

A1

Given  $x - 2 = \sqrt{a + 4}$ , when  $x = 3$ , then  $a$  equals

- A. 2
- B. -2
- C. 3
- D. -3

A2.

$$a^4 - y^4 =$$

- A.  $(a + y)(a - y)(a^2 - y^2)$
- B.  $(a - y)(a + y)(a^2 + y^2)$
- C.  $(a + 2y)(a - 2y)(a^2 - y^2)$
- D.  $(a^2 + y^2)(a^2 - 2ay - y^2)$

A3

$$\sin 215^\circ$$

- A.  $\cos 35^\circ$
- B.  $\sin 35^\circ$
- C.  $-\sin 35^\circ$
- D.  $-\cos 35^\circ$

A4.

Given  $\cos x = -0.5$ , then  $x$  equals

- A.  $30^\circ$
- B.  $60^\circ$
- C.  $180^\circ$
- D.  $240^\circ$

A5

The 7<sup>th</sup> term of the arithmetic sequence is  $-8, -2, 4, \dots$  is

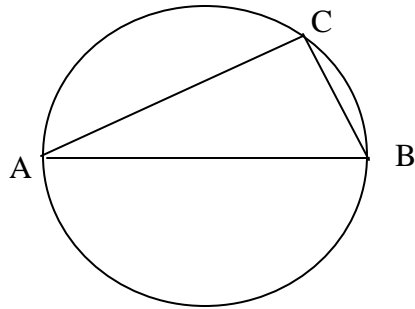
- A. 28
- B. 27
- C. 26
- D. 25

A6.

AB is a diameter of the circle ABC. Given  $\angle CAB$  equals  $35^\circ$

$\angle ABC$  equals

- A.  $45^\circ$
- B.  $55^\circ$
- C.  $65^\circ$
- D.  $90^\circ$



A7.

If the y-intercept of the line  $4x + 3y + 2 = \lambda$  is equal to 1, then  $\lambda =$

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 4
- D. 5

A8.

The equation  $2x^2 + kx + 18 = 0$  has two identical roots.  $k$  equals

- A. -12
- B. -6
- C.  $\pm 12$
- D.  $\pm 6$

A9.

Tea X costs \$50 per 100g and tea Y costs \$40 per 100g. A new brand of tea is produced by mixing X and Y in the ratio 2:3 by weight. How much would 100g of the new brand of tea cost?

- A. \$44
- B. \$45
- C. \$46
- D. \$48

A10.

The mode of the set of numbers  $\{2, 3, 7, 5, 5, 1, 5, 8, 8, 6, 5, 7, 19, 2, 4\}$  is

- A. 2
- B. 5
- C. 7
- D. 8

# FC Mathematics Examination – Suggested answers

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A1

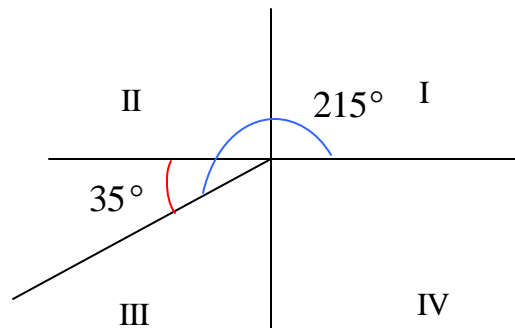
$$\text{When } x=3, \quad 3-2=\sqrt{a+4} \Rightarrow \sqrt{a+4}=1 \Rightarrow a=1-4=-3$$

A2.

$$a^4 - y^4 = (a^2)^2 - (y^2)^2 = (a^2 + y^2)(a^2 - y^2) = (a^2 + y^2)(a + y)(a - y)$$

