

2014 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION  
**Mathematics General 2**

**Section II****75 marks****Attempt Questions 26–30****Allow about 1 hour and 55 minutes  
for this section**

Answer the questions in the spaces  
provided.

Your responses should include  
relevant mathematical reasoning  
and/or calculations.

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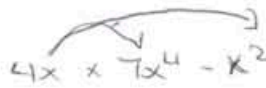
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Question 26 (15 marks)

(a) Expand  $4x(7x^4 - x^2)$ .

$$= 28x^5 - 4x^3$$

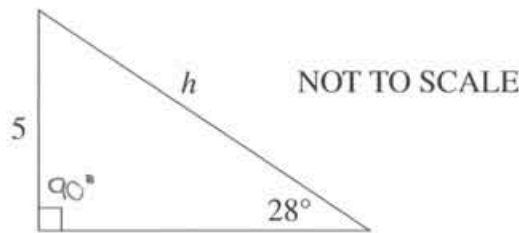


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~~$= 24x^8$~~

(b) Calculate the value of  $h$  correct to two decimal places.

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$$\frac{\sin A}{\sin a} = \frac{\sin B}{\sin b}$$

$$\frac{h}{\sin 90} = \frac{5}{\sin 28}$$

$$h = \frac{5 \times \sin 90}{\sin 28}$$

$$= 10.65017234$$

$$= 10.65$$

(c) Solve the equation  $\frac{5x+1}{3} - 4 = 5 - 7x$ .

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$$\frac{5x+1}{3} = 5 - 7x + 4$$

$$\frac{5x+1}{3} = -7x + 9$$

$$5x + 1 + 7x = 9 \times 3$$

$$= 27$$

$$12x = 27 - 1$$

$$= 26$$

$$x = \frac{26}{12}$$

$$x = 2.1\bar{6} \quad / \quad 2\frac{1}{6}$$

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Question 26 (continued)

- (d) Solve these simultaneous equations to find the values of  $x$  and  $y$ .

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$$y = 2x + 1$$

$$x - 2y - 4 = 0$$

Handwritten solution on lined paper:

$$x - 2(2x + 1) - 4 = 0$$

$$x - 4x - 2 - 4 = 0$$

$$x - 4x = 0 + 4 + 2$$

$$x - 4x = 6$$

$$x = \frac{6}{-3}$$

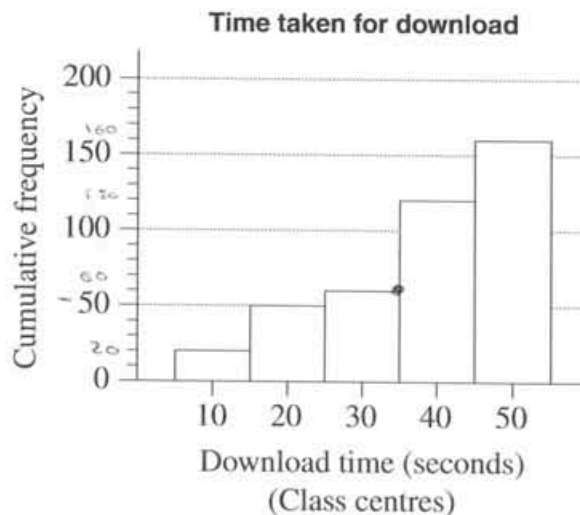
$$x = -2$$

$$y = 2x - 2 + 1$$

$$y = -3$$

- (e) The times taken for 160 music downloads were recorded, grouped into classes and then displayed using the cumulative frequency histogram shown.

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On the diagram, draw the lines that are needed to find the median download time.

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Question 26 (continued)

- (f) The weight of an object on the moon varies directly with its weight on Earth. An astronaut who weighs 84 kg on Earth weighs only 14 kg on the moon.

2

A lunar landing craft weighs 2449 kg when on the moon. Calculate the weight of this landing craft when on Earth.

$$\frac{84}{14} = 6 \text{ kg}$$

$$2449 \times 6 = 14694 \text{ kg}$$

Lunar landing craft weighs 14694 kg when on Earth.

