

**ADVANCED GCE  
MATHEMATICS (MEI)**

**4754/01A**

Applications of Advanced Mathematics (C4) Paper A

**WEDNESDAY 21 MAY 2008**

Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Additional materials:** Answer Booklet (8 pages)  
Graph paper  
MEI Examination Formulae and Tables (MF2)

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- You are permitted to use a graphical calculator in this paper.
- Final answers should be given to a degree of accuracy appropriate to the context.

**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.
- You are advised that an answer may receive **no marks** unless you show sufficient detail of the working to indicate that a correct method is being used.

**NOTE**

- This paper will be followed by **Paper B: Comprehension**.

This document consists of 4 printed pages.

## Section A (36 marks)

1 Express  $\frac{x}{x^2 - 4} + \frac{2}{x + 2}$  as a single fraction, simplifying your answer. [3]

2 Fig. 2 shows the curve  $y = \sqrt{1 + e^{2x}}$ .

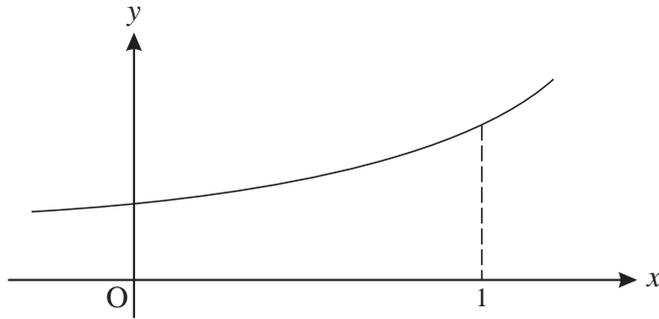


Fig. 2

The region bounded by the curve, the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis and the line  $x = 1$  is rotated through  $360^\circ$  about the  $x$ -axis.

Show that the volume of the solid of revolution produced is  $\frac{1}{2}\pi(1 + e^2)$ . [4]

3 Solve the equation  $\cos 2\theta = \sin \theta$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ , giving your answers in terms of  $\pi$ . [7]

4 Given that  $x = 2 \sec \theta$  and  $y = 3 \tan \theta$ , show that  $\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ . [3]

5 A curve has parametric equations  $x = 1 + u^2$ ,  $y = 2u^3$ .

(i) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  in terms of  $u$ . [3]

(ii) Hence find the gradient of the curve at the point with coordinates (5, 16). [2]

6 (i) Find the first three non-zero terms of the binomial series expansion of  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4x^2}}$ , and state the set of values of  $x$  for which the expansion is valid. [5]

(ii) Hence find the first three non-zero terms of the series expansion of  $\frac{1 - x^2}{\sqrt{1 + 4x^2}}$ . [3]

7 Express  $\sqrt{3} \sin x - \cos x$  in the form  $R \sin(x - \alpha)$ , where  $R > 0$  and  $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}\pi$ . Express  $\alpha$  in the form  $k\pi$ .

Find the exact coordinates of the maximum point of the curve  $y = \sqrt{3} \sin x - \cos x$  for which  $0 < x < 2\pi$ . [6]

## Section B (36 marks)

- 8 The upper and lower surfaces of a coal seam are modelled as planes ABC and DEF, as shown in Fig. 8. All dimensions are metres.

