



# Gosford High School

Year 11

## 2009 Preliminary Higher School Certificate

### Mathematics

#### Assessment Task 4

Time Allowed – 2 hours

Remember to start each new question on a new page

Students must answer questions using a blue/black pen and/or a sharpened B or HB pencil.

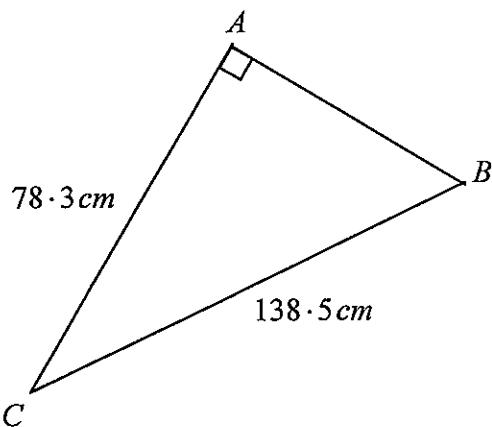
Approved scientific calculators may be used

Students need to be aware that

- \* ‘bald’ answers may not gain full marks.
- \* untidy and/or poorly organised solutions may not gain full marks.

**QUESTION 1** (13 marks)

(a)



Find the length of the interval AB  
correct to 3 significant figures.

(2)

- (b) A bicycle is bought for \$840 and sold 3 years later for \$315.  
Express the loss as a percentage of the cost price.

(1)

- (c) Expand and simplify  $(x - 3)^2 + 5x$

(2)

- (d) Solve  $\frac{3x}{2} + 4 = x$

(1)

- (e) Simplify  $\frac{3x^2 - 5x - 2}{9x^2 - 1}$

(2)

- (f) Find the value of  $x$  and  $y$  if  $x + \sqrt{y} = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{3} - 3}$

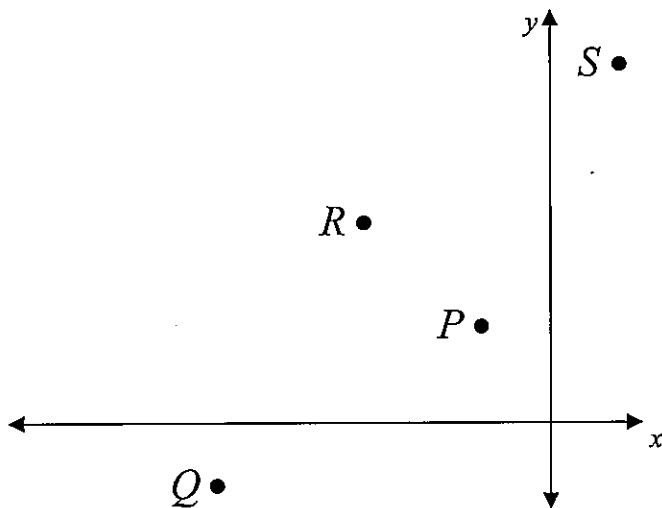
(2)

- (g) Solve  $|2x| = 5x + 9$

(3)

**QUESTION 2** (13 marks)

- (a) A quadrilateral has vertices  $P(-1\frac{1}{2}, 2)$ ,  $Q(-6, -1)$ ,  $R(-3\frac{1}{2}, 4)$  and  $S(1, 7)$ .



- (i) Find the midpoint of PR (1)
- (ii) Show that PQRS is a parallelogram (2)
- (iii) Find the length of QS (1)
- (iv) Find the gradient of QS (1)
- (v) Find the equation of QS in general form (2)
- (vi) Find the perpendicular distance from P to QS (2)
- (vii) Find the area of the parallelogram PQRS (2)
- (b) Find the point of intersection of the lines  $x + y + 3 = 0$  and  $3x - 4y + 2 = 0$  (2)

