



Semester One Examination, 2021

Question/Answer booklet

**MATHEMATICS  
SPECIALIST  
UNIT 1**

**SOLUTIONS**

**Section One:  
Calculator-free**

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Your name

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**Time allowed for this section**

Reading time before commencing work: five minutes

Working time: fifty minutes

Number of additional  
answer booklets used  
(if applicable):

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**Materials required/recommended for this section**

***To be provided by the supervisor***

This Question/Answer booklet

Formula sheet

***To be provided by the candidate***

Standard items: pens (blue/black preferred), pencils (including coloured), sharpener, correction fluid/tape, eraser, ruler, highlighters

Special items: nil

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## Structure of this paper

Section	Number of questions available	Number of questions to be answered	Working time (minutes)	Marks available	Percentage of examination
Section One: Calculator-free	8	8	50	50	35
Section Two: Calculator-assumed	13	13	100	97	65
<b>Total</b>					100

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3. You must be careful to confine your answers to the specific question asked and to follow any instructions that are specific to a particular question.
4. Show all your working clearly. Your working should be in sufficient detail to allow your answers to be checked readily and for marks to be awarded for reasoning. Incorrect answers given without supporting reasoning cannot be allocated any marks. For any question or part question worth more than two marks, valid working or justification is required to receive full marks. If you repeat any question, ensure that you cancel the answer you do not wish to have marked.
5. It is recommended that you do not use pencil, except in diagrams.
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Section One: Calculator-free

35% (50 Marks)

This section has **eight** questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Working time: 50 minutes.

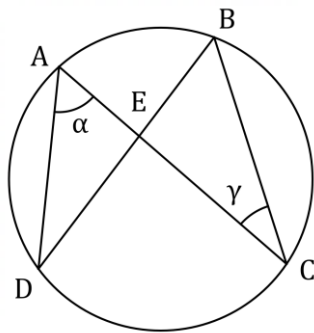
Question 1

(5 marks)

(a) In the circle shown, chords  $AC$  and  $BD$  intersect at  $E$ ,  $\angle ADE = 27^\circ$  and  $\angle DEC = 84^\circ$ .

Determine the size of angles  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$ .

(2 marks)

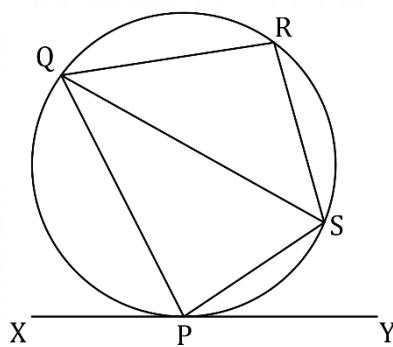


Solution
$\gamma = \angle ADE = 27^\circ$
$\alpha = 84^\circ - 27^\circ = 57^\circ$
Specific behaviours
✓ value of $\alpha$
✓ value of $\gamma$

(b) In the circle below,  $PQRS$  is a cyclic quadrilateral and  $XY$  is a tangent to the circle at  $P$ .

Given that  $\angle XPQ = 72^\circ$  and  $\angle PQS = 53^\circ$ , determine  $\angle QRS$ .

(3 marks)



Solution
Alternate segment: $\angle SPY = \angle PQS = 53^\circ$
Angle on a line: $\angle QPS = 180^\circ - 72^\circ - 53^\circ = 55^\circ$
Opposite angles: $\angle QRS = 180^\circ - 55^\circ = 125^\circ$
Specific behaviours
✓ states $\angle SPY$ or $\angle QSP$
✓ calculates $\angle QPS$
✓ calculates $\angle QRS$

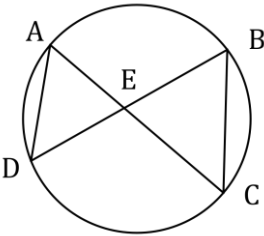
## Question 2

(6 marks)

Points  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  lie on the circumference of a circle so that the chords  $AC$  and  $BD$  intersect at point  $E$ .

- (a) Sketch a diagram to show triangle  $ADE$  and triangle  $BCE$  and prove that they are similar.

(4 marks)

Solution

$\angle DAE = \angle CBE$ (angles stand on same arc)
$\angle AED = \angle BEC$ (vertically opposite angles)
Hence triangles are similar as three pairs of equal angles.
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ neat, labelled sketch</li> <li>✓ one pair of angles, with reason</li> <li>✓ second pair of angles, with reason</li> <li>✓ summary, using AAA reasoning</li> </ul>

- (b) In the case when the lengths of  $BE, CE$  and  $DE$  are 7 cm, 4 cm and 6 cm respectively, determine the length of  $AE$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
Using intersecting chord theorem or similar triangles from (a):
$AE \times 4 = 6 \times 7$ $AE = 10.5 \text{ cm}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ indicates appropriate method</li> <li>✓ calculates length</li> </ul>

## Question 3

(6 marks)

Let  $\mathbf{a} = 3\mathbf{i} - 6\mathbf{j}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$ .(a) Determine  $|2\mathbf{a} + 3\mathbf{b}|$ .