A3

$$\sin 215^\circ = -\sin 35^\circ$$

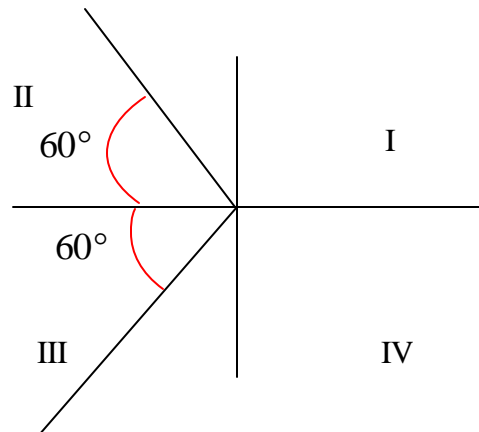


A4.

$$\cos x = -0.5$$

$$\text{if } \cos y = 0.5, \quad y = 60^\circ \text{ or } 300^\circ$$

$$\text{when } \cos x = -0.5 \Rightarrow x = 120^\circ \text{ or } 240^\circ$$



A5

The arithmetic sequence is  $-8, -2, 4, \dots$

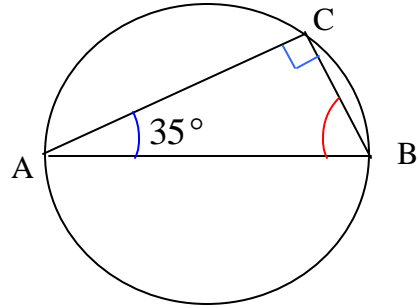
$$T(n) = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\therefore a = -8, \quad d = -2 - (-8) = 6$$

$$\therefore T(7) = -8 + (7-1)6 = -8 + 36 = 28$$

A6.

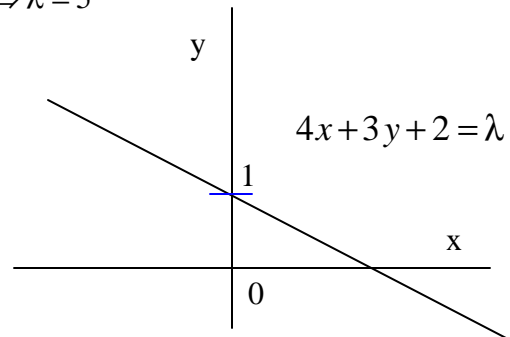
$$\angle ABC = 90^\circ - 35^\circ = 55^\circ$$



A7.

The line  $4x + 3y + 2 = \lambda$

when  $x=0$ ,  $y$ -int except = 1,  $\therefore 4(0) + 3(1) + 2 = \lambda \Rightarrow \lambda = 5$



A8.

$$2x^2 + kx + 18 = 0$$

The equation has two identical roots  $\therefore \Delta = b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$$k^2 - 4(2)(18) = 0 \Rightarrow k^2 = 144 \Rightarrow k = \pm\sqrt{144} \Rightarrow k = \pm 12$$

A9.

$$\text{The new tea cost of } 100\text{g} = \left(100 \times \frac{2}{2+3}\right) \times \frac{50}{100} + \left(100 \times \frac{3}{2+3}\right) \times \frac{40}{100} = 20 + 24 = \$44$$

A10.

{2,3,7,5,5,1,5,8,8,6,5,7,19,2,4}

The mode is 5.

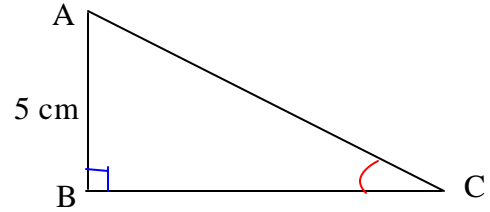
B1.

Given  $\cos C = \frac{1}{3}$ ,

(a)  $\angle ACB = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{3} = 70.5^\circ$  (correct to 1 decimal place)

(b) The length of AC :

Consider  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\sin \angle ACB = \frac{5}{AC} \Rightarrow AC = \frac{5}{\sin 70.529^\circ} = 5.30 \text{ cm}$  (correct to 2 decimal place)



B2.