**QUESTION 3      (24 marks)**

- (a) Sketch  $y = 2^{-x}$  neatly on a number plane. (2)
- (b) Sketch  $y = x^2 + 2x - 3$  neatly, showing the coordinates of the vertex and the intercepts with the coordinate axes. (3)
- (c) Shade the region satisfying  $y < |x - 1|$  and  $x \geq 0$  (3)
- (d) Sketch the curve  $y = \sqrt{4 - x^2}$  (2)
- (e) Given  $F(x) = \sqrt{2 - x}$
- (i) Find  $F(-3)$  (1)
  - (ii) Find  $x$  if  $F(x) = 0$  (1)
  - (iii) State the domain and range of the function  $y = F(x)$  (2)
  - (iv) Sketch the curve  $y = F(x)$  (2)
  - (v) Find the point of intersection of the curve  $y = F(x)$  and the line  $x + y = 0$  (3)
- (f) Consider the function  $g(x) = \frac{\cos x}{x}$
- (i) Show that the function is an ODD function (2)
  - (ii) For what value of  $x$  is the function  $y = \frac{\cos x}{x}$  undefined (1)
  - (iii) Find where the curve  $y = \frac{\cos x}{x}$  crosses the  $x$  axis, if  $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  (2)

**QUESTION 4      (13 marks)**

- (a) Write down the exact value of  $\sec(135)^\circ$  (1)
- (b) A triangle has sides 7cm, 4cm and 5cm.  
Find the size of the largest angle in the triangle correct to the nearest minute. (2)
- (c) Simplify  $\frac{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 A}}{\cot A}$  (2)
- (d) If  $\cosec\theta = -2$  and  $\cos\theta > 0$ , find the exact value of  $\tan\theta$ . (2)
- (e) Solve  $2\cos^2 x + \cos x = 0$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  (3)
- (f) A fishing boat anchored at a point A observes a lighthouse L on a bearing of  $050^\circ$ N.  
The boat sails due North until it reaches and anchors at a buoy B.  
Charts tell the fisherman that the lighthouse L is 30 km from buoy B and has a bearing of  $125^\circ$ N.
- (i) Draw a neat diagram, showing clearly on your diagram all the relevant given information. (1)
- (ii) Find the distance from point A to the buoy B. (2)

**QUESTION 5      (24 marks)**

- (a) Find the solutions to equation  $2x^2 - 4x - 1 = 0$  in simplest surd form (3)
- (b) Solve  $x(3 - x) \leq 0$  (1)
- (c) Find the minimum value of the expression  $x^2 + 4x + 3$  (2)
- (d) If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2x + 5 = 0$ , find
- (i)  $\alpha + \beta$  (1)
  - (ii)  $\alpha\beta$  (1)
  - (iii)  $(\alpha - 2)(\beta - 2)$  (2)
  - (iv)  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$  (2)
- (e) Solve  $(x^2 - 2x)^2 - (x^2 - 2x) - 6 = 0$  (3)
- (f) Find  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  if  $x^2 - 3x + 6 \equiv A(x - 2)^2 + Bx + C$  (3)
- (g) Find the range of values of  $k$  for which the equation  $2x^2 - 3kx + 2 = 0$  has no real roots (2)
- (h) Find the values of  $m$  if the equation  $x^2 - 3mx + (m + 3) = 0$  has
- (i) one root is the reciprocal of the other (1)
  - (ii) roots that are equal but opposite in sign (1)
  - (iii) one root is double the other (3)

**QUESTION 6 (13 marks)**

(a) Find  $\frac{d}{dx}[(2x-1)^2]$  (2)

(b) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y = 4x^3 - \frac{3}{x} + 5$  (2)

