

KENYA CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION(KCSE)**SULIMO-JOINT EVALUATION TEST**

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Paper 1

MATHEMATICS**JULY. 2025 -2 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours**Name M/SCHEME Admno Class

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Instructions to candidates

- (a) Write your name and admission number in the spaces provided above
- (b) Sign and write your name, admission number, class and the date of examination in the spaces provided above
- (c) This paper consists of **two** sections: **Section I** and **section II**.
- (d) Answer all questions in Section I and **ONLY 5** questions in section II
- (e) **Show all the steps in your calculations, giving your answers at each stage in the spaces provided below each question.**
- (f) Marks may be given for correct working even if the answer is wrong
- (g) Non programmable silent electronic calculator and KNEC Mathematical tables may be used, except where stated otherwise
- (h) **This paper consists of 15 printed pages**
- (i) **Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**
- (j) **Candidates should answer the questions in English**

For Examiner's Use Only**Section I**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total

Section II

17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Total

Grand Total

SECTION I (Answer ALL the questions in this section)

1. Evaluate without using a calculator.

(3 marks)

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } 3\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2} \left(2\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} \right)}{\frac{3}{4} \text{ of } 2\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$N_1: \frac{7}{4} + \frac{11}{4} = \frac{18}{4} \text{ or } \frac{9}{2} \quad M_1$$

$$D_1: \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{5}{2} \times \frac{2}{1} = \frac{15}{4} \quad M_1$$

$$\frac{9}{2} \div \frac{15}{4}$$

$$\frac{9}{2} \times \frac{4}{15} = \frac{6}{5} \text{ or } 1\frac{1}{5} \quad A_1$$

2. A steel company wishes to make nails from steel rods of length 5.12m, 7.60 m and 9.28 m. Find the least number of nails that can be obtained from the three steel rods. (3 marks)

$$gcd = 8 \quad M_1$$

$$\frac{512}{8} + \frac{760}{8} + \frac{928}{8} \quad M_1$$

$$64 + 95 + 116$$

$$275 \quad A_1$$

3. Factorise completely; $(a + b)(3a - 4b) - (a + b)^2$

(3 marks)

$$(a+b)(3a-4b) - (a+b)(a+b) \quad M_1$$

$$(a+b)[3a-4b-a-b] \quad M_1$$

$$(a+b)(2a-5b) \quad A_1$$

4. Solve the equation: $27^x + 3^{3x-1} - 4 = 104$

(3 marks)

$$3^{3x} + 3^{3x} \div 3^1 = 108 \quad M_1$$

$$\text{Let } 3^{3x} = y$$

$$y = \frac{108 \times 3}{4} = 81 \quad M_1$$

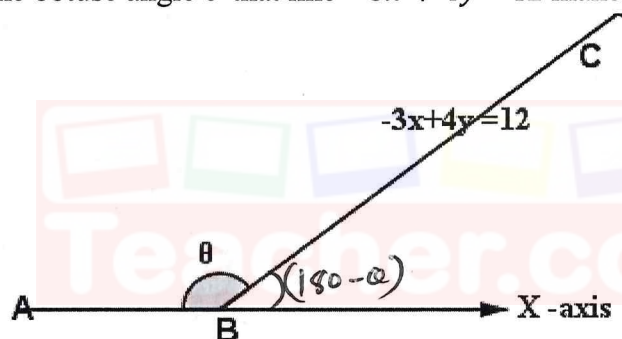
$$3^x = 81$$

$$\frac{3^x}{3} = \frac{81}{3}$$

$$3x = 4$$

$$x = \frac{4}{3} \text{ or } 1\frac{1}{3} \quad A_1$$

5. Find the obtuse angle θ that line $-3x + 4y = 12$ makes with the x-axis (3 marks)



$$\tan(180 - \theta) = 0.75 \quad M_1$$

$$180 - \theta = \tan^{-1} 0.75$$

$$= 36.87 \quad M_1$$

$$\theta = 180 - 36.37$$

$$= 143.1^\circ \quad A_1$$

6. The figure below shows wooden pentagonal prism of side 10cm and length 45cm. If it weighs 3.5kg, find its density in kg/m^3 . (3 marks)

$$V = 5 \times \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times \frac{5}{\tan 36} \times 45 \text{cm}$$

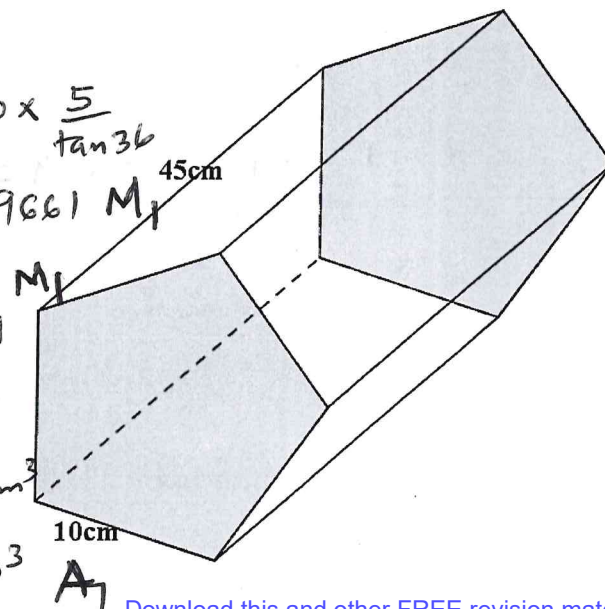
$$= 1548.429661 \quad M_1$$

$$\Delta = \frac{3500}{1548.429661}$$

$$= 2.260 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$2.260 \times 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$= 2260 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad A_1$$



