

## Modelling AI HL [59 marks]

1. [Maximum mark: 5]

EXM.1.AHL.TZ0.13

It is believed that two variables,  $m$  and  $p$  are related. Experimental values of  $m$  and  $p$  are obtained. A graph of  $\ln m$  against  $p$  shows a straight line passing through (2.1, 7.3) and (5.6, 2.4).

(a) Find the equation of the straight line, giving your answer in the form

$$\ln m = ap + b, \text{ where } a, b \in \mathbb{R}.$$

[3]

Markscheme

$$\text{gradient} = -1.4 \quad A1$$

$$\ln m - 7.3 = -1.4(p - 2.1) \quad M1$$

$$\ln m = -1.4p + 10.24 \quad A1$$

[3 marks]

Hence, find

(b.i) a formula for  $m$  in terms of  $p$ .

[1]

Markscheme

$$m = e^{-1.4p+10.24} \quad (= 28000e^{-1.4p}) \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

(b.ii) the value of  $m$  when  $p = 0$ .

[1]

Markscheme

$$28000 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

2. [Maximum mark: 7]

EXM.1.AHL.TZ0.14

It is believed that two variables,  $v$  and  $w$  are related by the equation  $v = kw^n$ , where  $k, n \in \mathbb{R}$ . Experimental values of  $v$  and  $w$  are obtained. A graph of  $\ln v$  against  $\ln w$  shows a straight line passing through  $(-1.7, 4.3)$  and  $(7.1, 17.5)$ .

Find the value of  $k$  and of  $n$ .

[7]

Markscheme

$$\ln v = n \ln w + \ln k \quad M1A1$$

$$\text{gradient} = \frac{17.5-4.3}{7.1+1.7} (= 1.5) \quad M1$$

$$n = 1.5 \quad A1$$

$$y\text{-intercept} = 1.5 \times 1.7 + 4.3 (= 6.85) \quad M1$$

$$k = e^{6.85} = 944 \quad M1A1$$

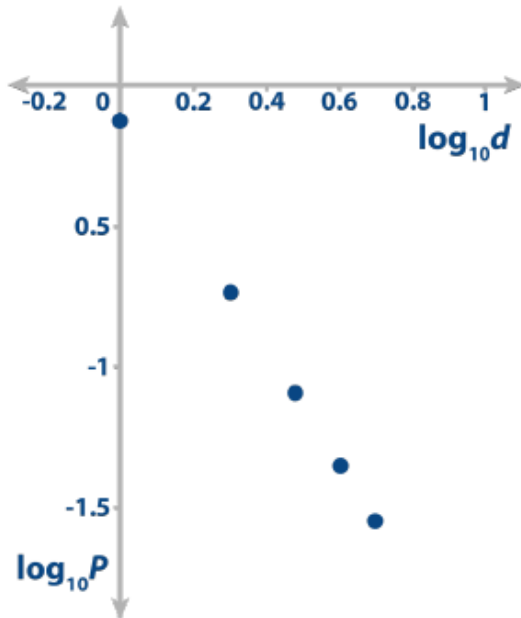
[7 marks]

3. [Maximum mark: 7]

EXN.1.AHL.TZ0.12

It is believed that the power  $P$  of a signal at a point  $d$  km from an antenna is inversely proportional to  $d^n$  where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

The value of  $P$  is recorded at distances of 1 m to 5 m and the values of  $\log_{10} d$  and  $\log_{10} P$  are plotted on the graph below.



(a) Explain why this graph indicates that  $P$  is inversely proportional to  $d^n$ .

[2]

Markscheme

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a straight line with a negative gradient **A1A1**

**[2 marks]**

The values of  $\log_{10} d$  and  $\log_{10} P$  are shown in the table below.

$\log_{10} d$	0	0.301	0.477	0.602	0.699
$\log_{10} P$	-0.127	-0.740	-1.10	-1.36	-1.55

- (b) Find the equation of the least squares regression line of  $\log_{10} P$  against  $\log_{10} d$ .

