

# HKDSE Mathematics 2021 Core Paper 1 – Suggested Solution

Section A(1)	[35]
<p>1. <math>(\alpha\beta^3)(\alpha^{-2}\beta^4)^5</math>  <math>= (\alpha\beta^3)(\alpha^{-10}\beta^{20})</math>  <math>= \alpha^{-9}\beta^{23}</math>  <math>= \frac{\beta^{23}}{\alpha^9}</math></p>	[3]
<p>2. <math>\frac{4-3a}{b} = 5</math>  <math>4-3a = 5b</math>  <math>-3a = 5b-4</math>  <math>a = \frac{4-5b}{3}</math></p>	[3]
<p>3. (a) <math>6x^2 + xy - 2y^2</math>  <math>= (2x - y)(3x + 2y)</math></p> <p>(b) <math>8x - 4y - 6x^2 - xy + 2y^2</math>  <math>= 8x - 4y - (2x - y)(3x + 2y)</math>  <math>= 4(2x - y) - (2x - y)(3x + 2y)</math>  <math>= (2x - y)(4 - 3x - 2y)</math></p>	[1]  [2]
<p>4. (a) <math>\frac{7(x-2)}{5} + 11 &gt; 3(x-1)</math>  <math>7x - 14 &gt; 15x - 70</math>  <math>-8x &gt; -56</math>  <math>x &lt; 7</math></p> <p>Also,  <math>x + 4 \geq 0</math>  <math>x \geq -4</math></p> <p><math>\therefore</math> The required range is <math>-4 \leq x &lt; 7</math>.</p> <p>(b) 6</p>	[3]  [1]
<p>5. Let <math>x</math> and <math>3x</math> and <math>3x</math> be the number of stickers owned by the girl and the boy respectively and boy respectively. <math>2(3x - 20) = x + 20</math>  <math>2(3x - 20) = x + 20</math>  <math>6x - 40 = x + 20</math>  <math>x = 12</math></p> <p><math>\therefore</math> The required number = <math>12 + 36 = 48</math>.</p>	[4]

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6. Let  $x$  be the cost of the shirt.

$$(x + 80) \times 90\% = x \times (1 + 30\%)$$

$$0.9x + 72 = 1.3x$$

$$x = 180$$

$\therefore$  The required marked price is \$260.

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7. (a)  $\angle POQ$

$$= 140^\circ - 80^\circ$$

$$= 60^\circ$$

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(b)  $\therefore$  Note that  $\triangle OPQ$  is an equilateral triangle

$$\therefore r = 21$$

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(c) The perimeter of  $\triangle OPQ$

$$= 3(21)$$

$$= 63$$

[2]

8. (a)  $\angle CAE = \angle BDE$

(given)

$$\angle AEC = \angle DEB$$

(common  $\angle$ )

$$\angle ACE = \angle DBE$$

( $\angle$  sum of  $\triangle$ )

$$\triangle ACE \sim \triangle DBE$$

(AAA)

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(b) (i)  $\therefore AC^2 + AE^2$

$$= 25^2 + 60^2$$

$$= 4225$$

$$= 65^2$$

$$= CE^2$$

$\therefore \triangle ACE$  is a right-angled triangle.

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(ii)  $\frac{DE}{AE} = \frac{BD}{AC}$

