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**Mathematics: applications and interpretation**  
**Higher level**  
**Paper 1**

8 May 2023

**Zone A** afternoon | **Zone B** morning | **Zone C** afternoon

Candidate session number

2 hours

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**Instructions to candidates**

- Write your session number in the boxes above.
- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- A graphic display calculator is required for this paper.
- Answer all questions.
- Answers must be written within the answer boxes provided.
- Unless otherwise stated in the question, all numerical answers should be given exactly or correct to three significant figures.
- A clean copy of the **mathematics: applications and interpretation formula booklet** is required for this paper.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[110 marks]**.



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Answers must be written within the answer boxes provided. Full marks are not necessarily awarded for a correct answer with no working. Answers must be supported by working and/or explanations. Solutions found from a graphic display calculator should be supported by suitable working. For example, if graphs are used to find a solution, you should sketch these as part of your answer. Where an answer is incorrect, some marks may be given for a correct method, provided this is shown by written working. You are therefore advised to show all working.

1. [Maximum mark: 5]

On 1 January 2022, Mina deposited \$ 1000 into a bank account with an annual interest rate of 4%, compounded monthly. At the end of January, and the end of every month after that, she deposits \$ 100 into the same account.

- (a) Calculate the amount of money in her account at the start of 2024. Give your answer to two decimal places. [3]
- (b) Find how many complete months, counted from 1 January 2022, it will take for Mina to have more than \$ 5000 in her account. [2]

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2. [Maximum mark: 6]

Carys believes that, on a memory retention test, the mean score of bilingual people ( $\mu_b$ ) will be higher than the mean score of monolingual people ( $\mu_m$ ). Carys gave a memory retention test to a random sample of students in her class. The results are shown in the two tables.

	Scores									
<b>Bilingual</b>	100	94	100	90	100	94	98	98	98	98

	Scores							
<b>Monolingual</b>	97	92	88	98	88	94	100	100

Carys performs a one-tailed  $t$ -test at a 5% level of significance. It is assumed that the scores are normally distributed and the samples have equal variances.

- (a) State the null and alternative hypotheses. [2]
- (b) Calculate the  $p$ -value for this test. [2]
- (c) State the conclusion of the test in the context of the question. Justify your answer. [2]

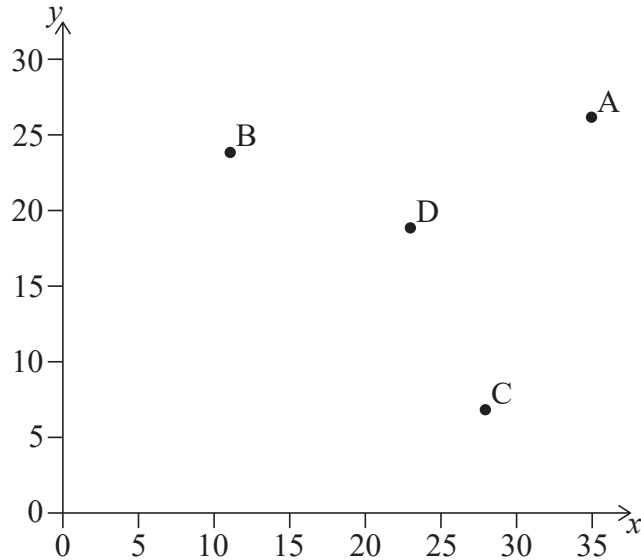
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3. [Maximum mark: 5]

Three towns have positions A(35, 26), B(11, 24), and C(28, 7) according to the coordinate system shown where distances are measured in miles.

Dominique's farm is located at the position D(24, 19).



(a) Find AD. [2]

On a particular day, the mean temperatures recorded in each of towns A, B and C are 34°C, 29°C and 30°C respectively.

(b) Use nearest neighbour interpolation to estimate the temperature at Dominique's farm on that particular day. [3]

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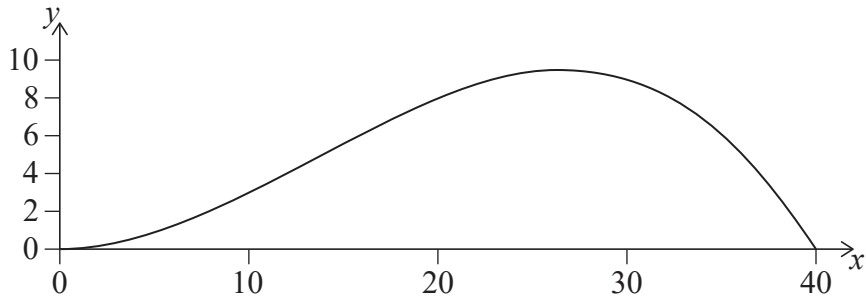


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4. [Maximum mark: 8]

The cross section of a scale model of a hill is modelled by the following graph.



