

VCE Specialist Mathematics Units 1&2

Written Examination 2

Suggested Solutions

SECTION A – MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS

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Question 1 B

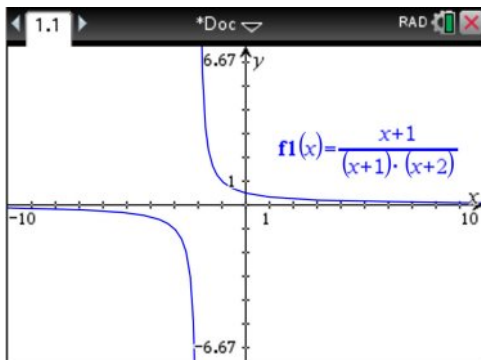
$$\begin{aligned}\underline{i} + \underline{j} &= 2(\underline{i} - \underline{j}) \\ &= -\underline{i} + 3\underline{j}\end{aligned}$$

Question 2 C

$$\begin{aligned}r^4 &= \frac{9}{1} \\ r &= \sqrt[4]{9} \\ t_6 &= r^3 \times t_3 \\ &= 3\sqrt[4]{9} \times 1 \\ &= 3\sqrt[4]{9}\end{aligned}$$

Question 3 D

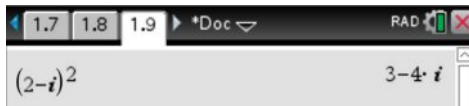
$$\begin{aligned}c^2 &= a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos(\theta) \\ 9^2 &= 7^2 + 8^2 - 2 \times 7 \times 8 \cos(\theta) \\ \cos(\theta) &= \frac{49 + 64 - 81}{112} \\ \theta &= \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{32}{112}\right) \\ &\approx 73^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Question 4 C**Question 5 E**

$$\underline{a} + \underline{b} = (m + 4)\underline{i} + (2m + 4)\underline{j}$$

Solving $x = 4 + m$ and $y = 2m + 4$ simultaneously gives infinite solutions for x, y and therefore the solution

is vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Question 6 **E****Question 7** **D**

$$|m\mathbf{i} - 2m\mathbf{j}| = 1$$

$$\sqrt{m^2 + (-2m)^2} = 1$$

$$m^2 + 4m^2 = 1$$

$$m^2 = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$m = \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}$$

Question 8 **C**

$$OB = r, OC = 2, \angle BOC = 120^\circ$$

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos(\theta)$$

$$BC^2 = r^2 + r^2 - 2r \times r \times \cos(120^\circ)$$

$$= 3r^2$$

$$BC = \sqrt{3}r$$

Question 9 **B**

$$9 \times 4 = x(x + 9)$$

$$36 = x^2 + 9x$$

$$x^2 + 9x - 36 = 0$$

$$(x + 12)(x - 3) = 0$$

$$x = 3 \text{ as } x > 0$$

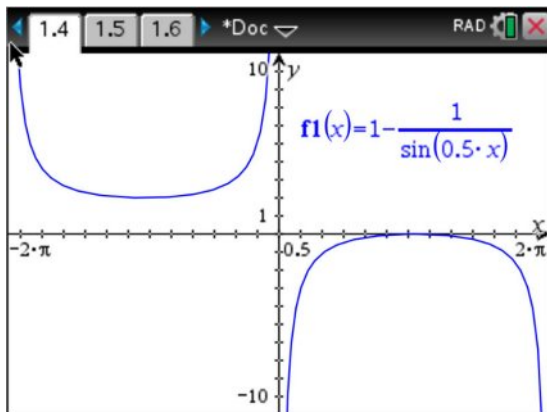
Question 10 **D**

$$S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$$= 10a$$

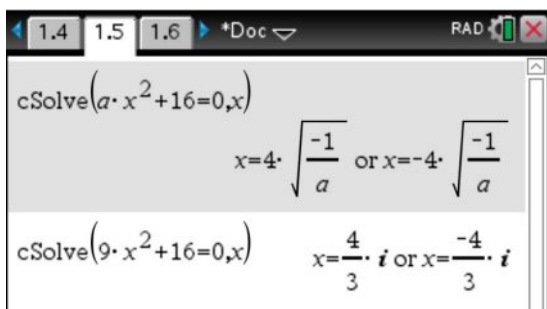
$$10 = \frac{1}{1-r}$$

$$r = \frac{9}{10}$$

Question 11 **D****Question 12** **C**

$$z = \frac{3}{2} - 2i$$

$$\text{Im}(z) = -2$$

Question 13 **E****Question 14** **C**

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

$$x^2 + y^2 - 12y + 36 = x^2 - 4x + 4 + y^2$$

$$12y = 4x + 32$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{8}{3}$$

Question 15 **D**

$$x^2 + (y-b)^2 - b^2 + c = 0$$

$$x^2 + (y-b)^2 = b^2 - c$$

$$b^2 - c > 0$$

$$c < b^2$$

Question 16 **A**

$$\angle BAC = \frac{1}{2} \times \angle BOC \text{ (subtended angle)}$$

$$\angle BAC = 50^\circ$$

obtuse $\angle BAC = 260^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned} \angle OBA &= 360 - 260 - 50 - 20 \\ &= 30^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Question 17 **C**

