Trig in triangles 09.02 [101 marks]

1. Barry is at the top of a cliff, standing 80 m above sea level, and observes[6 marks] two yachts in the sea.

"Seaview" (S) is at an angle of depression of 25°.

"Nauti Buoy" (N) is at an angle of depression of 35°.

The following three dimensional diagram shows Barry and the two yachts at S and N.

X lies at the foot of the cliff and angle $\mathrm{SXN}=$ 70°.



Find, to 3 significant figures, the distance between the two yachts.

Markscheme

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attempt to use tan, or sine rule, in triangle BXN or BXS (M1)

$$\begin{split} \mathrm{NX} &= 80 \tan 55^{\circ} \left(= \frac{80}{\tan 35^{\circ}} = 114.25 \right) \quad \textbf{(A1)} \\ \mathrm{SX} &= 80 \tan 65^{\circ} \left(= \frac{80}{\tan 25^{\circ}} = 171.56 \right) \quad \textbf{(A1)} \\ \mathrm{Attempt \ to \ use \ cosine \ rule} \quad \textbf{M1} \\ \mathrm{SN}^2 &= 171.56^2 + 114.25^2 - 2 \times 171.56 \times 114.25 \cos 70^{\circ} \quad \textbf{(A1)} \\ \mathrm{SN} &= 171 \ \mathrm{(m)} \quad \textbf{A1} \end{split}$$

Note: Award final **A1** only if the correct answer has been given to 3 significant figures.

[6 marks]

The lengths of two of the sides in a triangle are 4 cm and 5 cm. Let θ be the angle between the two given sides. The triangle has an area of $\frac{5\sqrt{15}}{2}$ cm².

2a. Show that
$$\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{4}$$
. [1 mark]
Markscheme
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EITHER
 $\frac{5\sqrt{15}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 5 \sin \theta$ **A1**
OR
height of triangle is $\frac{5\sqrt{15}}{4}$ if using 4 as the base or $\sqrt{15}$ if using 5 as the base **A1**
THEN
 $\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{4}$ **AG**
[1 mark]

2b. Find the two possible values for the length of the third side.

[6 marks]

Markscheme

let the third side be x $x^2 = 4^2 + 5^2 - 2 \times 4 \times 5 \times \cos \theta$ **M1** valid attempt to find $\cos \theta$ **(M1) Note:** Do not accept writing $\cos \left(\arcsin\left(\frac{\sqrt{15}}{4}\right) \right)$ as a valid method. $\cos \theta = \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{15}{16}}$ $= \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}$ **A1A1** $x^2 = 16 + 25 - 2 \times 4 \times 5 \times \pm \frac{1}{4}$ $x = \sqrt{31}$ or $\sqrt{51}$ **A1A1 [6 marks]** 3. In triangle ABC, AB = 5, BC = 14 and AC = 11.

Find all the interior angles of the triangle. Give your answers in degrees to one decimal place.

Markscheme

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attempt to apply cosine rule **M1** $\cos A = \frac{5^{2}+11^{2}-14^{2}}{2\times5\times11} = -0.4545...$ $\Rightarrow A = 117.03569...^{\circ}$ $\Rightarrow A = 117.0^{\circ}$ **A1** attempt to apply sine rule or cosine rule: **M1** $\frac{\sin 117.03569...^{\circ}}{14} = \frac{\sin B}{11}$ $\Rightarrow B = 44.4153...^{\circ}$ $\Rightarrow B = 44.4^{\circ}$ **A1** $C = 180^{\circ} - A - B$ $C = 18.5^{\circ}$ **A1 Note:** Candidates may attempt to find angles in any order of their choosing. **[5 marks]**

4. Consider quadrilateral PQRS where $[\mathrm{PQ}]$ is parallel to $[\mathrm{SR}]$.

[5 marks]



In PQRS, PQ = x, SR = y, R $\widehat{S}P = \alpha$ and Q $\widehat{R}S = \beta$. Find an expression for PS in terms of x, y, sin β and sin $(\alpha + \beta)$.

