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Mathematics

Paper 1

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Total

300 marks

Sample Instructions

There are two sections in this examination paper:

Section A	Concepts and Skills	150 marks	6 questions
Section B	Contexts and Applications	150 marks	3 questions

Answer questions as follows:

In Section A, answer all six questions.
In Section B, answer all three questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. There is space for extra work at the back of the booklet. You may also ask the superintendent for more paper. Label any extra work clearly with the question number and part.

The superintendent will give you a copy of the booklet of *Formulae and Tables*. You must return it at the end of the examination.

You are not allowed to bring your own copy into the examination.

Marks will be lost if all necessary work is not clearly shown.

Answers should include the appropriate units of measurement, where relevant.

Answers should be given in simplest form, where relevant.

Write the make and model of your calculator(s) here:

Section A Concepts and Skills 150 Marks

Answer **all six** questions from this section.

Question 1 (25 Marks)

(a) Plot the function $f(x)$ on the attached graph.

$$f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 9x + 22$$

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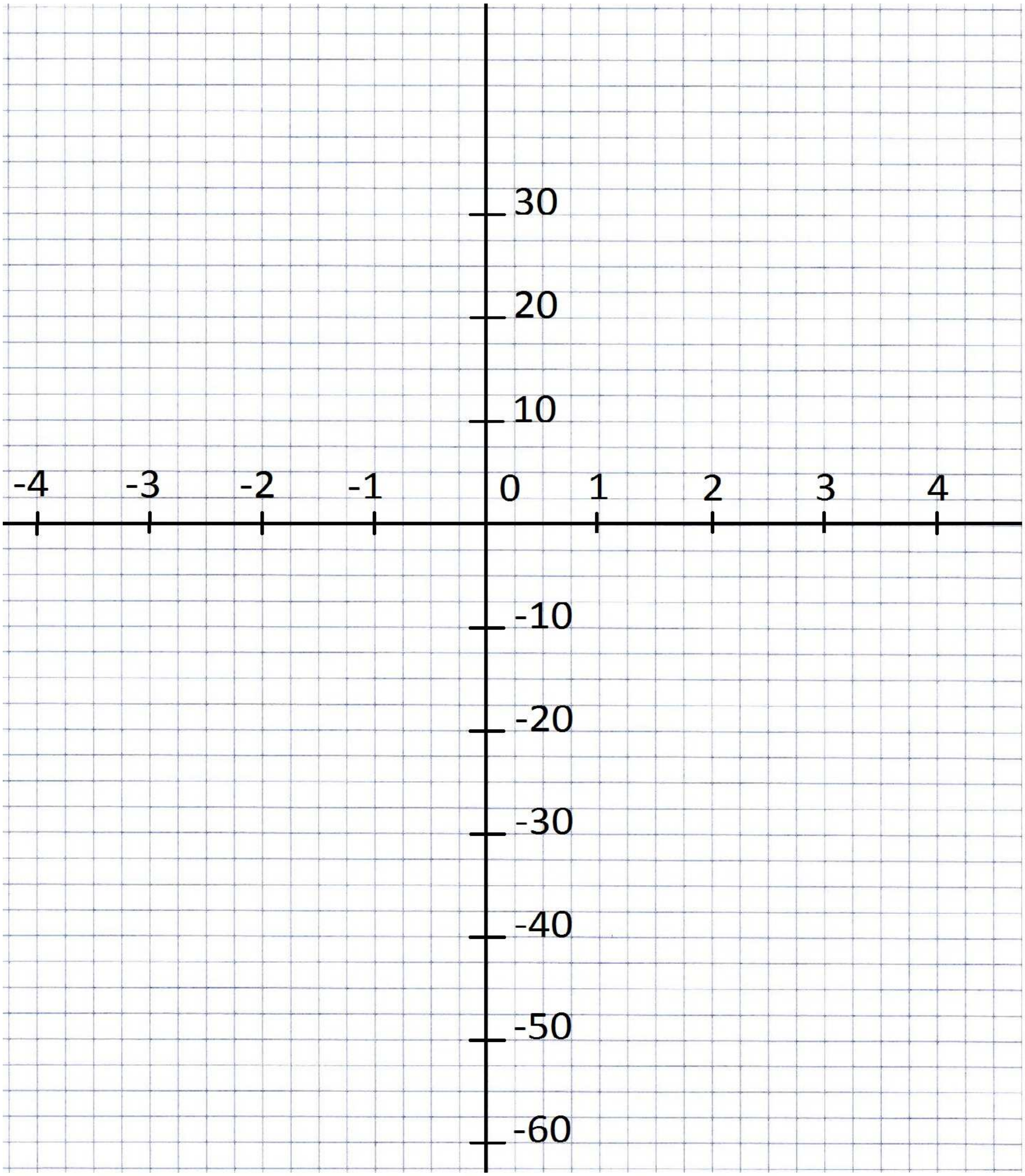
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(b) Identify one root on the graph and calculate the other 2 roots. Express the roots in the format $\dfrac{a+b\sqrt{c}}{d}$