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} &= 3m \times m^2 + -6 \times -4 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$3m^3 = 24$$

$$m^3 = 8$$

$$m = 2$$

Question 18 **D**

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(\theta) &= \frac{\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}}{|\underline{a}| |\underline{b}|} \\ &= \frac{-2 - 3}{\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{10}} \\ &= \frac{-5}{\sqrt{50}} \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \theta &= \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{3\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Question 19 **A**

Question 20 **C**

length ratio:

$$\frac{AB'}{AB} = \frac{3}{4}$$

area ratio:

$$\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{16}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{area } \triangle AB'C' &= \frac{9}{16} \times 40 \\ &= \frac{45}{2} \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

SECTION B**Question 1** (8 marks)

a.
$$r = \frac{4}{1 + \sin(\theta)}$$

$$r + r\sin(\theta) = 4$$

Let $y = r\sin(\theta)$ and $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$.

$$r + y = 4$$

$$r = 4 - y$$

M1

$$x^2 + y^2 = (4 - y)^2$$

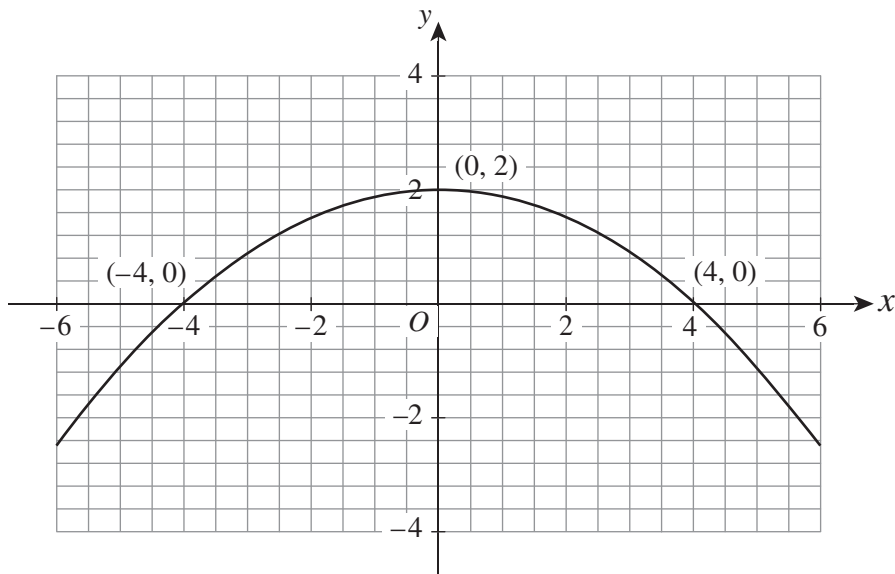
$$= 16 - 8y + y^2$$

$$8y = 16 - x^2$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{8}x^2 + 2$$

A1

b.



2 marks

parabolic shape A1
labelled intercepts A1

c. $r + r \sin(\theta) = \frac{4}{n}$

Let $y = r \sin(\theta)$ and $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$.

M1

$$r + y = 4$$

$$r = 4 - y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = \left(\frac{4}{n} - y\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{16}{n^2} - \frac{8}{n}y + y^2$$

M1

$$\frac{8}{n}y = \frac{16}{n^2} - x^2$$

$$y = -\frac{n}{8}x^2 + \frac{2}{n}$$

y-intercept:

$$\left(0, \frac{2}{n}\right)$$

A1

x-intercept:

Let $y = 0$.

$$-\frac{n}{8}x^2 + \frac{2}{n} = 0$$

$$x = \pm \frac{4}{n}$$

The x-intercepts are therefore $\left(-\frac{4}{n}, 0\right)$ and $\left(\frac{4}{n}, 0\right)$.

A1

Note: Alternatively, students may use dilation of factor of $\frac{1}{n}$ as their method mark.

