



General Certificate of Education  
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# Mathematics

# MFP4

## Unit Further Pure 4

Tuesday 15 June 2010 9.00 am to 10.30 am

**For this paper you must have:**

- the blue AQA booklet of formulae and statistical tables.  
You may use a graphics calculator.

**Time allowed**

- 1 hour 30 minutes

**Instructions**

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Write the question part reference (eg (a), (b)(i) etc) in the left-hand margin.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page.
- Show all necessary working; otherwise marks for method may be lost.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

**Information**

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 75.

**Advice**

- Unless stated otherwise, you may quote formulae, without proof, from the booklet.

- 1 The position vectors of the points  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$  are, respectively,

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Show that  $\mathbf{p}$ ,  $\mathbf{q}$  and  $\mathbf{r}$  are linearly dependent. (2 marks)
- (b) Determine the area of triangle  $PQR$ . (4 marks)
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2 Let  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 - 4x & 8 \\ 8x - 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) Find  $\mathbf{AB}$  in terms of  $x$ . (2 marks)
- (b) Show that  $\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{C}$  for some value of  $x$ . (5 marks)
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- 3 The plane  $\Pi_1$  is perpendicular to the vector  $9\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j} + 72\mathbf{k}$  and passes through the point  $A(2, 10, 1)$ .

- (a) Find, in the form  $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{n} = d$ , a vector equation for  $\Pi_1$ . (3 marks)
- (b) Determine the exact value of the cosine of the acute angle between  $\Pi_1$  and the plane  $\Pi_2$  with equation  $\mathbf{r} \cdot (\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}) = 11$ . (4 marks)
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- 4 The fixed points  $A$  and  $B$  and the variable point  $C$  have position vectors

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 - t \\ t \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

respectively, relative to the origin  $O$ , where  $t$  is a scalar parameter.

- (a) Find an equation of the line  $AB$  in the form  $(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{u}) \times \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ . (3 marks)
- (b) Determine  $\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}$  in terms of  $t$ . (4 marks)
- (c) (i) Show that  $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$  is constant for all values of  $t$ , and state the value of this constant. (2 marks)
- (ii) Write down a geometrical conclusion that can be deduced from the answer to part (c)(i). (1 mark)

- 5 Factorise fully the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ yz & zx & xy \end{vmatrix}$ . (8 marks)

- 6 The line  $L$  and the plane  $\Pi$  have vector equations

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 50 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -25 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \mu \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

respectively.

- (a) (i) Find direction cosines for  $L$ . (2 marks)  
 (ii) Show that  $L$  is perpendicular to  $\Pi$ . (3 marks)

- (b) For the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} 6p + 5q + r &= 9 \\ 2p + 3q + 6r &= 8 \\ -9p + 4q + 2r &= 75 \end{aligned}$$

form a pair of equations in  $p$  and  $q$  only, and hence find the unique solution of this system of equations. (5 marks)

- (c) It is given that  $L$  meets  $\Pi$  at the point  $P$ .  
 (i) Demonstrate how the coordinates of  $P$  may be obtained from the system of equations in part (b). (2 marks)  
 (ii) Hence determine the coordinates of  $P$ . (2 marks)

- 7 The transformation  $T$  is represented by the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  with diagonalised form

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{U}^{-1}$$

where  $\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 27 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) (i) State the eigenvalues, and corresponding eigenvectors, of  $\mathbf{M}$ . (4 marks)  
 (ii) Find a cartesian equation for the line of invariant points of  $T$ . (2 marks)

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- (b) Write down  $\mathbf{U}^{-1}$ , and hence find the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  in the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$  are integers. (5 marks)

- (c) By finding the element in the first row, first column position of  $\mathbf{M}^n$ , prove that

$$4 \times 3^{3n+1} + 1$$

is a multiple of 13 for all positive integers  $n$ . (5 marks)

- 8 The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 16 \\ -9 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$  represents the transformation which is the composition, in either order, of the two plane transformations

E: an enlargement, centre  $O$  and scale factor  $k$  ( $k > 0$ )

and

S: a shear parallel to the line  $l$  which passes through  $O$

Show that  $k = 24$  and find a cartesian equation for  $l$ . (7 marks)

**END OF QUESTIONS**