

Revision – Year 12 - Past Paper Questions 1

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1.

The quadratic equation  $x^2 + (m + 4)x + (4m + 1) = 0$ , where  $m$  is a constant, has equal roots.

(a) Show that  $m^2 - 8m + 12 = 0$ . (3 marks)

(b) Hence find the possible values of  $m$ . (2 marks)

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2.

The quadratic equation  $(k + 1)x^2 + 12x + (k - 4) = 0$  has real roots.

Find the possible value of  $k$ .

(4 marks)

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3.

The quadratic equation

$$(2k - 3)x^2 + 2x + (k - 1) = 0$$

where  $k$  is a constant, has real roots.

(a) Show that  $2k^2 - 5k + 2 \leq 0$ . (3 marks)

(b) (i) Factorise  $2k^2 - 5k + 2$ . (1 mark)

(ii) Hence, or otherwise, solve the quadratic inequality

$$2k^2 - 5k + 2 \leq 0 \quad \text{(3 marks)}$$

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4.

Find the set of values of  $x$  for which

(a)  $3(2x + 1) > 5 - 2x$ , (2)

(b)  $2x^2 - 7x + 3 > 0$ , (4)

(c) **both**  $3(2x + 1) > 5 - 2x$  **and**  $2x^2 - 7x + 3 > 0$ . (2)

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5.

- (a) (i) Express  $x^2 - 4x + 9$  in the form  $(x - p)^2 + q$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers. (2 marks)
- (ii) Hence, or otherwise, state the coordinates of the minimum point of the curve with equation  $y = x^2 - 4x + 9$ . (2 marks)
- (b) The line  $L$  has equation  $y + 2x = 12$  and the curve  $C$  has equation  $y = x^2 - 4x + 9$ .
- (i) Show that the  $x$ -coordinates of the points of intersection of  $L$  and  $C$  satisfy the equation

$$x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0 \qquad (1 \text{ mark})$$

- (ii) Hence find the coordinates of the points of intersection of  $L$  and  $C$ . (4 marks)
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6.

- (a) Use the factor theorem to show that  $(x + 4)$  is a factor of  $2x^3 + x^2 - 25x + 12$ . (2)
- (b) Factorise  $2x^3 + x^2 - 25x + 12$  completely. (4)
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7.

The polynomial  $f(x)$  is given by  $f(x) = x^3 + 4x - 5$ .

- (i) Use the Factor Theorem to show that  $x - 1$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ . (2 marks)
- (ii) Express  $f(x)$  in the form  $(x - 1)(x^2 + px + q)$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers. (2 marks)
- (iii) Hence show that the equation  $f(x) = 0$  has exactly one real root and state its value. (3 marks)
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8.

- (a) Write down the first three terms, in ascending powers of  $x$ , of the binomial expansion of  $(1 + px)^{12}$ , where  $p$  is a non-zero constant. (2)

Given that, in the expansion of  $(1 + px)^{12}$ , the coefficient of  $x$  is  $(-q)$  and the coefficient of  $x^2$  is  $11q$ ,

- (b) find the value of  $p$  and the value of  $q$ . (4)
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9.

- (a) Find the first 4 terms, in ascending powers of  $x$ , of the binomial expansion of  $(1-2x)^5$ . Give each term in its simplest form. (4)
- (b) If  $x$  is small, so that  $x^2$  and higher powers can be ignored, show that

$$(1+x)(1-2x)^5 \approx 1-9x. \quad (2)$$

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10.

- (a) Find the first 4 terms of the expansion of  $\left(1+\frac{x}{2}\right)^{10}$  in ascending powers of  $x$ , giving each term in its simplest form. (4)
- (b) Use your expansion to estimate the value of  $(1.005)^{10}$ , giving your answer to 5 decimal places. (3)
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11.

- (a) The expression  $(1-2x)^4$  can be written in the form

$$1 + px + qx^2 - 32x^3 + 16x^4$$

By using the binomial expansion, or otherwise, find the values of the integers  $p$  and  $q$ . (3 marks)

- (b) Find the coefficient of  $x$  in the expansion of  $(2+x)^9$ . (2 marks)
- (c) Find the coefficient of  $x$  in the expansion of  $(1-2x)^4(2+x)^9$ . (3 marks)
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12.

- (a) Find all the values of  $\theta$ , to 1 decimal place, in the interval  $0^\circ \leq \theta < 360^\circ$  for which

$$5 \sin (\theta + 30^\circ) = 3. \quad (4)$$

- (b) Find all the values of  $\theta$ , to 1 decimal place, in the interval  $0^\circ \leq \theta < 360^\circ$  for which

$$\tan^2 \theta = 4. \quad (5)$$

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13.

(a) Show that the equation

$$4 \sin^2 x + 9 \cos x - 6 = 0$$

can be written as

$$4 \cos^2 x - 9 \cos x + 2 = 0.$$

(2)

(b) Hence solve, for  $0 \leq x < 720^\circ$ ,

$$4 \sin^2 x + 9 \cos x - 6 = 0,$$

giving your answers to 1 decimal place.

(6)

14.