The equation of the circle is :

$$(x - 1)^2 + [y - (-3)]^2 = 2^2$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 + y^2 + 6y + 9 = 4$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 6y + 6 = 0$$

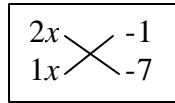
B3

$$-7 < 2x^2 - 15x$$

$$2x^2 - 15x > -7$$

$$2x^2 - 15x + 7 > 0$$

$$(2x - 1)(x - 7) > 0$$



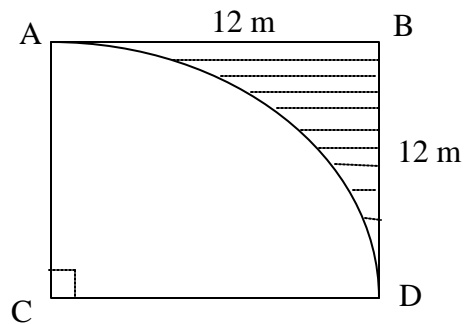
$$\therefore x < \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x > 7$$

B4.

The area of the shaded region :

$$= 12^2 - \frac{1}{2}(12)^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 144 \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 30.9 \text{ m}$$

(correct to 1 decimal place)



B5.

Given:  $x : (y - 1) = 3 : 4$

(a)  $\frac{x}{(y-1)} = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{4}(y-1)$

(b) if  $2x + y = 21 \Rightarrow y = 21 - 2x \dots\dots (1)$

Sub (1) to (a),  $x = \frac{3}{4}(21 - 2x - 1)$

$4x = 60 - 6x \Rightarrow x = 6, y = 21 - 2(6) = 9$

B6.

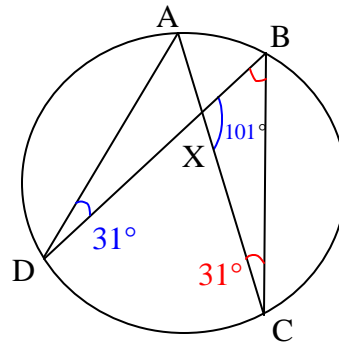
(a)  $P(\text{the red book is drawn}) = \frac{6}{2+4+6} = \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$

(b)  $P(\text{the first book is blue and the second book is green is drawn without replacement}) = \frac{2}{12} \times \frac{4}{11} = \frac{2}{33}$

B7.

$\angle ADX = \angle ACB = \angle XCB = 31^\circ$  ( $\angle$  in the same segment)

Consider the  $\triangle BXC$ ,  $\angle CBX = 180^\circ - \angle BXC - \angle XCB$   
 $= 180^\circ - 101^\circ - 31^\circ = 48^\circ$



C1.

(a) Given:  $y = x^2 - 4x + 3 = c$  when  $x = a$  or  $b$

$\therefore a$  and  $b$  are the roots of the equation

$$x^2 - 4x + (3 - c) = 0$$

$$\text{sum of root} = a + b = \frac{-(-4)}{1} = 4$$

$$(b) \text{ product of roots} = ab = \frac{(3 - c)}{1} = (3 - c)$$

(c) Given:  $a = b$

$$\text{From (a), } a + a = 4 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

$$\text{From (b), } a \cdot a = 3 - c = 2 \times 2 = 4$$

$$\therefore c = 3 - 4 = -1$$

(d) Given:  $MQ = 2NQ$

$$MQ = b - 0 = b$$

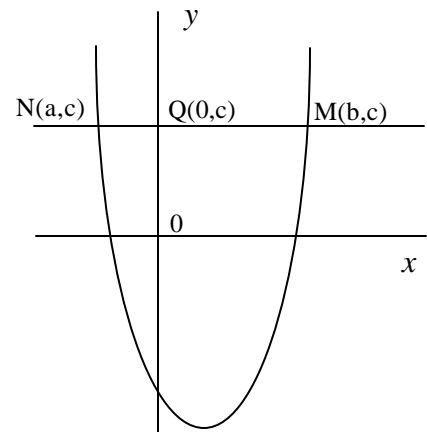
$$NQ = 0 - a = -a \quad (\because a \text{ is negative})$$