Question 2 (10 marks)

a. Let $z_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i$.

$$r^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2$$

$$r = 1$$

A1

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4}$$

A1

$$z_1 = \text{cis}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

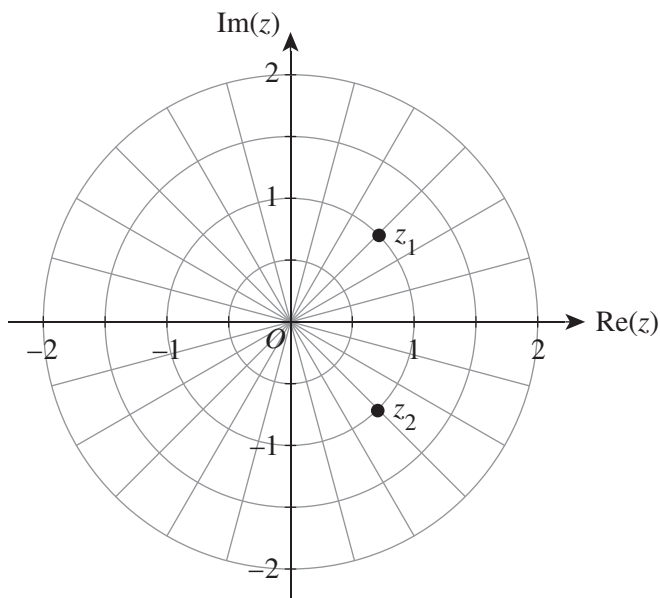
b. i. $z_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i$

A1

ii. $z_2 = \text{cis}\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$

A1

c.



correct z_1 A1

correct z_2 A1

d. i. $(z - z_1)(z + z_1) = \left(z - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i\right)\right)\left(z + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i\right)\right)$ M1

$(z - z_1)(z + z_1) = z^2 - i$ A1



ii. $z^2 = i$

$z^2 - i = 0$

$(z - z_1)(z + z_1) = z^2 - i$ M1

$= 0$

$z = z_1$ or $z = -z_1$

$z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i$ or $z = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i$ A1

Question 3 (9 marks)

a. $\angle PAR$ corresponding to $\angle QRC$

$\angle RPA$ corresponding to $\angle CQR$ M1

$\therefore \triangle RAP$ is similar to $\triangle CRQ$ (two angles equal in a triangle) A1

b. $PB = d - x$ A1

c. $|RQ| = |PB|$

$= d - x$

$\frac{|RQ|}{|AP|} = \frac{d - x}{x}$ M1

area ratio = $\frac{(d - x)^2}{x^2}$ M1

$= \frac{d^2 - 2dx + x^2}{x^2}$

$= \frac{d^2}{x^2} - \frac{2d}{x} + 1$

d. $\triangle ABC$ is right-angled (inscribed in semi-circle).

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \angle RCQ &= \angle ARP \\ &= 90^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$AR^2 + RP^2 = AP^2$$

$$1^2 + RP^2 = x^2$$

$$RP = \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$$

M1

$$\text{area of } \triangle ARP = \frac{1}{2}bh$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}{2}$$

M1

$$\text{area ratio} = \frac{(d-x)^2}{x^2}$$

$$d = 4 \rightarrow \text{area ratio} = \frac{(4-x)^2}{x^2}$$

M1

$$\text{area of } \triangle CRQ = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}(4-x)^2}{2x^2}$$

A1

Question 4 (11 marks)

a. i. $\vec{OA} = 10\mathbf{i} + 18\mathbf{j}$ and $\vec{OB} = 20\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j}$.

A1

ii.
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} &= \vec{OA} - \vec{OB} \\ &= (20 - 10)\mathbf{i} + (6 - 18)\mathbf{j} \\ &= 10\mathbf{i} - 12\mathbf{j} \text{ as required} \end{aligned}$$

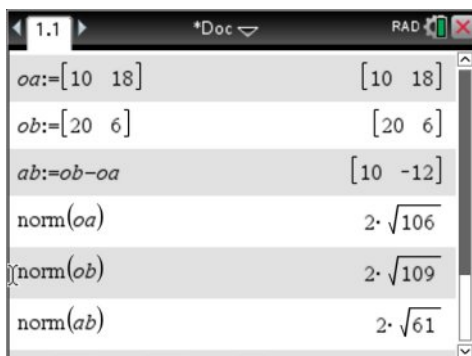
M1

b. $|\vec{OA}| = 2\sqrt{106}$ $|\vec{OB}| = 2\sqrt{109}$ $|\vec{AB}| = 2\sqrt{61}$

A1

$$\begin{aligned} \text{distance} &= |\vec{OA}| + |\vec{OB}| + |\vec{AB}| \\ &= 57 \text{ km} \end{aligned}$$

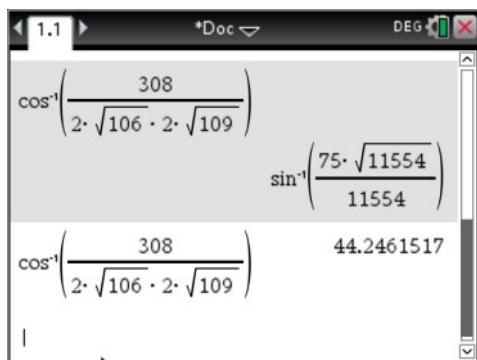
A1



c. i. $\vec{OA} \cdot \vec{OB} = 308$ A1

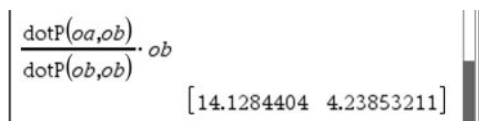


ii. $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\vec{OA} \cdot \vec{OB}}{|\vec{OA}||\vec{OB}|}\right)$ M1
 $= \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{308}{2\sqrt{106} \times 2\sqrt{109}}\right)$ A1
 $\approx 44^\circ$ A1



