



Girraween High School

Year 12 HSC Trial Examination

August 2014

General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 3 hours
- Write using black or blue pen
Black pen is preferred
- Board-approved calculators may be used
- A table of standard integrals is provided at the back of this paper
- In Questions 11–16, show relevant mathematical reasoning and/or calculations

Total marks – 100

Section I

10 marks

- Attempt Questions 1–10
- Allow about 15 minutes for this section

Section II

90 marks

- Attempt Questions 11–16
- Allow about 2 hours and 45 minutes for this section

Section I

10 marks

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Circle the letter corresponding to the correct answer.

Question 1 (1 mark)

What is the correct value of $|-1| - |-1|$?

- A. 0
- B. -1
- C. 1
- D. 2

Question 2 (1 mark)

What is 0.01077 rounded to 3 significant figures?

- A. 0.0107
- B. 0.011
- C. 0.0108
- D. 0.01

Question 3 (1 mark)

Solve the equation $3x - 1 = \frac{x + 3}{2}$

- A. $x = \frac{4}{5}$
- B. $x = 1$
- C. $x = 2$
- D. $x = 7$

Question 4 (1 mark)

Which is the correct factorisation of $3x^2 + x - 2$?

- A. $(3x + 2)(x - 1)$
- B. $(3x - 2)(x + 1)$
- C. $(3x - 1)(x + 2)$
- D. $(3x + 1)(x - 2)$

Question 5 (1 mark)

What is the distance between the points $(6, 1)$ and $(3, -3)$?

- A. 5
- B. 25
- C. $\sqrt{7}$
- D. 7

Question 6 (1 mark)

When the denominator is rationalised, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}} =$

- A. $\frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{5}$
- B. $\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$
- C. $\frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{5}$
- D. $\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$

Question 7 (1 mark)

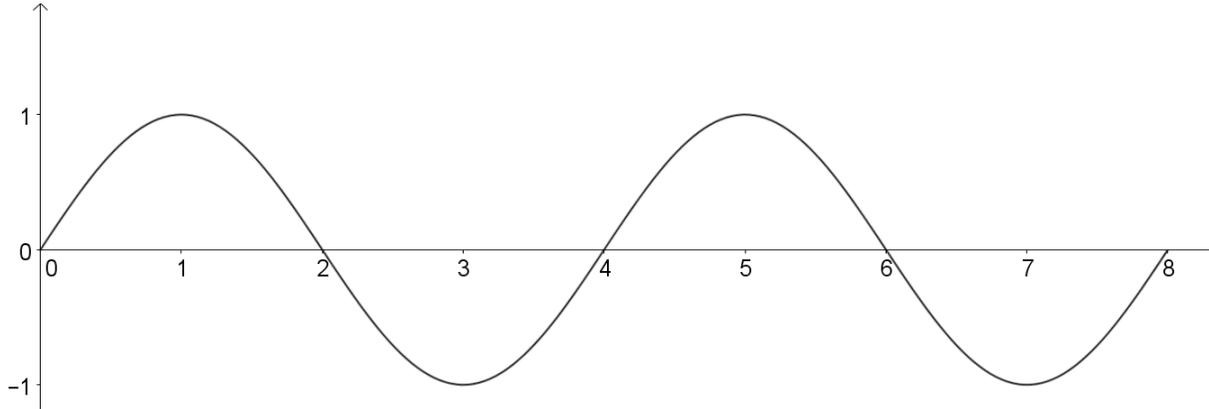
What is the domain of the function $f(x) = \sqrt{6 - 2x}$?

- A. All real x such that $x \leq 3$
- B. All real x such that $x < 3$
- C. All real x such that $x \geq 3$
- D. All real x such that $x > 3$

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Question 8 (1 mark)

Below is a graph of $y = \sin \frac{\pi x}{2}$. Which of the following integrals has the greatest value?



- A. $\int_0^1 \sin \frac{\pi x}{2} dx$
- B. $\int_0^2 \sin \frac{\pi x}{2} dx$
- C. $\int_0^4 \sin \frac{\pi x}{2} dx$
- D. $\int_0^7 \sin \frac{\pi x}{2} dx$

Question 9 (1 mark)

When x is replaced with $x + 1$ in the equation $y = x^2$, the graph is moved:

- A. One unit to the right
- B. One unit to the left
- C. One unit higher
- D. One unit lower

Question 10 (1 mark)

Which of the following is the correct function value at the minimum turning point of:

$$f(x) = (x - 2012)(x - 2013)(x - 2014)$$

- A. -1
- B. 0
- C. $\frac{1}{2}(2012)(2013)(2014)$
- D. $\frac{-2\sqrt{3}}{9}$

Section II

90 marks

Attempt Questions 11-16

Allow about 2 hours and 45 minutes for this section

Write your answers on the paper provided.

