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External assessment 2024

Question and response book

Specialist Mathematics

Paper 2 — Technology-active

Time allowed

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

General instructions

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

Section 1 (10 marks)

- 10 multiple choice questions

Section 2 (50 marks)

- 9 short response questions



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Section 1

Instructions

- This section has 10 questions and is worth 10 marks.
- Use a 2B pencil to fill in the A, B, C or D answer bubble completely.
- Choose the best answer for Questions 1–10.
- If you change your mind or make a mistake, use an eraser to remove your response and fill in the new answer bubble completely.

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Ensure you have filled an answer bubble for each question.

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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 nine questions and is worth 50 marks.
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QUESTION 11 (4 marks)

A company claims that the mean battery life of their latest model of smartphone is 9.5 hours.

To test this claim, the battery lives of a random sample of 40 of the smartphones were measured.

A sample mean of 9.31 hours and a standard deviation of 0.52 hours were calculated from this data.

- a) Determine an approximate 95% confidence interval for μ . Give your answer to at least two decimal places. *[1 mark]*

- b) Determine an approximate 99% confidence interval for μ . Give your answer to at least two decimal places. *[1 mark]*

A manager comments that either confidence interval could be used to support the company's claim.

- c) Use your results from Questions 11a) and 11b) to evaluate the reasonableness of the manager's comment. Justify your decision using mathematical reasoning. *[2 marks]*

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QUESTION 12 (4 marks)

A system of linear equations is given by

$$x - 2y - 2z = -6$$

$$-3x - y + z = 2$$

$$2x + 3y - 5z = 10$$

- a) Express the system of equations as a matrix equation of the form $AX = B$, where A is a 3×3 matrix and both X and B are 3×1 column vectors. *[1 mark]*

- b) Use matrix algebra to express X in terms of A and B . *[1 mark]*

- c) Use your result from Question 12b) to determine the solution of the system of equations. *[1 mark]*

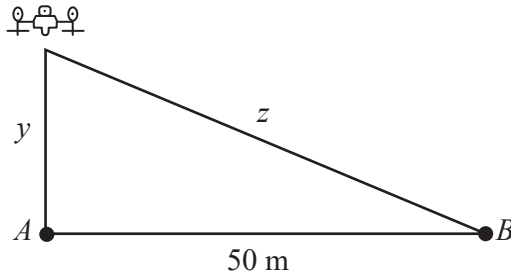
- d) Verify your result from Question 12c) using one of the given linear equations. *[1 mark]*

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QUESTION 13 (5 marks)

A drone travels vertically from point A at a constant speed of 8 m s^{-1} over time t for $t \geq 0$ seconds. Observation of the drone is made from point B , which is 50 m horizontally from point A . When the drone is y metres above point A , it is z metres from point B as shown.

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- a) Determine an equation expressing z^2 in terms of y^2 . [1 mark]

- b) State the value of $\frac{dy}{dt}$. [1 mark]

- c) Use your results from Questions 13a) and 13b) to determine the rate at which z is increasing with respect to time when the drone is 20 metres above point A . [3 marks]

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QUESTION 14 (5 marks)

The height of Year 12 students at a school is normally distributed, with a mean height of 168.6 cm and standard deviation of 12.7 cm.

The heights of a random sample of 20 of these students are recorded.

- a) Explain why it can be assumed that the sample means for random samples of the heights of students from this school are normally distributed. [1 mark]

- b) Determine the probability that the mean height of this sample will be greater than 170 cm. [2 marks]

There is a 75% probability that the mean height of this sample will lie within $\pm h$ cm of the population mean.

- c) Determine $P(\bar{X} \geq 168.6 + h)$. [1 mark]

- d) Use your result from Question 14c) to determine the value of h . [1 mark]

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QUESTION 15 (8 marks)

The vectors representing the position (m) of particles A and B are given by $r_A = (4t - 9)\hat{i} - 2(5 - t)\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}$ and $r_B = (t^2 + 1)\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + (4 - at^2)\hat{k}$ respectively, where t is the time of motion for $0 \leq t \leq 10$ seconds.

