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**MATHEMATICS: PAPER I**  
**MARKING GUIDELINES**

Time: 3 hours

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**SECTION A**

**QUESTION 1**

(a) (1)  $x^2 = 5x + 6$   
 $x^2 - 5x - 6 = 0$   
 $(x - 6)(x + 1) = 0$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $x = 6$  or  $x = -1$  ✓<sup>CA</sup> (2)

(2)  $3^x = 33$   
 $x = \log_3 33$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $= 3,2$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (2) Introducing logs

(3)  $x^2 - x < 12$   
 $x^2 - x - 12 < 0$   
 $(x - 4)(x + 3) < 0$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  

-3	4	
+	0	-
0	0	+

 $-3 < x < 4$  ✓<sup>M</sup> ✓<sup>A</sup> (4) Signs

(b)  $2x = 3x^2 - 1$   
 $3x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $(3x + 1)(x - 1) = 0$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $x = -\frac{1}{3}$  or  $x = 1$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $y = -\frac{2}{3}$  or  $y = 2$  ✓<sup>CA</sup> (4) Equating

(c) (1)  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 3x - 3$   
 $= x^2(x + 1) - 3(x + 1)$  ✓<sup>M</sup> ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $= (x + 1)(x^2 - 3)$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (3) Grouping

ALTERNATIVELY :

$f(-1) = -1 + 1 + 3 - 3$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $= 0$   
 $\therefore x + 1$  is a factor  
 $f(x) = (x + 1)(x^2 - 3)$  ✓<sup>A</sup> ✓<sup>A</sup>

(2) (i)  $x = -1$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (1)

(ii)  $f(x) = (x + 1)(x - \sqrt{3})(x + \sqrt{3})$   
 $\therefore x = -1, x = +\sqrt{3}, x = -\sqrt{3}$  ✓<sup>A</sup> ✓<sup>A</sup> (2)

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**QUESTION 2**

(a)	A.P. $a = d = 2$	✓A	
	$T_n = 2n + 1$	✓M	
	$A = T_7$	✓M	Sub into $T_7$
	$= 2 \times 7 + 1$		
	$= 15$	✓A	
	$2B + 1 = 153$	✓M	Setting = 153
	$2B = 152$		
	$B = 76$	✓A	(6)
(b)	A.P. $a = 7; T_{15} = 35$		
	$7 + 14d = 35$	✓M	Formula for $T_{15}$
	$14d = 28$		
	$d = 2$	✓A	
	$T_8 = a + 7d$		
	$= 7 + 7 \times 2$	✓M	Sub in $T_8$
	$= 21$	✓A	(4)
	or $\frac{T_{m+n}}{2} = \frac{T_m + T_n}{2}$	✓M	
	$\therefore T_8 = \frac{T_1 + T_{15}}{2}$	✓M	
	$= \frac{7 + 35}{2}$	✓A	
	$= 21$	✓A	
(c)	(1) $\sum_{x=1}^4 (x^2 - x + 1)$		
	$= 1 + 3 + 7 + 13$	✓M ✓A	Expanding
	$= 24$	✓CA	(3)
	(2) $\frac{45}{4} + \frac{135}{16} + \frac{405}{64} + \frac{1215}{256} + \dots$ to 15 terms		
	G.S. $a = \frac{45}{4}; r = \frac{3}{4}$	✓A	
	$S_{15} = \frac{a(1-r^{15})}{1-r}$	✓M	Sub into $S_{15}$
	$= \frac{\frac{45}{4} \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{15} \right\}}{1 - \frac{3}{4}}$		
	$= 44,3986 \dots$	✓A	
	$\approx 44,4$	✓CA	(4)

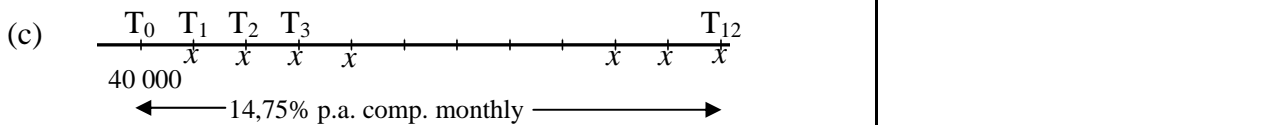
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**QUESTION 3**

(a) (1)  $F_v = 255\,000(1 - 0,125)^3$  ✓M  
 $= R\,170\,830,08$  ✓A (2) Sub into depreciation formula

(2)  $100\,000 = 255\,000(1 - 0,125)^n$  ✓M  
 $0,3921568627 = 0,875^n$  ✓A Sub into depreciation formula  
 $n = \log_{0,875}(0,392\dots)$  ✓M Introducing logs  
 $= 7,010286801$  ✓A  
 $\approx 7 \text{ years}$  ✓CA (5)