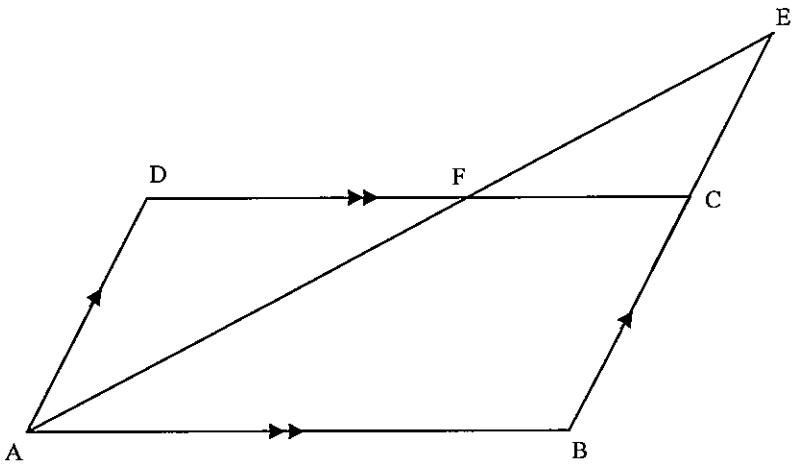
(c) Find  $f'(4)$  if  $f(x) = 2\sqrt{x}$  (2)

(d) Use first principles to find the gradient of the tangent to the curve  $y = x^2 - 3x$  (2)

(e) In the diagram below ABCD is a parallelogram.  
F lies on DC such that AF produced meets BC produced at E

(i) Prove  $\Delta ADF \sim \Delta EBA$  (3)

(ii) Find DF if FC = 6cm, EC = 5cm and CB = 8cm (2)



Solutions to  
2009 Preliminary HSC Maths Task 4

Q1 a)  $c^2 = 138.5^2 - 78.3^2$

$$= 13051.36$$

$$c \doteq 114 \text{ cm} \quad (3 \text{ sig figs})$$

b) Loss = \$ 525

$$\% \text{ loss} = \frac{525}{800} \times 100 \%$$

$$\approx 62.5 \%$$

c)  $x^2 - 6x + 9 + 5x = x^2 - x + 9$

d)  $3x + 8 = 2x$

$$x = -8$$

e)  $\frac{(3x+1)(x-2)}{(3x+1)(3x-1)} = \frac{x-2}{3x-1}$

$\begin{matrix} 3x+1 \\ \cancel{x-2} \end{matrix}$

f)  $\frac{3}{2\sqrt{3}-3} \times \frac{2\sqrt{3}+3}{2\sqrt{3}+3} = \frac{6\sqrt{3}+9}{12-9}$

$$= \frac{3(2\sqrt{3}+3)}{3} = 2\sqrt{3}+3$$

g)  $|2x| = 5x+9$

$$2x = 5x+9 \quad \text{or} \quad -2x = 5x+9$$

$$-9 = 3x$$

$$-3 = x$$

$$-9 = 7x$$

$$-\frac{9}{7} = x$$

check  $|-6| \stackrel{?}{=} -15+9$   
No

$$|-\frac{18}{7}| \stackrel{?}{=} -\frac{45}{7} + 9$$
  
Yes

$$\therefore x = -\frac{9}{7} \text{ only}$$

Q. 2

i)  $(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{6}{2}) = (-2\frac{1}{2}, 3)$

ii) Midpoint of QS:  $(-\frac{6+1}{2}, \frac{-1+7}{2})$   
 $= (-2\frac{1}{2}, 3)$

Equal midpoints  $\therefore$  Diagonals bisect each other.  $\therefore$  PQRS is a parallelogram.

iii)  $d^2 = 7^2 + 8^2$

$$d = \sqrt{113}$$

iv)  $m = \frac{7+1}{1+6} = \frac{8}{7}$

v)  $y - 7 = \frac{8}{7}(x - 1)$

$$7y - 49 = 8x - 8$$

$$0 = 8x - 7y + 41$$

vi)  $d = \sqrt{\frac{8x - \frac{3}{2} - 7x_2 + 41}{8^2 + 7^2}} = \sqrt{113}$

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{15}{113}} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{\sqrt{113}}$$