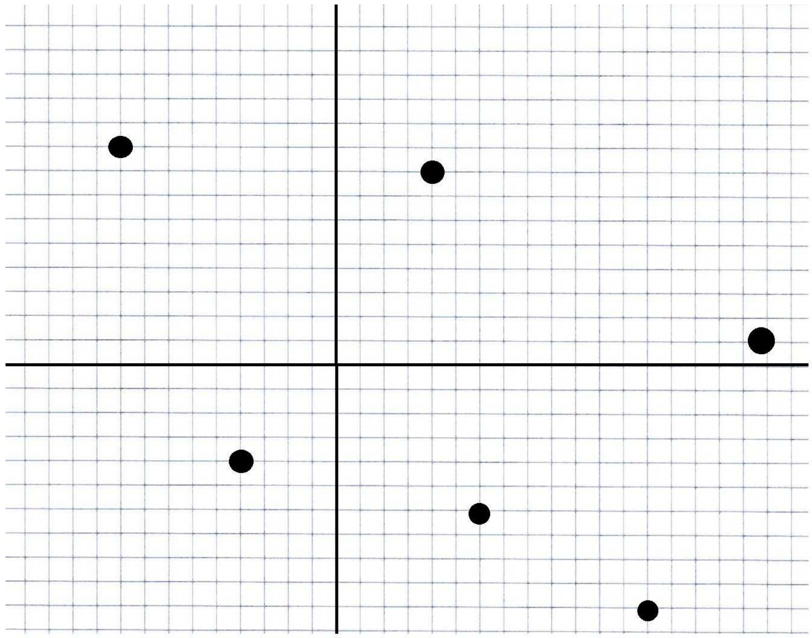
(c) Calculate the coordinates of the turning points and place the points on the graph

Question 2 **(25 Marks)**

Consider the three complex numbers

$$z_1 = 1 + 2i \qquad z_2 = -1 - i \qquad z_3 = 1 + 2\sqrt{3} + i\left(2 - \sqrt{3}\right)$$

(a) Identify the 3 numbers z_1, z_2 and z_3 on the graph. Justify your answer.



(b) Calculate the complex number z_4 which represents the point z_2 after a clockwise 90 degrees rotation and a factor 3 enlargement. Place the point of the graph and calculate $|z_4 - z_2|$.

(c) Calculate the ratio $\frac{z_3}{z_1}$. Calculate the modulus and argument of this ratio

Question 3 (25 Marks)

The population of Ireland was 3.63 million in 1996 and 4.58 million in 2011. The population can be modelled with an exponential function,

$$P(t) = Ae^{b \times t}$$

where A is in million, t is in years and t=0 corresponds to 1996.

(a) Calculate A and b. Use four significant figures.

(b) What will be the population in 2017? Give your answer with 4 significant digits.

(c) What is the rate of change of the population in 2020?

(d) In what year will the population reach 5.5 million?