7. Two interior angles of an irregular polygon each measures 90° . All the other remaining interior angles each measure 150° . Determine the number of sides of the polygon. (3 marks)

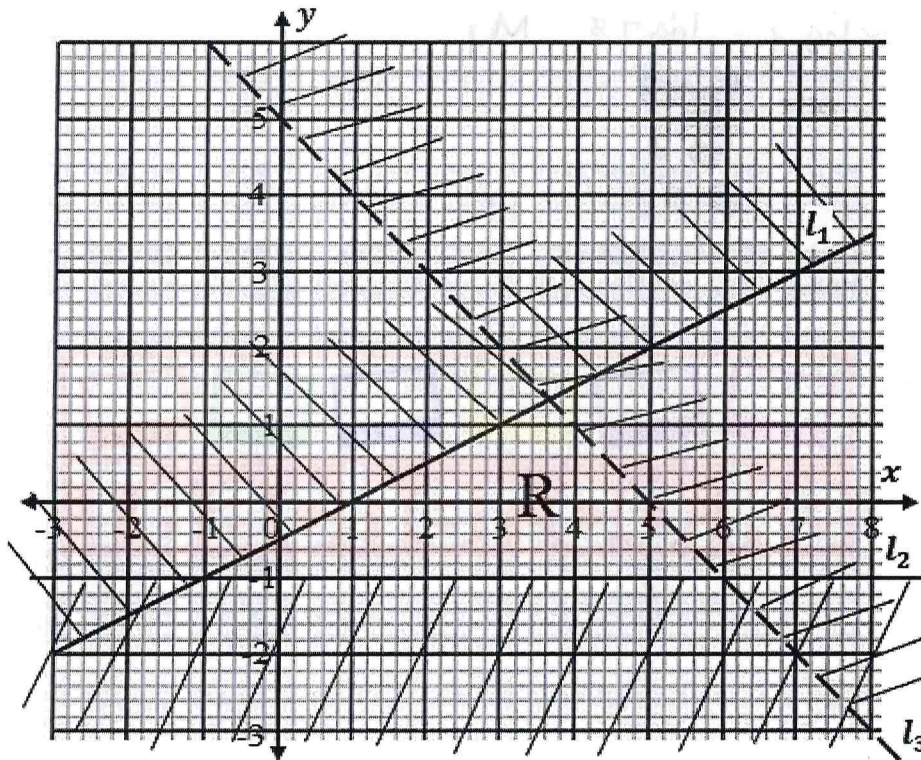
$$90 + 90 + 30n = 360 \quad M_1$$

$$\frac{30n}{30} = \frac{180}{30}$$

$$n = 6 \quad M_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{no. of sides} &= 6 + 2 \\ &= 8 \quad A_1 \end{aligned}$$

8. Generate the inequalities that define region R in the figure below: (3 marks)



$$y \leq -1 \quad B_1$$

$$x + y \leq 5 \quad B_1$$

$$2y \leq x - 1 \quad B_1 \text{ hence } y \leq \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}$$

9. The distance between towns T and S is 418km. At 9.45a.m a truck left town T and travelled towards town S. At the same time a car left town S and travelled towards town T along the same road. Given that the car travels 30km/h faster than the truck and that the two vehicles meet at 1:33p.m, find the speed of each vehicle. (3 marks)

$$\frac{418}{2x+30} = \frac{19}{5} \quad M_1$$

$$x = 40 \quad M_1$$

Speed of the truck = 40 km/h

Speed of the car = 40 + 30
= 70 km/h } A_1

10. Given that $\vec{OP} = -6\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$, $\vec{OQ} = -2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}$ and $\vec{OR} = 6\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$, express \vec{PQ} and \vec{QR} as column vectors and hence show that the points P, Q and R lie on a straight line. (4 marks)

$$\vec{PQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad B_1 \quad k = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\vec{QR} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad B_1$$

$$\vec{PQ} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{QR} \quad B_1$$

$$\vec{PQ} = k \vec{QR}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = k \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

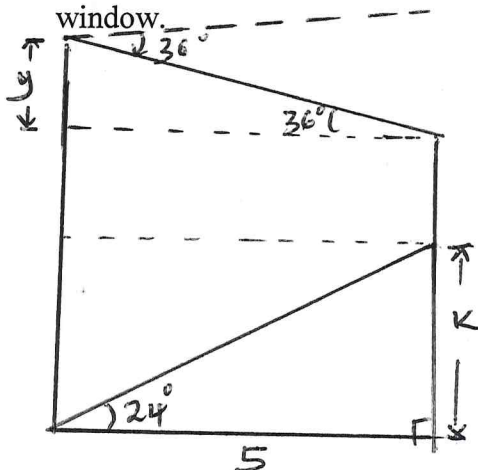
$$\vec{PQ} \parallel \vec{QR}$$

Q is a common point

Hence points are collinear

11. From the foot of a tower, the angle of elevation of the lower frame of a window is $\frac{2\pi^c}{15}$.

From the top of the tower, the angle of depression of the top frame of the same window is $0.2\pi^c$. If the tower 7m tall and 5m away from the building, determine the height of the window. (4 marks)