In Questions 11-16, your responses should include relevant mathematical reasoning and/or calculations.

Question 11 (15 marks)

(a) Evaluate $\sqrt{\pi^2 + 5}$ to two decimal places. [1]

(b) Convert $\frac{3\pi}{5}$ radians to degrees. [1]

(c) Find the exact value of $\sin \frac{2\pi}{3}$ [1]

(d) Simplify $\frac{x}{x^2 - 4} + \frac{2}{x - 2}$ [2]

(e) Find the values of x for which $|x - 3| \geq 3$ [2]

(f) Differentiate with respect to x

i. $y = x^2 \ln 3x$ [2]

ii. $y = \frac{\sin 4x}{x^3}$ [2]

(g) Find $\int 1 + \sec^2 x \, dx$ [2]

(h) Find the limiting sum of the geometric series [2]

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{16} + \frac{3}{64} + \dots$$

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Question 12 (15 marks)

- (a) A function $f(x)$ passes through the point $(2, 10)$. Given that [3]

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 3x + 5$$

find the value of $f(1)$.

- (b) In a certain arithmetic series, the first term is 13 and the sixth term is -7 .
i. Find the common difference. [1]

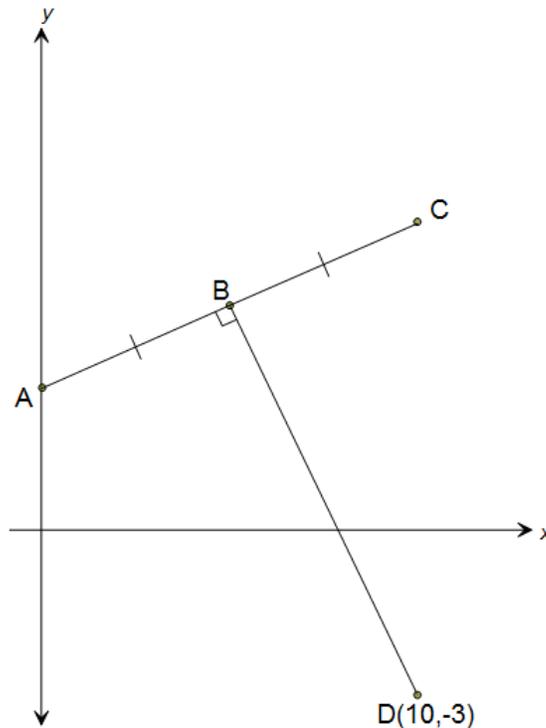
- ii. Find the value of the third term. [2]

- (c) Consider the parabola $y + 2 = 8(x - 1)^2$. Find:
i. the coordinates of the vertex, [1]

- ii. the coordinates of the focus, [2]

- iii. the equation of the directrix. [1]

- (d) The diagram shows points A , B and C lying on the line $2y = x + 4$. The point A lies on the y -axis and $AB = BC$. The line from $D(10, -3)$ to B is perpendicular to AC .



- i. Find the coordinates of A . [1]

- ii. Find the equation of the line BD . [2]

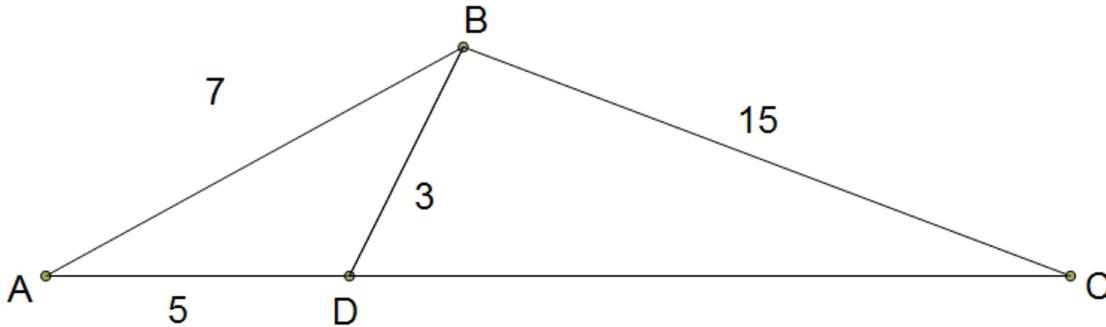
- iii. Find the coordinates of C . [2]

Question 13 (15 marks)

(a) Let α and β be the roots of $2x^2 - 4x - 2 = 0$.

