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Mathematics

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Key to mark scheme abbreviations

M	mark is for method
m or dM	mark is dependent on one or more M marks and is for method
A	mark is dependent on M or m marks and is for accuracy
B	mark is independent of M or m marks and is for method and accuracy
E	mark is for explanation
√ or ft or F	follow through from previous incorrect result
CAO	correct answer only
CSO	correct solution only
AWFW	anything which falls within
AWRT	anything which rounds to
ACF	any correct form
AG	answer given
SC	special case
OE	or equivalent
A2,1	2 or 1 (or 0) accuracy marks
-x EE	deduct x marks for each error
NMS	no method shown
PI	possibly implied
SCA	substantially correct approach
c	candidate
sf	significant figure(s)
dp	decimal place(s)

No Method Shown

Where the question specifically requires a particular method to be used, we must usually see evidence of use of this method for any marks to be awarded.

Where the answer can be reasonably obtained without showing working and it is very unlikely that the correct answer can be obtained by using an incorrect method, we must award **full marks**. However, the obvious penalty to candidates showing no working is that incorrect answers, however close, earn **no marks**.

Where a question asks the candidate to state or write down a result, no method need be shown for full marks.

Where the permitted calculator has functions which reasonably allow the solution of the question directly, the correct answer without working earns **full marks**, unless it is given to less than the degree of accuracy accepted in the mark scheme, when it gains **no marks**.

Otherwise we require evidence of a correct method for any marks to be awarded.

Q1	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment
(a)	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & a \\ 2 & -4 & 7 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 7 \\ 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & a \\ 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & a \\ -4 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$	M1		Correct expansion of triple scalar product
	or $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 4 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$ $= 12a + 48$			
(b)(i)	$12a + 48 = 0$ $a = -4$	B1F	1	Sets their expression equal to 0 and solves the resulting linear equation correctly
(ii)	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = c \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 7 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$	M1		Forming a system of equations and solving to correctly find either c or d
	$c = 3$ $d = 2$	A1		Both c and d correct
	$\mathbf{u} = 3\mathbf{v} + 2\mathbf{w}$	A1	3	A1 Correct linear combination stated NMS $\mathbf{u} = 3\mathbf{v} + 2\mathbf{w}$ scores 3 marks
	Total		6	

Q2	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment
	$(\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b} - 6\mathbf{c}) \times (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} + 3\mathbf{c})$ $= \mathbf{axa} - \mathbf{axb} + 3\mathbf{axc}$ $+ 2\mathbf{bxa} - 2\mathbf{bxb} + 6\mathbf{bxc}$ $- 6\mathbf{cxa} + 6\mathbf{cxb} - 18\mathbf{cxc}$ $= -\mathbf{axb} + 3\mathbf{axc} + 2\mathbf{bxa} + 6\mathbf{bxc} - 6\mathbf{cxa} + 6\mathbf{cxb}$ $= -9\mathbf{cxa} + 3\mathbf{bxa}$ or $3\mathbf{j} + 3(-2\mathbf{i}) + 2(3\mathbf{j}) - 6(2\mathbf{i})$ $= -18\mathbf{i} + 9\mathbf{j}$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>m1</p> <p>A1,A1</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>Expansion of brackets – at least six terms correct with \times or \wedge</p> <p>Expansion fully correct unsimplified and use of $\mathbf{axa} = \mathbf{bxb} = \mathbf{cxc} = \mathbf{0}$ (seen or implied)</p> <p>Use of $(\mathbf{axb} = -\mathbf{bxa}$ or $\mathbf{cxa} = -\mathbf{axc})$ and $\mathbf{cxb} = -\mathbf{bxc}$</p> <p>A1 each term</p> <p>Note candidates who do not use vector product symbols eg $a^2 - ab + 3ac + \dots$</p> <p>or attempt to use components of vectors</p> <p>score M0</p>
	Total		5	

Q3	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment	
(a)	c_1 replaced by $c_1 + c_2$ gives $\begin{vmatrix} a+b-c & b-c & -bc \\ b+a-c & a-c & -ca \\ -c+a+b & a+b & ab \end{vmatrix}$	M1		Combining columns or rows sensibly, working towards first factor	
	$(a+b-c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b-c & -bc \\ 1 & a-c & -ca \\ 1 & a+b & ab \end{vmatrix}$	A1		First factor correctly extracted	
	r_2 replaced by $r_2 - r_1$ r_3 replaced by $r_3 - r_1$ $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & b-c & -bc \\ 0 & a-b & -ca+bc \\ 0 & a+c & ab+bc \end{vmatrix}$				
	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & b-c & -bc \\ 0 & a-b & -c(a-b) \\ 0 & a+c & b(a+c) \end{vmatrix}$	m1		Combining rows or columns sensibly, working towards second factor	
	$(a-b)(a+c)(a+b-c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b-c & -bc \\ 0 & 1 & -c \\ 0 & 1 & b \end{vmatrix}$	A1		Three factors correctly extracted and remaining determinant correct	
	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & b-c & -bc \\ 0 & 1 & -c \\ 0 & 1 & b \end{vmatrix} = b+c$	m1		Correct expansion to obtain final factor- dependent on previous M1 and m1	
	Hence full factorisation = $(a+b-c)(a-b)(a+c)(b+c)$	A1	6	Fully correct - CSO	
	(b)	Comparing gives $c = 2$ and $b = 3$	M1		Attempting to substitute $c = 2$ and $b = 3$ into their answer from part (a)
		Hence $5(a+1)(a-3)(a+2) (= 0)$	A1F		Correct factors PI by correct values, provided FT is cubic equation in “ a ” with three linear factors
		$a = -2, -1, 3$	A1	3	CSO must have 6 marks in part (a)
	Total		9		