$$\tan 24 = \frac{k}{5}$$

$$k = 5 \tan 24 = 2.226 \text{ m}$$

$$\tan 36 = \frac{y}{5}$$

$$y = 5 \tan 36 = 3.633$$

$$2.226 + 3.633 = 5.859 \quad M_1$$

$$\text{Height} = 7 - 5.859$$

$$= 1.141 \text{ m}$$

12. The figure below shows a circle centre O and AOC is its diameter. Chords BD and AC intersect at F. Given that angle AOB = 68° and angle ACD = 70° , find the size of angles; (3 marks)

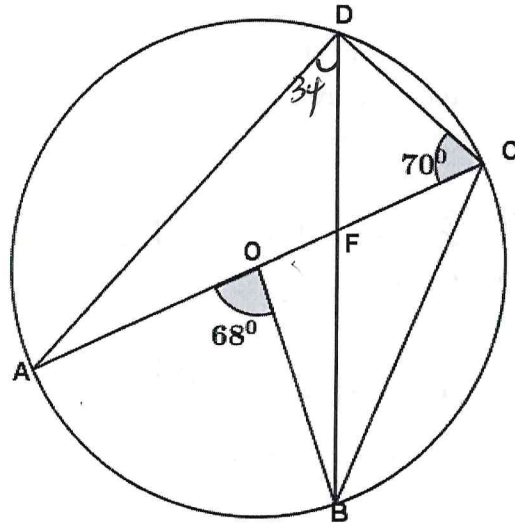
(a) $\angle DAC = 20^\circ$ B₁

(b) $\angle BFC$

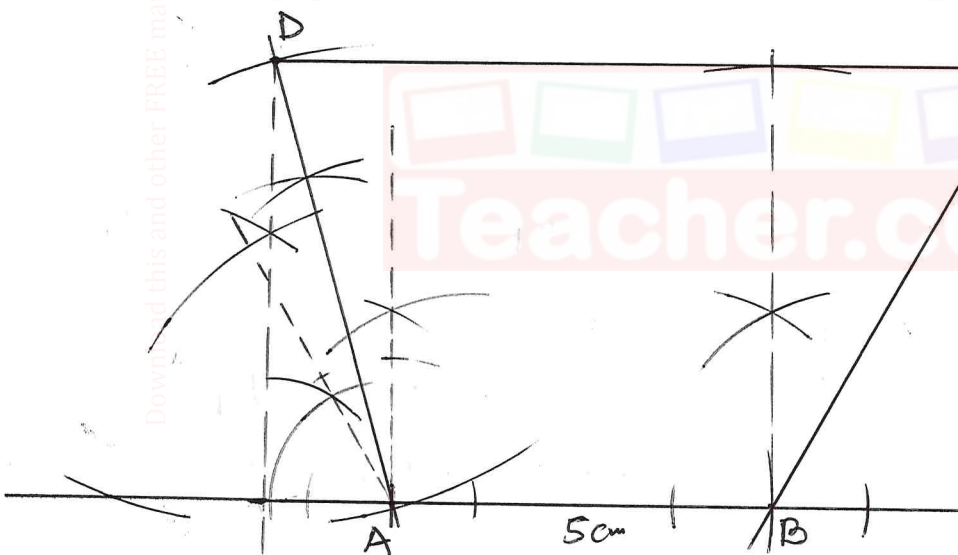
$\angle DFC = 54^\circ$ B₁

$\angle BFC = 180 - 54$
 $= 126^\circ$ B₁

Alternatively
 $\angle ADB = \frac{1}{2} \times 68 = 34^\circ$ B₁
 $\angle BFC = 180 - (20 + 34)$
 $= 126^\circ$ B₁



13. Using a ruler and a pair of compasses only, construct a trapezium ABCD in which AB=5cm, AD=6cm, DC=10cm $\angle BAD = 105^\circ$ and AB is parallel to DC. Draw a perpendicular from B to DC hence measure the height of the trapezium. (3 marks)



B₁ for construction

B₁ for complete trapezium

Height = 5.7 ± 0.1 B₁

14. A sales agent is paid a commission of $x\%$ on sales over sh.80000. During a particular month he received a commission of sh. 14680 after selling 50 bicycles at a discount of 12%. If the marked price of a bicycle was sh. 18500, determine the value of x . (3 marks)

