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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



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

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

Grade Boundaries

Grade	A	B	C	D	E	U
Mark / 60	38	31	24	17	10	0

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- 1 Using standard summation formulae, find $\sum_{r=1}^n (r^2 - 3r)$, giving your answer in fully factorised form. [3]

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 - 3r = \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 - 3 \sum_{r=1}^n r \quad \text{using } \sum ar^2 + br = a \sum r^2 + b \sum r$$

In the formula book, $\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$
 and recall $\sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$. So

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1) - 3\left(\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}n(n+1) \left[(2n+1) - 9 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n-8) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{factorise fully} \\ \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{3}n(n+1)(n-4) \end{aligned}$$

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- 2 The equation $3x^2 - 4x + 2 = 0$ has roots α and β .

Find an equation with integer coefficients whose roots are $3 - 2\alpha$ and $3 - 2\beta$.

[3]

So we want an equation, in terms of z , that has roots $3 - 2\alpha$, $3 - 2\beta$. So $z = 3 - 2x$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}(3 - z)$$

Now sub this into our equation in x and simplify.

$$3\left(\frac{1}{2}(3-z)\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{1}{2}(3-z)\right) + 2 = 0$$

$$3(3-z)^2 - 8(3-z) + 8 = 0$$

$$3(9 - 6z + z^2) - 24 + 8z + 8 = 0$$

$$3z^2 - 18z + 27 + 8z - 16 = 0$$

$$3z^2 - 10z + 11 = 0$$

$\times 4$ so our equation has integer coefficients

3 Three planes have the following equations.

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

$$x - 4y + 2z = 1,$$

$$-3x - 2y + 3z = 14.$$

(a) (i) Write the system of equations in matrix form.

[1]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & 2 \\ -3 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 14 \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii) Hence find the point of intersection of the planes.

[2]

Here we need to multiply both sides by the inverse of the coefficient matrix.

(we find this using the calculator)

$$(x \ M^{-1}) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 8 & -7 & 2 \\ 9 & -9 & 3 \\ 14 & -13 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 14 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

hence point of intersection = $(-1, 2, 5)$

(b) In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

Find the acute angle between the planes $2x - 3y + z = -3$ and $x - 4y + 2z = 1$.

[4]

Recall that the angle between two vectors is given by $\cos \theta = \frac{a \cdot b}{|a||b|}$.

So we can find the angle between the normal to the planes.

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2(1) - 3(-4) + 1(2)}{\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 1^2} \sqrt{1^2 + 4^2 + 2^2}} = \frac{16}{7\sqrt{6}} = \frac{8\sqrt{6}}{21}$$

$$\text{so } \theta = \arccos\left(\frac{8\sqrt{6}}{21}\right) = 21.070\dots = 21.1^\circ$$

We also know that the angle between the normals is equal to the angle between the planes.

So the angle between the planes is 21.1° .

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- 4 Anika thinks that, for two square matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} , the inverse of \mathbf{AB} is $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1}$. Her attempted proof of this is as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{AB})(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1}) &= \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BA}^{-1})\mathbf{B}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B})\mathbf{B}^{-1} \\ &= (\mathbf{AA}^{-1})(\mathbf{BB}^{-1}) \\ &= \mathbf{I} \times \mathbf{I} \\ &= \mathbf{I}\end{aligned}$$

Hence $(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^{-1}$

- (a) Explain the error in Anika's working.

[2]

Between line 1 and 2, Anika suggests that $\mathbf{BA}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}$. This is not correct as matrix multiplication is not commutative.

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- (b) State the correct inverse of the matrix \mathbf{AB} and amend Anika's working to prove this.