$$\therefore b = -2a$$

$$\text{From (a), } a + (-2a) = 4 \Rightarrow a = -4$$

$$\text{From (b), } a \cdot (-2a) = 3 - c = -4 \times -2(-4) = -32$$

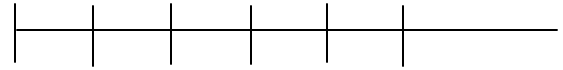
$$\therefore c = 3 + 32 = 35$$





C2.

This is a question about geometric progression.



(a) i) The length of the longest bar =  $aR^4$

Month 1 2 3 4 5 end of 5

ii) The total length of all the bars =  $\frac{a(R^5 - 1)}{R - 1}$

(b) i) The accrued amount (total deposit plus any interest earned) at the end of 2 months =  $5000(1 + .01)^2 + 5000(1 + .01) = \$10,101$  (correct to the nearest dollar)

ii) The accrued amount of Joey at the end of five consecutive months =  $5000(1 + .01)^5 + 5000(1 + .01)^4 + 5000(1 + .01)^3 + 5000(1 + .01)^2 + 5000(1 + .01)^1 = 5000[1.01^5 + 1.01^4 + 1.01^3 + 1.01^2 + 1.01]$   
 $= 5000 \frac{[1.01(1.01^5 - 1)]}{1.01 - 1} = \$25,760.$  (correct to the nearest dollar)

C3.

(a) By distance formula,

$$AD = \sqrt{(2-1)^2 + (4-1)^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{(5-1)^2 + (2-1)^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$BD = \sqrt{(5-2)^2 + (2-4)^2} = \sqrt{13}$$

$\therefore AD \neq AB \neq BD$ , there is no equal pair in the triangle

$\therefore \triangle ABD$  is not an isosceles triangle

(b) The slope of line  $AB = \frac{2-1}{5-1} = \frac{1}{4}$

The equation of the line  $AB$  :

$$\frac{y-1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow 4y-4 = x-1 \quad \therefore 4y-x-3=0$$

(c) The slope of line  $AD = \frac{4-1}{2-1} = 3$

The equation of the line  $AD$  :

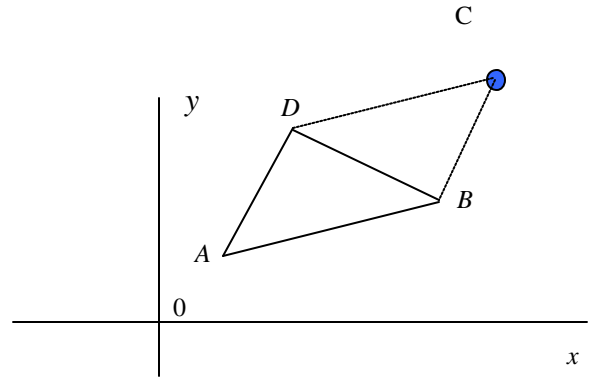
$$\frac{y-1}{x-1} = 3 \Rightarrow y-1 = 3x-3 \quad \therefore y-3x+2=0$$

(d) The slope of line  $DC = \frac{5-4}{6-2} = \frac{1}{4} =$  The slope of line  $AB$  (From a)

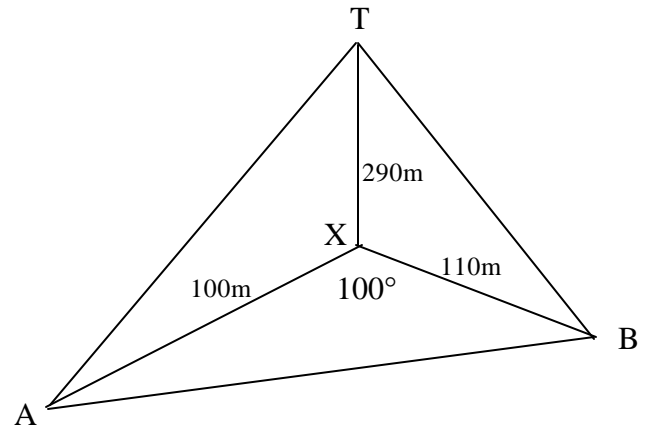
The slope of line  $BC = \frac{5-2}{6-5} = 3 =$  The slope of line  $AD$  (From b)

$\therefore DC \parallel AB$  and  $BC \parallel AD$

Hence  $ABCD$  forms a parallelogram.