Solve, for  $0 \leq x < 360^\circ$ ,

(a)  $\sin(x - 20^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

(4)

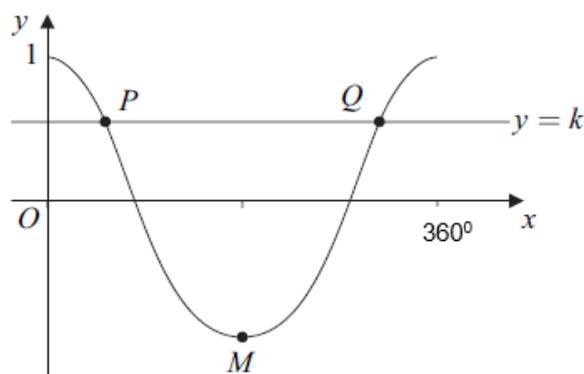
(b)  $\cos 3x = -\frac{1}{2}$

(6)

15.

(a) Solve the equation  $\cos x = 0.3$  in the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$ , giving your answers in degrees to three significant figures. (3 marks)

(b) The diagram shows the graph of  $y = \cos x$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  and the line  $y = k$ .



The line  $y = k$  intersects the curve  $y = \cos x$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$ , at the points  $P$  and  $Q$ . The point  $M$  is the minimum point of the curve.

(i) Write down the coordinates of the point  $M$ . (2 marks)

(ii) The  $x$ -coordinate of  $P$  is  $\alpha$ .

Write down the  $x$ -coordinate of  $Q$  in terms of  $\alpha$ . (1 mark)

16.

The point  $A$  has coordinates  $(1, 7)$  and the point  $B$  has coordinates  $(5, 1)$ .

- (a) (i) Find the gradient of the line  $AB$ . *(2 marks)*
- (ii) Hence, or otherwise, show that the line  $AB$  has equation  $3x + 2y = 17$ . *(2 marks)*
- (b) The line  $AB$  intersects the line with equation  $x - 4y = 8$  at the point  $C$ . Find the coordinates of  $C$ . *(3 marks)*
- (c) Find an equation of the line through  $A$  which is perpendicular to  $AB$ . *(3 marks)*
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17.

The points  $A$  and  $B$  have coordinates  $(6, -1)$  and  $(2, 5)$  respectively.

- (a) (i) Show that the gradient of  $AB$  is  $-\frac{3}{2}$ . *(2 marks)*
- (ii) Hence find an equation of the line  $AB$ , giving your answer in the form  $ax + by = c$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are integers. *(2 marks)*
- (b) (i) Find an equation of the line which passes through  $B$  and which is perpendicular to the line  $AB$ . *(2 marks)*
- (ii) The point  $C$  has coordinates  $(k, 7)$  and angle  $ABC$  is a right angle.  
Find the value of the constant  $k$ . *(2 marks)*
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18.

A circle with centre  $C$  has equation  $(x + 3)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 25$ .

- (a) Write down:
- (i) the coordinates of  $C$ ; *(2 marks)*
- (ii) the radius of the circle. *(1 mark)*
- (b) (i) Verify that the point  $N(0, -2)$  lies on the circle. *(1 mark)*
- (ii) Sketch the circle. *(2 marks)*
- (iii) Find an equation of the normal to the circle at the point  $N$ . *(3 marks)*
- (c) The point  $P$  has coordinates  $(2, 6)$ .
- (i) Find the distance  $PC$ , leaving your answer in surd form. *(2 marks)*
- (ii) Find the length of a tangent drawn from  $P$  to the circle. *(3 marks)*

19.

A circle has equation  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 14 = 0$ .

(a) Find:

(i) the coordinates of the centre of the circle; (3 marks)

(ii) the radius of the circle in the form  $p\sqrt{2}$ , where  $p$  is an integer. (3 marks)

(b) A chord of the circle has length 8. Find the perpendicular distance from the centre of the circle to this chord. (3 marks)

(c) A line has equation  $y = 2k - x$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

(i) Show that the  $x$ -coordinate of any point of intersection of the line and the circle satisfies the equation

$$x^2 - 2(k + 1)x + 2k^2 - 7 = 0 \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

(ii) Find the values of  $k$  for which the equation

$$x^2 - 2(k + 1)x + 2k^2 - 7 = 0$$

has equal roots. (4 marks)

(iii) Describe the geometrical relationship between the line and the circle when  $k$  takes either of the values found in part (c)(ii). (1 mark)

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20.

A circle with centre  $C$  has equation  $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 12y + 12 = 0$ .

(a) By completing the square, express this equation in the form

$$(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 = r^2 \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

(b) Write down:

(i) the coordinates of  $C$ ; (1 mark)

(ii) the radius of the circle. (1 mark)

(c) Show that the circle does **not** intersect the  $x$ -axis. (2 marks)

(d) The line with equation  $x + y = 4$  intersects the circle at the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

(i) Show that the  $x$ -coordinates of  $P$  and  $Q$  satisfy the equation

$$x^2 + 3x - 10 = 0 \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

(ii) Given that  $P$  has coordinates  $(2, 2)$ , find the coordinates of  $Q$ . (2 marks)

(iii) Hence find the coordinates of the midpoint of  $PQ$ . (2 marks)