Q3	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment
3	ALTERNATIVE to (a) r_2 replaced by $r_2 - r_1$ r_3 replaced by $r_3 - r_1$			
	$\begin{vmatrix} a & b-c & -bc \\ b-a & a-b & c(b-a) \\ -c-a & a+c & b(c+a) \end{vmatrix}$	(M1)		Combining columns or rows sensibly, working towards first factor
		(m1)		Combining rows or columns sensibly, working towards second factor
	$(a-b)(a+c) \begin{vmatrix} a & b-c & -bc \\ -1 & 1 & -c \\ -1 & 1 & b \end{vmatrix}$	(A1)		First factor correctly extracted
	r_3 replaced by $r_3 - r_2$			
	$\begin{vmatrix} a & b-c & -bc \\ -1 & 1 & -c \\ 0 & 0 & b+c \end{vmatrix}$			
	$(b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a & b-c & -bc \\ -1 & 1 & -c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$	(A1)		Third factor correctly extracted
	$\begin{vmatrix} a & b-c & -bc \\ -1 & 1 & -c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = a+b-c$	(m1)		Correct expansion to obtain final factor- dependent on previous M1 and m1
	Hence full factorisation = $(a+b-c)(a-b)(a+c)(b+c)$	(A1)	(6)	Fully correct – CSO
	ALTERNATIVE to (b)			
$\begin{vmatrix} a & 1 & -6 \\ 3 & a-2 & -2a \\ -2 & a+3 & 3a \end{vmatrix}$				
$= a \begin{vmatrix} a-2 & -2a \\ a+3 & 3a \end{vmatrix} - 3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -6 \\ a+3 & 3a \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -6 \\ a-2 & -2a \end{vmatrix}$	(M1)		Correctly expanding determinant	
$5(a+1)(a-3)(a+2) (=0)$	(A1)		CAO	
$a = -2, -1, 3$	(A1)	(3)	CSO	

Q4	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment
(a)	$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & -1 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} (=0)$ $(1-\lambda)(4-\lambda)+2 (=0)$	M1		
	$(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3) (=0)$ $\lambda = 2, 3$	A1,A1		A1 each eigenvalue
	When $\lambda = 2$, $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$	M1		Correct equation used to find eigenvector for either $\lambda = 2$ or $\lambda = 3$
	or $x + y = 0$ OE $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ or any multiple	A1		A correct eigenvalue found for $\lambda = 2$
	When $\lambda = 3$, $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ or $2x + y = 0$ OE $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ or any multiple	A1	6	A correct eigenvalue found for $\lambda = 3$
(b)	Using vectors above, required matrix columns must be multiples of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$	M1		Attempt to compare their eigenvectors with given matrix in correct order PI by correct value of a or b
	Comparing with $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & b \\ a & -2 \end{bmatrix}$			
	gives $a = -8$ and $b = 2$	A1 A1	3	A1 each value
	Total		9	

Q5	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment
(a)	$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -11 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 35 & 7 & 7 \\ 0 & 65 & 13 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$ <p>or</p> $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -11 & -3 & 1 \\ 7 & 14 & 0 & 14 \\ 13 & 26 & 0 & 26 \end{bmatrix}$ <p>or</p> $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -11 & -3 & 1 \\ 35 & 0 & -14 & 56 \\ 65 & 0 & -26 & 104 \end{bmatrix}$ <p><u>Method 1</u> – row reduction to stage as above</p> <p><u>Method 2</u> – elimination of one variable to obtain $35y + 7z = 7$ etc see above</p> <p>Two equations that are multiples of each other</p> <p>Let $y = \lambda$ Then $z = 1 - 5\lambda$ $x = 2 - 2\lambda$</p>	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>(M1)</p> <p>(A1)</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>5</p>	$\text{from original } \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -11 & -3 & 1 \\ 5 & -10 & -4 & 6 \\ 9 & -17 & -7 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$ <p>Having row of 0s or stating one row is multiple of another</p> <p>stating or showing one row is multiple of another or reducing both to same equ'n</p> <p>Setting one variable equal to a parameter and obtaining expressions for both other variables</p> <p>A1 each variable Other possibilities, eg</p> $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8/5 \\ 1/5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}; \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$
(b)	The equations represent three planes which meet in a line/form a sheaf.	E1	1	Must earn at least two marks in part (a)
	Total		6	