C4.



(a)

(a) Consider  $\Delta TXB$ ,

$$\tan \angle TBX = \frac{290}{110} \Rightarrow \angle TBX = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{290}{110} \right) = 69.23^\circ$$

(b) The minimum length of the cable =  $TX + AX = 290 + 100 = 390m$

(c) Consider  $\Delta ABX$ , by cosine formula,

$$\begin{aligned} AB^2 &= AX^2 + BX^2 - 2AX \cdot BX \cos \angle AXB \\ &= 100^2 + 110^2 - 2(100)(110)\cos 100^\circ = 25,920 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore AB = \sqrt{25920} = 161.0 \text{ m}$$

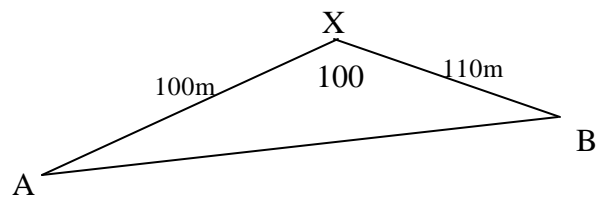
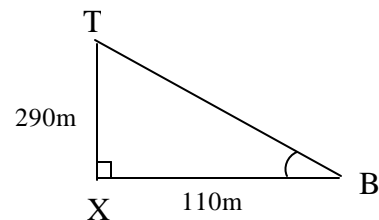
$$(d) \text{ The area of } \Delta AXB = \frac{1}{2}(AX)(BX) \sin \angle AXB = \frac{1}{2}(100)(110) \sin 100^\circ = 5,416.44 \text{ m}$$

(correct to 2 decimal places)

(e) The cost of building the garden =

$$\text{The area of } \Delta AXB \times \text{the cost of building} = 5,416.44 \times 12 = \$64,997$$

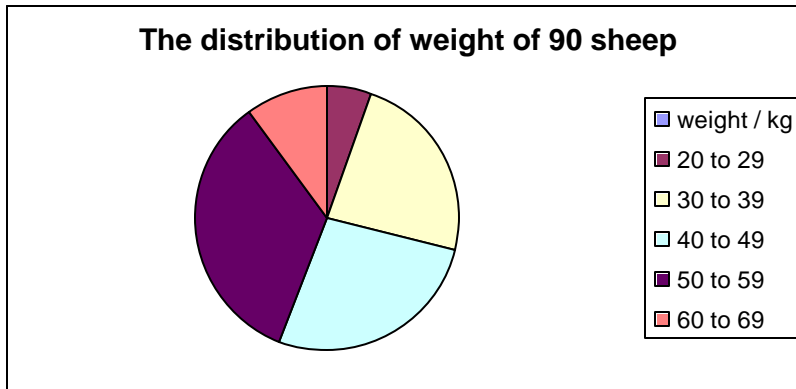
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C5