The heights of the model are measured at horizontal intervals and are given in the table.

<b>Horizontal distance, <math>x</math> cm</b>	0	10	20	30	40
<b>Vertical distance, <math>y</math> cm</b>	0	3	8	9	0

- (a) Use the trapezoidal rule with  $h = 10$  to find an approximation for the cross-sectional area of the model. [2]

It is given that the equation of the curve is  $y = 0.04x^2 - 0.001x^3$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 40$ .

- (b) (i) Write down an integral to find the exact cross-sectional area. [4]  
(ii) Calculate the value of the cross-sectional area to two decimal places. [4]
- (c) Find the percentage error in the area found using the trapezoidal rule. [2]

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5. [Maximum mark: 5]

A boat travels 8 km on a bearing of  $315^\circ$  and then a further 6 km on a bearing of  $045^\circ$ .  
Find the bearing on which the boat should travel to return directly to the starting point.

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6. [Maximum mark: 7]

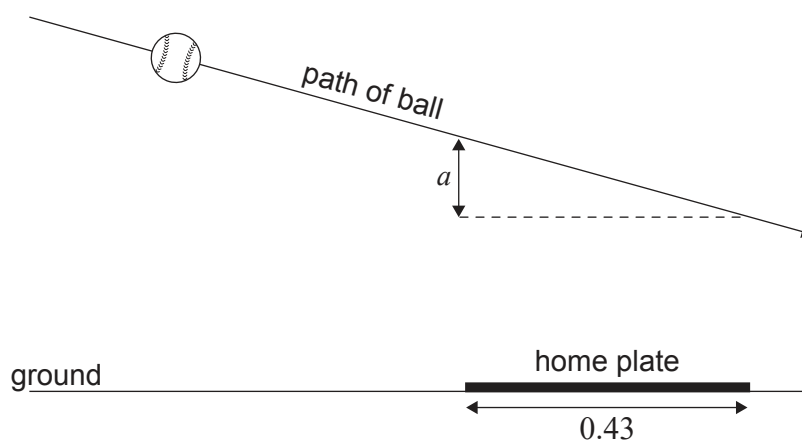
In a baseball game, Sakura is the batter standing beside home plate. The ball is thrown towards home plate along a path that can be modelled by the following function.

$$y = -0.045x + 2$$

In this model,  $x$  is the horizontal distance of the ball from the point the ball is thrown and  $y$  is the vertical height of the ball above the ground. Both measured in metres.

The outcome of the throw is called a strike if the height of the ball is between 0.53 m and 1.24 m at some point while it travels over home plate. The length of home plate is 0.43 m.

diagram not to scale



When the ball reaches the front of home plate, the height of the ball above the ground is 1.25 m. The height of the ball changes by  $a$  metres as the ball travels over the length of home plate.

(a) (i) Find the value of  $a$ .

(ii) Justify why this throw is a strike.

[4]

On the next throw, Sakura hits the ball towards a wall that is 5 metres high. The horizontal distance of the wall from the point where the ball was hit is 96 metres. The path of the ball after it is hit can be modelled by the function  $h(d)$ .

$$h(d) = -0.01d^2 + 1.04d + 0.66, \text{ for } h, d > 0$$

In this model,  $h$  is the height of the ball above the ground and  $d$  is the horizontal distance of the ball from the point where it was hit. Both  $h$  and  $d$  are measured in metres.

(b) Determine whether the ball will go over the wall. Justify your answer.

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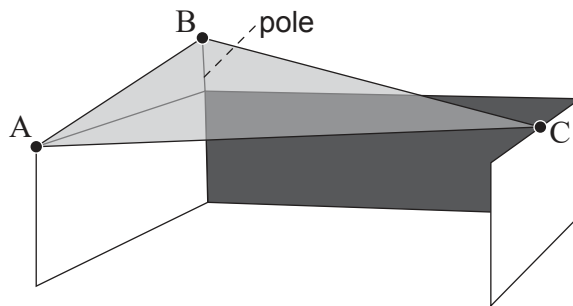


7. [Maximum mark: 9]

A triangular cover is positioned over a walled garden to provide shade. It is anchored at points A and C, located at the top of a 2 m wall, and at a point B, located at the top of a 1 m vertical pole fixed to a top corner of the wall.

The three edges of the cover can be represented by the vectors

$\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{AC} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , where distances are measured in metres.



(a) Calculate the vector product  $\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}$ . [2]

(b) Hence find the area of the triangular cover. [2]

The point X on [AC] is such that [BX] is perpendicular to [AC].

