

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS**

**Advanced Subsidiary General Certificate of Education  
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**MATHEMATICS**

**4721**

Core Mathematics 1

Monday

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Morning

1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials:

- 8 page answer booklet
- Graph paper
- List of Formulae (MF1)

**TIME** 1 hour 30 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures unless a different degree of accuracy is specified in the question or is clearly appropriate.
- **You are not permitted to use a calculator in this paper.**

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.
- Questions carrying smaller numbers of marks are printed earlier in the paper, and questions carrying larger numbers of marks later in the paper.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**



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**This question paper consists of 3 printed pages and 1 blank page.**

## 1 Solve the equations

(i)  $x^{\frac{1}{3}} = 2$ , [1]

(ii)  $10^t = 1$ , [1]

(iii)  $(y^{-2})^2 = \frac{1}{81}$ . [2]

2 (i) Simplify  $(3x + 1)^2 - 2(2x - 3)^2$ . [3]

(ii) Find the coefficient of  $x^3$  in the expansion of

$(2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 3)(x^2 - 2x + 1)$ . [2]

3 Given that  $y = 3x^5 - \sqrt{x} + 15$ , find

(i)  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , [3]

(ii)  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ . [2]

4 (i) Sketch the curve  $y = \frac{1}{x^2}$ . [2]

(ii) Hence sketch the curve  $y = \frac{1}{(x-3)^2}$ . [2]

(iii) Describe fully a transformation that transforms the curve  $y = \frac{1}{x^2}$  to the curve  $y = \frac{2}{x^2}$ . [3]

5 (i) Express  $x^2 + 3x$  in the form  $(x + a)^2 + b$ . [2]

(ii) Express  $y^2 - 4y - \frac{11}{4}$  in the form  $(y + p)^2 + q$ . [2]

A circle has equation  $x^2 + y^2 + 3x - 4y - \frac{11}{4} = 0$ .

(iii) Write down the coordinates of the centre of the circle. [1]

(iv) Find the radius of the circle. [2]

6 (i) Find the coordinates of the stationary points on the curve  $y = x^3 - 3x^2 + 4$ . [6]

(ii) Determine whether each stationary point is a maximum point or a minimum point. [3]

(iii) For what values of  $x$  does  $x^3 - 3x^2 + 4$  increase as  $x$  increases? [2]

- 7 (i) Solve the equation  $x^2 - 8x + 11 = 0$ , giving your answers in simplified surd form. [4]
- (ii) Hence sketch the curve  $y = x^2 - 8x + 11$ , labelling the points where the curve crosses the axes. [3]
- (iii) Solve the equation  $y - 8y^{\frac{1}{2}} + 11 = 0$ , giving your answers in the form  $p \pm q\sqrt{5}$ . [4]
- 8 (i) Given that  $y = x^2 - 5x + 15$  and  $5x - y = 10$ , show that  $x^2 - 10x + 25 = 0$ . [2]
- (ii) Find the discriminant of  $x^2 - 10x + 25$ . [1]
- (iii) What can you deduce from the answer to part (ii) about the line  $5x - y = 10$  and the curve  $y = x^2 - 5x + 15$ ? [1]
- (iv) Solve the simultaneous equations
- $$y = x^2 - 5x + 15 \quad \text{and} \quad 5x - y = 10. \quad [3]$$
- (v) Hence, or otherwise, find the equation of the normal to the curve  $y = x^2 - 5x + 15$  at the point  $(5, 15)$ , giving your answer in the form  $ax + by = c$ , where  $a, b$  and  $c$  are integers. [4]
- 9 The points  $A, B$  and  $C$  have coordinates  $(5, 1), (p, 7)$  and  $(8, 2)$  respectively.
- (i) Given that the distance between points  $A$  and  $B$  is twice the distance between points  $A$  and  $C$ , calculate the possible values of  $p$ . [7]
- (ii) Given also that the line passing through  $A$  and  $B$  has equation  $y = 3x - 14$ , find the coordinates of the mid-point of  $AB$ . [4]