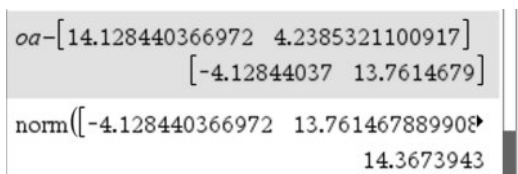
d. $\underline{u} = \frac{\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}}{\underline{b} \cdot \underline{b}} \underline{b}$ M1

$= 14.1\underline{i} + 4.2\underline{j}$ A1



e. $\underline{v} = \vec{OA} - \underline{u}$ M1
 $= 10\underline{i} + 18\underline{j} - (14.128\dots\underline{i} + 4.238\dots\underline{j})$
 $= -4.128\dots\underline{i} + 13.76\dots\underline{j}$

minimum distance = $|\underline{v}|$ A1
 $|\underline{v}| = 14.4 \text{ km}$



Question 5 (12 marks)

a. i. $125 - 4 \times 15 = 65$

A1

ii. $\frac{125}{15} = 8.33\dots$

$\therefore 8$ years

A1

b. i. $C_5 = 96$

A1

	A	B
2	120.	
3	114.6	
4	108.768	
5	102.469...	
6	95.6669...	

$A_6 = 1.08 \cdot A_5 - 15$

ii. 14 years

A1

	A
12	41.7725...
13	30.1143...
14	17.5235...
15	3.92539...
16	-10.760...

c. $m = 125 \times 0.08$
 $= 10$

A1

$n = 1 + \frac{15}{125}$

$= 1.12$

A1

d. i. 18 ducks after 2 years

A1

1.1	1.2	1.
A		
=		
1		8
2		12.
3		18.
4		27.
5		40.5
A3		=1.5 · a2

ii. 7 years

A1

1.1	1.2	1.
A		
=		
4		27.
5		40.5
6		60.75
7		91.125
8		136.6875
A8		=1.5 · a7

e. 8×1.5^n

A1

f. $D_{n+1} = 1.5D_n, D_0 = 8$

A1

g. after 5 years: $C_5 = 96$ and $D_5 = 73$

after 6 years: $C_6 = 88$ and $D_6 = 106$

M1

Therefore there will be more ducks than chickens after 6 years.

A1

Question 6 (10 marks)

a. $y = \frac{x^2}{4a}$ and $x = 2at$

$$y = \frac{(2at)^2}{4a} = \frac{4a^2 t^2}{4a} = at^2 \text{ as required}$$

A1

b. i. $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

$$y - \frac{a}{t^2} = t \left(x - \frac{2a}{t} \right)$$

M1

$$= tx + 2a$$

$$y = tx + 2a + \frac{a}{t^2}$$

A1

$$\text{ii. } m_{RP} = -\frac{1}{m_{QR}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{t}$$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - at^2 = -\frac{1}{t}(x - 2at)$$

M1

$$y = -\frac{1}{t}x + 2a + at^2$$

A1

$$\text{iii. } \text{Let } y_{QR} = y_{RP} \rightarrow tx + 2a + \frac{a}{t^2} = -\frac{1}{t}x + 2a + at^2$$

$$(t^2 + 1)x = at^3 - \frac{a}{t}$$

$$x = \frac{at^4 - a}{t(t^2 + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{a(t^4 - 1)}{t(t^2 + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{a(t^2 - 1)(t^2 + 1)}{t(t^2 + 1)}$$

M1

$$= a\left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{t}x + 2a + at^2$$

$$= ta\left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right) + 2a + \frac{a}{t^2}$$

M1

$$= at^2 - a + 2a + \frac{a}{t^2}$$

$$x = a\left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right), y = a\left(t^2 + 1 + \frac{1}{t^2}\right)$$

A1

c. $x = a\left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right)$

$$x^2 = a^2\left(t^2 - 2 + \frac{1}{t^2}\right) \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= a^2\left(t^2 + 1 + \frac{1}{t^2} - 3\right)$$

$$= a.a\left(t^2 + 1 + \frac{1}{t^2}\right) - 3a^2$$

$$= ay - 3a^2$$

$$ay = x^2 + 3a^2$$

$$y = \frac{x^2}{a} + 3a \quad \text{A1}$$