$SP = \frac{88}{100} \times 18500 \times 50$
 $= \text{sh. } 814\,000$ M₁

$\frac{x}{100} \times 734\,000 = 14680$ M₁

$x = \frac{14680}{7340}$
 $= 2\%$ A₁

15. Use tables of reciprocal to evaluate $\frac{1}{0.0247}$ hence evaluate $\frac{\sqrt{30.25}}{2.47 \times 10^{-2}}$ (3 marks)

$$\frac{1}{0.0247} = 0.4049 \times 10^2 \text{ B}_1$$

$$\sqrt{30.25} = \sqrt{\frac{3025}{100}}$$

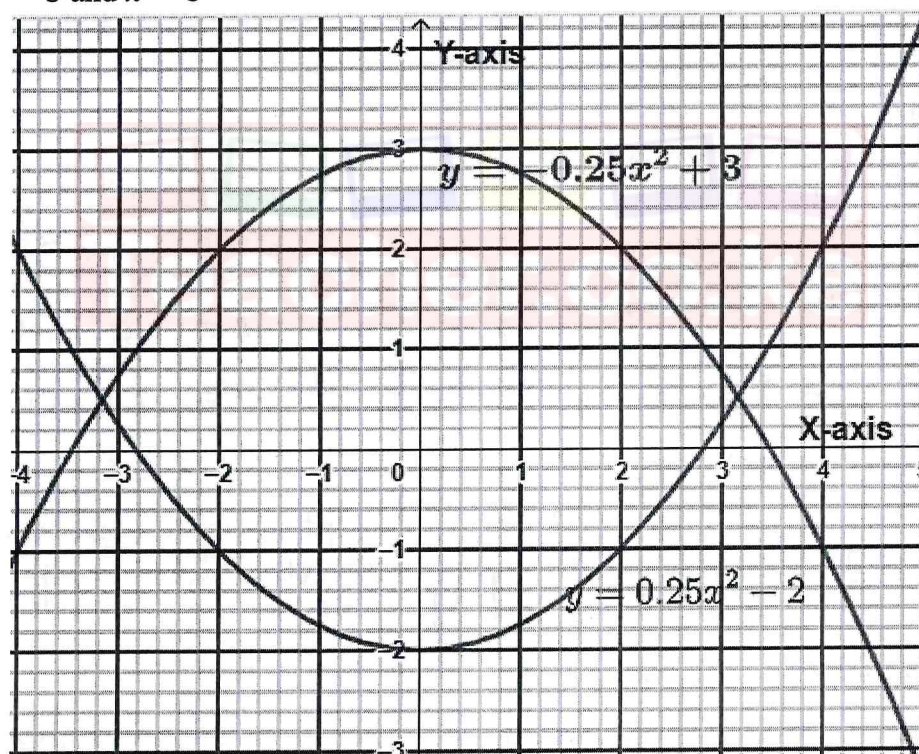
$$= \sqrt{\frac{5^2 \times 11^2}{10^2}}$$

$$= 5.5$$

$$40.49 \times 5.5 \text{ M}_1$$

$$222.695 \text{ A}_1$$

16. Use mid-ordinate rule with 6 strips to estimate the area bounded by the curves and lines $x = -3$ and $x = 3$ (3 marks)



$$h = \frac{3 - (-3)}{6} = 1$$

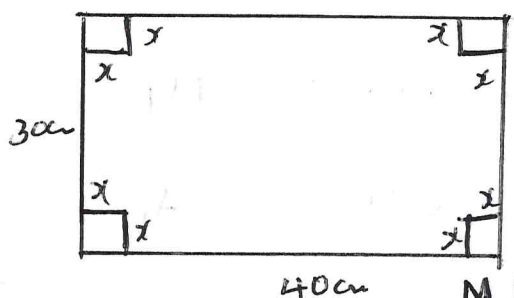
x	-2.5	-1.5	-0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5
y	1.875	3.875	4.875	4.875	3.875	1.875

$$1[1.875 + 3.875 + 4.875 + 4.875 + 3.875 + 1.875] \text{ M}_1$$

$$= 21.25 \text{ sq. units A}_1$$

SECTION II: (Answer **ONLY 5** questions in this section)

17. (a) A rectangular piece of cardboard measuring 40cm by 30cm is to be made into an open box with a base of 936cm^2 by cutting equal squares from the four corners and then binding up the sides. Find the length of the side of the square that must be cut from each corner. (4 marks)



$$(x-2)(x-33) = 0$$

$$x = 2 \text{ or } 33 \quad M_1$$

$$(40-2x)(30-2x) = 936$$

$$4x^2 - 140x + 264 = 0 \quad M_1$$

$$x^2 - 35x + 66 = 0$$

$$x(x-33) - 2(x-33) = 0$$

Disregard 33

$$\therefore x = 2$$

A₁

- (b). A shopkeeper purchases a certain number of books for \$1200. If the cost per book was \$10 less, the number of books that could be purchased for \$1200 would be 4 more. Find the original cost of each book. (3 marks)

Let the original cost of a book be \$x

$$\text{Original no. of books} = \frac{1200}{x}$$

$$\text{Reduced cost} = x - 10$$

$$\text{New no. of books} = \frac{1200}{x-10}$$

$$\frac{1200}{x-10} - \frac{1200}{x} = 4 \quad M_1$$

$$x^2 - 10x - 3000 = 0$$

$$x(x-60) + 50(x-60) = 0$$

$$(x+50)(x-60) = 0$$

$$x = -50 \text{ or } 60 \quad M_1$$

Rejecting $x = -50$

$$\therefore x = 60$$

Hence the original cost of the book = \$60 A₁

- (c) The sum of squares of two consecutive even integers is 244. Find the numbers. (3 marks)