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Question 26 (continued)

- (g) Singapore is located at  $1^{\circ}\text{N } 104^{\circ}\text{E}$  and Sydney is located at  $34^{\circ}\text{S } 151^{\circ}\text{E}$ .

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What is the time difference between Singapore and Sydney? (Ignore daylight saving.)

$$\begin{array}{r} 151 - 104 \\ = 47^{\circ} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{47^{\circ}}{15} = 3.8 = 3 \text{ hours } 8 \text{ minutes}$$

End of Question 26

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Question 27 (continued)

- (iii) Alex wishes to take out comprehensive insurance for the car for 12 months. The cost of comprehensive insurance is calculated using the following: 3

	Base rate	\$845
8.25	Fire Service Levy (FSL)	1% of base rate
46.475	Stamp Duty	5.5% of the total of base rate and FSL
84.5	GST	10% of the total of base rate and FSL.

Find the total amount that Alex will need to pay for comprehensive insurance.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &845 + 84.5 + 48.47 + 84.5 \\
 &= 986.42 \\
 &986.42 \times 12 \\
 &= \$11837.10
 \end{aligned}$$

- (iv) Alex has decided he will take out the comprehensive car insurance rather than the less expensive non-compulsory third-party car insurance. 1

What extra cover is provided by the comprehensive car insurance?

third party car insurance

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Question 27 (continued)

- (b) Xuso is comparing the costs of two different ways of travelling to university. 2

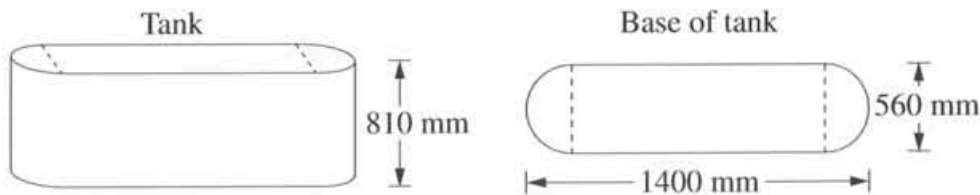
Xuso's motorcycle uses one litre of fuel for every 17 km travelled. The cost of fuel is \$1.67/L and the distance from her home to the university car park is 34 km. The cost of travelling by bus is \$36.40 for 10 single trips.

Which way of travelling is cheaper and by how much? Support your answer with calculations.

$\frac{34}{17} = 2$   $2 \times 1.67/L = \$3.34$   
 $36.40 \div 10 = \$3.64$   
~~36.40~~  
 It is cheaper to ride her motorcycle to university because she will save money on fuel which is 30¢ cheaper.

- (c) The base of a water tank is in the shape of a rectangle with a semicircle at each end, as shown. 4

The tank is 1400 mm long, 560 mm wide, and has a height of 810 mm.



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What is the capacity of the tank, to the nearest litre?

~~$8.1 \times 14 \times 5.6 = 635.04 L$~~   
 $\frac{1}{2} \times \pi \times 280^2 = 123150.432$   
 $810 \times 1400 = 1134000 + 123150.432$   
 $= 1257150.432 \text{ mm}^3$

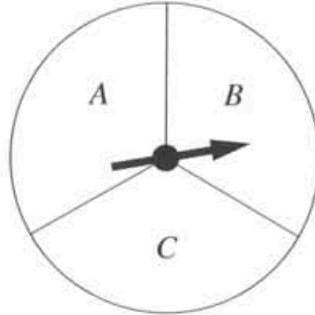
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$V = 1257.15L$



**Question 28** (15 marks)

- (a) James plays a game involving a spinner with sectors of equal size labelled *A*, *B* and *C*, as shown. 2



He pays \$2 to play the game. He wins \$5 if the spinner stops in *A* and 50 cents if it stops in *B* or *C*.

Calculate James's financial expectation for the game.

