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AS Level Further Mathematics B (MEI)

Y410/01 Core Pure

Worked Solutions

Printed Answer Booklet

Time allowed: 1 hour 15 minutes

You must have:

- Question Paper Y410/01 (inside this document)
- the Formulae Booklet for Further Mathematics B (MEI)
- a scientific or graphical calculator



R red level

- longer questions (6+ marks)
- higher level problem solving
- harder A Level content

A amber level

- shorter questions (3-6 marks)
- low level problem solving
- harder AS/easier A Level content

G green level

- short questions (1-3 marks)
- minimal problem solving
- AS/easier A Level content

E explanation

- Q1: Matrices ●
- Q2: Algebra ●
- Q3: Algebra, complex numbers ●
- Q4: Series ●
- Q5: Complex Numbers ●
- Q6: Matrices, Proof ●●
- Q7: Complex Numbers ●●
- Q8: Matrices ●●
- Q9: Matrices ●
- Q10: Vectors ●

Grade Boundaries

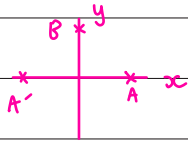
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Mark / 60	44	39	34	29	25	0

1 The transformation R of the plane is reflection in the line $x = 0$.

(a) Write down the matrix M associated with R .

$\hookrightarrow y$ -axis

[1]



so

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Find M^2 .

[1]

$$M^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} (= I)$$

(c) Interpret the result of part (b) in terms of the transformation R .

[1]

Since M^2 is the identity matrix, two reflections is the equivalent of the identity transformation.

2 In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

The equation $x^2 - kx + 2k = 0$, where k is a non-zero constant, has roots α and β .

Find $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ in terms of k , simplifying your answer.

[4]

First we simplify $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ using $\sum \alpha^2 = (\sum \alpha)^2 - 2\sum \alpha\beta$

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} = \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\sum \alpha^2}{\sum \alpha\beta} = \frac{(\sum \alpha)^2 - 2\sum \alpha\beta}{\sum \alpha\beta}$$

Now we find $\sum \alpha$ and $\sum \alpha\beta$

$$\sum \alpha = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{(-k)}{1} = k$$

$$\sum \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{2k}{1} = 2k$$

And sub these values into our expression.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} &= \frac{(k)^2 - 2(2k)}{2k} = \frac{k^2 - 4k}{2k} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}k - 2 \end{aligned}$$

3 In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

The function $f(z)$ is given by $f(z) = 2z^3 - 7z^2 + 16z - 15$.

By first evaluating $f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$, find the roots of $f(z) = 0$.

[6]

First find $f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$ and use factor theorem

$$f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 - 7\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + 16\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - 15$$

$$= \frac{27}{4} - \frac{63}{4} + 24 - 15$$

$$= 0 \quad \therefore \text{by factor theorem, as } f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 0,$$

$$\left(z - \frac{3}{2}\right) \text{ is a factor of } f(z).$$

$$\Rightarrow (2z - 3) \text{ is a factor.}$$

Now factorise $f(z)$ using the fact that $(2z - 3)$ is a factor.

$$\begin{array}{r} z^2 - 2z + 5 \\ 2z - 3 \overline{) 2z^3 - 7z^2 + 16z - 15} \\ \underline{-(2z^3 - 3z^2)} \\ -4z^2 + 16z - 15 \\ \underline{-(-4z^2 + 6z)} \\ 10z - 15 \\ \underline{-(10z - 15)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

→ Long Division

Solve for z .

$$\text{So } f(z) = (2z - 3)(z^2 - 2z + 5) = 0$$

$$z = \frac{3}{2}, \quad z = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 5}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2}$$

$$= 1 \pm 2i$$

hence roots of $f(z) = 0$ are

$$\frac{3}{2}, \quad 1 + 2i, \quad 1 - 2i$$

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- 4 You are given that $\sum_{r=1}^n (ar+b) = n^2$ for all n , where a and b are constants.

By finding $\sum_{r=1}^n (ar+b)$ in terms of a , b and n , determine the values of a and b .