[2]

Markscheme

$$\log P = -2.040 \dots \log d - 0.12632 \dots \approx -2.04 \log d - 0.126$$

**A1A1**

**Note: A1** for each correct term.

**[2 marks]**

- (c.i) Use your answer to part (b) to write down the value of  $n$  to the nearest integer.

[1]

Markscheme

$$n = 2 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

**[1 mark]**

- (c.ii) Find an expression for  $P$  in terms of  $d$ .

[2]

Markscheme

$$P = 10^{-0.126 \dots} d^{-2} \quad \mathbf{(M1)}$$

$$\approx 0.748 d^{-2} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[2 marks]

4. [Maximum mark: 10]

EXM.1.AHL.TZ0.15

Adesh wants to model the cooling of a metal rod. He heats the rod and records its temperature as it cools.

Time, $t$ (seconds)	0	30	60	90	120	150
Temperature, $T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	75.6	62.2	53.3	47.4	42.3	38.5

He believes the temperature can be modeled by  $T(t) = ae^{bt} + 25$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) Show that  $\ln(T - 25) = bt + \ln a$ . [2]

Markscheme

$$\ln(T - 25) = \ln(ae^{bt}) \quad M1$$

$$\ln(T - 25) = \ln a + \ln(e^{bt}) \quad A1$$

$$\ln(T - 25) = bt + \ln a \quad AG$$

[2 marks]

(b) Find the equation of the regression line of  $\ln(T - 25)$  on  $t$ . [3]

Markscheme

$$\ln(T - 25) = -0.00870t + 3.89 \quad M1A1A1$$

[3 marks]

Hence

(c.i) find the value of  $a$  and of  $b$ . [3]

Markscheme

$$b = -0.00870 \quad A1$$

$$a = e^{3.89\dots} = 49.1 \quad M1A1$$

**[3 marks]**

(c.ii) predict the temperature of the metal rod after 3 minutes.

[2]

Markscheme

$$T(180) = 49.1e^{-0.00870(180)} + 25 = 35.2 \text{ M1A1}$$

**[2 marks]**

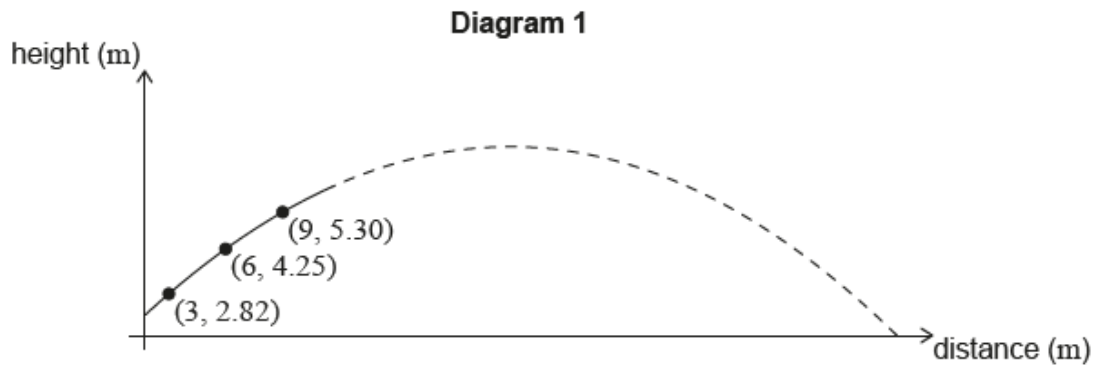
5. [Maximum mark: 9]

23N.1.AHL.TZ0.5

A sports player on a horizontal athletic field hits a ball. The height of the ball above the field, in metres, after it is hit can be modelled using a quadratic function of the form  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , where  $x$  represents the horizontal distance, in metres, that the ball has travelled from the player.