[3]

So the correct statement is $(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ (*)
to prove this,

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{AB})(\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}) & \quad (\text{this} = \mathbf{I} \text{ if } (*) \text{ is true}) \\ &= \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BB}^{-1})\mathbf{A}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{I})\mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad \rightarrow \text{remember } \mathbf{MM}^{-1} = \mathbf{I} \\ &= \mathbf{AA}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{I}\end{aligned}$$

5 Prove by induction that $\sum_{r=1}^n r \times 2^{r-1} = 1 + (n-1)2^n$ for all positive integers n . [5]

Step one: base case

$$\text{When } n=1, \sum_{r=1}^1 r \times 2^{r-1} = 1 \times 2^{1-1} = 1 \times 2^0 = 1$$

$$1 + (1-1)2^1 = 1 + 0 \times 2 = 1 \quad \therefore \text{true for } n=1.$$

Step two: assumption

$$\text{Assume true for } n=k, \text{ so } \sum_{r=1}^k r \times 2^{r-1} = 1 + (k-1)2^k$$

Step three: inductive step

Using the assumed result for $n=k$,

$$\sum_{r=1}^{k+1} r \times 2^{r-1} = \sum_{r=1}^k r \times 2^{r-1} + (k+1) \times 2^{(k+1)-1}$$

$$= 1 + (k-1)2^k + (k+1)2^k$$

$$= 1 + 2^k [k-1 + k+1]$$

$$= 1 + 2k \times 2^k$$

$$= 1 + k \times 2^{k+1}$$

$$= 1 + ((k+1)-1)2^{(k+1)}$$

\therefore true for $n=k+1$.

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 .

- 6 A transformation T of the plane has associated matrix $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda+1 \\ \lambda-1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, where λ is a non-zero constant.

(a) (i) Show that T reverses orientation.

[3]

First let find $\det M$.

$$\begin{aligned} \det M &= 1(-1) - (\lambda+1)(\lambda-1) \\ &= -1 - (\lambda^2 - 1) \\ &= -\lambda^2 \end{aligned}$$

Orientation is reversed if $\det M < 0$.

Since $\lambda > 0$, $\lambda^2 > 0$. So $\det M < 0$ for all $\lambda > 0$, and hence orientation is always reversed.

(ii) State, in terms of λ , the area scale factor of T .

[1]

The magnitude of $\det M$ represents the area scale factor of T .

So area scale factor of T is λ^2

(b) (i) Show that $\mathbf{M}^2 - \lambda^2 \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{0}$.

[2]

By finding \mathbf{M}^2 we can show this to be true.

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

hence $\mathbf{M}^2 = \lambda^2 \mathbf{I}$

$$\mathbf{M}^2 - \lambda^2 \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{0} \quad \leftarrow \text{required result}$$

(ii) Hence specify the transformation equivalent to two applications of T .

[1]

Two applications of M is M^2 . So since $M^2 = \lambda^2 \mathbf{I}$, the transformation represented by the matrix $\lambda^2 \mathbf{I}$ is the answer.

So enlargement about the origin scale factor λ^2

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(c) In the case where $\lambda = 1$, T is equivalent to a transformation S followed by a reflection in the x -axis.

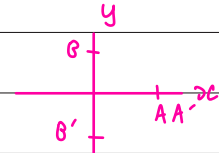
(i) Determine the matrix associated with S .

[3]

When $\lambda = 1$, $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Also, a reflection in the x -axis is

is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$



Remember that if T is A then B , then $T = BA$.

So $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

matrix for $S = \frac{1}{-1} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\left[\times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \right]$

hence associated matrix with S is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

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(ii) Hence describe the transformation S .

[2]

Since $(1, 0)$ is invariant and $(0, 1)$ maps to $(2, 1)$,
 S is a shear.