Let the two consecutive even integers be x and $x+2$

$$x^2 + (x+2)^2 = 244 \quad M_1$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 120 = 0$$

$$(x+12)(x-10) = 0$$

$$x = -12 \text{ or } x = 10 \quad M_1$$

When $x = -12$

Integers, -12 and -10

When $x = 10$

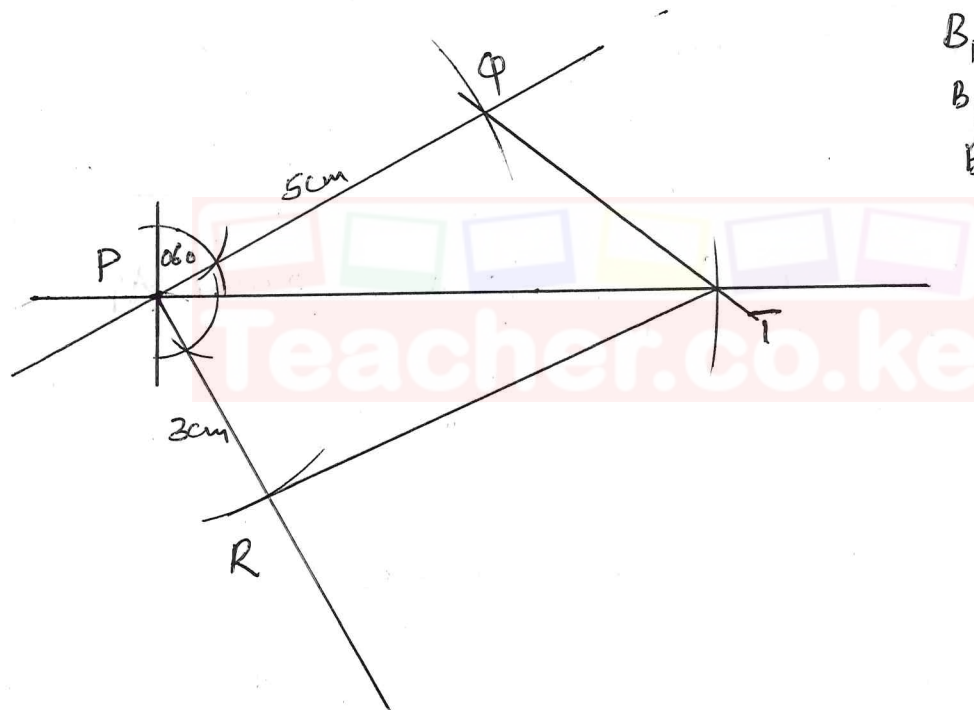
Integers are 10, 12

A₁

18. At noon two ships Q and R leave for port P and sail out to sea. Ship Q sails at a steady speed of 50km/h on a bearing of 060° while ship R sails at a steady speed of 30km/h on a bearing of 150° . At 1600h both ships radio back to the port giving their positions. At the same time a third ship T gives its position at 300km due east of P.

- (a) Using a ruler and compasses only, construct a scale drawing showing the positions of P, Q, R and T at 1600h. (Scale 1cm=40km) (4 marks)

Time from noon to 1600h = 4h
 Distance PQ = $50 \times 4 = 200\text{km}$
 Distance PR = $30 \times 4 = 120\text{km}$ } M_1



B_1 for point Q
 B_1 for point R
 B_1 for point T

(b) Use your scale drawing to determine the distance

- (i) Q from R (2 marks)

$$5.8 \times 40 = 232 \pm 4\text{km} \quad B_1 B_1$$

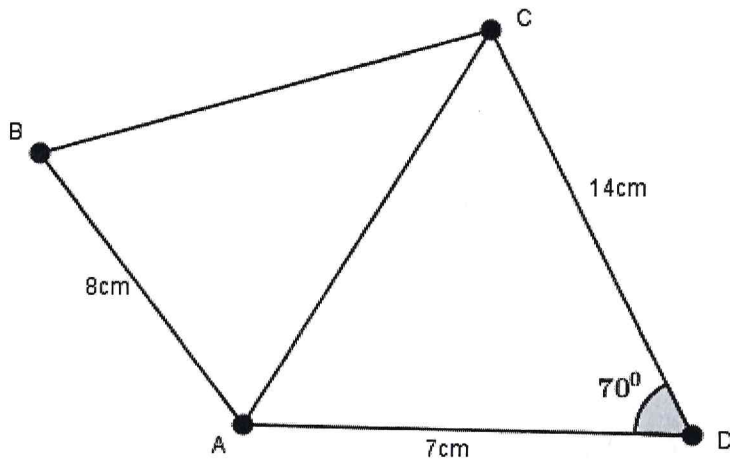
- (ii) T from Q (2 marks)

$$3.9 \times 40 = 156 \pm 4\text{km} \quad B_1 B_1$$

- (iii) R from T (2 marks)

$$6.5 \times 40 = 262 \pm 4\text{km} \quad B_1 B_1$$

19. The figure below shows quadrilateral ABCD (not drawn to scale) with $AB = 8\text{cm}$, $AD = 7\text{cm}$, $CD = 14\text{cm}$ and angle $ADC = 70^\circ$.