A specialized camera tracks the initial path of the ball after it is hit by the player. The camera records that the ball travels through the three points  $(3, 2.36)$ ,  $(10, 5)$  and  $(17, 7.16)$ , as shown in **Diagram 1**.

diagram not to scale



- (a) Use the coordinates  $(3, 2.36)$  to write down an equation in terms of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .

[1]

Markscheme

$$2.36 = a(3)^2 + b(3) + c \quad \text{OR} \quad 2.36 = 9a + 3b + c \quad \text{A1}$$

[1 mark]

- (b) Use your answer to part (a) and two similar equations to find the equation of the quadratic model for the height of the ball.

[3]

Markscheme

finding other equations to solve simultaneously (M1)

$$5 = a(10)^2 + b(10) + c \quad \text{AND} \quad 7.16 = a(17)^2 + b(17) + c$$
$$\text{OR} \quad 5 = 100a + 10b + c \quad \text{AND} \quad 7.16 = 289a + 17b + c$$



any one coefficient in equation correct (A1)

$$f(x) = -0.00490x^2 + 0.441x + 1.08 \quad A1$$

$$(f(x) = -0.00489795\dots x^2 + 0.440816\dots x + 1.08163\dots)$$

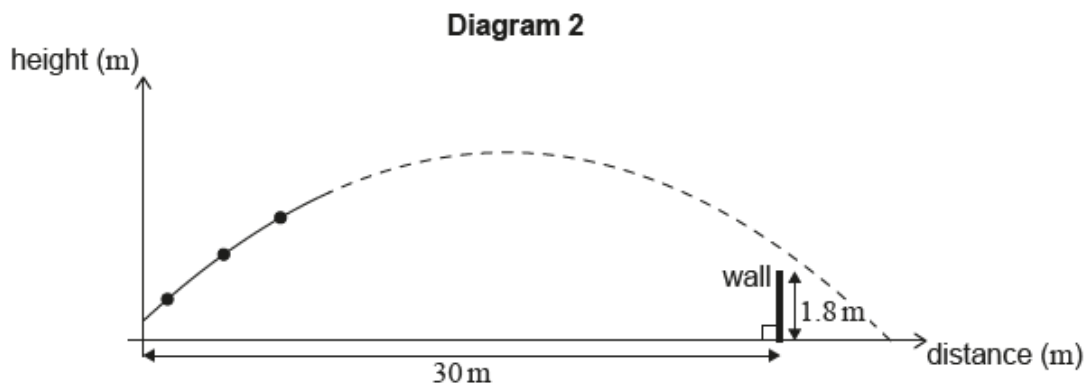
$$(f(x) = -\frac{6}{1255}x^2 + \frac{108}{245}x + \frac{53}{49})$$

**Note:** Award at most (M1)(A1)A0 if answer is not expressed as an equation.

[3 marks]

A 4-metre-high fence is 80 metres from where the player hit the ball, as shown in **Diagram 2**.

diagram not to scale



(c) Show that the model predicts that the ball will go over the fence.

[3]

Markscheme

attempt to substitute 80 into their equation (M1)

$$(f(80) = )5 \quad A1$$

$5 > 4$  OR therefore the ball will go over the fence R1

**Note:** Do not award A0R1; their value must be seen to credit a correct conclusion.

[3 marks]

- (d) Find the horizontal distance that the ball will travel, from the player until it first hits the ground, according to this model.

[2]

Markscheme

setting their equation equal to zero, graph **(M1)**

$$0 = -0.00489795 \dots x^2 + 0.440816 \dots x + 1.08163 \dots \text{ OR}$$
$$f(x) = 0$$