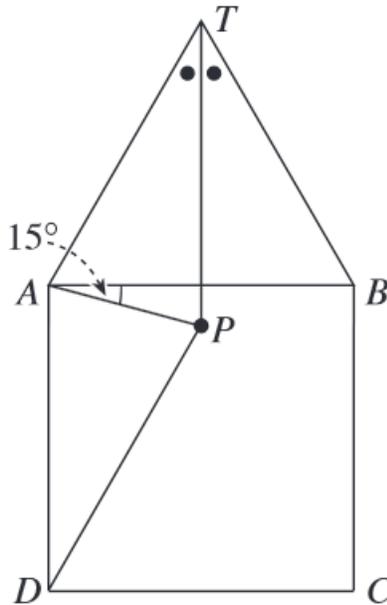
- i. State the value of $\alpha\beta$ [1]
- ii. Find $\frac{5}{\alpha} + \frac{5}{\beta}$ [2]

(b) In the diagram below, triangle ABC has dimensions $AB = 7\text{cm}$ and $BC = 15\text{cm}$. The point D lies on AC such that $AD = 5\text{cm}$ and $BD = 3\text{cm}$.



- i. Use the cosine rule to show that $\angle ADB = 120^\circ$. [2]
- ii. Show that $\angle BCD = 10^\circ$ (rounded to the nearest degree). [2]
- iii. Find the length of DC , correct to the nearest cm. [2]

(c) In the diagram below, $ABCD$ is a square and ABT is an equilateral triangle. The line TP bisects $\angle ATB$, and $\angle PAB = 15^\circ$.



- i. Copy the diagram into your writing booklet and explain why $\angle PAT = 75^\circ$. [1]
- ii. Prove that $\triangle TAP \equiv \triangle DAP$. [3]
- iii. Prove that $\triangle DAP$ is isosceles. [2]

Question 14 (15 marks)

- (a) Consider the function $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3$.
- i. Show that $f'(x) = 4x^2(x - 3)$ [1]
 - ii. Find the coordinates of the stationary points of the curve $f(x)$, and determine their nature. [3]
 - iii. Sketch the graph of the curve $f(x)$, showing the stationary points. [1]
 - iv. Find the values of x for which the graph of $f(x)$ is concave down. [2]

- (b) Jenny borrows \$500 000 to buy a house. An interest rate of 9% p.a. compounded monthly is charged on the outstanding balance. The loan is to be repaid in equal monthly instalments of $\$M$ over a 25 year period (300 months). Let A_n be the amount owing after n months.
- i. Show the amount owing after 3 months is: [2]

$$A_3 = 500000 \times 1.0075^3 - M(1 + 1.0075 + 1.0075^2)$$

- ii. Find the required monthly repayment. [2]
 - iii. How much interest does Jenny pay over the 25 years? [1]
- (c) A bag contains six discs. Two of the discs have the number 0 on them and the other four discs have the number 1 on them. Three discs are drawn at random without replacement.
- i. Find the probability that all of the three discs drawn have the number 1 on them. [2]
 - ii. Find the probability that the product of the numbers on the three discs drawn is 0. [1]

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Question 15 (15 marks)

(a) Suppose $y = \sqrt{3^x + x}$:

i. Complete the table below, giving the values of y to 3 decimal places. [2]

x	0	0.25	0.5	0.75	1
y	1	1.251			2

ii. Use the trapezoidal rule with all the values of y from the table above to find an approximation for the value of [3]

$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{3^x + x} dx$$

(b) The mass (kg) of a decaying substance at time t years is given by $M = M_0 e^{-kt}$, where M_0 is its initial mass and k is a positive constant.

i. Show that M satisfies the differential equation $\frac{dM}{dt} = -kM$. [1]

ii. Show that the half-life of the substance is given by $\frac{\ln 2}{k}$ years. [2]

iii. A second substance is also decaying simultaneously with the first substance but its rate of decay is twice as fast. Find the mass of the second radioactive substance N in terms of M_0 and k , given that its initial mass is half of the first substance. [3]