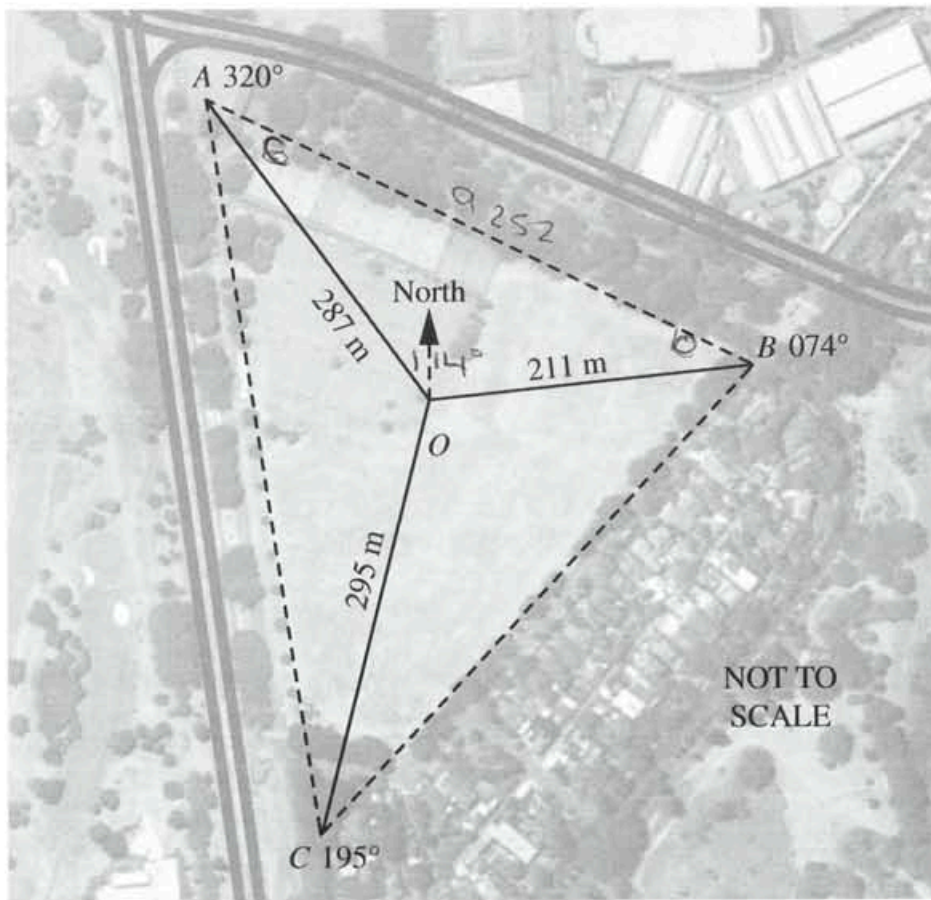
$$\frac{5}{2} = \$2.5$$

$$\frac{2}{0.5} = \$-1.5$$

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Question 28 (continued)

(b) A radial compass survey of a sports centre is shown in the diagram.



(i) Show that the size of angle  $AOB$  is  $114^\circ$ .

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$$360 - 320 = 40^\circ$$


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$$74 + 40 = 114^\circ$$

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Question 28 (continued)

- (ii) Calculate the length of the boundary *AB*, to the nearest metre.

2

$$\frac{a}{\sin 114} = \frac{287}{\sin 74}$$

$$a = \frac{287 \sin 114}{\sin 74} = 251.9951742$$

$$= 252 \text{ m}$$

- (iii) Find the area of triangle *AOB* in hectares, correct to two significant figures.