- (a) Calculate to 4 significant figures, the length of side AC

(3 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} d^2 &= 7^2 + 14^2 - 2 \times 7 \times 14 \cos 70^\circ \quad M_1 \\ d^2 &= 177.9640519 \\ d &= \sqrt{177.9640519} \quad M_1 \\ &= 13.34 \quad A_1 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Calculate to 2 decimal places, the size of angle ACD

(2 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{13.34}{\sin 70} &= \frac{14}{\sin C} \quad M_1 \quad \therefore \angle ACD = 29.54 \quad A_1 \\ C &= \sin^{-1} 0.493092079 \\ C &= 29.54^\circ \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Given that angle ABC is 110° find to 1 decimal place

- (i) Length BC

(3 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{13.34}{\sin 110} &= \frac{8}{\sin C} \quad M_1 \\ \angle C &= 34.30 \quad M_1 \\ \frac{BC}{\sin 35.7} &= \frac{13.34}{\sin 110} \quad M_1 \\ BC &= \frac{13.34 \sin 35.7}{\sin 110} \\ BC &= 8.28 \\ &\approx 8.3 \text{ cm} \quad A_1 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) A circle is drawn through points A, B and C. Find the length of the largest chord of the circle

(2 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{13.34}{\sin 110} &= 2R \quad M_1 \\ D &= 14.20 \quad A_1 \end{aligned}$$

20. (a). Find the inverse of $\begin{pmatrix} 16 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

(2 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} \det &= 16 \times 3 - 4 \times 5 \\ &= 28 \\ \text{Inverse} &= \frac{1}{28} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ -4 & 16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{28} & -\frac{5}{28} \\ -\frac{1}{7} & \frac{4}{7} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(b). In a certain day, a business man total sales from 16 blouses and 5 pairs of trousers was sh.8000. On the following day, his total sales went down by 57.5%. If he had sold 4 blouses and 3 pairs of trousers during the second day, determine by the matrix method, the price of each item. (4 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} 16b + 5t &= 8000 \\ 4b + 3t &= 3400 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 16 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8000 \\ 3400 \end{pmatrix} \quad M_1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 250 \\ 800 \end{pmatrix}$$

Cost of a blouse = sh 250 A₁

Cost of a trouser = sh 800 A₁

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{28} & -\frac{5}{28} \\ -\frac{1}{7} & \frac{4}{7} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{28} & -\frac{5}{28} \\ -\frac{1}{7} & \frac{4}{7} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 8000 \\ 3400 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{28} \times 8000 + -\frac{5}{28} \times 3400 \\ -\frac{1}{7} \times 8000 + \frac{4}{7} \times 3400 \end{pmatrix} M_1$$

(c). On the third day, the businessman reduced the price of a pair of trouser by 8% and increased that of a blouse by 12%. As a result he sold twice as many trousers as blouses. If the day's total sales were sh.10512, determine the number of blouses and pairs of trousers that he sold on the third day. (4 marks)

Trousers blouses
2x x

$$\frac{92}{100} \times 800 = \text{sh } 736 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} M_1$$

$$\frac{112}{100} \times 250 = \text{sh } 280$$

$$736(2x) + 280(x) = 10512 \quad M_1$$

$$x = 6$$

$$\text{Blouses} = 6 \quad A_1$$

$$\text{pairs of trousers} = 12 \quad A_1$$

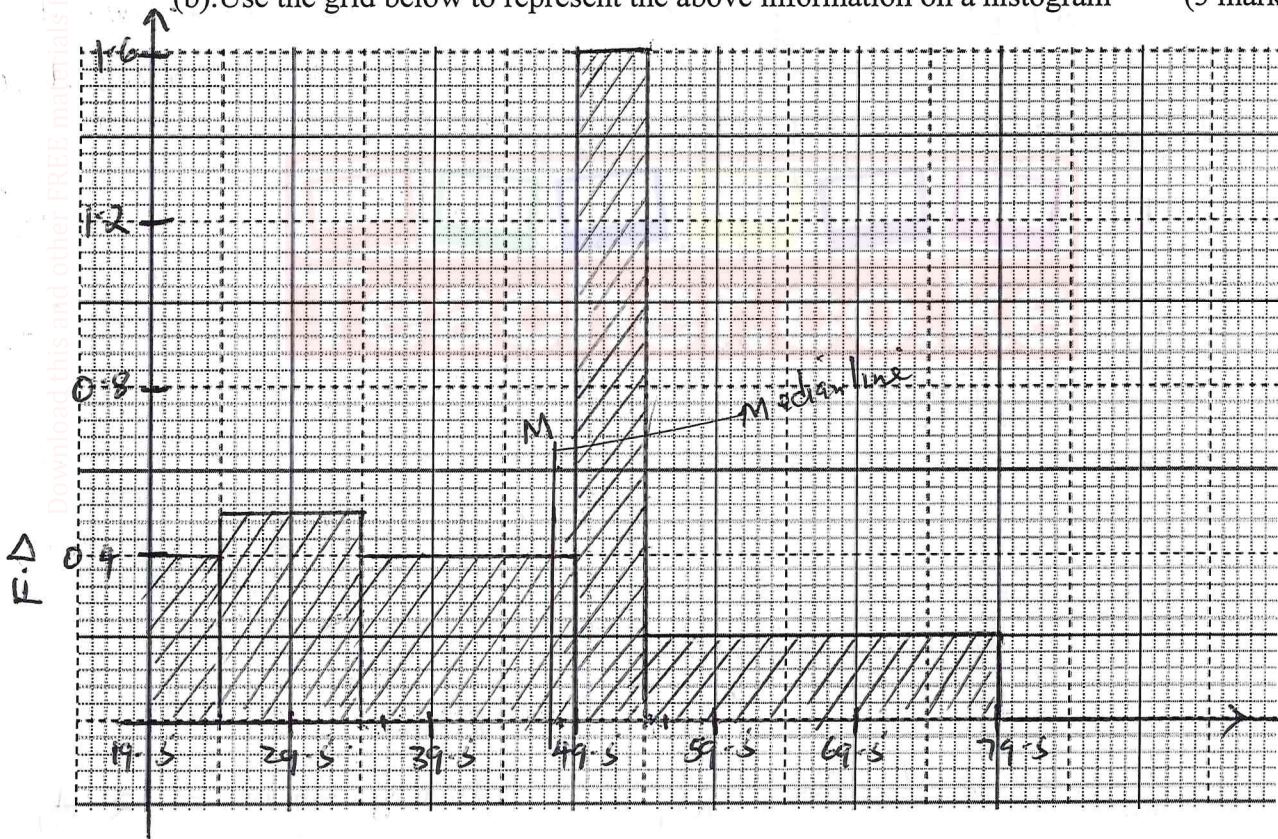
21. The masses in kilograms of patients who attended clinic on a certain day were recorded as follows:

