$

attempt to equate both coefficients OR substitute two values eg 0 and 1

(M1)

$$A=1 \text{ and } B=1$$

A1

Note: Award **A1** for both correct values.

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{1-x}$$

equating their $f'(x) = 0$ and solve for x OR a concave upward graph for $0 < x < 1$

(M1)

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 = x^2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{minimum value is } f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 4$$

A1

a contradiction, since $4 < 4$

R1

hence $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} \geq 4$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < x < 1$.

AG

Note: Award a maximum of **M0(M1)A1(M1)A1R0** for incorrect use of weak inequality signs.

continued...

Question 9 continued.

METHOD 3

assume that $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} < 4$ (for $0 < x < 1$)

M1

Note: Award **M0** for statements such as “let $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} < 4$ ”.

Award **M0** for incorrect use of weak inequality signs such as “assume that

$$\frac{1}{x(1-x)} \leq 4$$

Subsequent marks after this **M1** are independent and can only be awarded provided a correct or weak inequality ($<$ or \leq) is used at the assumption step.

Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x(1-x)}$

attempt to use product rule to find $f'(x)$

(M1)

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2(1-x)} + \frac{1}{x(1-x)^2} \left(= \frac{2x-1}{x^2(1-x)^2} \right)$$

A1

equating their $f'(x) = 0$ and solve for x

(M1)

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

minimum value is $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 4$

A1

a contradiction, since $4 < 4$

R1

hence $\frac{1}{x(1-x)} \geq 4$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < x < 1$.

AG

Note: Award a maximum of **M0(M1)A1(M1)A1R0** for incorrect use of weak inequality signs.

[6 marks]

Section B

10.

(a) $4^x = 8$ OR $f^{-1}(x) = \log_4 x$ OR $f^{-1}(8) = \log_4 8$ **(A1)**

attempt to use indices with same base OR change of base of logs **(M1)**

$$2^{2x} = 2^3, 4^x = 4^{\frac{3}{2}} \text{ OR } f^{-1}(8) = \log_4 4^{\frac{3}{2}} \text{ OR } f^{-1}(8) = \frac{\log_2 8}{\log_2 4}$$

$$f^{-1}(8) = \frac{3}{2} \span style="float: right;">**A1**$$

[3 marks]

(b) (i) interchanging x and y (seen anywhere) **(M1)**

$$x = 1 + \log_2 y \text{ OR } y - 1 = \log_2 x$$

$$x - 1 = \log_2 y \text{ OR } 2^{y-1} = x$$

$$g^{-1}(x) = 2^{x-1} \text{ (or equivalent)} \span style="float: right;">**A1**$$

(ii) **METHOD 1**

a horizontal translation/shift by 1 unit to the left (do not accept 'move')

followed by a horizontal stretch/dilation with scale factor $\frac{1}{2}$ (accept horizontal compression by a factor of 2)

one correct transformation **A1**

two correct transformations in the correct order **A1**

METHOD 2

horizontal stretch/dilation with scale factor $\frac{1}{2}$ (accept horizontal compression **A1**

by a factor of 2)

vertical stretch/dilation with scale factor 2 **A1**

Note: **A1s** can be awarded independently here as order is not important.

[4 marks]

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Question 10 continued.

(c) attempt to find composite function (in any order) **M1**

$$f(1 + \log_2 x) (= 4^{1 + \log_2 x})$$

$$4 \times 4^{\log_2 x} \text{ OR } 4 \times 2^{2\log_2 x} \text{ OR } 4^{\log_2 2x} \text{ OR } 2^{(2+2\log_2 x)} \text{ OR } 4^{(\log_4 4 + 2\log_4 x)} \quad \textbf{(A1)}$$

$$= 4 \times 2^{\log_2 x^2} \text{ OR } 2^{\log_2 (2x)^2} \text{ OR } 4^{\log_4 (4x^2)} \quad \textbf{A1}$$

$$= 4x^2 \quad \textbf{AG}$$

[3 marks]

(d) (i) $2x - 1 + \frac{1}{2x + 1} = \frac{(2x - 1)(2x + 1) + 1}{2x + 1}$ **(A1)**

$$= \frac{4x^2 - 1 + 1}{2x + 1} \quad \textbf{A1}$$

$$2x - 1 + \frac{1}{2x + 1} = \frac{4x^2}{2x + 1} \quad \textbf{AG}$$

Note: Accept working from RHS to LHS.

(ii) **METHOD 1**

enclosed area is $\int_1^3 \left(2x - 1 + \frac{1}{2x + 1} \right) dx$

attempt to integrate (at least one correct term or $\ln(2x + 1)$ seen) **(M1)**

$$= x^2 - x + \frac{1}{2} \ln|2x + 1| (+c) \quad \textbf{A1A1}$$

Note: Award **A1** for $x^2 - x$ and **A1** for $\frac{1}{2} \ln|2x + 1|$.