- a) Show that particle A passes through the point $P(5, -3, -8)$. [2 marks]

- b) Given that particle B also passes through point P , determine the value of a . [2 marks]

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c) Determine the vector that represents the displacement of particle B relative to particle A during the given time of motion. Express your answer in simplest form. *[1 mark]*

d) Use your result from Question 15c) to determine the shortest distance between particles A and B during the given time of motion. *[3 marks]*

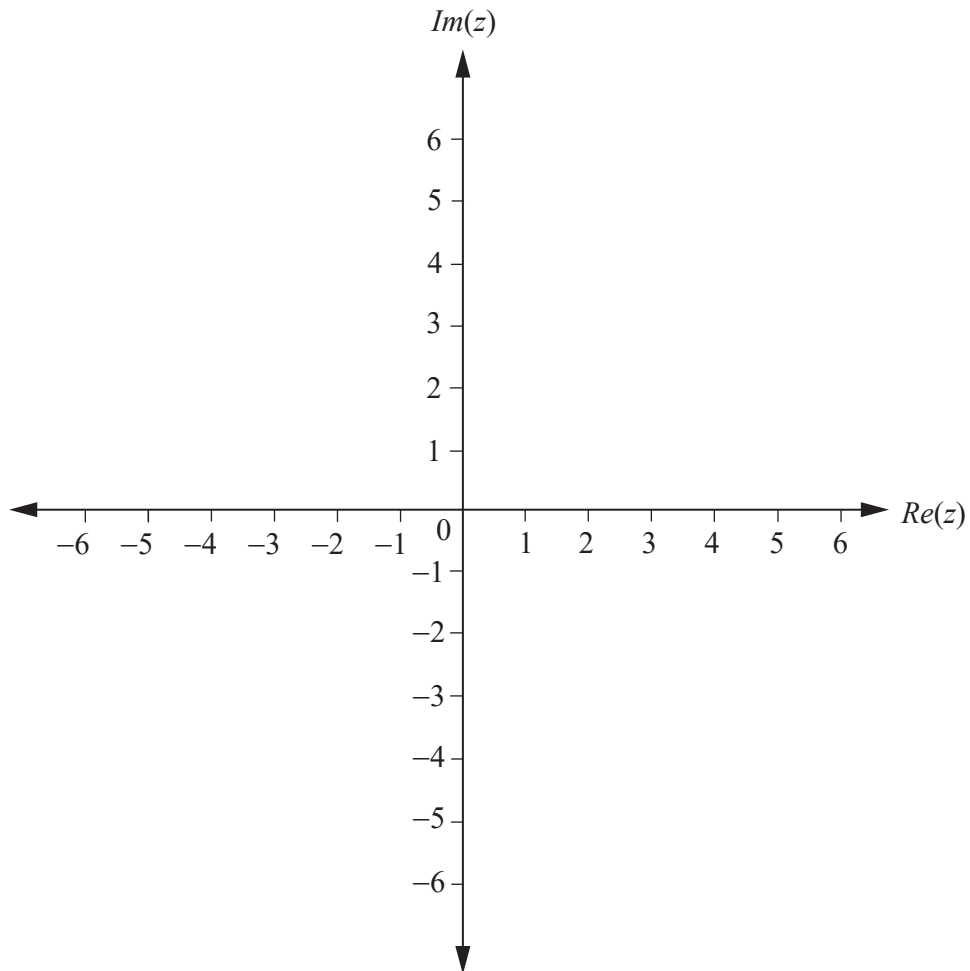
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QUESTION 16 (6 marks)

Two subsets of the complex plane are $S = \{z : |z-1| = 4\}$ and $T = \left\{z : \arg(z+i) = \frac{\pi}{3}\right\}$, where $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Determine the complex number/s where S and T intersect. Leave your answer/s in Cartesian form.

Provide an Argand diagram with a sketch of subsets S and T as part of your solution.



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QUESTION 18 (6 marks)

A random variable X is normally distributed, with a known mean μ and standard deviation σ . In figure 1, the shaded region between 4 and μ represents 30% of the distribution of X .