[6]

As stated in the question, first we find $\sum (ar+b)$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n ar + b = a \sum_{r=1}^n r + b \sum_{r=1}^n 1$$

$$= a \left(\frac{1}{2}n(n+1) \right) + b(n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}an^2 + \frac{1}{2}an + bn$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}an^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}a + b \right)n$$

So we can write that $\frac{1}{2}an^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}a + b \right)n = n^2$

$$\frac{1}{2}a = 1 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

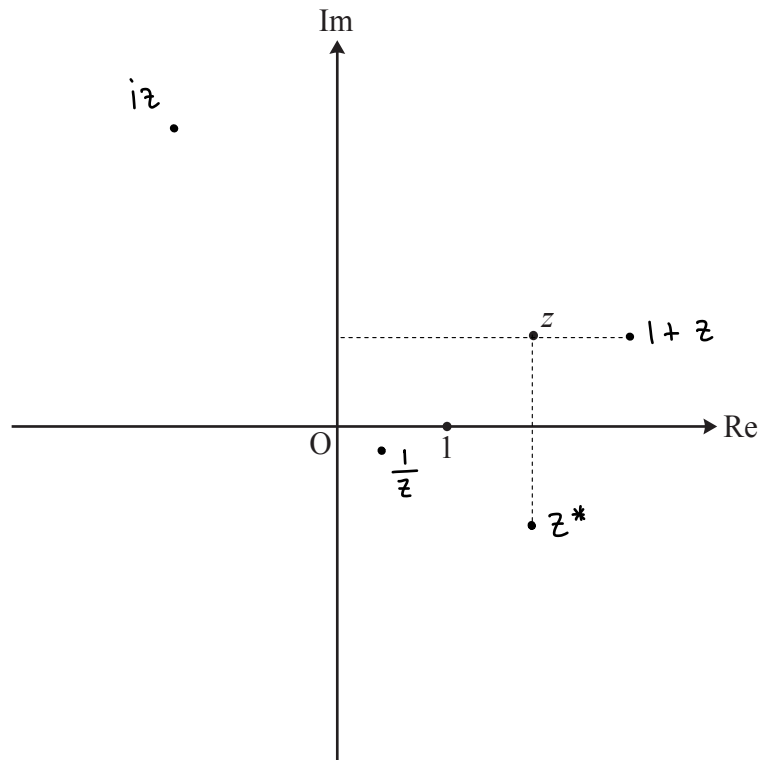
$$\frac{1}{2}(2) + b = 0$$

$$b = -1$$

hence $a = 2, b = -1$

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5 The Argand diagram below shows the points representing 1 and z , where $|z| = 2$.



Mark the points representing the following complex numbers on the copy of the diagram in the Printed Answer Booklet, labelling them clearly.

- z^* this is the complex conjugate, so is a reflection of z in the Re axis.
- $\frac{1}{z}$ the new modulus is the reciprocal of the modulus of z .
- $1+z$ this is a horizontal translation of 1 unit to the right.
- iz this is a rotation of z anticlockwise by 90° about the origin. [4]

6 The matrix M is $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

(a) Calculate M^2 , M^3 and M^4 .

[2]

$$M^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ -4 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Hence make a conjecture about the matrix M^n .

[1]

$$M^n = \begin{pmatrix} n+1 & n \\ -n & -n+1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{using the results in a})$$

(c) Prove your conjecture. \leftarrow we can ONLY do this by induction. [5]

Step one: base case

$$\text{When } n=1, \quad M^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1+1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1+1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\therefore true for $n=1$

Step two: assumption

$$\text{Assume true for } n=k, \text{ so } M^k = \begin{pmatrix} k+1 & k \\ -k & -k+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step three: inductive step

Using the assumed result for $n=k$,

$$\begin{aligned} M^{k+1} &= M^k M \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} k+1 & k \\ -k & -k+1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2k+2 & -k & k+1 \\ -2k+k-1 & -k & \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (k+1)+1 & k+1 \\ -(k+1) & -(k+1)+1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \therefore \text{true for } n=k+1 \end{aligned}$$

Step four: conclusion

If the result is true for $n=k$, it is true for $n=k+1$. Since it is true for $n=1$, it is true for all positive integer values of n .

G 7 In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

The complex number $\sqrt{3} + i$ is denoted by z .

(a) By expanding $(\sqrt{3} + i)^5$, express z^5 in the form $a + bi$ where a and b are real and exact. [3]

Expand using a binomial expansion.

$$(\sqrt{3} + i)^5 = (\sqrt{3})^5 + {}^5C_1 \times (\sqrt{3})^4 \times (i)^1 + {}^5C_2 \times (\sqrt{3})^3 \times (i)^2 \\ + {}^5C_3 \times (\sqrt{3})^2 \times (i)^3 + {}^5C_4 \times (\sqrt{3}) \times (i)^4 \\ + (i)^5$$

$$= 9\sqrt{3} + 45i - 30\sqrt{3} - 30i + 5\sqrt{3} + i$$

$$= -16\sqrt{3} + 16i$$

$$a = -16\sqrt{3}$$

$$b = 16$$

G (b) (i) Express z in modulus-argument form. [3]

