

## A Level Mathematics A

H240/03 Pure Mathematics and Mechanics

Sample Question Paper

**Date – Morning/Afternoon**

Version 2

Time allowed: 2 hours

**You must have:**

- Printed Answer Booklet

**You may use:**

- a scientific or graphical calculator



### INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Complete the boxes provided on the Printed Answer Booklet with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- **Write your answer to each question in the space provided in the Printed Answer Booklet.** Additional paper may be used if necessary but you must clearly show your candidate number, centre number and question number(s).
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.
- 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.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by  $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use  $g = 9.8$ .

### INFORMATION

- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**
- The Printed Answer Booklet consists of **16** pages. The Question Paper consists of **12** pages.

## Formulae

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#### Arithmetic series

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2}n(a+l) = \frac{1}{2}n\{2a + (n-1)d\}$$

#### Geometric series

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r} \quad \text{for } |r| < 1$$

#### Binomial series

$$(a+b)^n = a^n + {}^nC_1 a^{n-1}b + {}^nC_2 a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + {}^nC_r a^{n-r}b^r + \dots + b^n \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

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

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-r+1)}{r!}x^r + \dots \quad (|x| < 1, n \in \mathbb{R})$$

#### Differentiation

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$\tan kx$	$k \sec^2 kx$
$\sec x$	$\sec x \tan x$
$\cot x$	$-\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$
$\operatorname{cosec} x$	$-\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x$

$$\text{Quotient rule } y = \frac{u}{v}, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$$

#### Differentiation from first principles

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

#### Integration

$$\int \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} dx = \ln |f(x)| + c$$

$$\int f'(x)(f(x))^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1}(f(x))^{n+1} + c$$

$$\text{Integration by parts } \int u \frac{dv}{dx} dx = uv - \int v \frac{du}{dx} dx$$

#### Small angle approximations

$$\sin \theta \approx \theta, \cos \theta \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta^2, \tan \theta \approx \theta \text{ where } \theta \text{ is measured in radians}$$

**Trigonometric identities**

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

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

$$\tan(A \pm B) = \frac{\tan A \pm \tan B}{1 \mp \tan A \tan B} \quad (A \pm B \neq (k + \frac{1}{2})\pi)$$

**Numerical methods**

Trapezium rule:  $\int_a^b y dx \approx \frac{1}{2} h \{ (y_0 + y_n) + 2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1}) \}$ , where  $h = \frac{b-a}{n}$

The Newton-Raphson iteration for solving  $f(x) = 0$ :  $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$

**Probability**

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

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B | A) = P(B)P(A | B) \quad \text{or} \quad P(A | B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

**Standard deviation**

$$\sqrt{\frac{\sum(x - \bar{x})^2}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum x^2}{n} - \bar{x}^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt{\frac{\sum f(x - \bar{x})^2}{\sum f}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum fx^2}{\sum f} - \bar{x}^2}$$

**The binomial distribution**

If  $X \sim B(n, p)$  then  $P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$ , mean of  $X$  is  $np$ , variance of  $X$  is  $np(1-p)$

**Hypothesis test for the mean of a normal distribution**

If  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  then  $\bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$  and  $\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$

**Percentage points of the normal distribution**

If  $Z$  has a normal distribution with mean 0 and variance 1 then, for each value of  $p$ , the table gives the value of  $z$  such that  $P(Z \leq z) = p$ .

$p$	0.75	0.90	0.95	0.975	0.99	0.995	0.9975	0.999	0.9995
$z$	0.674	1.282	1.645	1.960	2.326	2.576	2.807	3.090	3.291

**Kinematics**

Motion in a straight line

$$v = u + at$$

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$s = \frac{1}{2}(u + v)t$$

$$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$

$$s = vt - \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

Motion in two dimensions

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{a}t$$

$$\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{u}t + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}t^2$$

$$\mathbf{s} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})t$$

$$\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{v}t - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}t^2$$

**Section A: Pure Mathematics**Answer **all** the questions

- 1 (a) If  $|x| = 3$ , find the possible values of  $|2x - 1|$ . [3]
- (b) Find the set of values of  $x$  for which  $|2x - 1| > x + 1$ .  
Give your answer in set notation. [4]
- 2 (a) Use the trapezium rule, with four strips each of width 0.25, to find an approximate value for  $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} dx$ . [3]
- (b) Explain how the trapezium rule might be used to give a better approximation to the integral given in part (a). [1]
- 3 **In this question you must show detailed reasoning.**
- Given that  $5 \sin 2x = 3 \cos x$ , where  $0^\circ < x < 90^\circ$ , find the exact value of  $\sin x$ . [4]
- 4 For a small angle  $\theta$ , where  $\theta$  is in radians, show that  $1 + \cos \theta - 3 \cos^2 \theta \approx -1 + \frac{5}{2} \theta^2$ . [4]

5 (a) Find the first three terms in the expansion of  $(1+px)^{\frac{1}{3}}$  in ascending powers of  $x$ . [3]

(b) The expansion of  $(1+qx)(1+px)^{\frac{1}{3}}$  is  $1+x-\frac{2}{9}x^2+\dots$ .