(c) Use your answer to part (b) to find the distance BX. [3]

(d) Find the angle the cover makes with the horizontal plane. [2]

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8. [Maximum mark: 7]

The random variables  $(X, Y)$  follow a bivariate normal distribution with product-moment correlation coefficient  $\rho$ . The values of six random observations of  $(X, Y)$  are shown in the table.

$x$	6.3	4.1	5.6	9.2	7.8	8.2
$y$	9.2	4.9	8.9	10.3	8.9	9.8

(a) State null and alternative hypotheses which could be used to test whether there is a linear correlation between  $X$  and  $Y$ . [2]

(b) Determine the value of

(i) the product-moment correlation coefficient,  $r$ , of the sample.

(ii) the corresponding  $p$ -value. [3]

(c) State whether your result from part (b)(ii) indicates there is sufficient evidence to claim that, at the 5% significance level,  $X$  and  $Y$  are not linearly correlated.

Give a reason for your answer. [2]

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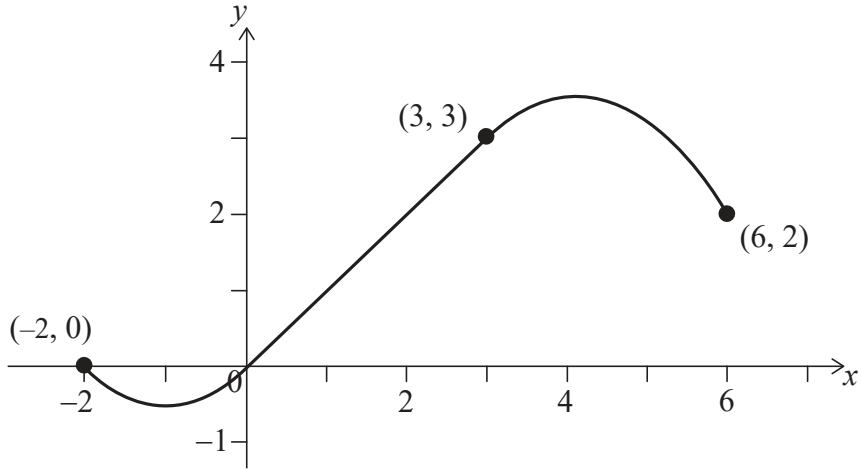


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10. [Maximum mark: 9]

A decorative hook can be modelled by the curve with equation  $y = f(x)$ . The graph of  $y = f(x)$  is shown and consists of a line segment from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(3, 3)$  and two sections formed by quadratic curves.



- (a) Write down the equation of the line segment for  $0 \leq x \leq 3$ . [1]

The quadratic curve, with endpoints  $(-2, 0)$  and  $(0, 0)$ , has the same gradient at  $(0, 0)$  as the line segment.

- (b) Find the equation of the curve between  $(-2, 0)$  and  $(0, 0)$ . [3]

The second quadratic curve, with endpoints  $(3, 3)$  and  $(6, 2)$ , has the same gradient at  $(3, 3)$  as the line segment.

- (c) Find the equation of this curve. [4]

- (d) Write down  $f$  as a piecewise function. [1]

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12. [Maximum mark: 5]

Two AC (alternating current) electrical sources with the same frequencies are combined. The voltages from these sources can be expressed as  $V_1 = 6 \sin(at + 30^\circ)$  and  $V_2 = 6 \sin(at + 90^\circ)$ .

The combined total voltage can be expressed in the form  $V_1 + V_2 = V \sin(at + \theta^\circ)$ .

Determine the value of  $V$  and the value of  $\theta$ .

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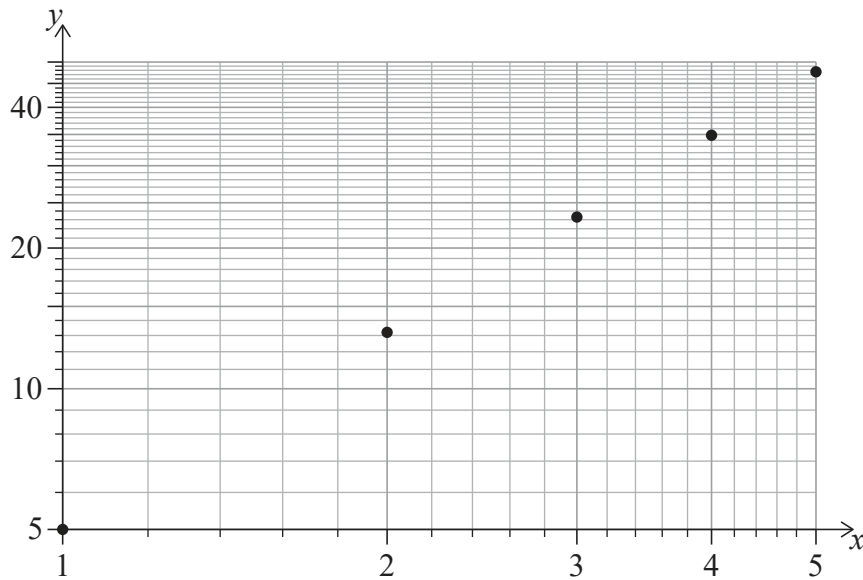
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14. [Maximum mark: 6]

Petra examines two quantities,  $x$  and  $y$ , and plots data points on a log-log graph.



