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Mathematics  
Higher  
Paper 1  
Practice Paper N

Time allowed  
1 hour 30 minutes

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QUALIFICATIONS

**Read carefully**

**Calculators may NOT be used in this paper.**

**Section A – Questions 1 – 20 (40 marks)**

**Section B (30 marks).**

1. Full credit will be given only where the solution contains appropriate working.
2. Answers obtained by readings from scale drawings will not receive any credit.

## FORMULAE LIST

### Circle:

The equation  $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$  represents a circle centre  $(-g, -f)$  and radius  $\sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c}$ .

The equation  $(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 = r^2$  represents a circle centre  $(a, b)$  and radius  $r$ .

**Scalar Product :**  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \cos \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .

$$\text{or } \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3, \text{ where } \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Trigonometric formulae:**  $\sin(A \pm B) = \sin A \cos B \pm \cos A \sin B$

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

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

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

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

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

**Table of standard derivatives :**

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$\sin ax$	$a \cos ax$
$\cos ax$	$-a \sin ax$

**Table of standard integrals :**

$f(x)$	$\int f(x) dx$
$\sin ax$	$-\frac{1}{a} \cos ax + C$
$\cos ax$	$\frac{1}{a} \sin ax + C$

## SECTION A

**ALL questions should be attempted.**

1. A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $u_{n+1} = 2u_n + 1$ ,  $u_0 = 3$ .

What is the value of  $u_2$ ?

- A 1
- B 5
- C 11
- D 15

2. The line with equation  $kx - 2y + 9 = 0$  is parallel to the line with gradient 7.

What is the value of  $k$ ?

- A -7
- B  $-\frac{1}{7}$
- C 7
- D 14

3. A circle has equation  $x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 2y - 1 = 0$ .

What is the radius of this circle?

- A  $\sqrt{6}$  units
- B  $\sqrt{7}$  units
- C  $\sqrt{18}$  units
- D  $\sqrt{69}$  units

4. What is the derivative of  $\frac{x^3-2}{3x}$  with respect to  $x$ ?
- A  $\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{2}{3}x^{-2}$
- B  $6x + 6x^{-2}$
- C  $2x^2$
- D  $\frac{2}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{3}$
5. Find  $\int \frac{1}{2x^4} dx$ .
- A  $-\frac{1}{8x^3} + c$
- B  $-\frac{1}{6x^3} + c$
- C  $\frac{1}{8x^3} + c$
- D  $\frac{5}{2x^5} + c$
6. If  $x^2 - 12x + 37$  is written in the form  $(x-p)^2 + q$ , find the value of  $q$ .
- A 1
- B 25
- C 31
- D 37
7. A sequence is generated by the recurrence relation  $u_{n+1} = 0.8u_n + 16$ .  
What is the limit of this sequence as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ?
- A 2
- B  $13\frac{1}{4}$
- C 16
- D 80

8. A circle with centre  $(-1, 5)$  passes through the point  $(2, 7)$ .

What is the equation of the circle?

A  $(x-1)^2 + (y+5)^2 = 145$

B  $(x-1)^2 + (y+5)^2 = 13$

C  $(x+1)^2 + (y-5)^2 = 145$

D  $(x+1)^2 + (y-5)^2 = 13$

9. The vectors  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{q}$  with components  $\mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ k \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{q} = \begin{pmatrix} k \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$  are perpendicular.

What is the value of  $k$ ?

A  $-2$

B  $-1$

C  $0$

D  $1$

10. Here are two statements about the equation  $2x^2 - 8x + 3 = 0$

(1) The roots are real;

(2) The roots are irrational.

Which of the following is true?

A Neither statement is correct.

B Only statement (1) is correct.

C Only statement (2) is correct.

D Both statements are correct.

11. What is the value of  $\cos \frac{5\pi}{3} - \tan \frac{7\pi}{4}$ ?

A  $-1$

B  $-\frac{1}{2}$

C  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

D  $\frac{3}{2}$

12. Given that  $\log_2 \frac{1}{8} = p$ , find the value of  $p$ .

A  $-3$

B  $-2$

C  $\frac{1}{64}$

D  $3$

13. Find  $\int (3x-11)^5 dx$

A  $\frac{1}{15}(3x-11)^4 + c$

B  $\frac{1}{2}(3x-11)^4 + c$

C  $\frac{1}{18}(3x-11)^6 + c$

D  $15(3x-11)^6 + c$

14. K and L are the points with coordinates  $(0, -1, 4)$  and  $(3, -2, 5)$  respectively.

If  $\overline{KM} = 3\overline{KL}$ , find the coordinates of M.

A  $(1, -1, 3)$

B  $(1, 0, -1)$

C  $(9, -4, 7)$

D  $(9, -9, 27)$

15.  $h(x) = \frac{4}{x^2 - 2x - 8}$ .

For what values of  $x$  is  $h(x)$  undefined?

