

# Sunday 27.11 [34 marks]

1. Consider the expansion of  $(8x^3 - \frac{1}{2x})^n$  where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Determine all possible values of  $n$  for which the expansion has a non-zero constant term. [5 marks]

## Markscheme

### EITHER

attempt to obtain the general term of the expansion

$$T_{r+1} = {}_n C_r (8x^3)^{n-r} \left(-\frac{1}{2x}\right)^r \quad \text{OR} \quad T_{r+1} = {}_n C_{n-r} (8x^3)^r \left(-\frac{1}{2x}\right)^{n-r} \quad \text{(M1)}$$

### OR

recognize power of  $x$  starts at  $3n$  and goes down by 4 each time (M1)

### THEN

recognizing the constant term when the power of  $x$  is zero (or equivalent) (M1)

$$r = \frac{3n}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad n = \frac{4}{3}r \quad \text{or} \quad 3n - 4r = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad 3r - (n - r) = 0 \quad \text{(or equivalent)}$$

**A1**

$r$  is a multiple of 3 ( $r = 3, 6, 9, \dots$ ) or one correct value of  $n$  (seen anywhere) (A1)

$$n = 4k, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \quad \text{A1}$$

**Note:** Accept  $n$  is a (positive) multiple of 4 or  $n = 4, 8, 12, \dots$

Do not accept  $n = 4, 8, 12$

**Note:** Award full marks for a correct answer using trial and error approach showing  $n = 4, 8, 12, \dots$  and for recognizing that this pattern continues.

[5 marks]

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{2x+6}{x^2+6x+10}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- 2a. Show that  $f(x)$  has no vertical asymptotes.

[3 marks]

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$$x^2 + 6x + 10 = x^2 + 6x + 9 + 1 = (x + 3)^2 + 1 \quad \mathbf{M1A1}$$

So the denominator is never zero and thus there are no vertical asymptotes.  
(or use of discriminant is negative)  $\mathbf{R1}$

**[3 marks]**

2b. Find the equation of the horizontal asymptote.

**[2 marks]**

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$x \rightarrow \pm\infty, f(x) \rightarrow 0$  so the equation of the horizontal asymptote is  $y = 0$

$\mathbf{M1A1}$

**[2 marks]**

2c.

$\int_0^1$

**[3 marks]**

Find the exact value of  $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$ , giving the answer in the form  $\ln q, q \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

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$$\int_0^1 \frac{2x+6}{x^2+6x+10} dx = [\ln(x^2 + 6x + 10)]_0^1 = \ln 17 - \ln 10 = \ln \frac{17}{10} \quad \mathbf{M1A1A1}$$

**[3 marks]**

The lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  have the following vector equations where  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$l_1 : r_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \quad l_2 : r_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \\ -2m \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -m \end{pmatrix}$$

3a. Show that  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are never perpendicular to each other.

**[3 marks]**

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attempts to calculate  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -m \end{pmatrix}$  **(M1)**

$$= -1 - m^2 \text{ **A1**}$$

since  $m^2 \geq 0$ ,  $-1 - m^2 < 0$  for  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  **R1**

so  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are never perpendicular to each other **AG**

**[3 marks]**

The plane  $\Pi$  has Cartesian equation  $x + 4y - z = p$  where  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Given that  $l_1$  and  $\Pi$  have no points in common, find

3b. the value of  $m$ .

[2 marks]

## Markscheme

(since  $l_1$  is parallel to  $\Pi$ ,  $l_1$  is perpendicular to the normal of  $\Pi$  and so)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \text{ **R1**}$$

$$2 + 4 - m = 0$$

$$m = 6 \text{ **A1**}$$

**[2 marks]**

3c. the condition on the value of  $p$ .

[2 marks]

# Markscheme

since there are no points in common,  $(3, -2, 0)$  does not lie in  $\Pi$

**EITHER**

substitutes  $(3, -2, 0)$  into  $x + 4y - z (\neq p)$  **(M1)**

**OR**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} (\neq p) \text{ (M1)}$$

**THEN**

$$p \neq -5 \text{ A1}$$

**[2 marks]**

Consider two events  $A$  and  $A$  defined in the same sample space.

4a. Show that  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(A' \cap B)$ .

*[3 marks]*

# Markscheme

\* This question is from an exam for a previous syllabus, and may contain minor differences in marking or structure.

**METHOD 1**

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$= P(A) + P(A \cap B) + P(A' \cap B) - P(A \cap B) \quad \mathbf{M1A1}$$

$$= P(A) + P(A' \cap B) \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

**METHOD 2**

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$= P(A) + P(B) - P(A|B) \times P(B) \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$= P(A) + (1 - P(A|B)) \times P(B)$$

$$= P(A) + P(A'|B) \times P(B) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$= P(A) + P(A' \cap B) \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

**[3 marks]**

Given that  $P(A \cup B) = \frac{4}{9}$ ,  $P(B|A) = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $P(B|A') = \frac{1}{6}$ ,

4b. (i) show that  $P(A) = \frac{1}{3}$ ;

[6 marks]

(ii) hence find  $P(B)$ .

## Markscheme

(i) use  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(A' \cap B)$  and  $P(A' \cap B) = P(B|A')P(A')$   
**(M1)**

$$\frac{4}{9} = P(A) + \frac{1}{6}(1 - P(A)) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$8 = 18P(A) + 3(1 - P(A)) \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{3} \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

(ii) **METHOD 1**

$$P(B) = P(A \cap B) + P(A' \cap B) \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$= P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|A')P(A') \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{9} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

**METHOD 2**

$$P(A \cap B) = P(B|A)P(A) \Rightarrow P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{9} \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$P(B) = P(A \cup B) + P(A \cap B) - P(A) \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$P(B) = \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{9} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[6 marks]

5. Use l'Hôpital's rule to determine the value of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{2x \cos(x^2)}{5 \tan x} \right)$ .

[5 marks]

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attempts to apply l'Hôpital's rule on  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{2x \cos(x^2)}{5 \tan x} \right)$  **M1**

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{2 \cos(x^2) - 4x^2 \sin(x^2)}{5 \sec^2 x} \right) \text{ **M1A1A1**}$$

**Note:** Award **M1** for attempting to use product and chain rule differentiation on the numerator, **A1** for a correct numerator and **A1** for a correct denominator. The awarding of **A1** for the denominator is independent of the **M1**.

$$= \frac{2}{5} \text{ **A1**}$$

**[5 marks]**