Accept $\frac{1}{2} \ln(2x + 1)$.

substitute correct limits into their integrated expression and subtract **(M1)**

$$= \left(9 - 3 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 7 \right) - \left(1 - 1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 \right)$$

$$A = 6 + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{7}{3} \quad \textbf{A1}$$

continued...

Question 10 continued.

METHOD 2

attempt to use integration by substitution **(M1)**

$$\text{let } u = 2x+1 \text{ OR } u = 2x-1 \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \left(u-2 + \frac{1}{u} \right) du \text{ OR } \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{(u-1)^2}{u} du \text{ OR } \frac{1}{2} \int \left(u + \frac{1}{u+2} \right) du \quad \textbf{A1}$$

correct integration

$$= \frac{1}{4}u^2 - u + \frac{1}{2} \ln|u| (+c) \text{ OR } \frac{1}{4}u^2 + \frac{1}{2} \ln|u+2| (+c) \quad \textbf{A1}$$

substitution of their limits into their integrated expression and subtract **(M1)**

$$= \left(\frac{49}{4} - 7 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 7 \right) - \left(\frac{9}{4} - 3 + \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 \right) \text{ OR } \left(\frac{25}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \ln 7 \right) - \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 \right)$$

$$A = 6 + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{7}{3} \text{ (or equivalent)} \quad \textbf{A1}$$

[7 marks]

Total [17 marks]

11. (a) attempt to use the binomial expansion with $n = \frac{1}{2}$ **(M1)**

$$= 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(5x) + \dots$$

correct substitution into at least three terms **(A1)**

$$= 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(5x) + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2!}(5x)^2 + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)}{3!}(5x)^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{25}{8}x^2 + \frac{125}{16}x^3 (+\dots)$$
 A1A1

Note: Award **A1** for $1 + \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{25}{8}x^2$ and **A1** for $\frac{125}{16}x^3$.

[4 marks]

(b) at least 3 correct terms in expansion of $(1 + qx)^{-1}$ **A1**

$$= 1 + (-1)(qx) + \frac{(-1)(-2)}{2!}(qx)^2 + \dots (= 1 - qx + q^2x^2 + \dots)$$

attempt to find product **(M1)**

$$(1 + px)(1 - qx + q^2x^2 + \dots) = 1 - qx + q^2x^2 + \dots + px - pqx^2 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + px - qx + q^2x^2 - pqx^2 + \dots (= 1 + (p - q)x + (q^2 - pq)x^2 + \dots)$$
 A1

Note: Award **A0** if the final answer is not in ascending order.

[3 marks]

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Question 11 continued.

(c) equating their coefficients of either x or x^2 (M1)

one correct equation A1

$$p - q = \frac{5}{2} \quad \text{OR} \quad q^2 - pq = -\frac{25}{8}$$

valid attempt to solve for q or p (M1)

$$-\frac{5}{2}q = -\frac{25}{8} \quad \text{OR} \quad q^2 - q\left(q + \frac{5}{2}\right) = -\frac{25}{8} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{15}{4} - q = \frac{5}{2} \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award full marks for $\frac{15}{4} - q = \frac{5}{2}$ provided a full solution for $p = \frac{15}{4}$ is seen

first. Using $p = \frac{15}{4}$ from part (d)'s stem is not sufficient.

$$q = \frac{5}{4} \quad \text{AG}$$

[4 marks]

(d) (i) attempt to find x (M1)

$$1 + 5x = 1.2$$

$$x = \frac{1}{25} (= 0.04) \quad \text{(or equivalent)} \quad \text{A1}$$

substituting their value of x with p and q (M1)

$$1 + \frac{15}{4} \left(\frac{1}{25} \right)$$

$$1 + \frac{5}{4} \left(\frac{1}{25} \right)$$

$$\frac{115}{105} \left(= \frac{23}{21} \right) \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award (M1)A1(M1)A1 for an answer of $\frac{219}{200}$ or $\frac{2191}{2000}$ using the expansion from part (b) or (a).

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Question 11 continued.

(ii) $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{4}} = \sqrt{1.25}$

$$x = \frac{1}{20}$$

A1

recognising $\frac{1}{20} > \frac{1}{25}$

R1

therefore, approximation for $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$ is not as accurate as the approximation

for $\sqrt{1.2}$

AG

[6 marks]

Total [17 marks]

12. (a) $z^2 = 2\left(\cos\left(-\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)\right)$ OR $z^2 = 2\left(\cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)\right)$ **A2**

Note: Award **A1** for correct modulus or argument seen.

$$z^2 = 2\left(\cos\left(-\frac{2\pi}{3} + 2k\pi\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{2\pi}{3} + 2k\pi\right)\right) \text{ OR } z^2 = 2\left(\cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3} + 2k\pi\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3} + 2k\pi\right)\right)$$

attempt to use De Moivre's theorem

M1

$$z = \sqrt{2}\left(\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{3} + k\pi\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{3} + k\pi\right)\right) \text{ OR } z = \sqrt{2}\left(\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3} + k\pi\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3} + k\pi\right)\right)$$

$$z = \sqrt{2}\left(\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right); z = \sqrt{2}\left(\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)\right)$$

A1

Note: accept $z = \sqrt{2}\left(\cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right)\right)$ in place of the 1st term above.

accept $r \operatorname{cis} \theta$ form throughout.