She observes that on this graph the data points follow a perfect straight line. Given that the line passes through the points  $(2, 13.1951)$  and  $(4, 34.822)$ , find the equation of the relationship connecting  $x$  and  $y$ . Your final answer should not include logarithms.

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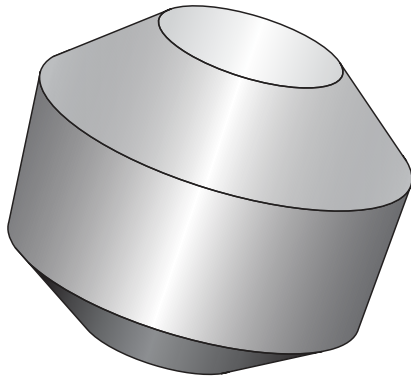
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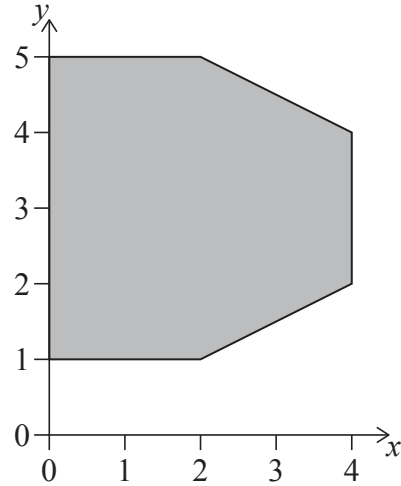
15. [Maximum mark: 6]

The solid shown is formed by rotating the hexagon with vertices  $(2, 1)$ ,  $(0, 1)$ ,  $(0, 5)$ ,  $(2, 5)$ ,  $(4, 4)$  and  $(4, 2)$  about the  $y$ -axis.

Solid



Hexagon



Find the volume of this solid.

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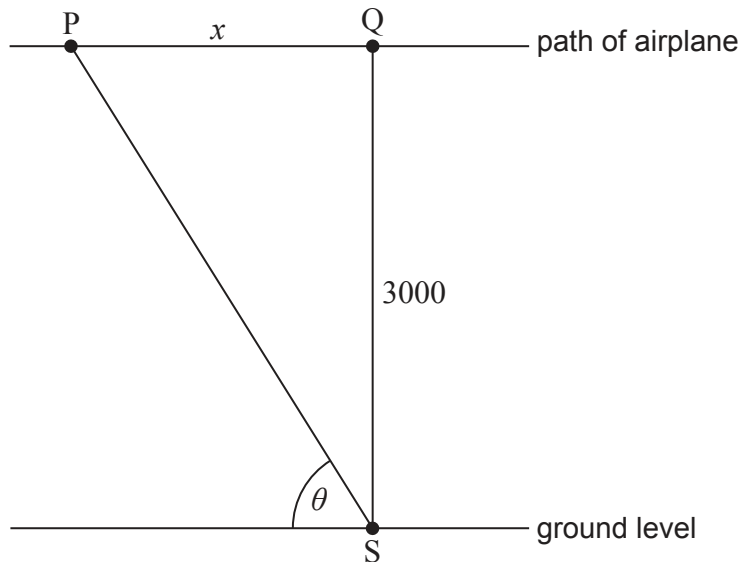
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17. [Maximum mark: 9]

An airplane, P, is flying at a constant altitude of 3000m at a speed of  $250\text{ms}^{-1}$ . Its path passes over a tracking station, S, at ground level. Let Q be the point 3000m directly above the tracking station.

At a particular time,  $T$ , as the airplane is flying towards Q, the angle of elevation,  $\theta$ , of the airplane from S is increasing at a rate of 0.075 radians per second. The distance from Q to P is given by  $x$ .



- (a) Use related rates to show that, at time  $T$ ,  $\frac{dx}{d\theta} = -\frac{10\,000}{3}$ . [2]
- (b) Find  $x(\theta)$ ,  $x$  as a function of  $\theta$ . [1]
- (c) Find an expression for  $\frac{dx}{d\theta}$  in terms of  $\sin \theta$ . [3]
- (d) Hence find the horizontal distance from the station to the plane at time  $T$ . [3]

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