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METHOD 1

from vertex P, draws a line parallel to $\left[QR\right]$ that meets $\left[SR\right]$ at a point X (M1)

uses the sine rule in $\Delta \mathrm{PSX}~\mathbf{M1}$

 $\frac{PS}{\sin\beta} = \frac{y-x}{\sin(180^{\circ}-\alpha-\beta)} \text{ A1}$ $\sin(180^{\circ}-\alpha-\beta) = \sin(\alpha+\beta) \text{ (A1)}$ $PS = \frac{(y-x)\sin\beta}{\sin(\alpha+\beta)} \text{ A1}$ **METHOD 2**let the height of quadrilateral PQRS be *h* $h = PS \sin \alpha \text{ A1}$ attempts to find a second expression for *h* M1 $h = (y-x-PS \cos \alpha) \tan \beta$ PS sin $\alpha = (y-x-PS \cos \alpha) \tan \beta$ writes $\tan \beta$ as $\frac{\sin\beta}{\cos\beta}$, multiplies through by $\cos \beta$ and expands the RHS M1
PS sin $\alpha \cos \beta = (y-x) \sin \beta - PS \cos \alpha \sin \beta$ $PS = \frac{(y-x)\sin\beta}{\sin\alpha\cos\beta+\cos\alpha\sin\beta} \text{ A1}$ $PS = \frac{(y-x)\sin\beta}{\sin(\alpha+\beta)} \text{ A1}$ [5 marks]

5a. Given that $\cos 75^\circ = q$, show that $\cos 105^\circ = -q$.

[1 mark]

 $\cos 105^\circ = \cos \left(180^\circ - 75^\circ
ight) = -\cos 75^\circ$ R1

= -q AG

Note: Accept arguments using the unit circle or graphical/diagrammatical considerations.

[1 mark]

In the following diagram, the points A, B, C and D are on the circumference of a circle with centre O and radius r. [AC] is a diameter of the circle. BC = r,

$$AD = CD$$
 and $A\hat{B}C = A\hat{D}C = 90^{\circ}$.

[3 marks]

Markscheme

D

5b. Show that $B \hat{A} D = 75^{\circ}.$

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathrm{AD}=\mathrm{CD}\Rightarrow\mathrm{C}\overset{\wedge}{\mathrm{A}}\mathrm{D}=45^{\circ} \quad \textbf{A1}\\ \mathrm{valid\ method\ to\ find\ B}\overset{\wedge}{\mathrm{A}}\mathrm{C} \quad (\textbf{M1})\\ \mathrm{for\ example:\ BC}=r\Rightarrow\mathrm{B}\overset{\wedge}{\mathrm{C}}\mathrm{A}=60^{\circ}\\ \Rightarrow\mathrm{B}\overset{\wedge}{\mathrm{A}}\mathrm{C}=30^{\circ} \quad \textbf{A1}\\ \mathrm{hence\ B}\overset{\wedge}{\mathrm{A}}\mathrm{D}=45^{\circ}+30^{\circ}=75^{\circ} \quad \textbf{AG}\\ \textbf{[3\ marks]}\end{array}$$

5c. By considering triangle ABD, show that ${
m BD}^2=5r^2-2r^2q\sqrt{6}.$

[4 marks]

Markscheme $AB = r\sqrt{3}, AD = (CD) = r\sqrt{2}$ A1A1 applying cosine rule (M1) $BD^2 = (r\sqrt{3})^2 + (r\sqrt{2})^2 - 2(r\sqrt{3})(r\sqrt{2})\cos 75^\circ$ A1 $= 3r^2 + 2r^2 - 2r^2\sqrt{6}\cos 75^\circ$ $= 5r^2 - 2r^2q\sqrt{6}$ AG [4 marks]

5d. By considering triangle CBD, find another expression for BD^2 in terms *[3 marks]* of r and q.

Markscheme

$$B \stackrel{\wedge}{C} D = 105^{\circ}$$
 (A1)
attempt to use cosine rule on ΔBCD (M1)
 $BD^2 = r^2 + (r\sqrt{2})^2 - 2r(r\sqrt{2})\cos 105^{\circ}$
 $= 3r^2 + 2r^2q\sqrt{2}$ A1
[3 marks]

5e. Use your answers to part (c) to show that $\cos 75^\circ = rac{1}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{2}}.$

[3 marks]



The following shape consists of three arcs of a circle, each with centre at the opposite vertex of an equilateral triangle as shown in the diagram.



For this shape, calculate

6a. the perimeter.

[2 marks]

Markschemeeach arc has length $r\theta = 6 \times \frac{\pi}{3} = 2\pi$ (= 6.283...) (M1)perimeter is therefore 6π (= 18.8) (cm) A1[2 marks]

6b. the area.