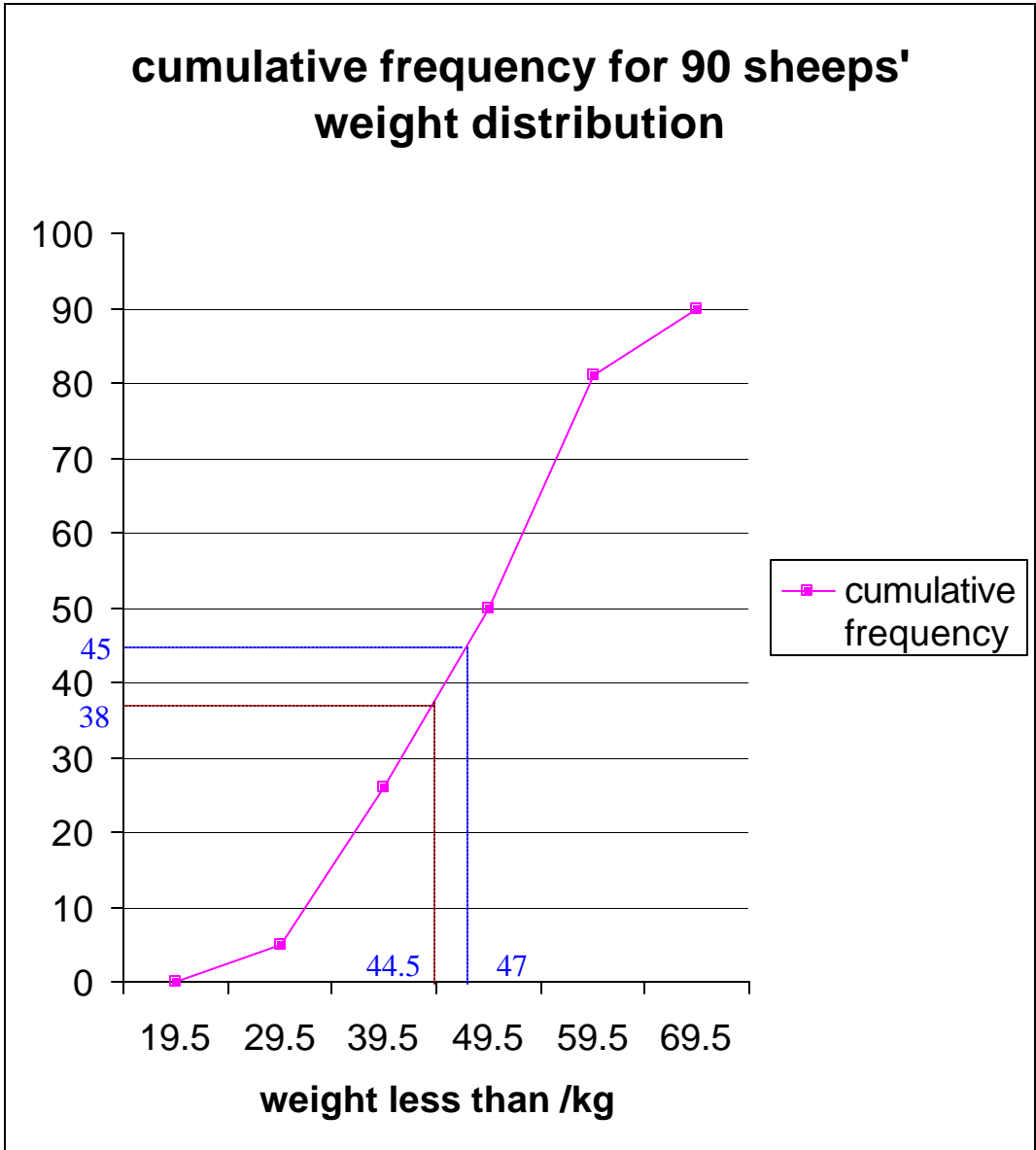
weight / kg	Frequency	relative frequency / %	sector angle / degree
20 to 29	5	5.56	20
30 to 39	21	23.33	84
40 to 49	24	26.67	96
50 to 59	31	34.44	124
60 to 69	9	10.00	36
sum	90	100	360

(a)



(b)

weight up to / kg	cumulative frequency
19.5	0
29.5	5
39.5	26
49.5	50
59.5	81
69.5	90



(c) From the graph, the median of the distribution is 47 kg.

(d) From the graph, 38 sheep would be selected