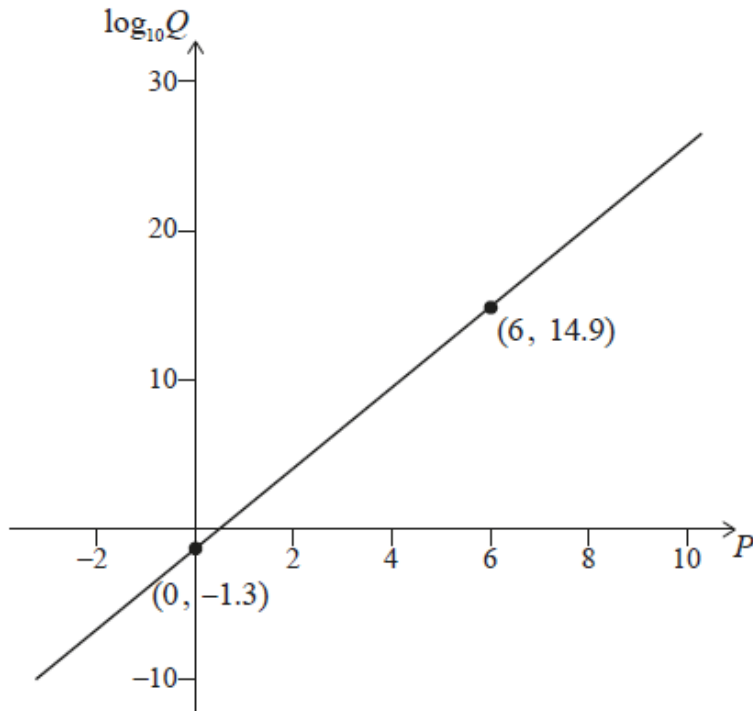
92.4 (92.3902 ...) (m) **A1**

**[2 marks]**

6. [Maximum mark: 6]

22N.1.AHL.TZ0.13

Gen is investigating the relationship between two sets of data, labelled  $P$  and  $Q$ , that she collected. She created a scatter plot with  $P$  on the  $x$ -axis and  $\log_{10} Q$  on the  $y$ -axis. Gen noticed that the points had a strong linear correlation, so she drew a line of best fit, as shown in the diagram. The line passes through the points  $(0, -1.3)$  and  $(6, 14.9)$ .



(a) Find an equation for  $Q$  in terms of  $P$ .

[3]

Markscheme

$$\text{Gradient} = \frac{14.9 + 1.3}{6} (= 2.7) \quad (M1)$$

$$\log_{10} Q = 2.7P - 1.3 \quad (A1)$$

$$Q = 10^{2.7P - 1.3} \text{ OR}$$

$$Q = 0.0501 \times 10^{2.7P} (= 0.0501187 \dots \times 10^{2.7P}) \quad A1$$

[3 marks]

Gen also investigates the relationship between the same data,  $Q$ , and some new data,  $R$ . She believes that the data can be modelled by  $Q = a \ln R + b$  and she decides to create a scatter plot to verify her belief.

- (b) State what expression Gen should plot on each axis to verify her belief. [1]

Markscheme

$\ln R$  on one axis and  $Q$  on the other axis **A1**

**[1 mark]**

The scatter plot has a linear relationship and Gen finds  $a = 4.3$  and  $b = 12.1$ .

- (c) Find an equation for  $P$  in terms of  $R$ . [2]

Markscheme

$$\log_{10}(4.3 \ln R + 12.1) = 2.7P - 1.3 \text{ OR}$$

$$10^{2.7P-1.3} = 4.3 \ln R + 12.1 \quad (M1)$$

$$P = \frac{\log_{10}(4.3 \ln R + 12.1) + 1.3}{2.7} \quad A1$$

**[2 marks]**

7. [Maximum mark: 7]

22N.1.AHL.TZ0.10

Stars are classified by their brightness. The brightest stars in the sky have a magnitude of 1. The magnitude,  $m$ , of another star can be modelled as a function of its brightness,  $b$ , relative to a star of magnitude 1, as shown by the following equation.

$$m = 1 - 2.5 \log_{10}(b)$$

The star called Acubens has a brightness of 0.0525.

(a) Find the magnitude of Acubens.

[2]

Markscheme

$$m = 1 - 2.5 \log_{10}(0.0525) \quad (M1)$$

$$= 4.20 \quad (4.19960\dots) \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

Ceres has a magnitude of 7 and is the least bright star visible without magnification.