$$\frac{DE}{60} = \frac{15}{25}$$

$$DE = 36 \text{ cm}$$

Note that  $\angle BDE = 90^\circ$

The area of  $\triangle BDE$

$$= \frac{15(36)}{2}$$

$$= 270 \text{ cm}^2$$

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9.	(a)	$\frac{12 + k + 16}{12 + k + 16 + 9 + 11 + 4} = \frac{7}{10}$ $k = 28$	[2]
	(b)	The range $= 5$ The inter-quartile range $= 2$ The standard deviation $= 1.43$	[3]
<b>Section A(2)</b>			<b>[35]</b>
10.	(a)	Let $f(x) = k_1(x + 4)^2 + k_2$ $\therefore f(-3) = 0$ and $f(2) = 105$ $\therefore \begin{cases} m + n = 0 \\ 36m + n = 105 \end{cases}$ Solving, we have $k_1 = 3$ and $k_2 = -3$ . $\therefore f(x) = 3(x + 4)^2 - 3$ $\therefore f(0) = 45$	[3]
	(b)	(i) $48$ (ii) Put $y = 0$ $3(x + 4)^2 = 0$ $x = -4$ $\therefore$ The $x$ -intercept of $G$ is $-4$ .	[1] [2]
11.	(a)	The mean $= \frac{1(15) + 2(9) + 3(2) + 4(5) + 5(4) + 6(2) + 7(5)}{15 + 9 + 2 + 5 + 4 + 2 + 5}$ $= 3$	[2]
	(b)	The median and the mode are 2 and 1 respectively. $\therefore$ The median and the mode of the distribution are not equal.	[2]
	(c)	(i) $42$ (ii) $11$ (iii) $10$	[1] [1] [1]

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12. (a) Let  $p(x) \equiv (x^2 + x + 1)(2x^2 - 37) + cx + c - 1$ .

$$p(5) = 0$$

$$(5^2 + 5 + 1)(2(5^2) - 37) + 5c + c - 1 = 0$$

$$6c + 402 = 0$$

$$c = -67$$

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(b)  $p(x)$

$$= (x^2 + x + 1)(2x^2 - 37) - 67x - 68$$

$$= 2x^4 + 2x^3 - 35x^2 - 104x - 105$$

$$p(-3)$$

$$= 2(-3)^4 + 2(-3)^3 - 35(-3)^2 - 104(-3) - 105$$

$$= 0$$

$\therefore x + 3$  is a factor of  $p(x)$ .

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(c) By (b), we have  $p(x) = 2x^4 + 2x^3 - 35x^2 - 104x - 105$ .

By long division, we have

$$p(x) = (x + 3)(x - 5)(2x^2 + 6x + 7).$$

$$p(x) = 0$$

$$(x + 3)(x - 5)(2x^2 + 6x + 7) = 0$$

$$x = -3, x = 5 \text{ or } 2x^2 + 6x + 7 = 0$$

$$\Delta = 6^2 - 4(2)(7)$$

$$= -20$$

$$< 0$$

$\therefore$  The roots of the equation  $2x^2 + 6x + 7 = 0$  are not real numbers.

$\therefore$  The claim is not correct.

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13. (a) Note that  $G(6, 8)$ .

$$OG$$

$$= \sqrt{(6 - 0)^2 + (8 - 0)^2}$$

$$= 10$$

[2]

(b) The radius of  $C$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(-12)^2 + (-16)^2 + 4(69)}$$

$$= 13$$

$$> OG$$

$\therefore O$  lies inside  $C$ .

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- (c)  $\therefore$  Both  $M$  and  $N$  lie on  $\Gamma$   
 $\therefore OM = GM$  and  $ON = GN$

Also note that  $GM = GN = 13$ .

Therefore, we have  $OM = MG = GN = NO$

So, the quadrilateral  $OMGN$  is a rhombus.

Let  $A$  be the mid-point of  $OG$ .

Note that  $OG \perp MA$

$$\begin{aligned}GA \\&= \frac{1}{2}OG \\&= \frac{1}{2}(10) \\&= 5\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}MA \\&= \sqrt{GM^2 - GA^2} \\&= \sqrt{13^2 - 5^2} \\&= 12\end{aligned}$$

The required area

$$\begin{aligned}&= 4 \left( \frac{1}{2} (GA)(MA) \right) \\&= 4 \left( \frac{1}{2} (5)(12) \right) \\&= \mathbf{120}\end{aligned}$$

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14. (a) Let  $r$  cm be the base radius of  $Y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{24\pi r^2}{3} &= 800\pi \\r &= 10\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the base radius of  $Y$  is **10 cm**.

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(b)  $V_z$   
 $= \pi(10^2)(20) + 800\pi$

$$= 2800\pi \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\left(\frac{r_y}{r_z}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\frac{V_y}{V_z} = \frac{800}{2800} = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$\frac{V_y}{V_z} \neq \left(\frac{r_y}{r_z}\right)^3$$

$\therefore Y$  and  $Z$  are not similar.