69 54 48 26 53 33 50 39 21
 54 30 46 72 50 63 28 51 36
 23 25 53 45 59 37 52

(a) Complete the frequency distribution table below for the above information. (2 marks)

Mass (kg)	No. of patients	Frequency density
20 – 24	2	$\frac{2}{5} = 0.4$
25 – 34	5	$\frac{5}{10} = 0.5$
35 – 49	6	$\frac{6}{15} = 0.4$
50 – 54	8	$\frac{8}{5} = 1.6$
55 – 74	4	$\frac{4}{20} = 0.2$

(b). Use the grid below to represent the above information on a histogram (3 marks)



(c) Use the histogram to

i. estimate the median mass (3 marks)
 $0.4 \times 5 + 0.5 \times 10 + 0.4 \times W = 12.5$ M1 L1 (for line M)

$W = 13.75$
 Median = $13.75 + 34.5 = 48.25$ A1

ii. determine the number of patients whose mass is between 36kgs and 56kgs

$$13.5 \times 0.4 + 1.6 \times 5 + 1.5 \times 2 \quad \checkmark M1$$

$$= 13.7$$

$$\approx 13 \text{ patients} \quad \checkmark A1$$

(2 marks)

22. (a) On the grid provided below draw triangle ABC with vertices A(1,4), B(4,3) and C(3,2) (1 mark)

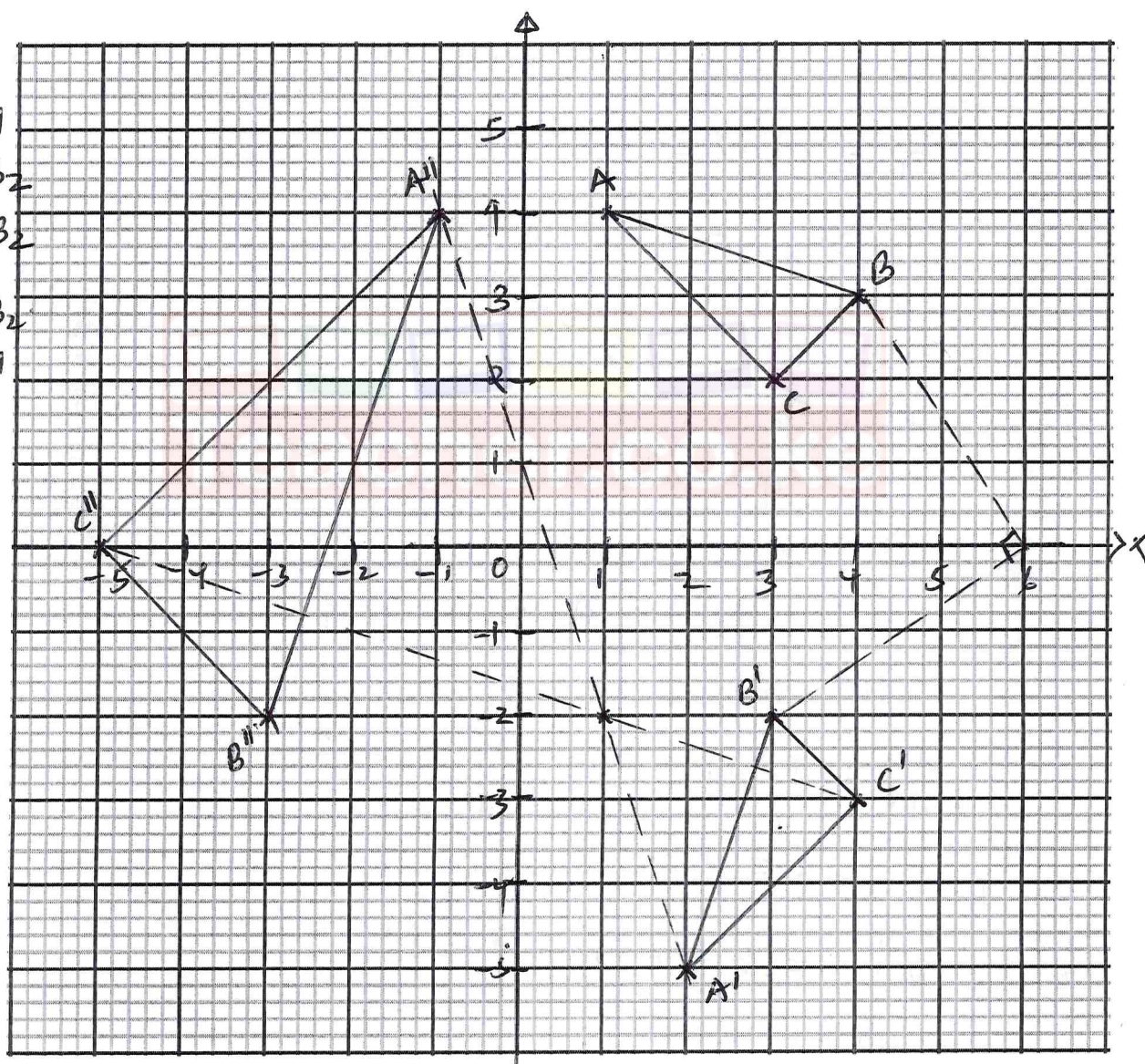
(b). On the same grid draw $\Delta A^I B^I C^I$ with vertices $A^I(2, -5)$, $B^I(3, -2)$ and $C^I(4, -3)$ hence describe fully the transformation that maps ΔABC onto $\Delta A^I B^I C^I$. (4 marks)