Question 4 **(25 Marks)**

Consider the function

$$f(x) = e^{x \sin x}$$

(a) Where is the function defined? Show that $f(-x) = f(x)$.

(b) Show that for $x \geq 0$

$$e^{-x} \leq f(x) \leq e^{x}$$

(c) Show that the first order derivative of $g(x) = x \sin x$ is $g'(x) = \sin x + x \cos x$. Hence calculate the first order derivative of f

(d) Prove that turning points are solutions of the equation

$$x = -\tan(x)$$

and show that x=0 is a turning point.

Question 5 (25 Marks)

Mark is setting up a retirement fund for his pension. The pension scheme is designed in such a way that he will receive annual payments of €40,000 for 30 years. He starts saving for his pension 35 years before retiring.

(a) Mark has to choose between an annual rate of 7% or a monthly rate of 0.5%. Calculate the corresponding annual rate (use two digit precision for the % value). What solution should Mark prefer?

(b) How much money needs to be in the retirement fund on the day that Mark retires in order to fund the 30 annual payments of €40,000 with payments made at the beginning of the year.? Round up your result to the nearest euro. Take an annual rate of 7%. Justify your answer in terms of present value.

(c) How much should Mark deposit annually at the beginning of each year to ensure that he has adequate funds in his retirement account on the day he retires? Justify the answer in terms of future value and round up your results to the nearest euro. Payments are made at the beginning of every year. Take an annual rate of 7%.

Question 6 (25 Marks)

Consider the series

$$u_n = 6^n + 4$$

(a) Calculate u_0, u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4

(b) Show that for $n \geq 1$, u_n is even.

(c) Prove by induction that u_n can always be divided by 5

Section B Contexts and Applications 150 Marks

Answer **all three** questions from this section.

Question 7 (50 Marks)

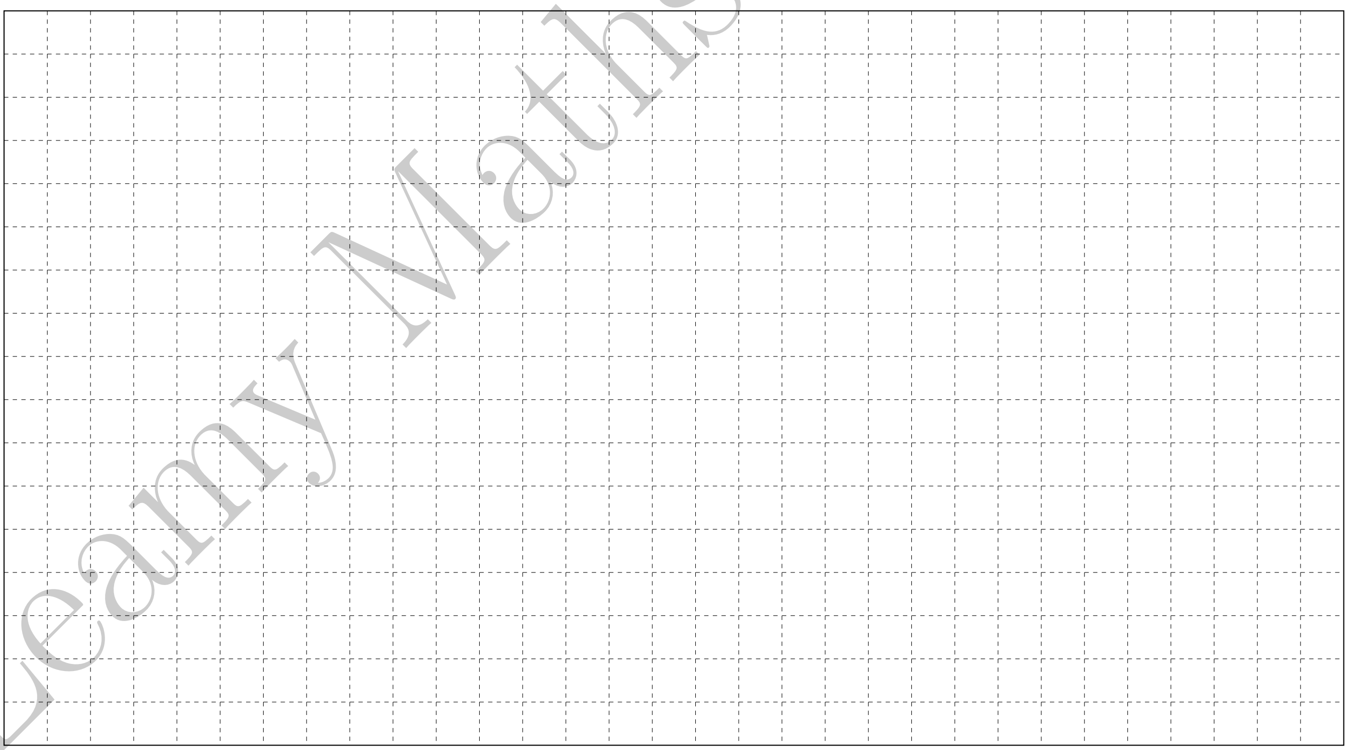
Aoife wants to build the model of a bridge. She first needs to draw a cross section on the attached graph. The body of the bridge is a rectangle $(-6,0)$, $(-6,4)$, $(6,4)$, $(6,0)$. The arch of the bridge is represented by a function of the form