So transformation S is a shear,

x -axis fixed,

with $(0, 1)$ mapping to $(2, 1)$

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- 7 (a) (i) Find the modulus and argument of z_1 , where $z_1 = 1+i$. [2]

$$|z_1| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2} \quad (\text{using } |z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2})$$

$$\arg(z_1) = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{1}\right) = \arctan 1 = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad (\text{using } \arg z = \arctan \frac{b}{a})$$

↑ we do not need to adjust this as z is in the 1st Quadrant.

$$\text{modulus} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{argument} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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- (ii) Given that $|z_2| = 2$ and $\arg(z_2) = \frac{1}{6}\pi$, express z_2 in $a+bi$ form, where a and b are exact real numbers. [2]

We can write z_2 in mod-arg form, $r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)$, and convert this into an $a+bi$ form.

$$z_2 = 2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$= 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i \times \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

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

hence $z_2 = \sqrt{3} + i$

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- (b) Using these results, find the exact value of $\sin \frac{5}{12}\pi$, giving the answer in the form $\frac{\sqrt{m} + \sqrt{n}}{p}$, where m , n and p are integers. [5]

We can consider $z_1 z_2$ in both $a+bi$ and mod-arg form.

$$z_1 z_2 = (1+i)(\sqrt{3}+i) = \sqrt{3} + i + i\sqrt{3} + i^2 \quad \downarrow \text{using } i^2 = -1$$

$$= (-1 + \sqrt{3}) + (1 + \sqrt{3})i$$

Also, $|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$ and $\arg z_1 z_2 = \arg z_1 + \arg z_2$

So $|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2| = \sqrt{2} \times 2 = 2\sqrt{2}$

$$\arg(z_1 z_2) = \arg z_1 + \arg z_2 = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{5}{12}\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1 z_2 = 2\sqrt{2} \left(\cos \frac{5}{12}\pi + i \sin \frac{5}{12}\pi \right)$$

Setting these equal to each other,

$$2\sqrt{2} \cos \frac{5}{12}\pi + 2\sqrt{2} i \sin \frac{5}{12}\pi = (-1 + \sqrt{3}) + (1 + \sqrt{3})i$$

Equating the imaginary parts, $2\sqrt{2} \sin \frac{5}{12}\pi = 1 + \sqrt{3}$

$$\sin \frac{5}{12}\pi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (\text{rationalising the denominator})$$

$$\sin \frac{5}{12}\pi = \frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4}$$

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8 In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

The equation $x^3 + kx^2 + 15x - 25 = 0$ has roots α , β and $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$. Given that $\alpha > 0$, find, in any order,

- the roots of the equation,
- the value of k .

[7]

First we can consider $\sum \alpha\beta$ and $\sum \alpha\beta\gamma$ to find α and β , and thus the roots.

Using $\sum \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$ (product of two roots)

$$\alpha\beta + \alpha\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right) + \beta\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right) = \frac{15}{1}$$

$$\alpha\beta + \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \alpha = 15$$

$$\alpha^2 + \alpha\beta^2 + \alpha\beta = 15\beta \quad \text{(*)}$$

Using $\sum \alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a}$ (product of roots)

$$\alpha \times \beta \times \frac{\alpha}{\beta} = -\frac{(-25)}{1}$$

$$\alpha^2 = 25$$

$$\alpha = \pm 5 \quad \text{since } \alpha > 0, \quad \alpha = 5$$

subbing into (*), $5^2 + 5\beta^2 + 5\beta = 15\beta$

$$5\beta^2 - 10\beta + 25 = 0$$

$$\beta^2 - 2\beta + 5 = 0$$

$$\beta = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 5}}{2(1)}$$

$$= 1 \pm 2i$$

So if $\beta = 1 + 2i$, $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} = \frac{5}{1+2i} \times \frac{1-2i}{1-2i} = 1-2i$

$\beta = 1 - 2i$, $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} = \frac{5}{1-2i} \times \frac{1+2i}{1+2i} = 1+2i$