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(c) The curved surface area of  $X$

$$= 2\pi(10)(20)$$

$$= 400\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

The curved surface area of  $Y$

$$= \pi(10)\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2}$$

$$= 260\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

Let  $h$  cm be the height of  $Z$ .

$$\frac{\pi(20^2)(h)}{3} = 2800\pi$$

$$h = 21$$

$\therefore$  the height of  $Z$  is 21 cm .

The curved surface area of  $Z$

$$= \pi(20)(\sqrt{20^2 + 21^2})$$

$$= 580\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

The sum of the curved surface area of  $X$  and the curved surface area of  $Y$

$$= 400\pi + 260\pi$$

$$= 660\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

$$> 580\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

$\therefore$  the claim is agreed.

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## Section B

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15. (a) The required number

$$= 10! 10!$$

$$= 3\,628\,800$$

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(b) The required probability

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{7! C_3^8 \times 3!}{10!} \\ &= \frac{7}{15} \end{aligned}$$

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16. (a)  $m_{L_1}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{6-3}{2-0} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

The equation of  $L_1$  is

$$y - 3 = \frac{3}{2}(x - 0)$$

$$3x - 2y + 6 = 0$$

The equation of  $L_2$  is

$$y - 6 = -\frac{2}{3}(x - 2)$$

$$2x + 3y - 22 = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{the system of inequalities is } \begin{cases} 3x - 2y + 6 \geq 0 \\ 2x + 3y - 22 \leq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

[3]

(b) Note that the vertices of  $R$  are the points  $(-2, 0)$ ,  $(2, 6)$  and  $(11, 0)$ .

$$\text{For } (-2, 0), \text{ we have } 8x - 5y = -16.$$

$$\text{For } (2, 6), \text{ we have } 8x - 5y = -14.$$

$$\text{For } (11, 0), \text{ we have } 8x - 5y = 88.$$

$$\therefore \text{The least value of } 8x - 5y \text{ is } -16$$

[2]

17. (a) Let  $A(n) = a + (n-1)d$ , where  $a$  and  $d$  are constant.

$$\text{Note that } a + 4d = 26 \text{ and } a + 11d = 61$$

$$\text{Solving, we have } a = 6 \text{ and } d = 5.$$

$$\text{Thus, } A(1) = a = 6.$$

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(b)  $\log_8(G(1)G(2)G(3)\cdots G(k)) < 999$

$$\frac{\log_2(G(1)G(2)G(3)\cdots G(k))}{\log_2 8} < 999$$

$$\log_2(G(1)G(2)G(3)\cdots G(k)) < 2997$$

$$\log_2 G(1) + \log_2 G(2) + \log_2 G(3) + \cdots + \log_2 G(k) < 2997$$

$$A(1) + A(2) + A(3) + \cdots + A(k) < 2997$$

$$\frac{k}{2}(2(6) + (k-1)(5)) < 2997$$

$$5k^2 + 7k - 5994 < 0$$

$$-35.33076667 < k < 33.93076667$$

$\therefore$  The greatest value of  $k$  is 33.

[5]

18. (a) Let  $P$  be a point lying on  $AD$  such that  $AB \parallel PC$ .

By sine formula, we have

$$\frac{CD}{\sin \angle CPD} = \frac{CP}{\sin \angle CDP}$$

$$\frac{CD}{\sin 50^\circ} = \frac{45}{\sin 70^\circ}$$

$$CD = 36.68433611$$

$$CD = 36.7 \text{ cm}$$

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(b) (i)  $AE = AB \cos \angle BAE = 45 \cos 50^\circ = 28.92544244 \text{ cm}$

$$DE = BC + CD \cos \angle CDE$$

$$= 40 + 36.68433611 \cos 70^\circ$$

$$= 52.54678189 \text{ cm}$$

$$AD = \sqrt{AE^2 + DE^2}$$

$$= 59.98204321 \text{ cm}$$

Note that  $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$ .

$$AC = \sqrt{AB^2 + BC^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{45^2 + 40^2}$$

$$= 60.20797289 \text{ cm}$$

By cosine formula, we have

$$\cos \angle CAD = \frac{AC^2 + AD^2 - CD^2}{2(AC)(AD)}$$

$$\angle CAD = 35.54210789^\circ$$

$$\angle CAD = 35.5^\circ$$

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- (ii) Let  $N$  be the foot of the perpendicular from  $A$  to  $CD$ .