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

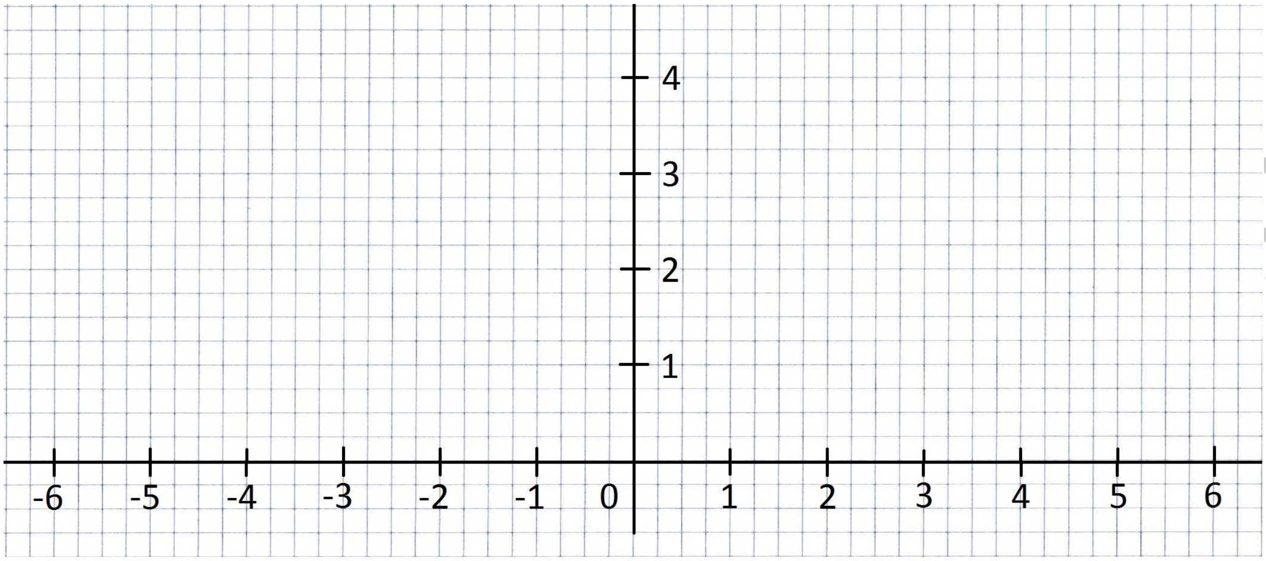
All values are in cm.