Rotation through $+270^\circ$, about (6,0) or

Rotation thr $+90^\circ$, about (6,0)

(c). On the same grid draw $\Delta A^{II} B^{II} C^{II}$, the image of $\Delta A^I B^I C^I$ under enlargement scale factor -2 , centre (1, -2). State the coordinates of $\Delta A^{II} B^{II} C^{II}$. (3 marks)

$A^{II}(-1, 4)$ $B^{II}(-3, -2)$ $C^{II}(-5, 0)$



(d). If $\Delta A^{III} B^{III} C^{III}$ is the image of $\Delta A^{II} B^{II} C^{II}$ under translation vector $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$, without drawing determine the coordinates the image. (2 marks)

$A^{III}(0, 2)$ $B^{III}(-2, -4)$ $C^{III}(-4, -2)$

23. The displacement, S metres, of a particle moving along a straight line from point O , after t seconds is given by $S = 5 + 8t + t^2 - \frac{1}{3}t^3$

(a) Find displacement of the particle during the 5th second.

(4 marks)

$$S \Big|_{t=4} = 5 + 8(4) + (4)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(4)^3 = 31\frac{2}{3} \quad M_1$$

$$S \Big|_{t=5} = 5 + 8(5) + (5)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(5)^3 = 28\frac{1}{3} \quad M_1$$

$$28\frac{1}{3} - 31\frac{2}{3} = -3 \text{ m/s} \quad A_1$$

(b) Determine:

(i) The time when the particle is momentarily at rest.

(3 marks)

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = 8 + 2t - t^2$$

$$t^2 - 2t - 8 = 0 \quad M_1$$

$$p = -8 \quad q = -4 \times 2$$

$$s = -2$$

$$(t-4)(t+2) = 0$$

$$t = 4 \text{ or } -2 \quad M_1$$

Disregard -2

\therefore time = 4 seconds A_1

(ii) The maximum velocity attained by the particle.

(3 marks)

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 2 - 2t = 0 \quad M_1$$

$$t = 1$$

$$v \Big|_{t=1} = 8 + 2(1) - (1)^2 \quad M_1$$

$$= 9 \text{ m/s} \quad A_1$$

24. A solid frustum of a cone with base radius 10.5 cm and top radius 7 cm is made of a material whose density is 10 g/cm³. The mass of the solid is 58.52 kg.

(a) Determine the volume of:

(i) The frustum in cm³.

(2 marks)

$$V = \frac{58520 \text{ g}}{10 \text{ g/cm}^3} \quad M_1$$

$$= 5852 \text{ cm}^3 \quad A_1$$

(i) The cone that was cut off to obtain the frustum in cm³.

(3 marks)

$$\frac{10.5}{7} = 1.5 \quad M_1$$

$$V \cdot \frac{10.5}{7} = \left(\frac{10.5}{7}\right)^3 = 3.375$$

Let volume of the small cone = x

$$3.375 = 5852 + x \quad M_1$$

$$x = 2464 \text{ cm}^3 \quad A_1$$

(b) Find the height of:

(i) The cone that was cut off to obtain the frustum. Take $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$

(3 marks)

$$2464 = \frac{1}{3} B \cdot A \times \text{Height}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{22}{7} \times 7^2 \times h = 2464 \quad M_1$$

$$h = \frac{2464 \times 3}{154} \quad M_1$$

$$= 48 \text{ cm} \quad A_1$$

(ii) The frustum.

(2 marks)

$$1.5 = \frac{y + 48}{48} \quad M_1$$

$$y = 24 \text{ cm} \quad A_1$$