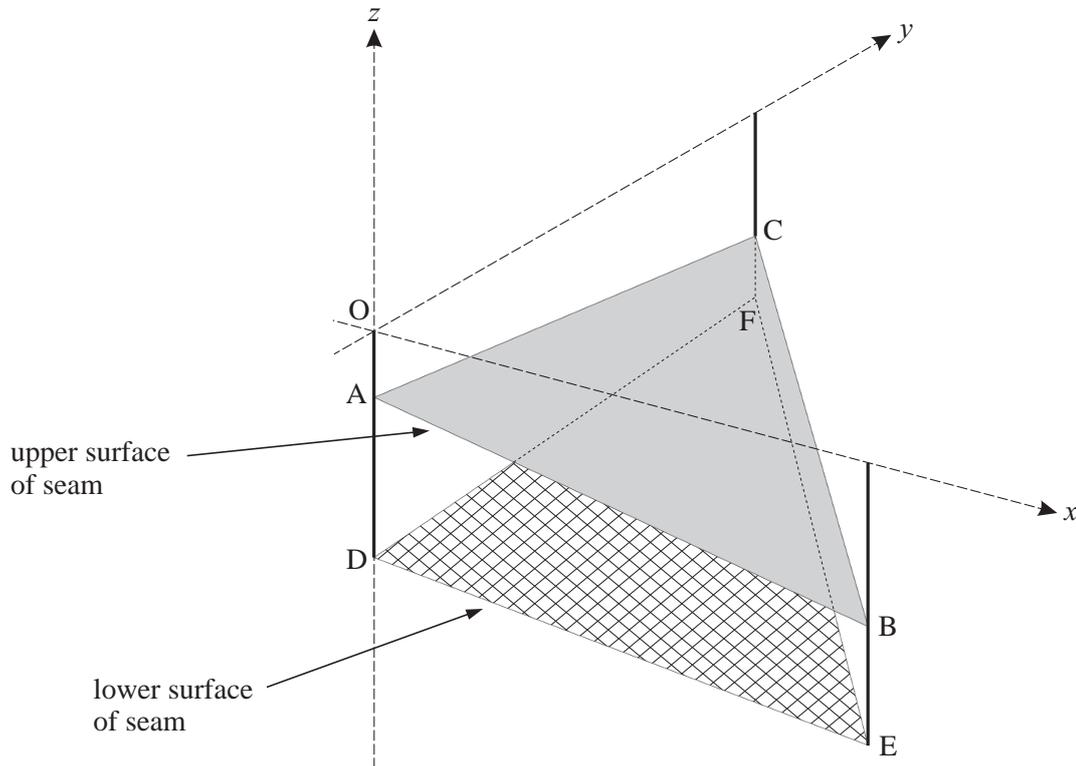


Fig. 8

Relative to axes  $Ox$  (due east),  $Oy$  (due north) and  $Oz$  (vertically upwards), the coordinates of the points are as follows.

$$\begin{array}{lll} A: (0, 0, -15) & B: (100, 0, -30) & C: (0, 100, -25) \\ D: (0, 0, -40) & E: (100, 0, -50) & F: (0, 100, -35) \end{array}$$

- (i) Verify that the cartesian equation of the plane  $ABC$  is  $3x + 2y + 20z + 300 = 0$ . [3]
- (ii) Find the vectors  $\overrightarrow{DE}$  and  $\overrightarrow{DF}$ . Show that the vector  $2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 20\mathbf{k}$  is perpendicular to each of these vectors. Hence find the cartesian equation of the plane  $DEF$ . [6]
- (iii) By calculating the angle between their normal vectors, find the angle between the planes  $ABC$  and  $DEF$ . [4]

It is decided to drill down to the seam from a point  $R (15, 34, 0)$  in a line perpendicular to the upper surface of the seam. This line meets the plane  $ABC$  at the point  $S$ .

- (iv) Write down a vector equation of the line  $RS$ .

Calculate the coordinates of  $S$ . [5]

- 9 A skydiver drops from a helicopter. Before she opens her parachute, her speed  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$  after time  $t$  seconds is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 10e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}.$$

When  $t = 0$ ,  $v = 0$ .

- (i) Find  $v$  in terms of  $t$ . [4]

- (ii) According to this model, what is the speed of the skydiver in the long term? [2]

She opens her parachute when her speed is  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Her speed  $t$  seconds after this is  $w \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , and is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2}(w-4)(w+5).$$

- (iii) Express  $\frac{1}{(w-4)(w+5)}$  in partial fractions. [4]

- (iv) Using this result, show that  $\frac{w-4}{w+5} = 0.4e^{-4.5t}$ . [6]

- (v) According to this model, what is the speed of the skydiver in the long term? [2]