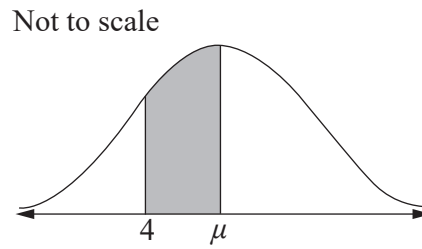


Figure 1

Consider the distribution of \bar{X} based on repeated random sampling of X using a certain sample size. In figure 2, the shaded region between μ and 6 represents 30% of the distribution of \bar{X} .

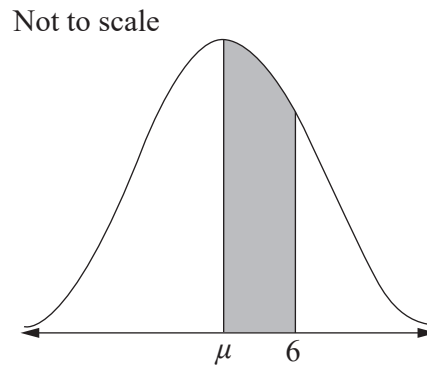


Figure 2

Given $P(4 \leq \bar{X} \leq 6) \approx 0.77$, determine $P(4 \leq X \leq 6)$.

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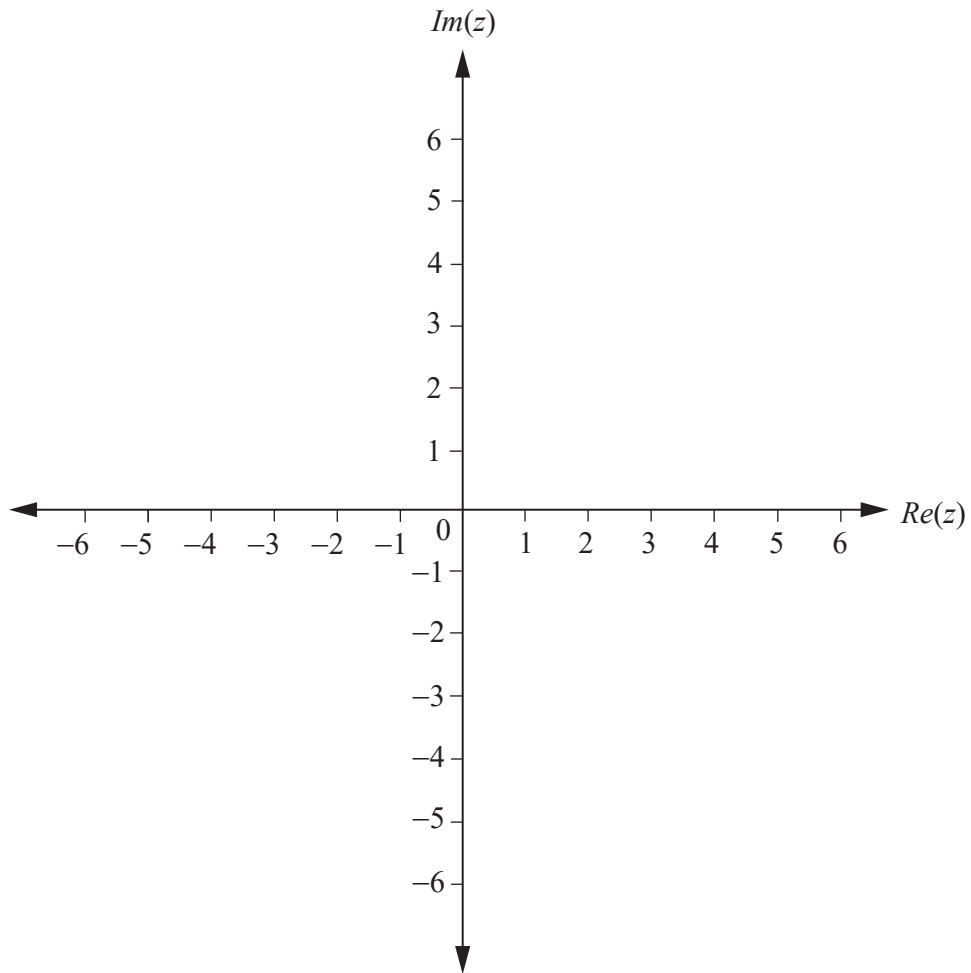
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ADDITIONAL RESPONSE SPACE FOR QUESTION 16

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