

PAPER CODE NO.
MATH 013

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JANUARY 2004 EXAMINATIONS

Bachelor of Engineering : Foundation Year
Bachelor of Science : Foundation Year

MATHEMATICAL METHODS

TIME ALLOWED : Three Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

You may attempt all questions. All answers to Section A and the best THREE answers to Section B will be taken into account.

Numerical answers should be given correct to four places of decimals.

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SECTION A

1. Determine the radian measure of the angle α of 420° , expressed as a rational multiple of π . The formula for $\sin(A+B)$ states that

$$\sin(A+B) = \sin(A)\cos(B) + \cos(A)\sin(B).$$

Using this formula or otherwise find the exact value for $\sin(\alpha)$, *without using tables or a calculator*. (Show all your working.)

Hence determine all the angles θ , in the range $[-2\pi, 2\pi]$ satisfying $\sin(\theta) = \sin(\alpha)$. Your answers should be expressed in radian measure.

[6 marks]

2. Sketch the graph of $y = \tan(x)$ in the range $-2\pi \leq x \leq 2\pi$. Determine numerically the solutions of $\tan(x) = 2$ in the same range. Express, if possible, your results in radian measure.

[9 marks]

3. Find the domain of x for which *both* the functions $\log_3(x)$ and $\log_3(2x+5)$ are defined. Solve the equation

$$\log_3(2x+5) - \log_3(x) = 1.$$

[7 marks]

4. You are given the values of $\log_e(32) = 3.465736$ and $\log_e(16) = 2.772589$, correct to six decimal places. Obtain the values of the following

$$\log_e(512), \quad \log_e(2), \quad \log_e(64),$$

without using tables or a calculator, correct to four decimal places. (Show all your working. HINT: for second part use $8^3 = 512$.)

[6 marks]

5. Write down the first five rows of Pascal's triangle. Hence or otherwise find the coefficient of x^6 in the expansion of

$$(2x^2 - 1)^4.$$

[6 marks]

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6. Let $q(x)$ be the quadratic function $q(x) = 4 - 3x - x^2$. Determine the zeros of $q(x)$ and the position and nature of its turning point. Hence sketch the graph of $q(x)$.

[7 marks]

7. Express the rational function $f(x)$ in partial fractions, where

$$f(x) = \frac{4x - 7}{(x - 3)(x - 4)}.$$

[5 marks]

8. Express the complex number

$$z = \frac{8 - i}{4 - 3i}$$

in the form $z = a + bi$.

Determine numerically the modulus and argument of z . The argument should, preferably, be expressed in radian measure. Hence, or otherwise, find the modulus and argument of z^2 .

[9 marks]

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SECTION B

9. Find two values of θ between 0 and π radians satisfying the equation

$$6\sin^2(\theta) = 5 + \cos(\theta).$$

[7 marks]

Using the identity $\cos(A) - \cos(B) = -2\sin\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)$ or otherwise, find the range of values of a for which the equation

$$\cos(x + 90^\circ) - \cos(x) = a,$$

has real solutions. For the case $a = 1/2$, find all the solutions in the interval $0^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$.

[8 marks]

10. (i) On separate diagrams sketch the curves $y = 2e^x$ for real x , and $y = \log_e(x^2)$ for $x > 0$ and $x < 0$.

[4 marks]

- (ii) Solve the following equations:

$$\log_4(x) = 3, \quad \log_y(125) = 3.$$

[4 marks]

- (iii) A marathon runner sets out to cover a 26.2 mile course at an initial speed of 12 miles per hour. As he tires his running speed S declines according to the formula

$$S = \alpha - e^{kt},$$

where t is the time in hours, and α and k are constants. Show that $\alpha = 13\text{mph}$. After 1 hour his speed has declined by 5%. Determine the value of k . If his overall average speed for the whole course is 10.48mph, calculate both the time he takes to complete the course and his running speed at the finish.

[7 marks]

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11. (i) If α and β are the roots of the equation $-2x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0$, write down the values of a) $\alpha\beta$, b) $\alpha + \beta$, c) $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ and d) $(\alpha - \beta)^2$, *without determining the values of α and β individually.*

[8 marks]

- (ii) Plot a table of the values of the following cubic polynomial

$$p(x) = -x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 2,$$

for $x = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3$ and 4 . Sketch the curve of the polynomial, and find all the roots of $p(x) = 0$.

[7 marks]

12. (i) A complex number z has modulus one and argument $\pi/6$. Express each of the following complex numbers in the form $a + bi$:

$$z, z^2, z^3, \frac{1}{z},$$

and plot them on the Argand diagram.

[10 marks]

- (ii) Find the real values of a and b such that

$$\frac{a + bi}{2 + 2i} = -i.$$

[5 marks]