The angle between the plane  $ACD$  and the plane  $BCDE$  is  $\angle ANE$ .

$$\frac{(AN)(CD)}{2} = \frac{(AC)(AD) \sin \angle CAD}{2}$$

$$\frac{(AN)(36.68433611)}{2} = \frac{(60.20797289)(59.98204321) \sin 35.54210789^\circ}{2}$$

$$AN = 57.22631076 \text{ cm}$$

$$\sin \angle ANE = \frac{AE}{AN}$$

$$\sin \angle ANE = \frac{28.92544244}{57.22631076}$$

$$\angle ANE = 30.36169732^\circ$$

$$> 30^\circ$$

$\therefore$  the angle between the plane  $ACD$  and the plane  $BCDE$  exceeds  $30^\circ$ . [2]

19. (a)  $f(x)$

$$= x^2 - 12kx - 14x + 36k^2 + 89k + 53$$

$$= x^2 - 2(6k + 7)x + (6k + 7)^2 - (6k + 7)^2 + 36k^2 + 89k + 53$$

$$= (x - 6k - 7)^2 + 5k + 4$$

$$\therefore Q(6k + 7, 5k + 4).$$

[2]

- (b)  $(7 - 6k, 5k + 4)$

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- (c) (i)  $m_{QS} = \frac{5k + 4 - (4 - 3k)}{6k + 7 - 7} = \frac{4}{3}$

The required equation is

$$y - (4 - 3k) = \frac{4}{3}(x - 7)$$

$$4x - 3y - 9k - 16 = 0$$

- (ii) Let  $r$  be the radius of  $C$ .

Note that  $QS = RS$ .

$\therefore$  The coordinates of the centre of  $C$  are  $(7, 5k + 4 - r)$ .

$\therefore$  The equation of  $C$  is  $(x - 7)^2 + (y - 5k - 4 + r)^2 = r^2$

Putting  $y = \frac{4x - 16}{3} - 3k$  into  $(x - 7)^2 + (y - 5k - 4 + r)^2 = r^2$

$$(x - 7)^2 + \left( \frac{4x - 16}{3} - 3k - 5k - 4 + r \right)^2 = r^2$$

$$25x^2 + (24r - 192k - 350)x + 576k^2 - 144kr + 1344k - 168r + 1225 = 0$$

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$\therefore QS$  is a tangent to  $C$

$$\therefore \Delta = (24r - 192k - 350)^2 - 4(25)(576k^2 - 144kr + 1344k - 168r + 1225) = 0$$

$$r^2 + 9kr - 36k^2 = 0.$$

$$r = 3k \text{ or } r = -12k \text{ (rejected).}$$

$\therefore$  the equation of  $C$  is

$$(x - 7)^2 + (y - 5k - 4 + 3k)^2 = (3k)^2$$

$$(x - 7)^2 + (y - 2k - 4)^2 = 9k^2$$

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(iii) For  $ST \parallel VU$ ,  $m_{UV} = m_{QS}$ .

$$\frac{-14 - (2k + 4)}{-29 - 7} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$k = 15.$$

$$\therefore S(7, -41) \text{ and } U(7, 34)$$

$$m_{SV} = \frac{-14 - (-41)}{-29 - 7} = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{Note that } m_{QS} \times m_{SV} = -1$$

$$\therefore ST \perp SV$$

$$\therefore ST \perp TU$$

$$\therefore SV \parallel TU.$$

$$\therefore \text{When } k = 15, \text{ we have } ST \parallel VU, SV \parallel TU \text{ and } ST \perp TU.$$

$$\therefore \text{it is possible that } STUV \text{ is a rectangle.}$$

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