

**Mathematics**  
**Higher level**  
**Paper 3 – sets, relations and groups**

Friday 18 November 2016 (morning)

1 hour

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**Instructions to candidates**

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer all the questions.
- Unless otherwise stated in the question, all numerical answers should be given exactly or correct to three significant figures.
- A graphic display calculator is required for this paper.
- A clean copy of the **mathematics HL and further mathematics HL formula booklet** is required for this paper.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[60 marks]**.

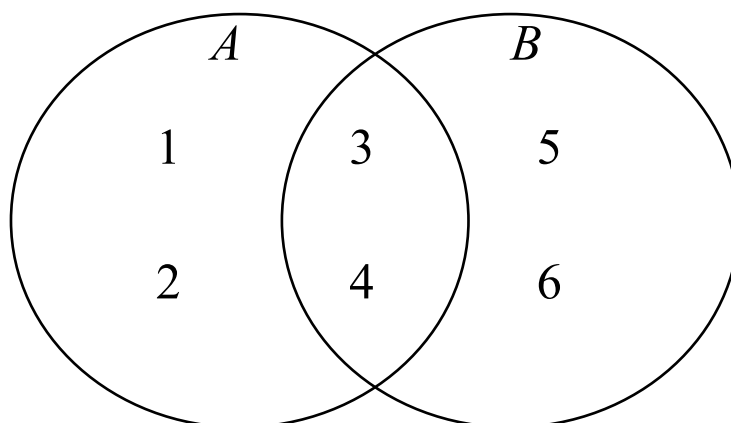
Please start each question on a new page. Full marks are not necessarily awarded for a correct answer with no working. Answers must be supported by working and/or explanations. In particular, solutions found from a graphic display calculator should be supported by suitable working. For example, if graphs are used to find a solution, you should sketch these as part of your answer. Where an answer is incorrect, some marks may be given for a correct method, provided this is shown by written working. You are therefore advised to show all working.

1. [Maximum mark: 13]

Let  $\{G, \circ\}$  be the group of all permutations of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 under the operation of composition of permutations.

- (a) (i) Write the permutation  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$  as a composition of disjoint cycles. [3]
- (ii) State the order of  $\alpha$ .
- (b) (i) Write the permutation  $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 4 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  as a composition of disjoint cycles. [2]
- (ii) State the order of  $\beta$ .
- (c) Write the permutation  $\alpha \circ \beta$  as a composition of disjoint cycles. [2]
- (d) Write the permutation  $\beta \circ \alpha$  as a composition of disjoint cycles. [2]
- (e) State the order of  $\{G, \circ\}$ . [2]

Consider the following Venn diagram, where  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $B = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .



- (f) Find the number of permutations in  $\{G, \circ\}$  which will result in  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $A \cap B$  remaining unchanged. [2]

2. [Maximum mark: 21]

(a) Let  $A$  be the set  $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0\}$ . Let  $B$  be the set  $\{x \mid x \in ]-1, +1[, x \neq 0\}$ .

A function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is defined by  $f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \arctan(x)$ .

- (i) Sketch the graph of  $y = f(x)$  and hence justify whether or not  $f$  is a bijection.
- (ii) Show that  $A$  is a group under the binary operation of multiplication.
- (iii) Give a reason why  $B$  is not a group under the binary operation of multiplication.
- (iv) Find an example to show that  $f(a \times b) = f(a) \times f(b)$  is not satisfied for all  $a, b \in A$ .

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(b) Let  $D$  be the set  $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0\}$ .

A function  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$  is defined by  $g(x) = e^x$ .

- (i) Sketch the graph of  $y = g(x)$  and hence justify whether or not  $g$  is a bijection.
- (ii) Show that  $g(a + b) = g(a) \times g(b)$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (iii) Given that  $\{\mathbb{R}, +\}$  and  $\{D, \times\}$  are both groups, explain whether or not they are isomorphic.

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3. [Maximum mark: 15]

An Abelian group,  $\{G, *\}$ , has 12 different elements which are of the form  $a^i * b^j$  where  $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . The elements  $a$  and  $b$  satisfy  $a^4 = e$  and  $b^3 = e$  where  $e$  is the identity.

(a) State the possible orders of an element of  $\{G, *\}$  and for each order give an example of an element of that order.

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Let  $\{H, *\}$  be the proper subgroup of  $\{G, *\}$  having the maximum possible order.

- (b) (i) State a generator for  $\{H, *\}$ .
- (ii) Write down the elements of  $\{H, *\}$ .
- (iii) Write down the elements of the coset of  $H$  containing  $a$ .

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4. [Maximum mark: 11]

A relation  $S$  is defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  by  $aSb$  if and only if  $ab > 0$ .

(a) Show that  $S$  is

(i) not reflexive;

(ii) symmetric;

(iii) transitive.

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A relation  $R$  is defined on a non-empty set  $A$ .  $R$  is symmetric and transitive but not reflexive.

(b) Explain why there exists an element  $a \in A$  that is not related to itself.

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(c) Hence prove that there is at least one element of  $A$  that is not related to any other element of  $A$ .

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