[5 marks]

area of sector, *s*, is $\frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = 18 \times \frac{\pi}{3} = 6\pi$ (= 18.84...) (A1) area of triangle, *t*, is $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 3\sqrt{3} = 9\sqrt{3}$ (= 15.58...) (M1)(A1) Note: area of segment, *k*, is 3.261... implies area of triangle finding 3s - 2t or 3k + t or similar area = $3s - 2t = 18\pi - 18\sqrt{3}$ (= 25.4) (cm²) (M1)A1 [5 marks]

7. A sector of a circle with radius r cm, where r > 0, is shown on the [4 marks] following diagram. The sector has an angle of 1 radian at the centre.



Let the area of the sector be $A\,{\rm cm^2}$ and the perimeter be $P\,{\rm cm}.$ Given that A=P , find the value of r.

Markscheme * This guestion is from an exam for a previous syllabus, and may contain minor differences in marking or structure. A = Puse of the correct formula for area and arc length (M1) perimeter is $r\theta + 2r$ (A1) Note: A1 independent of previous M1. $\frac{1}{2}r^{2}(1) = r(1) + 2r$ **A1** $r^2 - 6r = 0$ r = 6 (as r > 0) **A1 Note:** Do not award final **A1** if r = 0 is included. [4 marks]

Consider the rectangle OABC such that AB = OC = 10 and BC = OA = 1, with the points P, Q and R placed on the line OC such that OP = p, OQ = q and OR = r, such that 0 .



Let θ_p be the angle APO, θ_q be the angle AQO and θ_r be the angle ARO.

8a. Find an expression for θ_p in terms of p.

[3 marks]

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METHOD 1

use of tan (M1)

$$an heta_p = rac{1}{p}$$
 (A1) $heta_p = rctan \left(rac{1}{p}
ight)$ A1

METHOD 2

$$\mathsf{AP}=\sqrt{p^2+1}$$
 (A1)

use of sin, cos, sine rule or cosine rule using the correct length of AP (M1)

$$heta_p=rcsin\left(rac{1}{\sqrt{p^2+1}}
ight)$$
 or $heta_p=rccos\left(rac{p}{\sqrt{p^2+1}}
ight)$ A1

[3 marks]

Consider the case when $\theta_p=\theta_q+\theta_r$ and QR = 1.

^{8b.} Show that
$$p=rac{q^2+q-1}{2q+1}.$$

[6 marks]

 $\mathsf{QR} = \mathtt{l} \Rightarrow r = q + 1$ (A1)

Note: This may be seen anywhere.

 $an heta_p = an \left(heta_q + heta_r
ight)$

attempt to use compound angle formula for tan **M1**

$$\tan \theta_p = \frac{\tan \theta_q + \tan \theta_r}{1 - \tan \theta_q \tan \theta_r} \quad \textbf{(A1)}$$

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r}}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{q}\right)\left(\frac{1}{r}\right)} \quad \textbf{(M1)}$$

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{q+1}}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{q}\right)\left(\frac{1}{q+1}\right)} \text{ or } p = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{q}\right)\left(\frac{1}{q+1}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{q}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{q+1}\right)} \quad \textbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{q + q + 1}{q(q+1) - 1} \quad \textbf{M1}$$
Note: Award $\textbf{M1}$ for multiplying top and bottom by $q(q+1)$.
$$p = \frac{q^2 + q - 1}{2q + 1} \quad \textbf{AG}$$
[6 marks]

8c. By sketching the graph of p as a function of q, determine the range of [4 marks] values of p for which there are possible values of q.



9. Boat A is situated 10km away from boat B, and each boat has a marine [6 marks] radio transmitter on board. The range of the transmitter on boat A is 7km, and the range of the transmitter on boat B is 5km. The region in which both transmitters can be detected is represented by the shaded region in the following diagram. Find the area of this region.



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use of cosine rule (M1) $C\hat{A}B = \arccos\left(\frac{49+100-25}{2\times7\times10}\right) = 0.48276...(=27.660...^{\circ})$ (A1) $C\hat{B}A = \arccos\left(\frac{25+100-49}{2\times5\times10}\right) = 0.70748...(=40.535...^{\circ})$ (A1) attempt to subtract triangle area from sector area (M1) $area = \frac{1}{2} \times 49 \left(2C\hat{A}B - \sin 2C\hat{A}B\right) + \frac{1}{2} \times 25 \left(2C\hat{B}A - \sin 2C\hat{B}A\right)$ = 3.5079... + 5.3385...(A1) Note: Award this A1 for either of these two values. $= 8.85 (\text{km}^2)$ A1 Note: Accept all answers that round to 8.8 or 8.9.

