

*Mini-Prelim Examination 2008 / 2009*  
*(Assessing Unit 3 + Units 1 & 2 Revision )*

# **MATHEMATICS**

## **Advanced Higher Grade**

**Time allowed - 1 hour 20 minutes**

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### **Read Carefully**

1. Calculators may be used in this paper.
2. Candidates should answer **all** questions
3. **Full credit will only be given where the solution contains appropriate working**

**All questions should be attempted**

1.  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ 2 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $R = P - 2Q$ .

Find  $R^{-1}$ , the inverse of  $R$ .

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2. Obtain algebraically the fixed point of the iterative scheme given by

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{5} \left\{ 4x_n - \frac{27}{x_n^2} \right\}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

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3. (a) The line  $l$  has equation  $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z-1}{-2}$ . This line meets the plane  $\pi$  with equation  $2x - y - 4z = 9$  at the point  $T$ .

Find the coordinates of  $T$ .

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(b) Find the size of the angle between the line  $l$  and the plane  $\pi$ .

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(c) A second plane  $\alpha$  is parallel to the plane  $\pi$  and the line  $l$  meets the plane  $\alpha$  at the point  $R(-5, -9, 5)$ .

Find the equation of the plane  $\alpha$ .

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4. (a) Show that  $e^{\int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx} = \sec x$ .

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(b) (i) Find the general solution of the first order linear differential equation

$$\cos x \frac{dy}{dx} + (\sin x)y = 2 \cos^3 x \sin x - 1, \quad 0 \leq x < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

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(ii) Find the particular solution corresponding to the condition  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 3\sqrt{2}$ .

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5. Prove by induction that  $\sum_{r=1}^n \frac{3}{(3r-1)(3r+2)} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3n+2}$  for all positive integers  $n$ .

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State the value of the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  of  $\sum_{r=1}^n \frac{3}{(3r-1)(3r+2)}$ .

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6. Express the integer 271 in base 6. 3

7. Find the Maclaurin expansion of  $\ln(1+x)$  as far as the term in  $x^4$ . 3

**Given** that the Maclaurin expansion of  $\ln(\cos x)$  as far as the term in  $x^4$  is  $-\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{12}$ ,  
find the Maclaurin expansion as far as the term in  $x^4$  of  $\ln(\cos x + x \cos x)$ . 3

8. (a) Given  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , find  $AB$ . 1

(b) **Hence** solve the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} 4x + y - 2z &= 1 \\ -x + z &= -2 \\ 2x + y - z &= 5. \end{aligned} \quad \text{3}$$

9. Find the general solution of the differential equation

$$4 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 3x + 4.$$

Find the particular solution corresponding to the initial conditions  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -3$

and  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 4$  when  $x = 0$ . 10

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