A  $-2$  and  $4$

B  $-1$  and  $2$

C  $0$  and  $4$

D  $2$  and  $-4$

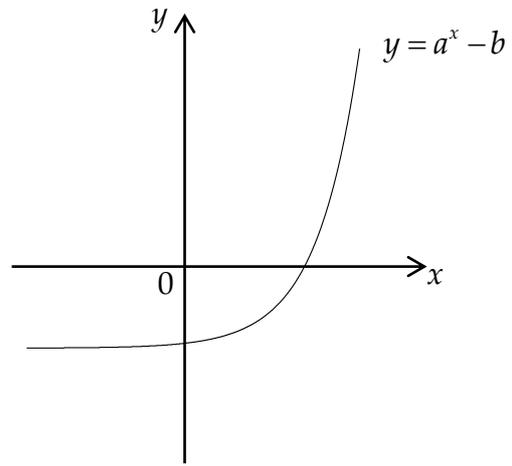
16. Here are two statements about the graph with equation  $y = a^x - b$ , shown opposite.

(1)  $0 < a < 1$ ;

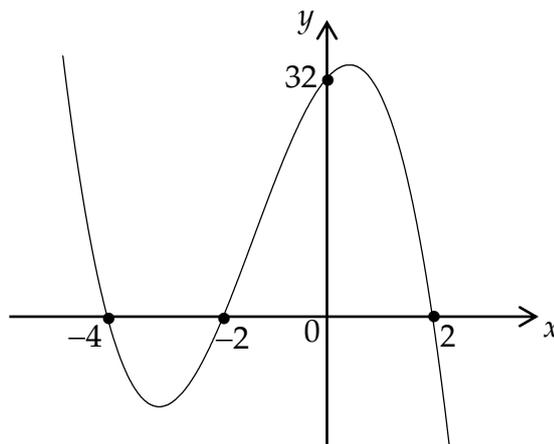
(2)  $y$  is always increasing

Which of the following is true?

- A Neither statement is correct.
- B Only statement (1) is correct.
- C Only statement (2) is correct.
- D Both statements are correct.



17. The diagram shows part of the graph of a cubic.



What is the equation of this graph?

- A  $y = -32(x+2)(x-2)(x-4)$
- B  $y = (x+2)(x-2)(x-4)$
- C  $y = -2(x-2)(x+2)(x+4)$
- D  $y = 4(x-2)(x+2)(x+4)$

18. Given that  $\log_4 y = 2 - \log_4 5x$ , express  $y$  in terms of  $x$ .

A  $y = \frac{2}{5x}$

B  $y = \frac{16}{5x}$

C  $y = \frac{1}{25x^2}$

D  $y = 25x^2$

19. If  $p \cdot (p - q) = 18$  and  $|p| = 3$ , find the value of  $p \cdot q$

A -15

B -9

C 2

D 15

20. The diagram shows part of the curve with equation  $y = p \log_3(x + k)$ .

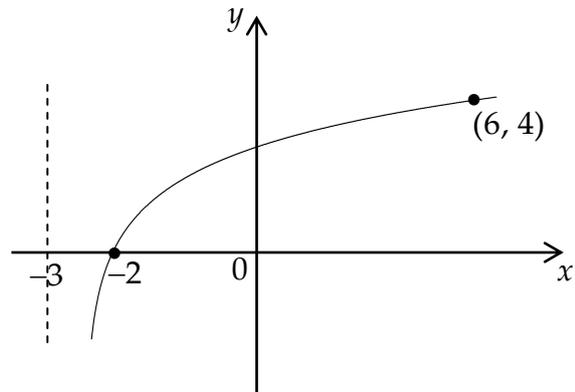
What is the value of  $p$ ?

A -3

B -2

C 2

D 4



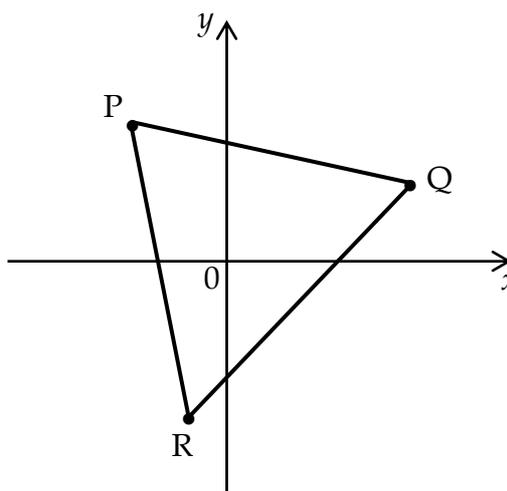
**End of Section A**

**SECTION B**

**ALL questions should be attempted.**

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21. Triangle PQR has vertices  $P(-3, 5)$ ,  $Q(7, 3)$  and  $R(-1, -5)$ , as shown.



- (a) Find the equation of the median RM. 3
- (b) Find the equation of the altitude AP. 3
- (c) Find the coordinates of the point of intersection of RM and AP. 2
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22. Find the stationary points on the curve given by  $y = x^3 - 9x^2 + 24x - 2$  and determine their nature. 7
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23. (a) Functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined on suitable domains by
- $$f(x) = 2x^2 + 5 \text{ and } g(x) = x - 1$$
- Find  $f(g(x))$ . 2
- (b) Sketch the curve with equation  $y = f(g(x))$ . 3
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24. (a) Show that  $2 \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) - 2 \cos x = \sqrt{3} \sin x - \cos x$ . 2
- (b) Express  $\sqrt{3} \sin x - \cos x$  in the form  $k \sin(x - a)$  where  $k > 0$  and  $0 < a < \frac{\pi}{2}$ . 4
- (c) Hence, or otherwise, solve  $2 \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 2 \cos x + \sqrt{3}$ , where  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ . 4

**End of question paper**