(b)  $\frac{1}{2} = (1 - i)^6$  ✓A  
 $1 - i = \sqrt[6]{0,5}$  ✓M Simplifying  
 $= 0,8908987181\dots$  ✓A  
 $-i = -0,1091\dots$   
 $i \approx 10,9\%$  ✓CA (4)



$\left(1 + \frac{0,1475}{12}\right)^{-1} = 0,987857\dots$  ✓A ✓M

$40\,000 = x(0,98\dots) + x(0,98\dots)^2 + \dots + x(0,98\dots)^{12}$  ✓A ✓M Series  
 $= \frac{x(0,98\dots)\{1 - (0,98\dots)^{12}\}}{1 - 0,98\dots}$  ✓A  
 $= x\{11,0938\dots\}$  ✓A  
 $x = 3605,615478\dots$   
 $\approx R\,3\,605,62$  ✓CA (7)

ALTERNATIVELY:

$P = \frac{x[1 - (1 + i)^{-n}]}{i}$  ✓A  
 $40\,000 = \frac{x\left[1 - \left(1 + \frac{0,1475}{12}\right)^{-12}\right]}{\frac{0,1475}{12}}$  ✓M Formula  
 $= x\{11,0938\dots\}$  ✓A ✓M  
 $x = 3605,615478\dots$  ✓A  
 $\approx R\,3\,605,62$  ✓CA

**18 marks**

**QUESTION 4**

(a)  $y = 3x^3 + x$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 9x^2 + 1$  ✓<sup>A</sup> ✓<sup>A</sup> (2)

(b)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$   
 $= \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  ✓<sup>A</sup>

$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $= -\frac{1}{4x^{\frac{3}{2}}}$  ✓<sup>A</sup>

$f'(4) = -\frac{1}{4 \times 4^{\frac{3}{2}}}$   
 $= -\frac{1}{32}$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (4)

(c)  $y = x^3 - x^2 - x + 2$

(1)  $y = (-1)^3 - (-1)^2 - (-1) + 2$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $= -1 - 1 + 1 + 2$   
 $= 1$  ✓<sup>A</sup>

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 2x - 1$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $m = 3(-1)^2 - 2(-1) - 1$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $= 3 + 2 - 1$   
 $= 4$  ✓<sup>A</sup>

Eqn. of tangent:  $y - 1 = 4(x + 1)$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $y = 4x + 4 + 1$   
 $y = 4x + 5$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (7)

(2)  $3x^2 - 2x - 1 = 4$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $3x^2 - 2x - 5 = 0$   
 $(3x - 5)(x + 1) = 0$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $x = \frac{5}{3}$  or  $x = -1$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (3)  
 $\longrightarrow$

Differentiating

Sub -1 in original

Sub -1 into derivative

Str. line formula

Derivative = grad. from (1)

**16 marks**

**QUESTION 5** In Answer Booklet – Marking Guidelines

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**QUESTION 6** In Answer Booklet – Marking Guidelines

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**QUESTION 7**

(a)  $a^x = 1$

(1)  $a^0 = 1$   
 $a \in R, a \neq 0$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (1)

(2)  $a^x = 1$   
 $a = 1$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (1)

(b)  $x = \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots}}}}$

(1)  $x^2 = 6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots}}}}$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $x^2 = 6 + x$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (2)

(2)  $x^2 - x - 6 = 0$   
 $(x - 3)(x + 2) = 0$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $x = 3$  or  $x \neq -2$   
→ ✓<sup>A</sup> N.V. ✓<sup>M</sup> (3)

(c)  $f(x) = 3x$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $f^{-1}: x = 3y$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $y = \frac{x}{3}$  ✓<sup>A</sup>

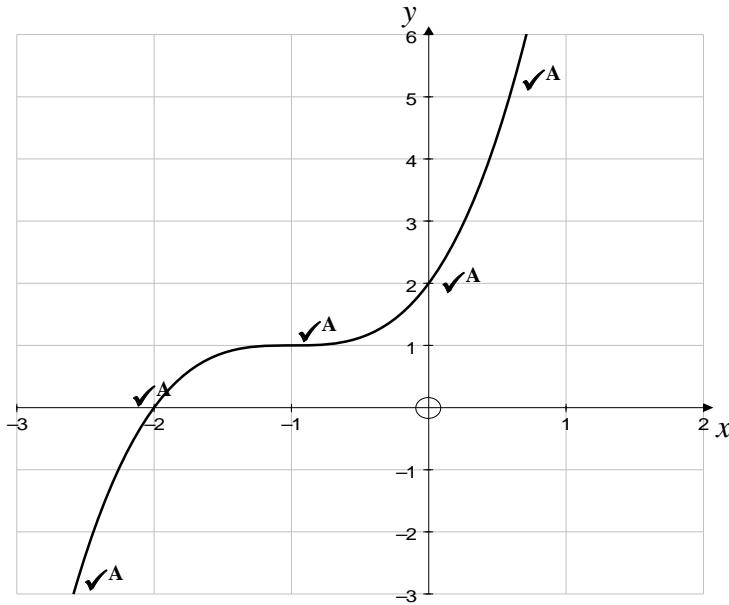
$f(x) + f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{1}{f(x)} + f^{-1}(x)$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $= 3x + \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{3x} + \frac{x}{3}$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $= \frac{9x^2 + 9 + 1 + x^2}{3x}$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $= \frac{10(x^2 + 1)}{3x}$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (6)