vii)  $A = bh = \sqrt{113} \times \frac{15}{\sqrt{113}}$   
 $= 15 \text{ m}^2$

b)  $x + y = -3 \quad \text{--- } ①$

Sub into ①

$$3x - 4y = -2 \quad \text{--- } ②$$

$$-2 + y = -3$$

①  $\times 4$   $4x + 4y = -12 \quad \text{--- } ③$

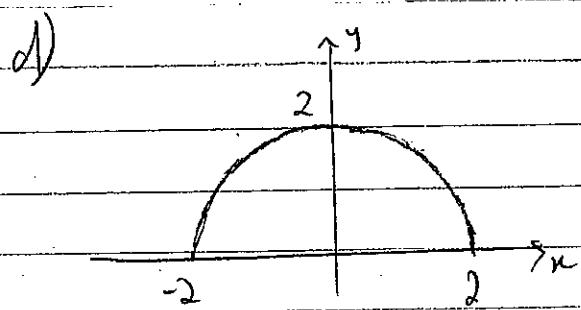
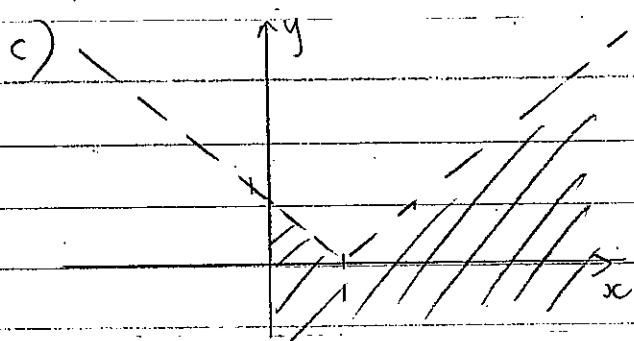
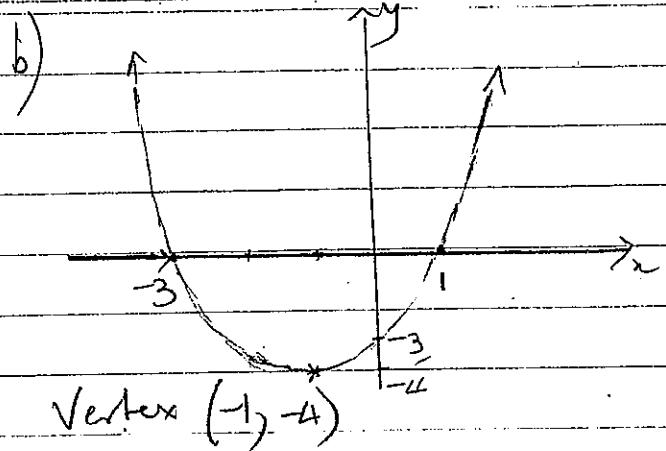
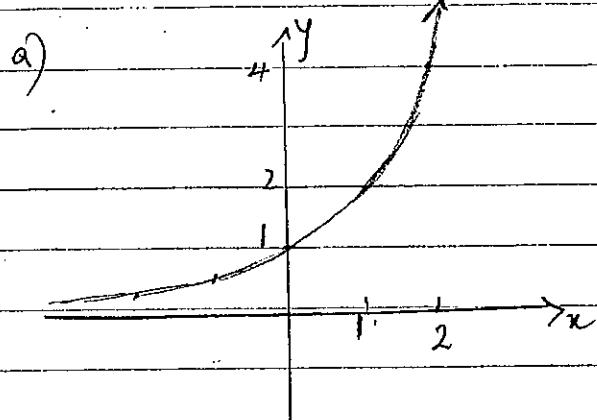
$$y = -1$$

