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You should have Mathematical tables / Scientific calculator for this examination.

This paper consists of **EIGHT** questions.

Answer any **FIVE** questions in the spaces provided in this question paper.

All questions carry equal marks.

Maximum marks to each part of a question are as shown.

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1. (a) Prove the identities:

(i) $\tanh 2x = \frac{2 \tanh x}{1 + \tanh^2 x}$

(ii) $\cosh 3x = 4 \cosh^3 x - 3 \cosh x$

(7 marks)

(b) (i) Express $\operatorname{sech}^{-1} x$ in logarithmic form;

(ii) Given that $\sinh^{-1} x = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$, find the real root of the equation $\operatorname{sech}^{-1} x = \sinh^{-1} x$.

(13 marks)

2. (a) Prove the identity:

$\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec} \theta + \cot \theta}$

(4 marks)

(b) Given that A, B and C are angles of a triangle, prove that

$\sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C = 4 \sin A \sin B \sin C$

(7 marks)

(c) (i) Express $5 \sin \theta - 12 \cos \theta$ in the form $R \sin(\theta - \alpha)$, where $R > 0$ and $0 \leq \alpha \leq 90^\circ$;

(ii) Hence, solve the equation $5 \sin \theta - 12 \cos \theta = 6$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$.

(9 marks)

3. (a) Solve the equation $2x^2 - 9x + 9 = 0$ by factorization

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(5 marks)

(b) The roots of the equation $x^2 + 6x + q = 0$ are α and $\alpha - 1$. Determine the value of q .

(5 marks)

(c) The roots of the equation $x^2 + 7x + 3 = 0$ are α and β . Without solving the equation, form an equation whose roots are $\frac{1}{\alpha^2}$ and $\frac{1}{\beta^2}$.

(10 marks)

4. (a) Find the middle term in the binomial expansion of $(2x + 3)^8$, and determine its value when $x = \frac{1}{12}$.

(6 marks)

(b) Expand $(1 - 3x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ as far as the term in x^3 and determine the range of values of x for which the expansion is valid.

(4 marks)

(c) (i) If x is so small that its fourth and higher powers may be neglected, show that $\sqrt[4]{(1+x)} + \sqrt[4]{(1-x)} = a - bx^2$, and determine the values of a and b ;

(ii) Hence, by putting $x = \frac{1}{16}$ in the result in (c) (i) above, prove that $17^{\frac{1}{4}} + 15^{\frac{1}{4}} = 3.9985$ approximately.

(10 marks)