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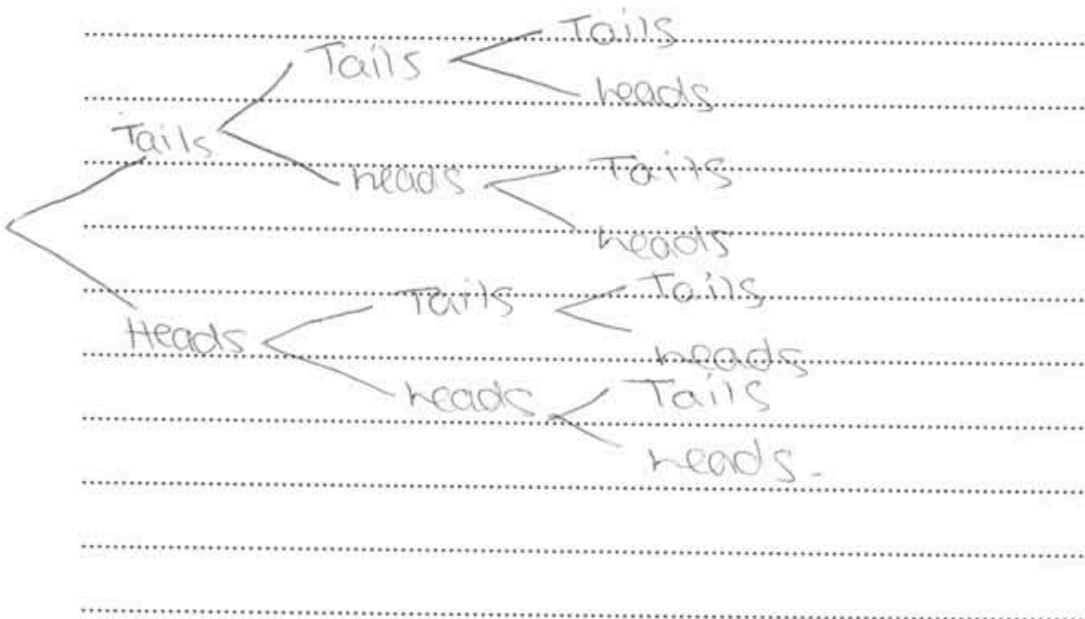
$$\frac{1}{2} \times ab \times \sin C$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 252 \times 287 \times \sin 114 = 33\,035.63 \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 33.04 \text{ hectares}$$

- (c) A fair coin is tossed three times. Using a tree diagram, or otherwise, calculate the probability of obtaining two heads and a tail in any order.

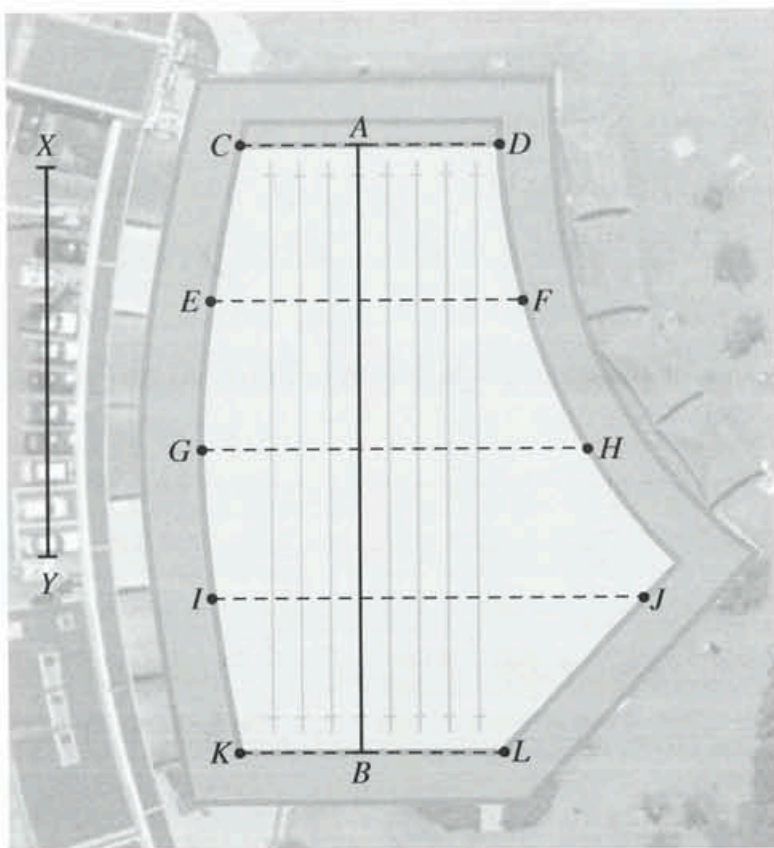
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Question 28 (continued)

(d) An aerial diagram of a swimming pool is shown.