(b) Find the brightness of Ceres.

[2]

Markscheme

$$\text{attempt to solve } 7 = 1 - 2.5 \log_{10}(b) \quad (M1)$$

**Note:** Accept a sketch from their GDC as an attempt to solve  $7 = 1 - 2.5 \log_{10}(b)$ .

$$b = 0.00398 \quad (0.00398107\dots) \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

The star Proxima Centauri has a greater magnitude than the planet Neptune. The difference in their magnitudes is 3.2.

(c) Find how many times brighter Neptune is compared to Proxima Centauri.

[3]

Markscheme

$$-3.2 = (1 - 2.5 \log_{10}(b_n)) - (1 - 2.5 \log_{10}(b_p)) \quad M1$$

$$-3.2 = -2.5 \log_{10}\left(\frac{b_n}{b_p}\right) \quad A1$$

$$\frac{b_n}{b_p} = 19.1 \quad (19.0546 \dots) \quad A1$$

[3 marks]

8. [Maximum mark: 8]

22M.1.AHL.TZ1.12

The strength of earthquakes is measured on the Richter magnitude scale, with values typically between 0 and 8 where 8 is the most severe.

The Gutenberg–Richter equation gives the average number of earthquakes per year,  $N$ , which have a magnitude of at least  $M$ . For a particular region the equation is

$$\log_{10} N = a - M, \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

This region has an average of 100 earthquakes per year with a magnitude of at least 3.

(a) Find the value of  $a$ .

[2]

Markscheme

$$\log_{10} 100 = a - 3 \quad (M1)$$

$$a = 5 \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

The equation for this region can also be written as  $N = \frac{b}{10^M}$ .

(b) Find the value of  $b$ .

[2]

Markscheme

**EITHER**

$$N = 10^{5-M} \quad (M1)$$

$$= \frac{10^5}{10^M} \left( = \frac{100000}{10^M} \right)$$

**OR**

$$100 = \frac{b}{10^3} \quad (M1)$$

**THEN**

$$b = 100000 \quad (= 10^5) \quad A1$$

**[2 marks]**

Within this region the most severe earthquake recorded had a magnitude of 7.2.

- (c) Find the average number of earthquakes in a year with a magnitude of at least 7.2.

[1]

Markscheme

$$N = \frac{10^5}{10^{7.2}} = 0.00631 \quad (0.0063095 \dots) \quad A1$$

**Note:** Do not accept an answer of  $10^{-2.2}$ .

**[1 mark]**

The number of earthquakes in a given year with a magnitude of at least 7.2 can be modelled by a Poisson distribution, with mean  $N$ . The number of earthquakes in one year is independent of the number of earthquakes in any other year.

Let  $Y$  be the number of years between the earthquake of magnitude 7.2 and the next earthquake of at least this magnitude.

- (d) Find  $P(Y > 100)$ .

[3]

Markscheme

**METHOD 1**

$$Y > 100 \Rightarrow \text{no earthquakes in the first 100 years} \quad (M1)$$



**EITHER**

let  $X$  be the number of earthquakes of at least magnitude 7.2 in a year

$$X \sim \text{Po}(0.0063095 \dots)$$

$$(\text{P}(X = 0))^{100} \quad (M1)$$

**OR**

let  $X$  be the number of earthquakes in 100 years

$$X \sim \text{Po}(0.0063095 \dots \times 100) \quad (M1)$$

$$\text{P}(X = 0)$$

**THEN**

$$0.532 \quad (0.532082 \dots) \quad A1$$

**METHOD 2**

$$Y > 100 \Rightarrow \text{no earthquakes in the first 100 years} \quad (M1)$$

let  $X$  be the number of earthquakes in 100 years

since  $n$  is large and  $p$  is small

$$X \sim \text{B}(100, 0.0063095 \dots) \quad (M1)$$

$$\text{P}(X = 0)$$

$$0.531 \quad (0.531019 \dots) \quad A1$$

**[3 marks]**