[6 marks]

Consider the following diagram.



The sides of the equilateral triangle ABC have lengths 1 m. The midpoint of [AB] is denoted by P. The circular arc AB has centre, M, the midpoint of [CP].

10a. Find AM.

[3 marks]

Markscheme METHOD 1 $PC = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \text{ or } 0.8660 \quad (M1)$ $PM = \frac{1}{2}PC = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \text{ or } 0.4330 \quad (A1)$ $AM = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{16}}$ $= \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \text{ or } 0.661 \text{ (m)} \quad A1$ **METHOD 2** using the cosine rule $AM^2 = 1^2 + (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4})^2 - 2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \times \cos(30^\circ) \quad M1A1$ $AM = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \text{ or } 0.661 \text{ (m)} \quad A1$ *Jamarksj*

10b. Find $A \hat{M} P$ in radians.

[2 marks]

Markscheme tan ($A \stackrel{\wedge}{M}P$) = $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ or equivalent (M1) = 0.857 A1 [2 marks]

10c. Find the area of the shaded region.

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Markscheme

EITHER

\frac{1}{2}AM^2 \left( 2A\hat{M}P - \sin\left(2A\hat{M}P\right) \right) (M1)A1

OR

\frac{1}{2}AM^2 \times 2A\hat{M}P - = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} (M1)A1

= 0.158(m<sup>2</sup>) A1

Note: Award M1 for attempting to calculate area of a sector minus area of a triangle.
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[3 marks]

11. This diagram shows a metallic pendant made out of four equal sectors of [4 marks] a larger circle of radius OB = 9 cm and four equal sectors of a smaller circle of radius OA = 3 cm. The angle $BOC = 20^{\circ}$.

[3 marks]



Find the area of the pendant.

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METHOD 1

area = (four sector areas radius 9) + (four sector areas radius 3) (M1)

$$= 4 \left(\frac{1}{2}9^2 \frac{\pi}{9}\right) + 4 \left(\frac{1}{2}3^2 \frac{7\pi}{18}\right) \quad (A1)(A1)$$
$$= 18\pi + 7\pi$$
$$= 25\pi (= 78.5 \text{ cm}^2) \quad A1$$

METHOD 2

area =

(area of circle radius 3) + (four sector areas radius 9) – (four sector areas radius 3) (M1)

 $\pi 3^2 + 4\left(rac{1}{2}9^2rac{\pi}{9}
ight) - 4\left(rac{1}{2}3^2rac{\pi}{9}
ight)$ (A1)(A1)

Note: Award **A1** for the second term and **A1** for the third term.

 $= 9\pi + 18\pi - 2\pi$ $= 25\pi (= 78.5 \text{ cm}^2)$ A1

Note: Accept working in degrees.

[4 marks]

12a. Find the set of values of k that satisfy the inequality $k^2 - k - 12 < 0$. [2 marks]

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minor differences in marking or structure. $k^2 - k - 12 < 0$
(k-4)(k+3) < 0 (M1)
-3 < k < 4 A1[2 marks]

12b. The triangle ABC is shown in the following diagram. Given that $\cos B < \frac{1}{4}$, find the range of possible values for AB.

[4 marks]



Markscheme

 $\begin{array}{l} \cos B = \frac{2^2 + c^2 - 4^2}{4c} \; ({\rm or} \; 16 = 2^2 + c^2 - 4c \cos B) \quad \textit{M1} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{c^2 - 12}{4c} < \frac{1}{4} \quad \textit{A1} \\ \Rightarrow c^2 - c - 12 < 0 \\ {\rm from \; result \; in \; (a)} \\ 0 < {\rm AB} < 4 \; {\rm or} \; -3 < {\rm AB} < 4 \quad \textit{(A1)} \\ {\rm but \; AB \; must \; be \; at \; least \; 2} \\ \Rightarrow 2 < {\rm AB} < 4 \quad \textit{A1} \end{array}$

Note: Allow \leq AB for either of the final two **A** marks.

[4 marks]

In a triangle ABC, AB = 4cm, BC = 3cm and $B\hat{A}C = \frac{\pi}{9}$.

13a. Use the cosine rule to find the two possible values for AC.