② + ③  $7x = -14$

$$(-2, -1)$$

$$x = -2$$

Question 3



e) i)  $F(-3) = \sqrt{5}$

ii)  $0 = \sqrt{2-x}$

$0 = 2-x$

$x = 2$

iii) D:  $x \leq 2$

R:  $y \geq 0$

v)  $-x = \sqrt{2-x}$

$x^2 = 2-x$

$x^2 + x - 2 = 0$

$(x+2)(x-1) = 0$

$x = -2 \text{ or } 1$

Only  $x = -2$  works

Point of intersection is  $(-2, 2)$

f)  $g(x) = \frac{\cos x}{x}$

$g(-x) = \frac{\cos(-x)}{-x}$

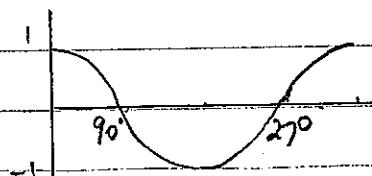
$= \frac{\cos x}{-x}$

$g(-x) = -g(x)$

i) odd.

iii)  $\frac{\cos x}{x} = 0$

$\cos x = 0$



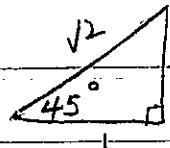
ii)  $x = 0$

$x = 90^\circ \text{ or } 270^\circ$

#### Question 4

a)  $\sec 135^\circ = -\sec 45^\circ$

$$= -\sqrt{2}$$



b)  $\cos \theta = \frac{4^2 + 5^2 - 7^2}{2 \times 4 \times 5} = -\frac{1}{5}$

$$\angle \theta = 101^\circ 32'$$



c)  $\sqrt{\cos^2 A} \times \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} = |\cos A| \times \frac{\sin A}{\cos A}$

$$= \sin A \text{ if } \cos A > 0 \quad = -\sin A \text{ if } \cos A < 0$$

ie Quads ①+④                                  ie quads ②+③

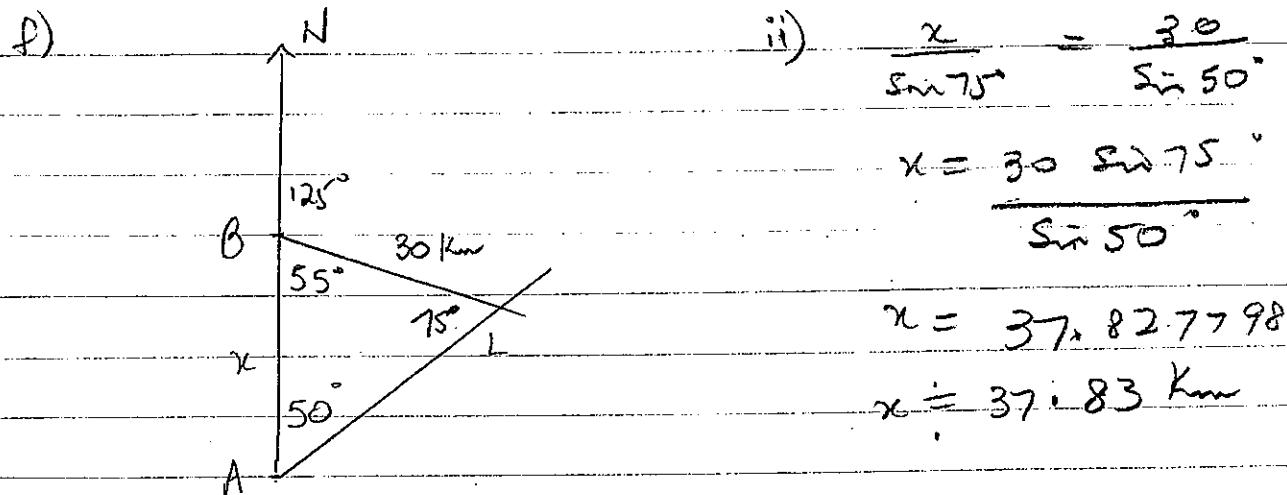
d)  $\sin \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$        $\theta$  lies in 4th quad  
 $\theta = 330^\circ$       ;  $\tan \theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

e)  $\cos x (2 \cos x + 1) = 0$

$$\cos x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \cos x = 0$$

~~Df~~

$$x = 120^\circ \text{ or } 240^\circ \text{ or } 90^\circ \text{ or } 270^\circ$$