[4 marks]

(b) (i) $z_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}i$ and $z_2 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}i$

A1A1

Note: may be seen in part (a).

Award **A1A0** for z_1 and z_2 interchanged.

Accept factorised form, e.g. $z_1 = \sqrt{2}\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)$.

(ii) $z_3 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}i$ and $z_4 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}i$

A1A1

Note: Award **A1A0** for z_3 and z_4 interchanged.

Accept factorised form, e.g. $z_3 = \sqrt{2}\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)$.

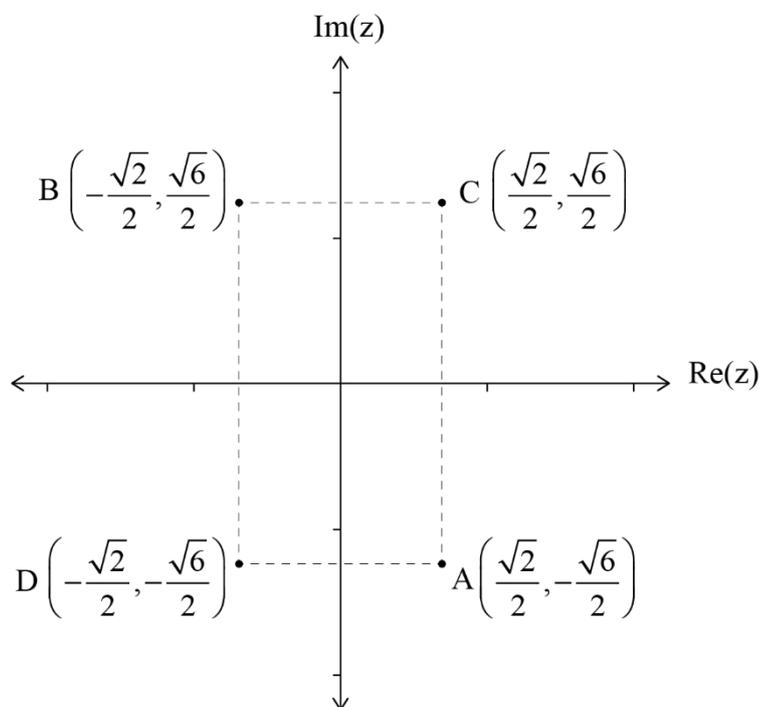
Award **A1FTA1FT** for $z_3 = \operatorname{their}(z_1)^*$ with $\operatorname{Re}(z_3) > 0$ and $z_4 = \operatorname{their}(z_2)^*$.

[4 marks]

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Question 12 continued.

- (c) (i) Argand diagram with all four points plotted in approximately correct positions forming a rectangle. **A2**



Note: Award **A1** for any two points plotted correctly on an argand diagram.
Award **A1A0** if the four points form a square.
Condone absence of labels, coordinates if they are approximately in correct positions and same distance from the origin. Dotted lines not required.

- (ii) **METHOD 1**

attempt to find the length OR the width of rectangle **(M1)**

$$2 \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ OR } 2 \times \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$\text{length} = \sqrt{6} \text{ and width} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{area of rectangle} = \sqrt{12} (= 2\sqrt{3})$$

A1

continued...

Question 12 continued.

METHOD 2

attempt to find the area of triangle

(M1)

$$\frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \sin \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$4 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{area of rectangle} = 2\sqrt{3}$$

A1

[4 marks]

(d) recognition that $z = \frac{1}{w}$

(M1)

$$\left(\frac{1}{w} \right)^4 + 2 \left(\frac{1}{w} \right)^2 + 4 = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{1 + 2w^2 + 4w^4}{w^4} = 0$$

(A1)

$$4w^4 + 2w^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$p = 4, q = 2, r = 1$$

A1

[3 marks]

(e) (i) **EITHER**

attempt to take conjugate

M1

$$\frac{1}{\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}i \right)} \times \frac{\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}i \right)}{\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}i \right)} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{2}{(\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{6}i)} \times \frac{(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6}i)}{(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6}i)}$$

OR

attempt to use De Moivre's theorem

M1

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$$

THEN

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4}i \quad (\text{or equivalent})$$

A1

continued...

Question 12 continued

- (ii) recognition of dilation/stretch by a scale factor of $\frac{1}{2}$ for both dimensions **(M1)**

area of rectangle = $\frac{\sqrt{12}}{4} \left(= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$ **A1**

Note: Award follow through from their area found in part (c)(ii).

[4 marks]

Total [19 marks]