The swimming pool is a standard length of 50 metres but is not in the shape of a rectangle.

- (i) By measuring the length  $AB$ , determine the scale of the diagram. 1

$50 \div 8\text{cm} = 6.25$

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$1\text{ cm} = 6.25\text{ m}$

- (ii) Using this scale, calculate the length  $XY$  of the car park, in metres. 1

$5 \times 6.25$

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$= 31.25\text{ m}$

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Question 28 (continued)

- (iii) In the diagram of the swimming pool, the five widths are measured to be: 3

$$CD = 21.88 \text{ m}$$

$$EF = 25.63 \text{ m}$$

$$GH = 31.88 \text{ m}$$

$$IJ = 36.25 \text{ m}$$

$$KL = 21.88 \text{ m}$$

The average depth of the pool is 1.2 m.

Calculate the approximate volume of the swimming pool, in cubic metres. In your calculations, use TWO applications of Simpson's Rule.

$$A = \frac{21.88}{3} (25.63 + 4 \times 31.88 + 36.25)$$

$$= 1381.357333$$

$$V = \frac{21.88}{3} (18.92 + 4 \times 31.88 + 36.25)$$

$$V = 10074.69948$$

$$V = 10074.70 \text{ m}^2$$

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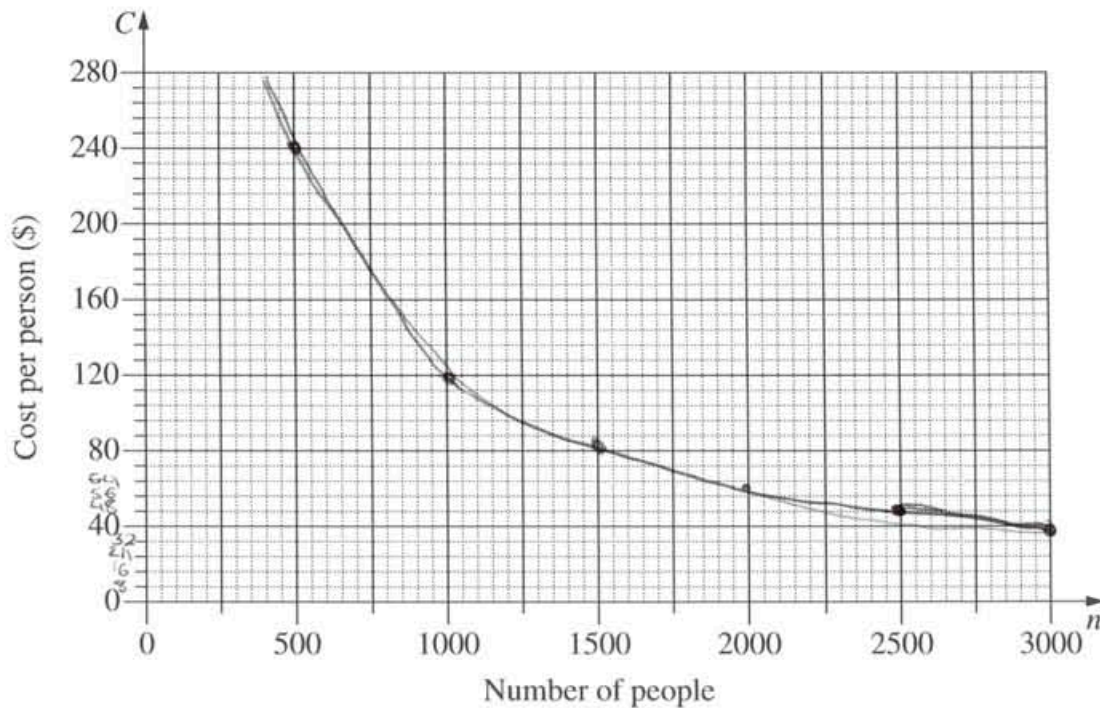
**Question 29** (15 marks)

(a) The cost of hiring an open space for a music festival is \$120 000. The cost will be shared equally by the people attending the festival, so that  $C$  (in dollars) is the cost per person when  $n$  people attend the festival.