Question 5

f) Equate coeffs of  $x^2$   $A=1$

a)  $x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16+8}}{8}$

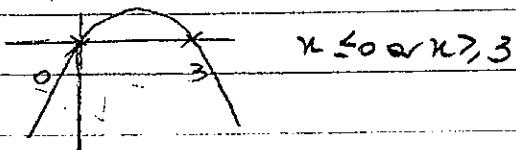
Sub  $x=0$   $4A+C=6$

$C=2$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{8} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{3}}{4}$$

Sub  $x=2$   $4-6+6=2B+2$   
 $2B=2 \Rightarrow B=1$

b)  $A=1, B=1, C=2$



g)  $2x^2 - 3kx + 2 = 0$

$\Delta < 0$

c)  $x^2 + 4x + 4 = 1$

$9k^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 2 < 0$

$(x+2)^2 = 1$

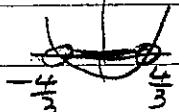
$9k^2 - 16 < 0$

Minimum value is -1

$(3k-4)(3k+4) < 0$

d) i)  $\alpha + \beta = 2$

$-\frac{4}{3} < k < \frac{4}{3}$



ii)  $\alpha\beta = 5$

iii)  $\alpha\beta = 2(\alpha+\beta) + 4$

= 5 - 4 + 4

= 5

l) i)  $\alpha\beta = 1$

$m+3 = 1$

$m = -2$

iv)  $(\alpha+\beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$

= 4 - 10

= -6

ii)  $b = 0$

$-3m = 0$

$m = 0$

e)  $u = x^2 - 2x$

iii) let roots be  $\alpha + 2\alpha$

$u^2 - u - 6 = 0$

$\therefore 3\alpha = 3m$

$(u-3)(u+2) = 0$

$\alpha = m$

$u=3 \text{ or } -2$

$x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0 \text{ or } x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$

$(x-3)(x+1) = 0 \quad \alpha = 4-8$

$2\alpha^2 = m+3$

$x=3 \text{ or } -1 \quad \alpha = -4$

no solutions

$2m^2 = m+3$

$\therefore x=3 \text{ or } -1$

$2m^2 - m - 3 = 0$

$(2m-3)(m+1) = 0 \quad m = 3 \text{ or } -1$

$m = 3 \text{ or } -1$

~~$m = 1$~~

### Question 6

a)  $y' = 2(2x-1) \cdot 2 = 4(2x-1)$  or  $8x-4$

b)  $y = 4x^3 - 3x^{-1} + 5$

$$y' = 12x^2 + 3x^{-2} = 12x^2 + \frac{3}{x^2}$$

c)  $f(x) = 2x^{\frac{1}{2}}$        $f'(x) = x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$

$$f'(4) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{16}} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

d)  $y + \Delta y = (x+\Delta x)^2 - 3(x+\Delta x)$

$$y + \Delta y = x^2 + 2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2 - 3x - 3\Delta x$$

$$\Delta y = 2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2 - 3\Delta x$$

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = 2x + \Delta x - 3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = 2x - 3$$

e) i) In  $\triangle$ 's  $ADF, EBA$

1.  $\angle DAF = \angle FEB$  (alternate  $\angle$ 's  $DA \parallel EB$ )

2.  $\angle ADF = \angle ABE$  (opposite angles of parallelogram are equal)

$\therefore \angle ADF \parallel \angle EBA$  (2 angles test)

ii)  $\frac{DF}{AB} = \frac{AD}{EB}$  (corresponding sides in similar  $\triangle$ 's)

$$\frac{x}{x+6} = \frac{8}{13}$$

$$13x = 8x + 48$$

$$5x = 48$$

$$x = \frac{48}{5}$$

$$\therefore DF = \frac{48}{5} \text{ cm.}$$