(3 marks)

Solution
$2\mathbf{a} + 3\mathbf{b} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $= \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ $= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}$ $ 2\mathbf{a} + 3\mathbf{b}  = \sqrt{90} = 3\sqrt{10}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ calculates multiple</li> <li>✓ calculates sum</li> <li>✓ calculates magnitude</li> </ul>

(b) Determine the vectors  $\mathbf{m}$  and  $\mathbf{n}$  given that  $2\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{m} - \mathbf{n}$  and  $2\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a} = 2\mathbf{m} + \mathbf{n}$ .

(3 marks)

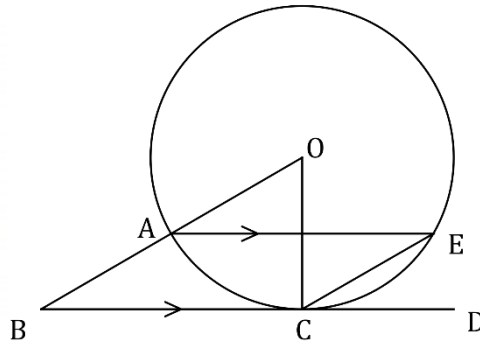
Solution
<p>Adding equations to eliminate <math>\mathbf{n}</math>:</p> $\mathbf{a} + 3\mathbf{b} = 3\mathbf{m}$ $\mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{3} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$ $= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{m} - 2\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}$ $= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $= \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ eliminates one vector</li> <li>✓ calculates <math>\mathbf{m}</math></li> <li>✓ calculates <math>\mathbf{n}</math></li> </ul>

**Question 4****(4 marks)**

In the diagram,  $BD$  is a tangent at  $C$  to the circle with centre  $O$ ,  $OB$  intersects the circle at  $A$  and chord  $AE$  is parallel to tangent  $BD$ .

Determine the size of  $\angle ECD$  when the size of  $\angle ABC = 38^\circ$ .

Justify your answer.



<b>Solution</b>
Using angle between radius and tangent property: $\angle BOC = 90^\circ - 38^\circ = 52^\circ$
Using angle at centre and circumference on same arc property: $\angle AEC = \frac{1}{2}(52^\circ) = 26^\circ$
Using alternate angle property: $\angle ECD = \angle AEC = 26^\circ$
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ angle at centre</li> <li>✓ angle on circumference</li> <li>✓ justifies both above properties</li> <li>✓ correct angle</li> </ul>

**Question 5**

**(8 marks)**

- (a) Determine the vector(s) that are parallel to  $7\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$  and have the same magnitude as  $4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$ .

**(4 marks)**

Solution
Magnitudes: $ 7, 1  = 5\sqrt{2}, \quad  4, -3  = 5$ Unit vector in required direction: $\hat{\mathbf{a}} = \frac{1}{5\sqrt{2}}(7, 1)$ Hence vectors are: $\pm \frac{5}{5\sqrt{2}}(7, 1) = \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}, -\frac{7\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ both magnitudes</li> <li>✓ unit vector in required direction</li> <li>✓ one required vector</li> <li>✓ second vector in opposite direction</li> </ul>

- (b) Two vectors are  $2\mathbf{i} + (2\lambda + 1)\mathbf{j}$  and  $-7\mathbf{i} + (\lambda - 1)\mathbf{j}$ , where  $\lambda$  is a constant.

Determine the value(s) of  $\lambda$  so that the vectors are perpendicular.

**(4 marks)**

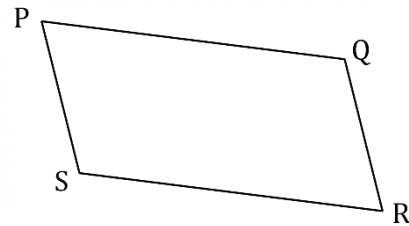
Solution
Require scalar product to be zero: $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2\lambda + 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ \lambda - 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$ $-14 + (2\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 1) = 0$ $2\lambda^2 - \lambda - 15 = 0$ $(2\lambda + 5)(\lambda - 3) = 0$ $\lambda = -2.5, \lambda = 3$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ equates scalar product to zero</li> <li>✓ calculates scalar product and expands</li> <li>✓ simplifies and factorises</li> <li>✓ states both values</li> </ul>

## Question 6

(6 marks)

The diagram shows parallelogram  $PQRS$ .

A theorem states that the sum of the squares of the lengths of the diagonals of a parallelogram is equal to the sum of the squares of the lengths of its sides.



- (a) Complete the following expression of the theorem using vector notation:

$$|\overrightarrow{PR}|^2 + |\overrightarrow{QS}|^2 =$$

Solution	
	$\dots =  \overrightarrow{PQ} ^2 +  \overrightarrow{QR} ^2 +  \overrightarrow{SR} ^2 +  \overrightarrow{PS} ^2$ <p>Allow <math>\overrightarrow{PQ}</math> or <math>\overrightarrow{QP}</math> or <math>2 \overrightarrow{PQ} ^2</math>, etc.</p>
Specific behaviours	
✓ correct expression and vector notation	

(1 mark)

- (b) Letting  $\overrightarrow{PQ} = \mathbf{q}$  and  $\overrightarrow{PS} = \mathbf{s}$ , use a vector method to prove the theorem.

