

External assessment 2023

Multiple choice question book

# Specialist Mathematics

Paper 1 — Technology-free

## General instruction

- Work in this book will not be marked.

## Section 1

### Instruction

- Respond to these questions in the question and response book.
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### QUESTION 1

The position of a particle is given by  $\mathbf{r} = (t + 2)\hat{\mathbf{i}} + t^2\hat{\mathbf{j}}$  for  $t \geq 0$ .

Determine the corresponding Cartesian equation.

- (A)  $y = x^2 - 4$
- (B)  $y = x^2 + 4$
- (C)  $y = x^2 - 4x + 4$
- (D)  $y = x^2 + 4x + 4$

### QUESTION 2

Consider the proof of the following proposition using mathematical induction.

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r+1) = \frac{1}{3}n(n+1)(n+2) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

An appropriate assumption statement within the proof is

- (A)  $\sum_{r=1}^k k(k+1) = \frac{1}{3}k(k+1)(k+2)$
- (B)  $\sum_{r=1}^k k(k+1) = \frac{1}{3}n(n+1)(n+2)$
- (C)  $\sum_{r=1}^k r(r+1) = \frac{1}{3}k(k+1)(k+2)$
- (D)  $\sum_{r=1}^k r(r+1) = \frac{1}{3}n(n+1)(n+2)$

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**QUESTION 3**

One solution of  $z^3 - z^2 - 7z - 2 = 0$  is  $z = -2$ .

Which equation could be used to determine the remaining solutions?

- (A)  $z^2 - 3z - 1 = 0$
- (B)  $z^2 - 3z + 1 = 0$
- (C)  $z^2 - z - 1 = 0$
- (D)  $z^2 - z + 1 = 0$

**QUESTION 4**

The age-specific population distribution of a particular species of animal is shown.

Age (years)	0–1	1–2	2–3	3–4
Female population	94	82	37	6
Breeding rate	0	1.3	0.9	0.2
Survival rate	0.6	0.8	0.4	0

The Leslie matrix based on this data is

- (A)  $\begin{bmatrix} 94 & 82 & 37 & 6 \\ 0.6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (B)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1.3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (C)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.8 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 1.3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (D)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1.3 & 0.9 & 0.2 \\ 0.6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

**QUESTION 5**

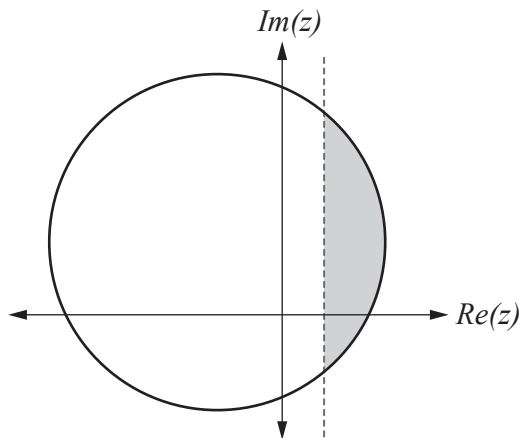
A confidence interval for a parameter is a range of values within which the

- (A) sample estimate of the parameter always lies.
- (B) sample estimate of the parameter never lies.
- (C) parameter always lies.
- (D) parameter never lies.

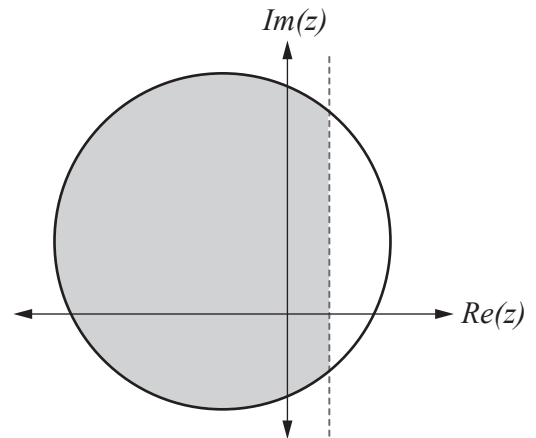
**QUESTION 6**

The shaded region defined as  $\{z : |z + 2 - i| \leq 5\} \cap \{z : \operatorname{Re}(z) < 1\}, z \in \mathbb{C}$  is best represented by

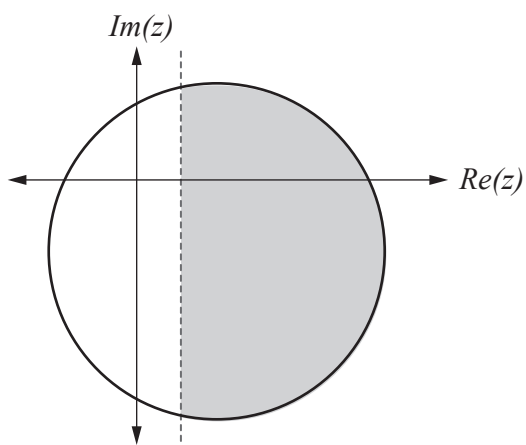
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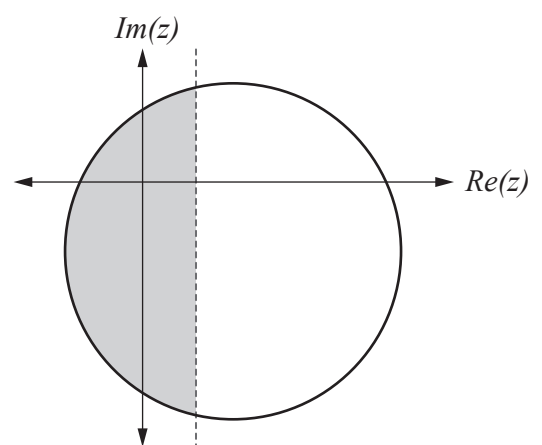
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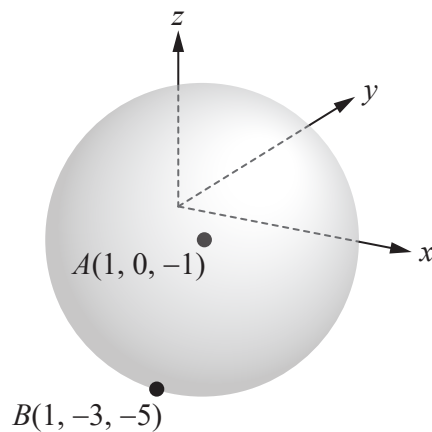
**QUESTION 7**