Q6 contd	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment
(c)	<p>Equation of line perpendicular to plane and containing D is</p> $\mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ <p>Meets plane when $(8 + t) + 5(-2 + 5t) + (6 + t) = 7$</p> $t = \frac{1}{9}$ <p>Hence for reflected point, $t = 2 \times \frac{1}{9}$</p> $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{2}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} =$ $\frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 74 \\ -8 \\ 56 \end{bmatrix}$	<p>M1</p> <p>m1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>B1F</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>Equation of line through D using their normal from (b)</p> <p>Correct use of their line and their plane to obtain linear equation in t</p> <p>Correct t value obtained</p> <p>Doubling their t value</p> <p>Reflected point coordinates correct</p>
	Total		11	

Q7	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment	
(a)	$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ gives $a + b = 5$ $c + d = -3$	B1	4	both equations correct	
	$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ gives $a - b = 1$ $c - d = -1$	B1		both equations correct	
	Hence $a = 3, b = 2, c = -2, d = -1$	M1		Solving to get at least two correct values	
	Matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	A1			
(b)(i)	$\begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.4 & 2 \\ 1.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	M1		Multiplication of matrices in correct order to form matrix equation - accept TS = A	
	Hence $\begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.4 & 2 \\ 1.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$	m1		Rearranging - correct order on RHS accept T = AS⁻¹	
	$\begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.4 & 2 \\ 1.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$	B1F		Correct inverse of their matrix from (a) seen anywhere	
	$\begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & -0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$	A1	4	CAO	
	ALTERNATIVE				
	$\begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.4 & 2 \\ 1.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	(M1)		Multiplication of matrices in correct order to form matrix equation	
$\begin{bmatrix} 3p - 2q & 2p - q \\ 3r - 2s & 2r - s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.4 & 2 \\ 1.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	(A1)		LHS fully correct		
	$3p - 2q = 3.4$ and $2p - q = 2$ Gives $p = 0.6$ and $q = -0.8$				
	$3r - 2s = 1.2$ and $2r - s = 1$ Gives $r = 0.8$ and $s = 0.6$	(A1)		Solving to find all correct values	
	$\begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & -0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$	(A1)	(4)	CAO	
(ii)	(Anticlockwise) rotation	M1		Matrix must be correct in part (b)(i)	
	through 53.1° (about O)	A1	2	Correct angle	
	Total		10		

Q8	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment
(a)(i)	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & k \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & k \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$	M1	3	Correct expansion of 3 by 3 determinant
	$= -3 - 4 - 8 + 3k$	A1		Correct unsimplified, brackets removed
	$(-15 + 3k)$ $k \neq 5$	A1		Correct conclusion
(ii)	$\begin{bmatrix} -7 & -4 & 3 \\ k+2 & k-1 & -3 \\ 8-3k & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$	M1	5	one row or column correct
	$\begin{bmatrix} -7 & k+2 & 8-3k \\ -4 & k-1 & -4 \\ 3 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$	A2		A1 at least six terms correct A2 all correct
	$\mathbf{M}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3k-15} \begin{bmatrix} -7 & k+2 & 8-3k \\ -4 & k-1 & -4 \\ 3 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$	m1		Transpose of their matrix – dependent on previous M1
		A1		Fully correct
(b)	When $k = 1$, determinant of $\mathbf{M} = -12$	B1	3	or $\det \mathbf{M}^{-1} = -1/12$
	Hence volume scale factor = $\frac{1}{12}$			
	Image volume = $\frac{1}{12} \times 6$	M1		Correct use of \pm "their" volume scale factor to find image volume
	$= 0.5 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$	A1	CAO – must be positive	
(c)	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x+2y+5z \\ 3y+4z \\ -x+y-z \end{bmatrix}$	M1	3	M1 - Substituting $k = 5$ and multiplying - at least two components correct
	$x' - y' + z'$	A1		A1 all correct
	$= (x+2y+5z) - (3y+4z) + (-x+y-z)$ $= 0$ <p>Therefore each point lies in the plane $x - y + z = 0$</p>	A1		AG be convinced
				Must see either first three lines or concluding statement when top line is missing

Q8cont'd	Solution	Mark	Total	Comment
(d)	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & k \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} x+2y+kz \\ 3y+4z \\ -x+y-z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ $2y+kz=0$ $2y+4z=0$ $-x+y-2z=0$ <p>Hence $k=4$</p> <p>Equation of line is</p> $\frac{x}{-4} = \frac{y}{-2} = z \quad \text{OE}$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>m1</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>Use of Mv = v with at least two “equations” correct</p> <p>Fully correct with terms combined</p> <p>Using their equations to obtain Cartesian equations of line CSO</p>
	Total		19	
	TOTAL		75	