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External assessment 2021


## General Mathematics

## Paper 1

## Time allowed

- Perusal time - 5 minutes
- Working time - 90 minutes


## General instructions

- Answer all questions in this question and response book.
- QCAA-approved scientific calculator permitted.
- QCAA formula book provided.
- Planning paper will not be marked.


## Section 1 ( 15 marks)

- 15 multiple choice questions


## Section 2 (42 marks)

- 10 short response questions


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## Section 1

## Instructions

- Choose the best answer for Questions 1-15.
- This section has 15 questions and is worth 15 marks.
- Use a 2B pencil to fill in the A, B, C or D answer bubble completely.
- If you change your mind or make a mistake, use an eraser to remove your response and fill in the new answer bubble completely.



## Section 2

## Instructions

- Write using black or blue pen.
- Questions worth more than one mark require mathematical reasoning and/or working to be shown to support answers.
- If you need more space for a response, use the additional pages at the back of this book.
- On the additional pages, write the question number you are responding to.
- Cancel any incorrect response by ruling a single diagonal line through your work.
- Write the page number of your alternative/additional response, i.e. See page ...
- If you do not do this, your original response will be marked.
- This section has 10 questions and is worth 42 marks.


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## QUESTION 16 (4 marks)

The table shows the values of bivariate data with variables $g$ and $h$.

| $g$ | 9 | 2.5 | 4.5 | 8 | 6 | 3.5 | 1 |
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| $h$ | 3.5 | 6.5 | 10 | 6 | 9.5 | 9 | 3 |

a) Construct a scatterplot of the data with $g$ as the explanatory variable.
[2 marks]


Note: If you make a mistake in the graph, cancel it by ruling a single diagonal line through your work and use the additional graph on page 21 of this question and response book.
b) Describe the association in terms of form and strength.
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## QUESTION 17 (4 marks)

Determine the monthly repayment on a reducing balance loan of $\$ 720000$ at $4.8 \%$ p.a. over 25 years.
Give your answer to the nearest dollar.

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## QUESTION 18 (4 marks)

The table shows the profit made each year (in thousands of dollars) by a small business.

| Year | Profit (\$’000s) |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2015 | 42.1 |
| 2016 | 36.9 |
| 2017 | 48.4 |
| 2018 | 52.3 |
| 2019 | 56.1 |
| 2020 | 59.8 |

a) Use a mathematical model to determine the equation of the least-squares line to fit this data.
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b) Use the least-squares line to forecast the profit in 2021, to the nearest hundred dollars.
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## QUESTION 19 (5 marks)

The activity table for a project is shown.

| Activity | Prerequisite <br> activity | Time <br> (days) |
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| A | - | 2 |
| B | - | 4 |
| C | A | 3 |
| D | B | 6 |
| E | D | 3 |
| F | C, E | 4 |
| G | D | 8 |
| H | F, G | 4 |

a) Use the activity table to construct a network diagram, including earliest and latest starting times.
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Note: If you make a mistake in the diagram, cancel it by ruling a single diagonal line through your work and use the additional response space on page 20 of this question and response book.
b) Determine the critical path.
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c) Determine the shortest completion time for the project.
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## QUESTION 20 (4 marks)

A farmer bought a tractor for $\$ 45100$ at the start of 2012. It depreciates by $\$ 2700$ each year. Identify and use a mathematical model to determine the value of the tractor at the start of 2021.
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## QUESTION 21 (6 marks)

The map shows regional federal electorates in Victoria.

a) In which federal electorate is the position $37^{\circ} 10^{\prime} \mathrm{S}, 146^{\circ} 30^{\prime} \mathrm{E}$ ?

[^1]b) Determine the distance between point A in the electorate of Mallee and point B in the electorate of Gippsland along the same parallel of latitude, to the nearest 100 km .
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## QUESTION 22 (4 marks)

Rosa borrowed $\$ 32000$ as a reducing balance loan at $4.8 \%$ p.a. compounding monthly, with monthly repayments of \$278.

How much will Rosa owe after 2 months, to the nearest cent?

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## QUESTION 23 (4 marks)

The network diagram shows the flow of water from the tank (source) to the kitchen tap (sink).

a) Explain which dashed line $\left(\mathrm{L}_{1}, \mathrm{~L}_{2}, \mathrm{~L}_{3}\right.$ or $\left.\mathrm{L}_{4}\right)$ is not a valid cut.
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b) Calculate the capacity of each dashed line that is a valid cut.
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## QUESTION 24 (3 marks)

The population of fish in a fish farm pond was recorded every three months. The graph shows the data.


Describe the time series plot by identifying three key features.

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## QUESTION 25 (4 marks)

A conference is being held in Singapore (UTC +8 ).
a) A conference attendee got a flight from Brisbane $(\mathrm{UTC}+10)$ at 10:30 am Brisbane time on Monday 7 December.
If the flight from Brisbane to Singapore took 7 hours and 40 minutes, determine the time, day and date in Singapore when the flight lands.
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b) A conference attendee from Dubai (UTC +4 ) arrived in Singapore at 5 pm Singapore time on Monday 7 December.
If the flight from Dubai to Singapore took 8 hours and 25 minutes, determine the time, day and date in Dubai when the flight departed.
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