(c) The velocity of a particle moving along the x axis at time t is given by

$$v = te^{2t}$$

i. Find the acceleration of the particle. [1]

ii. Given that when $t = 0$ the particle is at $x = 0$, find x in terms of t . [3]

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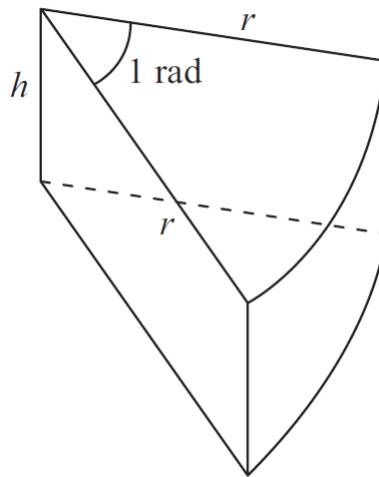
Question 16 (15 marks)

(a) i. Given $2\log_3 x - \log_3(x - 2) = 2$ show that x satisfies $x^2 - 9x + 18 = 0$. [3]

ii. Hence, or otherwise, solve the equation: [1]

$$2\log_3 x - \log_3(x - 2) = 2$$

(b) The diagram below shows a closed box used by a shop for packing pieces of cake. The box is a right prism of height h cm. The cross section is a sector of a circle. The sector has radius r cm and angle 1 radian. The volume of the box is 300 cm^3 .



i. Show that the surface area of the box, $S \text{ cm}^2$, is given by: [3]

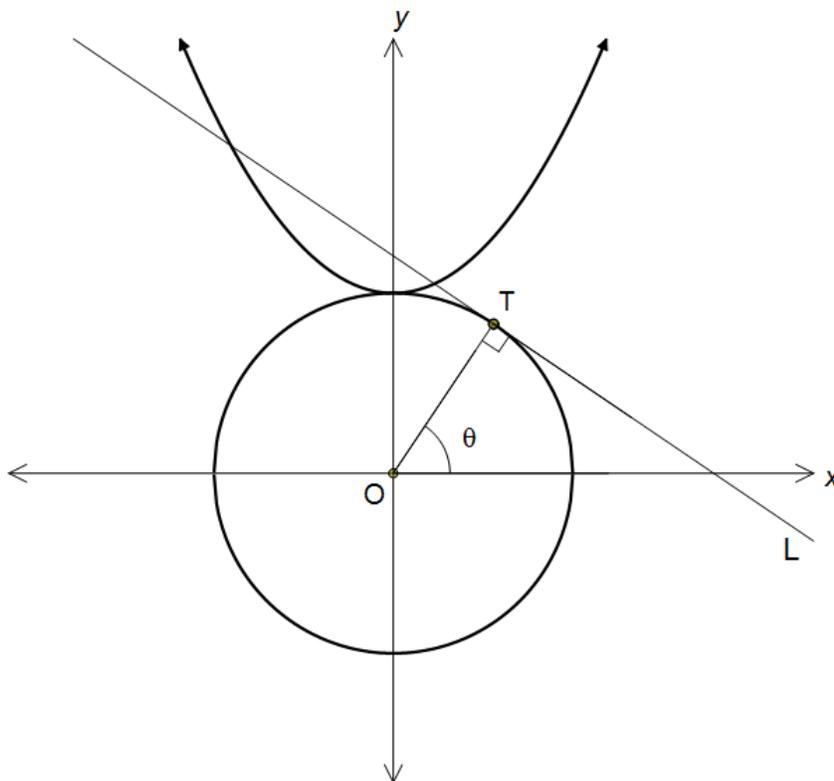
$$S = r^2 + \frac{1800}{r}$$

ii. Find the value of r that minimises the the value of S . Give your answer correct to one decimal place. [3]

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- (c) The diagram below shows the graph of $y = x^2 + 1$ and a point T on the unit circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ at angle θ from the positive x -axis, where $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$.

The tangent line L to the circle at T is perpendicular to OT .



- i. Show that the equation of the tangent line L is given by [2]

$$x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta = 1$$

- ii. Show that if L intersects $y = x^2 + 1$ twice then $\sin \theta$ satisfies the following inequalities [2]

$$-\frac{1}{5} < \sin \theta < 0 \text{ or } 0 < \sin \theta < 1$$

- iii. Find the values of θ to the nearest minute such that L intersects $y = x^2 + 1$ twice. [1]

End of exam