Find the possible values of the constants  $p$  and  $q$ . [5]

6 A curve has equation  $y = x^2 + kx - 4x^{-1}$  where  $k$  is a constant.

Given that the curve has a minimum point when  $x = -2$

- find the value of  $k$
- show that the curve has a point of inflection which is not a stationary point. [7]

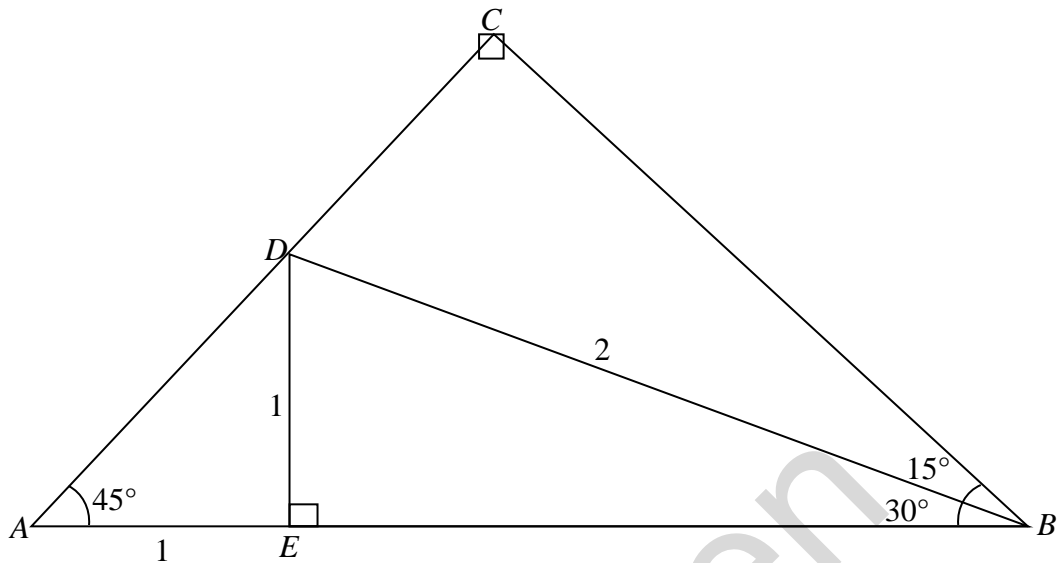
7 (a) Find  $\int 5x^3 \sqrt{x^2+1} \, dx$ . [5]

(b) Find  $\int \theta \tan^2 \theta \, d\theta$ .

You may use the result  $\int \tan \theta \, d\theta = \ln|\sec \theta| + c$ . [5]

**8 In this question you must show detailed reasoning.**

The diagram shows triangle  $ABC$ .



The angles  $CAB$  and  $ABC$  are each  $45^\circ$ , and angle  $ACB = 90^\circ$ .

The points  $D$  and  $E$  lie on  $AC$  and  $AB$  respectively.  $AE = DE = 1$ ,  $DB = 2$ .

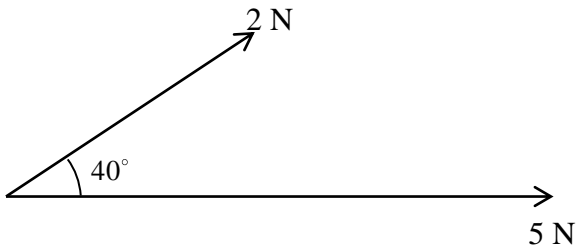
Angle  $BED = 90^\circ$ , angle  $EBD = 30^\circ$  and angle  $DBC = 15^\circ$ .

(a) Show that  $BC = \frac{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6}}{2}$ . [3]

(b) By considering triangle  $BCD$ , show that  $\sin 15^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}$ . [3]

**Section B: Mechanics**  
Answer **all** the questions

- 9** Two forces, of magnitudes 2 N and 5 N, act on a particle in the directions shown in the diagram below.



- (a) Calculate the magnitude of the resultant force on the particle. [3]
- (b) Calculate the angle between this resultant force and the force of magnitude 5 N. [1]
- 10** A body of mass 20 kg is on a rough plane inclined at angle  $\alpha$  to the horizontal. The body is held at rest on the plane by the action of a force of magnitude  $P$  N. The force is acting up the plane in a direction parallel to a line of greatest slope of the plane. The coefficient of friction between the body and the plane is  $\mu$ .
- (a) When  $P = 100$ , the body is on the point of sliding down the plane.  
Show that  $g \sin \alpha = g\mu \cos \alpha + 5$ . [4]
- (b) When  $P$  is increased to 150, the body is on the point of sliding up the plane.  
Use this, and your answer to part (a), to find an expression for  $\alpha$  in terms of  $g$ . [3]

**11** In this question the unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$  are in the directions east and north respectively.

