

General Certificate of Education  
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Advanced Level Examination



**MATHEMATICS**  
**Unit Further Pure 4**

**MFP4**

Wednesday 17 June 2009 9.00 am to 10.30 am

**For this paper you must have:**

- a 12-page answer book
- the blue AQA booklet of formulae and statistical tables.

You may use a graphics calculator.

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Instructions**

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is MFP4.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Show all necessary working; otherwise marks for method may be lost.

**Information**

- The maximum mark for this paper is 75.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.

**Advice**

- Unless stated otherwise, you may quote formulae, without proof, from the booklet.

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Answer **all** questions.

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1 Let  $\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} k & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

(a) Determine the product matrix  $\mathbf{PQ}$ , giving its elements in terms of  $k$  where appropriate. (3 marks)

(b) Find the value of  $k$  for which  $\mathbf{PQ}$  is singular. (2 marks)

2 (a) Write down the  $3 \times 3$  matrices which represent the transformations A and B, where:

(i) A is a reflection in the plane  $y = x$ ; (2 marks)

(ii) B is a rotation about the  $z$ -axis through the angle  $\theta$ , where  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . (1 mark)

(b) (i) Find the matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  which represents the composite transformation

‘A followed by B’ (3 marks)

(ii) Describe the single transformation represented by  $\mathbf{R}$ . (2 marks)

3 The plane  $\Pi$  has equation  $\mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \mu \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find an equation for  $\Pi$  in the form  $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{n} = d$ . (4 marks)

(b) Show that the line with equation  $\mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  does not intersect  $\Pi$ , and explain the geometrical significance of this result. (4 marks)

- 4 (a) Show that the system of equations

$$3x - y + 3z = 11$$

$$4x + y - 5z = 17$$

$$5x - 4y + 14z = 16$$

does not have a unique solution and is consistent.

(You are not required to find any solutions to this system of equations.) (4 marks)

- (b) A transformation  $T$  of three-dimensional space maps points  $(x, y, z)$  onto image points  $(x', y', z')$  such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x - y + 3z - 2 \\ 2x + 6y - 4z + 12 \\ 4x + 11y + 4z - 30 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the coordinates of the invariant point of  $T$ . (8 marks)

- 5 The points  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  have position vectors  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$  and  $\mathbf{d}$  respectively, relative to the origin  $O$ , where

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Using scalar triple products:

(i) show that  $\overrightarrow{OA}, \overrightarrow{OB}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OC}$  are coplanar; (2 marks)

(ii) find the volume of the parallelepiped defined by  $AB, AC$  and  $AD$ . (4 marks)

- (b) (i) Find the direction ratios of the line  $BD$ . (2 marks)

(ii) Deduce the direction cosines of the line  $BD$ . (2 marks)

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6 The plane transformation  $T$  is defined by

$$T : \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{M} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) Evaluate  $\det \mathbf{M}$  and state the significance of this answer in relation to  $T$ . (2 marks)
- (b) Find the single eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{M}$  and a corresponding eigenvector. Describe the geometrical significance of these answers in relation to  $T$ . (5 marks)
- (c) Show that the image of the line  $y = \frac{1}{2}x + k$  under  $T$  is  $y' = \frac{1}{2}x' + k$ . (3 marks)
- (d) Given that  $T$  is a shear, give a full geometrical description of this transformation. (2 marks)

7 The  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  has an eigenvalue 3, with corresponding eigenvector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and a second eigenvalue  $-3$ , with corresponding eigenvector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The diagonalised form of  $\mathbf{M}$  is  $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{U}^{-1}$ .

- (a) (i) Write down suitable matrices  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\mathbf{U}$ , and find  $\mathbf{U}^{-1}$ . (4 marks)
- (ii) Hence determine the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ . (3 marks)
- (b) Given that  $n$  is a positive integer, use the result  $\mathbf{M}^n = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D}^n \mathbf{U}^{-1}$  to show that:
- (i) when  $n$  is even,  $\mathbf{M}^n = 3^n \mathbf{I}$ ;
- (ii) when  $n$  is odd,  $\mathbf{M}^n = 3^{n-1} \mathbf{M}$ . (6 marks)

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8 (a) Matrix  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{bmatrix}$ . Without attempting to factorise, expand fully  $\det \mathbf{M}$ . (2 marks)

(b) Matrix  $\mathbf{N} = \begin{bmatrix} d & e & f \\ f & d & e \\ e & f & d \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the product matrix  $\mathbf{MN}$ . (3 marks)

(c) Prove that the product

$$(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)(d^3 + e^3 + f^3 - 3def)$$

can be written in the form  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz$ , stating clearly each of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  in terms of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $d$ ,  $e$  and  $f$ . (2 marks)

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