The differential equation for which the solution is a logistic equation of the form  $y = \frac{a}{b + Ce^{-at}}$  where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $C$  are constants is

- (A)  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0.25(1 - 0.01t)$
- (B)  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0.25(1 - 0.01y)$
- (C)  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0.25t(1 - 0.01t)$
- (D)  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0.25y(1 - 0.01y)$

**QUESTION 8**

Point  $A$  is the centre of a sphere and point  $B$  lies on its surface as shown.



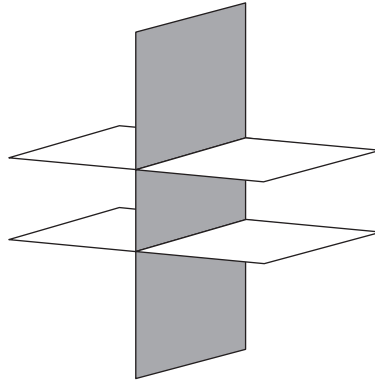
The equation of the sphere is

- (A)  $x^2 - 2x + y^2 + z^2 + 2z = 23$
- (B)  $x^2 + 2x + y^2 + z^2 - 2z = 23$
- (C)  $x^2 - 2x + y^2 + z^2 + 2z = 25$
- (D)  $x^2 + 2x + y^2 + z^2 - 2z = 25$

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**QUESTION 9**

The geometric interpretation of a certain system of three equations with no solution is shown.

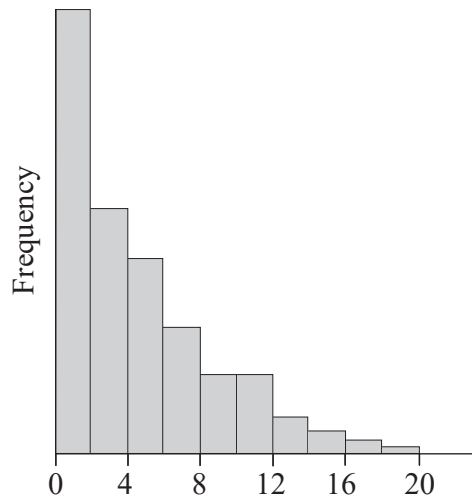


Given two of the equations are  $x + y - z = 0.5$  and  $x - y - z = 0.5$ , the third equation could be

- (A)  $2x - 2y - 2z = 1$
- (B)  $2x + 2y - 2z = 1$
- (C)  $2x - 2y + 2z = 3$
- (D)  $2x + 2y - 2z = 3$

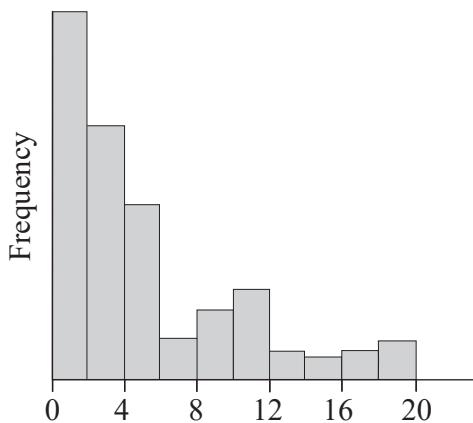
**QUESTION 10**

A random variable is drawn from a population with the distribution shown in the histogram.

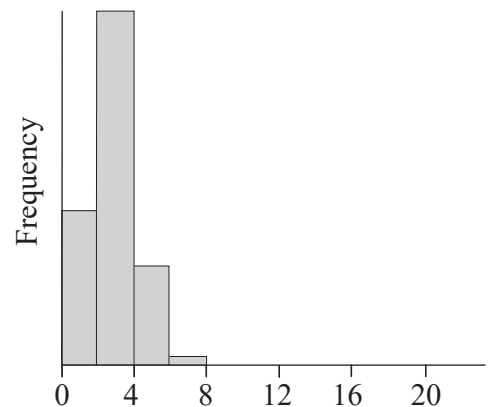


A number of samples of size 10 were randomly selected from this distribution and the sample means,  $\bar{x}$ , were recorded. The histogram that most likely represents the distribution of the sample means is

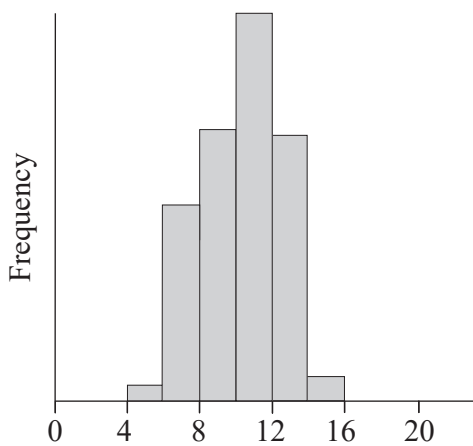
(A)



(B)



(C)



(D)

