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1. (6 points) 120 Mathematics students in a school sat an examination. Their scores (given as a percentage) were summarized on a cumulative frequency diagram. This diagram is given below.



(a) (1 point) A score of at least 30% is required to pass the examination. Estimate the number of students who passed the exam.

$$N \approx 120 - 24 = 96$$

(b) (1 point) The highest grade is awarded to the top 10% of the students. Write down the score required to get the highest grade.

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Grade_{min} = 70\%
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(c) (4 points) Given that the minimal score was 2 and maximal score was 98, draw a box & whisker diagram to represent the exam scores of the students:



2. (7 points) Consider the polynomial

$$P(x) = 2x^3 + Ax^2 + Bx - 10$$

where $A, B \in \mathbb{R}$. One of the roots of this polynomial is 1 + 3i.

(a) (2 points) Find the other two roots.

By conjugate root theorem we have 1 - 3i as another root

Using product of roots formula we have:

$$(1+3i)(1-3i)\alpha = (-1)^3 \frac{-10}{2}$$

which gives:

 $10\alpha = 5$

so the third root is $\frac{1}{2}$.

(b) (2 points) Show that A = -5 and B = 22. We can multiply:

$$2\left(x - (1+3i)\right)\left(x - (1-3i)\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

but it's probably quicker to apply the formulae:

$$\frac{-A}{2} = \alpha + \beta + \gamma = \frac{5}{2}$$
$$\frac{B}{2} = \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma = 11$$

both methods give the required answer.

(c) (2 points) Show that

$$2(x+1)^3 - 5(x+1)^2 + 22(x+1) - 10 \equiv 2x^3 + x^2 + 18x + 9$$

$$LHS = 2(x+1)^3 - 5(x+1)^2 + 22(x+1) - 10 =$$

= 2(x³ + 3x² + 3x + 1) - 5(x² + 2x + 1) + 22x + 12 =
= 2x³ + 6x² + 6x + 2 - 5x² - 10x - 5 + 22x + 12 =
= 2x³ + x² + 18x + 9 = RHS

(d) (1 point) Write down the solutions to the equation:

$$2x^3 + x^2 + 18x + 9 = 0$$

The solutions to

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are (using part (c)) the same as the solutions to:

$$2(x+1)^3 - 5(x+1)^2 + 22(x+1) - 10 = 0$$

which are one smaller than the roots of P(x).

So the solutions are: $-\frac{1}{2}$, 3i and -3i

3. (7 points)

(a) (3 points) A polynomial $P(x) = x^3 + px^2 + qx + 3$ is divisible by (x + 1) and leaves a remainder of -3 when divided by (x - 2). Calculate the values of p and q.

We have:

$$\begin{cases} P(-1) = 0\\ P(2) = -3 \end{cases}$$
$$\begin{cases} -1 + p - q + 3 = 0\\ 8 + 4p + 2q + 3 = -3 \end{cases}$$
$$\begin{cases} p - q = -2\\ 2p + q = -7 \end{cases}$$

Solving this gives p = -3 and q = -1

(b) (4 points) Another polynomial Q(x) is also divisible by (x + 1) and leaves a remainder of -3 when divided by (x-2). Find the remainder when Q(x) is divided by $x^2 - x - 2$.

Recall that when dividing by a quadratic the remainder is of the form mx + c.

We have Q(-1) = 0 and Q(2) = -3 as before.

Note that $x^2 - x - 2 = (x + 1)(x - 2)$

Now we write:

$$Q(x) = S(x)(x^{2} - x - 2) + mx + c$$

Plugging x = -1 and x = 2 into the above equation gives two equations:

$$\begin{cases} 0 = -m + c \\ -3 = 2m + c \end{cases}$$

Solving gives m = -1 = c.

So the remainder is -x - 1.