First we find the modulus and argument of z .

$$|z| = \sqrt{(\sqrt{3})^2 + (1)^2} = 2 \quad (\text{using } |z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2})$$

$$\arg z = \arctan \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{6} \quad (\text{using } \arg z = \arctan \frac{b}{a})$$

Now write in $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ form

$$\text{hence } z = 2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

A (ii) Hence find z^5 in modulus-argument form. [2]

Using $\arg z_1 z_2 = \arg z_1 + \arg z_2$,

$$\arg z^5 = \arg z + \arg z + \dots + \arg z$$

$$\arg z^5 = 5 \arg z \Rightarrow \arg z^5 = \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$\text{So } z^5 = 2^5 \left(\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$z^5 = 32 \left(\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{6} \right)$$

G (iii) Use this result to verify your answers to part (a). [2]

Now we just expand out ii)

$$\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sin \frac{5\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{hence } z^5 = 32 \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i \right) = -16\sqrt{3} + 16i \quad \text{as before}$$

8 The equations of three planes are

$$\begin{aligned}2x + y + 3z &= 3, \\3x - y - 2z &= 2, \\-4x + 3y + 7z &= k,\end{aligned}$$

where k is a constant.

(a) By considering a suitable determinant, show that the planes do **not** meet at a single point. [2]

In matrix form,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \\ -4 & 3 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ k \end{pmatrix}$$

Using the calculator, the determinant of the coefficient matrix is zero. Hence it is singular, so has no inverse and hence the planes do not meet at a single point.

(b) Given that the planes form a sheaf, determine the value of k . [4]

First we need to reduce the system to a system in terms of two unknowns.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Plane } \textcircled{1} + \text{Plane } \textcircled{2}: & 2x + y + 3z + 3x - y - 2z = 3 + 2 \\ & 5x + z = 5 \quad \textcircled{A}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}3 \times \text{Plane } \textcircled{2} + \text{Plane } \textcircled{3}: & 9x - 3y - 6z - 4x + 3y + 7z = 6 + k \\ & 5x + z = 6 + k \quad \textcircled{B}\end{aligned}$$

For the planes to form a sheaf, \textcircled{A} and \textcircled{B} must be consistent, so $5 = 6 + k$
 $\Rightarrow k = -1$

R

- 9 A transformation T of the plane is represented by the matrix $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} k+1 & -1 \\ 1 & k \end{pmatrix}$, where k is a constant.

Show that, for all values of k , T has no invariant lines through the origin.

[6]

First we need to set-up $\mathbf{M} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} k+1 & -1 \\ 1 & k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x(k+1) - y = x'$$

$$x + ky = y'$$

Invariant lines through the origin has the form $y = mx$.

So (x, mx) is mapped to (x', mx') .

So substituting in $y' = mx'$ and $y = mx$,

$$x(k+1) - mx = x' \quad \text{A}$$

$$x + mkx = mx' \quad \text{B}$$

Substituting A into B,

$$x + mkx = m(kx + x - mx)$$

$$x + mkx = mkx + mx - m^2x$$

$$m^2x - mx + x = 0$$

$$x(m^2 - m + 1) = 0$$

So now we need to consider the nature of $m^2 - m + 1 = 0$. If it has no real roots, no invariant lines through the origin exist.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{discriminant} &= (-1)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 1 \\ &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

Hence as the discriminant is less than zero, it has no real roots. So \mathbf{M} has no invariant lines through the origin. as required

R

- 10 The plane P has normal vector $2\mathbf{i} + a\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$, where a is a positive constant, and the point $(3, -1, 1)$ lies in P. The plane $x - z = 3$ makes an angle of 45° with P.

Find the cartesian equation of P.

[7]

First we use the angle between the planes.

Recall that $\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}|}$.

Since the angle between the planes is 45° , the angle between the normals to the planes is 45° .

Hence
$$\cos 45^\circ = \frac{2(1) + a(0) - 1(-1)}{\sqrt{2^2 + a^2 + 1^2} \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{5+a^2} \sqrt{2}}$$

cross multiply

$$2\sqrt{5+a^2} = 6 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{divide by 2 and square} \\ \hline 5+a^2 = 9 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$a^2 = 4 \Rightarrow a = \pm 2$$

Since a is positive, $a = 2$.

Recall that the cartesian form of a plane is given by $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{n}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2x + 2y - z = 6 - 2 - 1$$

$2x + 2y - z = 3$ ← this is the required cartesian form of a plane