Squaring

$x \Leftrightarrow y$

Taking LCD

(d)



(5)

**18 marks**

**QUESTION 8**

(a) (1)  $y = \frac{-x^2}{240} + 210$

Highest point on arch is when  $x = 0$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 i.e.  $y = 210$  ✓<sup>A</sup>

∴ Bridge is  $210 + 6 = 216$  m above gorge. (2)

(2) Span is 272 m.  
 Arch reaches cliff at  $x = 136$  m.

$$y = -\frac{136^2}{240} + 210 \quad \checkmark^M$$

$$= 132,9\dot{3} \quad \checkmark^A$$

Sub. in 136

Longest Pillar =  $216 - 132,9\dot{3}$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $= 83,0\dot{6}$   
 $\approx 83,1$  m ✓<sup>A</sup>

Difference

(4)

(b) Distance =  $160 + 2\left(\frac{2}{3} \times 160 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \times 160 + \dots\right)$

$$S_\infty = \frac{\frac{2}{3} \times 160}{1 - \frac{2}{3}} \quad \checkmark^M \quad \checkmark^A$$

$$= 320 \quad \checkmark^A$$

Sum to infinity

∴ Total Vert. Dist. =  $160 + 2 \times 320$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $= 800$  m ✓<sup>CA</sup>

(5)

**11 marks**

**QUESTION 9**

- (a) (1)  $y = 2x^3 - 17x^2 + 35x = 0$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  $y = 0$   
 $x(2x^2 - 17x + 35) = 0$   
 $x(2x - 7)(x - 5) = 0$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $x = 0$  or  $x = \frac{7}{2}$  or  $x = 5$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 Tunnel is  $\frac{7}{2} \times 100$  ✓<sup>M</sup>  
 $= 350$  m ✓<sup>A</sup> (5)
- (2) Bridge is  $\left(5 - \frac{7}{2}\right) \times 100$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (1)  
 $= 150$  m
- (b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2 - 34x + 35 = 0$  ✓<sup>A</sup> ✓<sup>M</sup> Derivative = 0  
 $x = \frac{34 \pm \sqrt{34^2 - 4 \times 6 \times 35}}{12}$  ✓<sup>M</sup> Quadratic for  
 $= 4,31469907$  or  $1,351967597$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $y = 2(1,35\dots)^3 - 17(1,35\dots)^2 + 35(1,35\dots)$  ✓<sup>M</sup> Sub. 1,35 ...  
 $= 21,18828443$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $\therefore$  Mountain is 2119 m high ✓<sup>CA</sup> (7)
- (c)  $y = 2(4,31\dots)^3 - 17(4,31\dots)^2 + 35(4,31\dots)$  ✓<sup>M</sup> Sub. 4,31 ...  
 $= -4,817914055$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $\therefore$  Drop is 482 m ✓<sup>CA</sup> (3)

**16 marks**

**QUESTION 10**

- (a)  $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$   
 $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + (2n+1)^3 = \frac{(2n+1)^2(2n+1+1)^2}{4}$  ✓<sup>M</sup> Sub. in  $2n + 1$   
 $= \frac{(2n+1)^2(2n+2)^2}{4}$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $= \frac{(2n+1)^2 2^2(n+1)^2}{4}$  ✓<sup>M</sup> Factor  
 $= (2n+1)^2(n+1)^2$  (3)



(b)  $2^3 + 4^3 + 6^3 + \dots + (2n)^3$   
 $= 2^3 \cdot 1^3 + 2^3 \cdot 2^3 + 2^3 \cdot 3^3 + \dots + 2^3 \cdot n^3$   
 $= 2^3 (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3)$  ✓<sup>M</sup> Factor  
 $= \frac{8 \cdot n^2 (n+1)^2}{4}$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $= 2n^2 (n+1)^2$  ✓<sup>A</sup> (3)

(c)  $1^3 + 3^3 + 5^3 + \dots + (2n+1)^3$  ✓<sup>M</sup> ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $= 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + (2n+1)^3 - \{2^3 + 4^3 + 6^3 + \dots + (2n)^3\}$  Difference  
 $= (2n+1)^2 (n+1)^2 - 2n^2 (n+1)^2$  ✓<sup>A</sup>  
 $= (n+1)^2 \{(2n+1)^2 - 2n^2\}$  Factorising  
 $= (n+1)^2 \{4n^2 + 4n + 1 - 2n^2\}$   
 $= (n+1)^2 (2n^2 + 4n + 1)$  (3)

**9 marks**

**Total: 150 marks**