Subject – Math AI(Standard Level)
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Paper -1
Questions

Question 1

[Maximum mark: 4]

The intensity level of sound, L measured in decibels (dB), is a function of the sound intensity, S watts per square metre $(\mathrm{W\,m^{-2}})$. The intensity level is given by the following formula.

$$L = 10\log_{10}(S \times 10^{12}),\ S \geq 0$$

(a) An orchestra has a sound intensity of $6.4 \times 10^{-3}\,\mathrm{W\,m^{-2}}$. Calculate the intensity level, L of the orchestra. [2]

(b) A rock concert has an intensity level of $112\,\mathrm{dB}$. Find the sound intensity, S. [2]

Question 2

[Maximum mark: 6]

The Osaka Tigers basketball team play in a multilevel stadium.

The most expensive tickets are in the first row. The ticket price, in Yen (¥), for each row forms an arithmetic sequence. Prices for the first three rows are shown in the following table.

Ticket pricing per game	
1st row	6800 Yen
2nd row	6550 Yen
3rd row	6300 Yen

(a) Write down the value of the common difference, d [1]

(b) Calculate the price of a ticket in the 16th row. [2]

(c) Find the total cost of buying 2 tickets in each of the first 16 rows. [3]

Question 3

[Maximum mark: 6]

Tommaso and Pietro have each been given 1500 euro to save for college.

Pietro invests his money in an account that pays a nominal annual interest rate of 2.75%, **compounded half-yearly**.

(a) Calculate the amount Pietro will have in his account after 5 years. Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places. [3]

Tommaso wants to invest his money in an account such that his investment will increase to 1.5 times the initial amount in 5 years. Assume the account pays a nominal annual interest of $r\%$ **compounded quarterly**.

(b) Determine the value of r. [3]

Question 4

[Maximum mark: 8]

Charlie and Daniella each began a fitness programme. On day one, they both ran $500\,\text{m}$. On each subsequent day, Charlie ran $100\,\text{m}$ more than the previous day whereas Daniella increased her distance by 2% of the distance ran on the previous day.

(a) Calculate how far

(i) Charlie ran on day 20 of his fitness programme.

(ii) Daniella ran on day 20 of her fitness programme. [5]

On day n of the fitness programmes Daniella runs more than Charlie for the first time.

(b) Find the value of n. [3]

Question 5

[Maximum mark: 4]

Katya approximates π, correct to four decimal places, by using the following expression.

$$3+\frac{1}{6+\frac{13}{16}}$$

(a) Calculate Katya's approximation of π, correct to four decimal places. [2]

(b) Calculate the percentage error in using Katya's four decimal place approximation of π, compared to the exact value of π in your calculator. [2]

Question 6

[Maximum mark: 9]

In this question, give all answers correct to 2 decimal places.

Raul and Rosy want to buy a new house and they need a loan of $170\,000$ Australian dollars (AUD) from a bank. The loan is for 30 years and the annual interest rate for the loan is 3.8%, compounded monthly. They will pay the loan in fixed monthly instalments at the end of each month.

(a) Find the amount they will pay the bank each month. [3]

(b) (i) Find the amount Raul and Rosy will still owe the bank at the end of the first 10 years.

(ii) Using your answers to parts (a) and (b)(i), calculate how much interest they will have paid in total during the first 10 years. [6]

Question 7

[Maximum mark: 5]

Inspectors are investigating the carbon dioxide emissions of a power plant. Let R be the rate, in tonnes per hour, at which carbon dioxide is being emitted and t be the time in hours since the inspection began.

When R is plotted against t, the total amount of carbon dioxide produced is represented by the area between the graph and the horizontal t-axis.

The rate, R, is measured over the course of two hours. The results are shown in the following table.

t	0	0.4	0.8	1.2	1.6	2
R	30	50	60	40	20	50

(a) Use the trapezoidal rule with an interval width of 0.4 to estimate the total amount of carbon dioxide emitted during these two hours. [3]

The real amount of carbon dioxide emitted during these two hours was 72 tonnes.

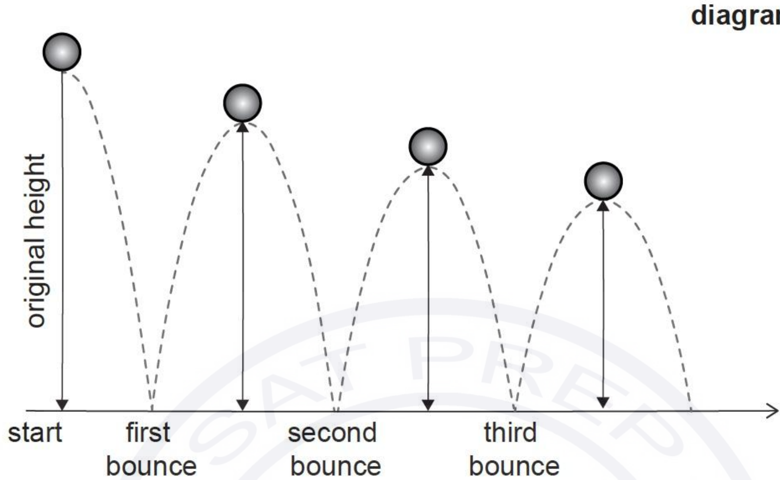
(b) Find the percentage error of the estimate found in part (a). [2]

Question 8

[Maximum mark: 7]

A ball is dropped from a height of 1.8 metres and bounces on the ground. The maximum height reached by the ball, after each bounce, is 85% of the previous maximum height.

diagram not to scale



(a) Show that the maximum height reached by the ball after it has bounced for the sixth time is $68\,\text{cm}$, to the nearest cm. [2]

(b) Find the number of times, after the first bounce, that the maximum height reached is greater than $10\,\text{cm}$. [2]

(c) Find the total **vertical** distance travelled by the ball from the point at which it is dropped until the fourth bounce. [3]

Question 9

[Maximum mark: 8]

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]

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

(b) Find the value of b. [2]

(c) Given $0 < M < 8$, find the range for N. [2]

The expected length of time, in years, between earthquakes with a magnitude of at least M is $\frac{1}{N}$.