(a) The arch of the bridge passes through point $(-4,0)$, and has a turning point at $(0,2)$. Solve for a, b and c to show that the arch of the bridge is represented by the function

$$f(x) = 2 - \frac{x^2}{8}$$



(b) Hence draw the bridge on the graph below [5 points].



(c) Aoife wants to build a 3 dimensional model of the bridge. All faces will be painted with a very inexpensive material. However, she plans to use an expensive golden paint on one of the cross sections of the bridge. The paint costs €25 per square centimetre. Calculate the area of the cross section and then specify how much the paint will cost. Give all results as a fraction and then approximate the cost value to the nearest euro.

(d) Since the paint is so expensive, Aoife would like to put her model in a plexiglass casing with a cuboid (rectangular solid) shape. For aesthetic reasons, she would like the case to be 1cm deep, (18+2x) cm long and (6-x) cm wide. Calculate the area of plexiglass necessary to build the case.

(e) Hence find the size of case that minimises the area of plexiglass necessary. Calculate the area in square cm.

(f) Alternatively, Aoife could select the value of x that maximises the volumes enclosed in the plexiglass. Calculate this value and the corresponding area of plexiglass necessary to build the case.

Question 8 (45 Marks)

In a lab, water droplets are simulated. They are produced by introducing small spheres of radius $r = 0.01$ mm in a very moist environment. The volume of the sphere increases at a rate of $\frac{\pi}{2}$ mm$^3/s$

(a) Find the rate of change of the radius as a function of r expressed in mm and calculate the value at $r = 1$mm.

(b) Find the rate of change of the surface area when $r = 2\text{mm}$

(c) The conditions are such that the volume of the sphere is actually

$$V(t) = 20\left(1 - e^{-0.1t}\right)$$

where V is in mm^3.

(i) According to this model, what is the maximum volume that can be reached by the droplet? Justify your answer. (Hint: Consider the function as $t \to \infty$)

(ii) Calculate the time the volume reaches V=10 mm^3. Give your result with two significant digits.

(iii) Calculate the rate of change of the volume. At what time will the volume vary at the rate of $\frac{\pi}{2}$ mm$^3/s$? Give your result with two significant digits.

Question 9 (55 Marks)

(a) Given that

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 + a^2} = \frac{1}{a}\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$$

show that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1 + x^2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

(b) Show that

$$\left(1+x^2\right)\left(1-x^2+x^4-x^6+x^8\right)=1+x^{10}$$

hence show that

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2}=1-x^2+x^4-x^6+x^8-\frac{x^{10}}{1+x^2}$$

(c) Using the results of part (b), show that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9}\right) - err(x) \qquad \text{where} \qquad err(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{x^{10}}{1+x^2}$$

(d) Since

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

prove that

$$\pi = 4\left(\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9}\right) - err(x)\right)$$

and calculate the approximation of π with 3 digit precision assuming the $err(x) \approx 0$.

(e) The error term is between the upper and lower values

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x^{10}}{2} dx \leq err(x) \leq \int_0^1 x^{10} dx$$

(You are not required to show this). Calculate the upper and lower values of this inequality given by the integrals. Using the formula in part (d), give the corresponding interval including π

(f) Generalising the method, it is possible to show that the difference between the upper and lower estimation of π is

$$Diff(n) = \frac{2}{2n+1}$$

where n is the number of terms used in the sum (you are not required to prove this). How many terms are required to calculate π with a difference between the upper and lower estimation lower than 0.0001. Is it possible to do this estimation manually?

(g) Another approximation of π was developed in the middle age

$$\pi = \sqrt{12} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \left(\frac{\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^k}{2k+1} \right)$$

- Calculate the value for $n = 0$, $n = 1$, $n = 2$, $n = 3$ accurate to 5 digits

- A study of the series shows that for $n = 3$, the error committed when using the first 3 terms of the sum verifies

$$err(3) \leq \frac{\sqrt{12}}{3} \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^k}$$

(you are not required to prove this formula). Calculate the maximum value for this error and the corresponding upper and lower approximations of π.

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