hence roots are 5, $1+2i$, $1-2i$

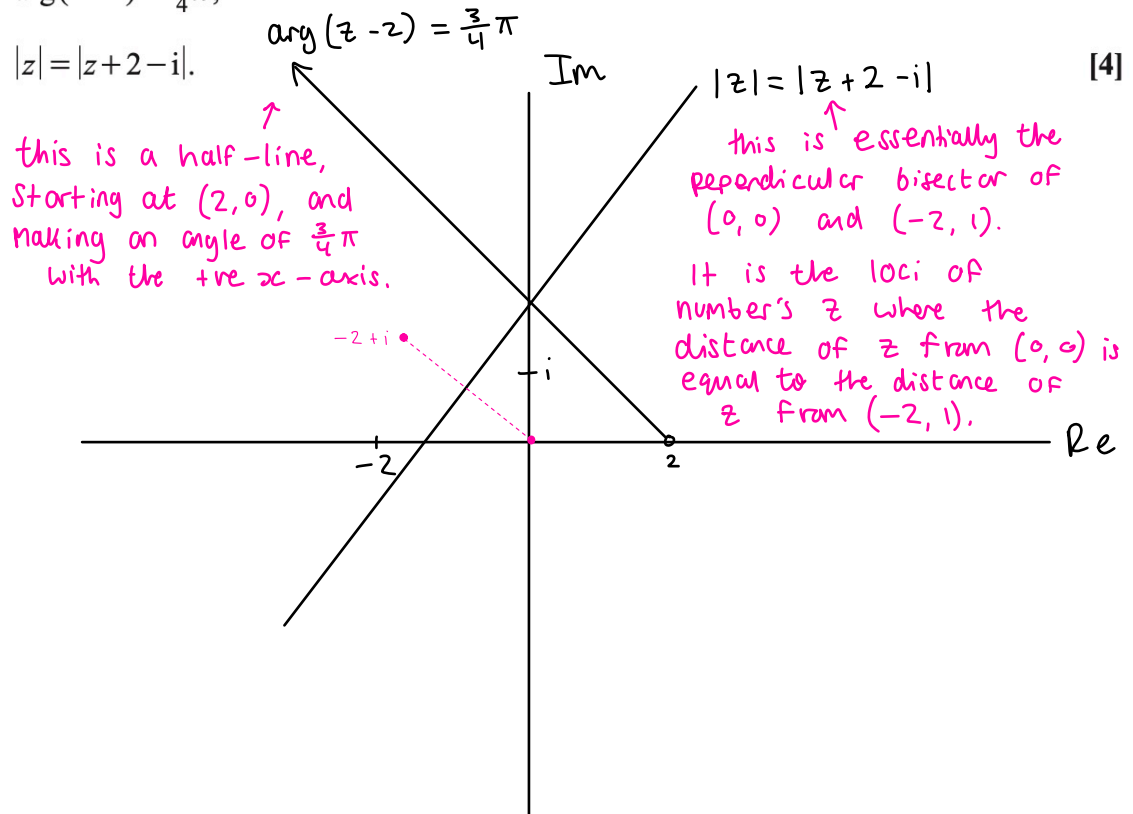
We find k using $\sum \alpha = -\frac{b}{a}$

$$5 + 1 + 2i + 1 - 2i = -\frac{k}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow -k = 7 \Rightarrow k = -7$$

9 (a) On a single Argand diagram, sketch the loci defined by

- $\arg(z-2) = \frac{3}{4}\pi$,
- $|z| = |z+2-i|$.



(b) In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

The point of intersection of the two loci in part (a) represents the complex number w .

Find w , giving your answer in exact form.

[5]

Here we need to find cartesian equations for both loci and solve them simultaneously to find intersection.

$\arg(z-2) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$: line with $m = -1$, passing through $(2, 0)$

$$y - 0 = -1(x - 2)$$

$$y = -x + 2$$

$|z| = |z+2-i|$: perp bisector of $(0, 0)$ and $(-2, 1)$

$$m_1 = -\frac{1}{2}, \text{ so } m_2 = 2 \quad (m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x})$$

$$\text{midpoint} = \left(-1, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{so } y - \frac{1}{2} = 2(x + 1)$$

$$y = 2x + \frac{5}{2}$$

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9(b) (continued)

Solving these simultaneously,

$$2x + \frac{5}{2} = -x + 2$$

$$3x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{6}$$

$$\text{and } y = -\left(-\frac{1}{6}\right) + 2 = \frac{13}{6}$$

hence $w = -\frac{1}{6} + \frac{13}{6}i$