A particle of mass 0.12 kg is moving so that its position vector  $\mathbf{r}$  metres at time  $t$  seconds is given by

$$\mathbf{r} = 2t^3\mathbf{i} + (5t^2 - 4t)\mathbf{j}.$$

- (a) Show that when  $t = 0.7$  the bearing on which the particle is moving is approximately  $044^\circ$ . [3]
- (b) Find the magnitude of the resultant force acting on the particle at the instant when  $t = 0.7$ . [4]
- (c) Determine the times at which the particle is moving on a bearing of  $045^\circ$ . [2]

Specimen



**12** A girl is practising netball.

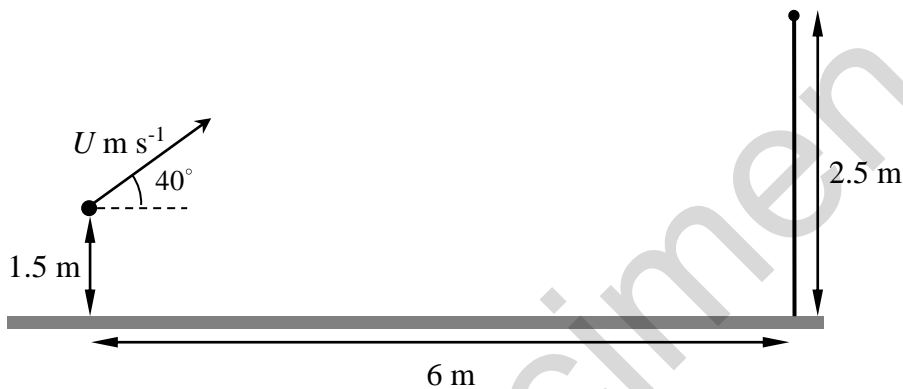
She throws the ball from a height of 1.5 m above horizontal ground and aims to get the ball through a hoop.

The hoop is 2.5 m vertically above the ground and is 6 m horizontally from the point of projection.

The situation is modelled as follows.

- The initial velocity of the ball has magnitude  $U \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .
- The angle of projection is  $40^\circ$ .
- The ball is modelled as a particle.
- The hoop is modelled as a point.

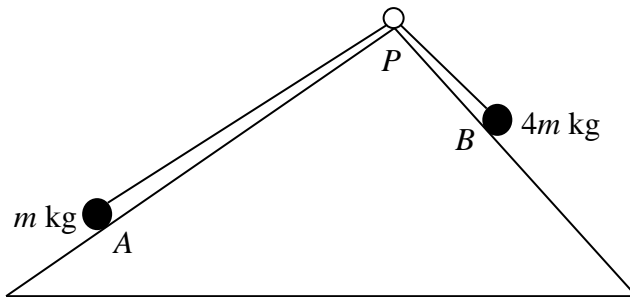
This is shown on the diagram below.



- (a) For  $U = 10$ , find
- (i) the greatest height above the ground reached by the ball [5]
  - (ii) the distance between the ball and the hoop when the ball is vertically above the hoop. [4]
- (b) Calculate the value of  $U$  which allows her to hit the hoop. [3]
- (c) How appropriate is this model for predicting the path of the ball when it is thrown by the girl? [1]
- (d) Suggest one improvement that might be made to this model. [1]

- 13** Particle  $A$ , of mass  $m$  kg, lies on the plane  $\Pi_1$  inclined at an angle of  $\tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4}$  to the horizontal. Particle  $B$ , of  $4m$  kg, lies on the plane  $\Pi_2$  inclined at an angle of  $\tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}$  to the horizontal. The particles are attached to the ends of a light inextensible string which passes over a smooth pulley at  $P$ . The coefficient of friction between particle  $A$  and  $\Pi_1$  is  $\frac{1}{3}$  and plane  $\Pi_2$  is smooth. Particle  $A$  is initially held at rest such that the string is taut and lies in a line of greatest slope of each plane.

This is shown on the diagram below.



- (a) Show that when  $A$  is released it accelerates towards the pulley at  $\frac{7g}{15} \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . [6]
- (b) Assuming that  $A$  does not reach the pulley, show that it has moved a distance of  $\frac{1}{4}$  m when its speed is  $\sqrt{\frac{7g}{30}} \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . [2]
- 14** A uniform ladder  $AB$  of mass 35 kg and length 7 m rests with its end  $A$  on rough horizontal ground and its end  $B$  against a rough vertical wall. The ladder is inclined at an angle of  $45^\circ$  to the horizontal. A man of mass 70 kg is standing on the ladder at a point  $C$ , which is  $x$  metres from  $A$ . The coefficient of friction between the ladder and the wall is  $\frac{1}{3}$  and the coefficient of friction between the ladder and the ground is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . The system is in limiting equilibrium.
- Find  $x$ . [8]

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