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

(d) Find the expected length of time between this earthquake and the next earthquake of at least this magnitude. Give your answer to the nearest year. [2]

Question 10

[Maximum mark: 5]

The ticket prices for a concert are shown in the following table.

Ticket Type	Price (in Australian dollars, $)
Adult	15
Child	10
Student	12

- A total of 600 tickets were sold.
- The total amount of money from ticket sales was $7816.
- There were twice as many adult tickets sold as child tickets.

Let the number of adult tickets sold be x, the number of child tickets sold be y, and the number of student tickets sold be z.

(a) Write down three equations that express the information given above. [3]

(b) Find the number of each type of ticket sold. [2]

Question 11

[Maximum mark: 6]

Juliana plans to invest money for 10 years in an account paying 3.5% interest, compounded annually. She expects the annual inflation rate to be 2% per year throughout the 10-year period.

Juliana would like her investment to be worth a real value of $4000, compared to current values, at the end of the 10-year period. She is considering two options.

Option 1: Make a one-time investment at the start of the 10-year period.

Option 2: Invest $1000 at the start of the 10-year period and then invest $\$x$ into the account at the end of each year (including the first and last years).

(a) For option 1, determine the minimum amount Juliana would need to invest. Give your answer to the nearest dollar. [3]

(b) For option 2, find the minimum value of x that Juliana would need to invest each year. Give your answer to the nearest dollar. [3]

Question 12

[Maximum mark: 5]

The pH of a solution measures its acidity and can be determined using the formula pH $= -\log_{10} C$, where C is the concentration of hydronium ions in the solution, measured in moles per litre. A lower pH indicates a more acidic solution.

The concentration of hydronium ions in a particular type of coffee is 1.3×10^{-5} moles per litre.

(a) Calculate the pH of the coffee. [2]

A different, unknown, liquid has 10 times the concentration of hydronium ions of the coffee in part (a).

(b) Determine whether the unknown liquid is more or less acidic than the coffee. Justify your answer mathematically. [3]

Question 13

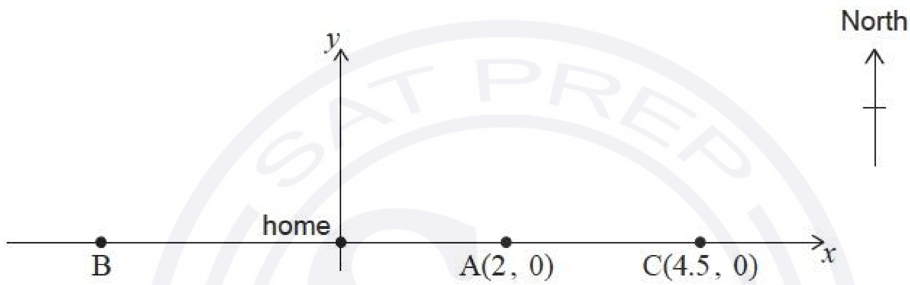
[Maximum mark: 7]

Kristi's house is located on a long straight road which traverses east–west. The road can be modelled by the equation $y = 0$, and her home is located at the origin $(0, 0)$.

She is training for a marathon by running from her home to a point on the road and then returning to her home by bus.

- The first day Kristi runs 2 kilometres east to point $A(2, 0)$.
- The second day Kristi runs west to point B.
- The third day Kristi runs 4.5 kilometres east to point $C(4.5, 0)$.

This information is represented in the following diagram.



Each day Kristi increases the distance she runs. The point she reaches each day can be represented by an x-coordinate. These x-coordinates form a geometric sequence.

(a) Show that the common ratio, r, is -1.5. [2]

On the 6th day, Kristi runs to point F.

(b) Find the location of point F. [2]

(c) Find the total distance Kristi runs during the first 7 days of training. [3]

Question 14

[Maximum mark: 6]

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]

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

(b) Find the brightness of Ceres. [2]

(c) Find how many times brighter Acubens is compared to Ceres. [2]

Question 15

[Maximum mark: 7]

On 1 December 2022, Laviola invests 800 euros (EUR) into a savings account which pays a nominal annual interest rate of 7.5% compounded monthly. At the end of each month, Laviola deposits an additional EUR 500 into the savings account.

At the end of k months, Laviola will have saved enough money to withdraw EUR $10\,000$.

(a) Find the smallest possible value of k, for $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. [4]

(b) For this value of k, find the interest earned in the savings account. Express your answer correct to the nearest EUR. [3]

Question 16

[Maximum mark: 7]

In the first month of a reforestation program, the town of Neerim plants 85 trees. Each subsequent month the number of trees planted will increase by an additional 30 trees.

The number of trees to be planted in each of the first three months are shown in the following table.

Month	Trees planted
1	85
2	115
3	145

(a) Find the number of trees to be planted in the 15th month. [3]

(b) Find the total number of trees to be planted in the first 15 months. [2]

(c) Find the mean number of trees planted per month during the first 15 months. [2]