(5 marks)

Solution	
<p>Note, for any vector <math>\mathbf{r}</math>: <math> \mathbf{r} ^2 = \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{r}</math>.</p>	
$\begin{aligned} LHS &=  \overrightarrow{PR} ^2 +  \overrightarrow{QS} ^2 \\ &=  \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{s} ^2 +  \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{s} ^2 \\ &= (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{s}) \cdot (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{s}) + (\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{s}) \cdot (\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{s}) \\ &= \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{s} - \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{s} \\ &=  \mathbf{q} ^2 +  \mathbf{s} ^2 +  \mathbf{q} ^2 +  \mathbf{s} ^2 \\ &=  \overrightarrow{PQ} ^2 +  \overrightarrow{QR} ^2 +  \overrightarrow{SR} ^2 +  \overrightarrow{PS} ^2 \\ &= RHS \end{aligned}$	
Specific behaviours	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ expresses <math> \overrightarrow{PR} </math> and <math> \overrightarrow{QS} </math> in terms of <math>\mathbf{q}</math> and <math>\mathbf{s}</math></li> <li>✓ uses scalar product to expand sums and differences</li> <li>✓ simplifies scalar products as magnitudes</li> <li>✓ expresses in terms of sides</li> <li>✓ logical presentation of proof using correct vector notation</li> </ul>	



**Question 7**

**(7 marks)**

Points  $A, B$  and  $C$  have position vectors  $(-5, -4)$ ,  $(7, 0)$  and  $(-2, 7)$  respectively.

- (a) Determine the position vector of  $M$ , the midpoint of  $A$  and  $B$ . (1 mark)

Solution
$\overrightarrow{OM} = \left( \frac{-5+7}{2}, \frac{-4+0}{2} \right) = (1, -2)$
Specific behaviours
✓ calculates position vector

- (b) Determine the vectors  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and  $\overrightarrow{CM}$ . (1 mark)

Solution
$\overrightarrow{AB} = (7, 0) - (-5, -4) = (12, 4)$
$\overrightarrow{CM} = (1, -2) - (-2, 7) = (3, -9)$
Specific behaviours
✓ calculates vectors

- (c) Show that  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and  $\overrightarrow{CM}$  are perpendicular. (2 marks)

Solution
$\overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{CM} = (12, 4) \cdot (3, -9) = 36 - 36 = 0$
Since scalar product is zero, then vectors are perpendicular.
Specific behaviours
✓ calculates scalar product ✓ interprets product

- (d) Hence, or otherwise, determine the area of triangle  $ABC$ . (3 marks)

Solution
$\overrightarrow{AB}$ is base of triangle and $\overrightarrow{CM}$ is perpendicular height: $A = \frac{1}{2}  \overrightarrow{AB}   \overrightarrow{CM} $ $= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 (3, 1)  \times 3 (1, -3) $ $= 6 \times \sqrt{10} \times \sqrt{10}$ $= 60 \text{ sq units}$
Specific behaviours
✓ identifies base and perpendicular height ✓ calculates magnitudes ✓ calculates area

## Question 8

(8 marks)

(a) Show that  $3 \binom{5}{2} = 5 \binom{4}{2}$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$LHS = 3 \times 10 = 30, \quad RHS = 5 \times 6 = 30 \Rightarrow LHS = RHS$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ expresses LHS as product and evaluates</li> <li>✓ expresses RHS as product and evaluates</li> </ul>

(b) Show that  $(n - k) \binom{n}{k} = n \binom{n - 1}{k}$  for all  $n$  and  $k$  that are positive integers,  $n > k$ .

(4 marks)

Solution
$\begin{aligned} LHS &= (n - k) \binom{n}{k} \\ &= \frac{(n - k)n!}{(n - k)! k!} \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n - k - 1)! k!} \\ &= \frac{n(n - 1)!}{([n - 1] - k)! k!} \\ &= n \binom{n - 1}{k} \\ &= RHS \end{aligned}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ expression using factorials for LHS</li> <li>✓ divides fraction by <math>n - k</math></li> <li>✓ factors <math>n</math> from numerator</li> <li>✓ expresses as RHS</li> </ul>

(c) Hence, or otherwise, evaluate  $\binom{60}{55}$ , given that  $\binom{59}{55} = 455\,126$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$\begin{aligned} (60 - 55) \binom{60}{55} &= 60 \binom{60 - 1}{55} \\ \binom{60}{56} &= 12 \times 455\,126 \\ &= 4\,551\,260 + 910\,252 \\ &= 5\,461\,512 \end{aligned}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ indicates appropriate method</li> <li>✓ correct value</li> </ul>

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