[5 marks]

Markscheme

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METHOD 1

let AC = x $3^2 = x^2 + 4^2 - 8x \cos{\frac{\pi}{9}}$ *M1A1*

attempting to solve for x (M1)

 $x = 1.09, \ 6.43$ **A1A1**

METHOD 2

let AC = x

using the sine rule to find a value of C **M1**

 $4^2 = x^2 + 3^2 - 6x \cos(152.869\ldots^\circ) \Rightarrow x = 1.09$ (M1)A1

$$4^2 = x^2 + 3^2 - 6x \cos(27.131\ldots^\circ) \Rightarrow x = 6.43$$
 (M1)A1

METHOD 3

let AC = xusing the sine rule to find a value of B and a value of C **M1** obtaining $B = 132.869...^{\circ}$, $7.131...^{\circ}$ and $C = 27.131...^{\circ}$, $152.869...^{\circ}$ **A1** (B = 2.319..., 0.124... and <math>C = 0.473..., 2.668...)attempting to find a value of x using the cosine rule **(M1)** x = 1.09, 6.43 **A1A1 Note:** Award **M1A0(M1)A1A0** for one correct value of x

[5 marks]

13b. Find the difference between the areas of the two possible triangles ABC.[3 marks]

Markscheme $\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 6.428... \times \sin \frac{\pi}{9}$ and $\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 1.088... \times \sin \frac{\pi}{9}$ (A1) (4.39747... and 0.744833...) let *D* be the difference between the two areas $D = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 6.428... \times \sin \frac{\pi}{9} - \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 1.088... \times \sin \frac{\pi}{9}$ (M1) (*D* = 4.39747... - 0.744833...) = 3.65 (cm²) A1 [3 marks]

The diagram shows two circles with centres at the points A and B and radii 2r and r, respectively. The point B lies on the circle with centre A. The circles intersect at the points C and D.



Let α be the measure of the angle CAD and θ be the measure of the angle CBD in radians.

14a. Find an expression for the shaded area in terms of α , θ and r. [3 marks]

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 $A=2(lpha-\sinlpha)r^2+rac{1}{2}(heta-\sin heta)r^2$ M1A1A1

Note: Award **M1A1A1** for alternative correct expressions *eg*. $A = 4\left(\frac{\alpha}{2} - \sin\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)r^2 + \frac{1}{2}\theta r^2.$

[3 marks]

14b. Show that $\alpha = 4 \arcsin \frac{1}{4}$.

[2 marks]

METHOD 1

consider for example triangle ADM where M is the midpoint of BD **M1**

$$\sin \frac{\alpha}{4} = \frac{1}{4} \quad \textbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{4} = \arcsin \frac{1}{4} \quad \textbf{AG}$$

$$\textbf{METHOD 2}$$
attempting to use the cosine rule (to obtain $1 - \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{1}{8}$) $\textbf{M1}$

$$\sin \frac{\alpha}{4} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ (obtained from } \sin \frac{\alpha}{4} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{2}}$$
) $\textbf{A1}$

$$\frac{\alpha}{4} = \arcsin \frac{1}{4} \quad \textbf{AG}$$

$$\textbf{METHOD 3}$$

$$\sin(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{4}) = 2\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \text{ where } \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{4}$$

$$\cos \frac{\alpha}{4} = 4\sin \frac{\alpha}{4} \cos \frac{\alpha}{4} \quad \textbf{M1}$$

$$\textbf{Note: Award M1 either for use of the double angle formula or the conversion from sine to cosine.$$

$$rac{1}{4} = \sin rac{lpha}{4}$$
 A1
 $rac{lpha}{4} = rcsin rac{1}{4}$
 $lpha = 4 rcsin rac{1}{4}$ AG
[2 marks]

14c. Hence find the value of r given that the shaded area is equal to 4. [3 marks]

Markscheme (from triangle ADM), $heta=\pi-rac{lpha}{2}~\left(=\pi-2\arcsinrac{1}{4}=2\arcsinrac{1}{4}=2.6362\ldots ight)$ **A1** attempting to solve $2(lpha-\sinlpha)r^2+rac{1}{2}(heta-\sin heta)r^2=4$ with $lpha=4rcsinrac{1}{4}$ and $heta=\pi-rac{lpha}{2}~\left(=2rccosrac{1}{4} ight)$ for r (M1) r = 1.69 **A1** [3 marks]

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