(i) Complete the table below by filling in the THREE missing values. 1

Number of people ( $n$ )	500	1000	1500	2000	2500	3000
Cost per person ( $C$ )	240	120	80	60	48	40

(ii) Using the values from the table, draw the graph showing the relationship between  $n$  and  $C$ . 2



(iii) What equation represents the relationship between  $n$  and  $C$ ? 1

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 ~~$C = 120000$~~   $C = \frac{120000}{n}$   
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Question 29 (continued)

- (iv) Give ONE limitation of this equation in relation to this context. 1

Tells the ~~specific~~<sup>costs</sup> of each person from the number of people attending.

- (v) Is it possible for the cost per person to be \$94? Support your answer with appropriate calculations. 1

$$1250 = 96 \dots C = \frac{120000}{1276}$$

$$1270 = 94.5$$

$$= \$94$$

Yes it is possible if the number of people attending is 1276

- (b) What is the maximum number of standard drinks that a male weighing 84 kg can consume over 4 hours in order to maintain a blood alcohol content (BAC) of less than 0.05? 3

$$0.05 = \frac{10 \times N - 7.5 \times 4}{6.8 \times 84}$$

~~$$-10N = 10N - 37.5 - 57.252008$$~~

$$\frac{10 \times 6 - 7.5 \times 4}{6.8 \times 84}$$

$$BAC = 0.052521008$$

The male can consume 6 standard drinks because 6 will put his BAC as 0.052

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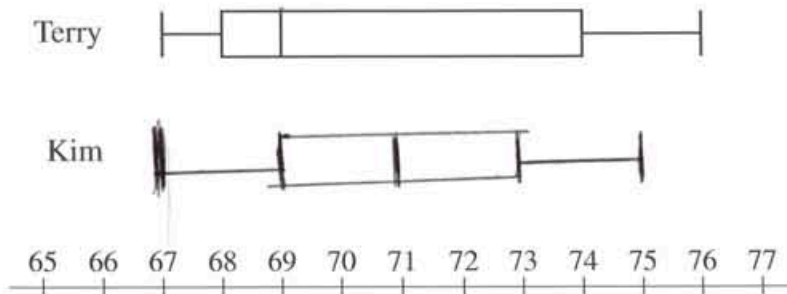
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(c) Terry and Kim each sat twenty class tests. Terry's results on the tests are displayed in the box-and-whisker plot shown in part (i).

(i) Kim's 5-number summary for the tests is 67, 69, 71, 73, 75.

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Draw a box-and-whisker plot to display Kim's results below that of Terry's results.



(ii) What percentage of Terry's results were below 69?

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..... 30% .....

(iii) Terry claims that his results were better than Kim's. Is he correct? Justify your answer by referring to the summary statistics and the skewness of the distributions.

4

That is ~~wrong~~ because  
 Terry's lowest score 67  
 is equal to Kim's  
 highest score was 77 which  
 was 2 marks higher than  
 Kim's mean/average is  
 below Kim's which places  
 her at a higher average  
 to Terry.

End of Question 29



**Question 30** (15 marks)

- (a) Chandra and Sascha plan to have \$20 000 in an investment account in 15 years time for their grandchild's university fees.

3

The interest rate for the investment account will be fixed at 3% per annum compounded monthly.

Calculate the amount that they will need to deposit into the account now in order to achieve their plan.

$$20000 = P(1 + 0.03)^{180}$$

$$P = \frac{20000}{(1 + 0.03)^{180}}$$

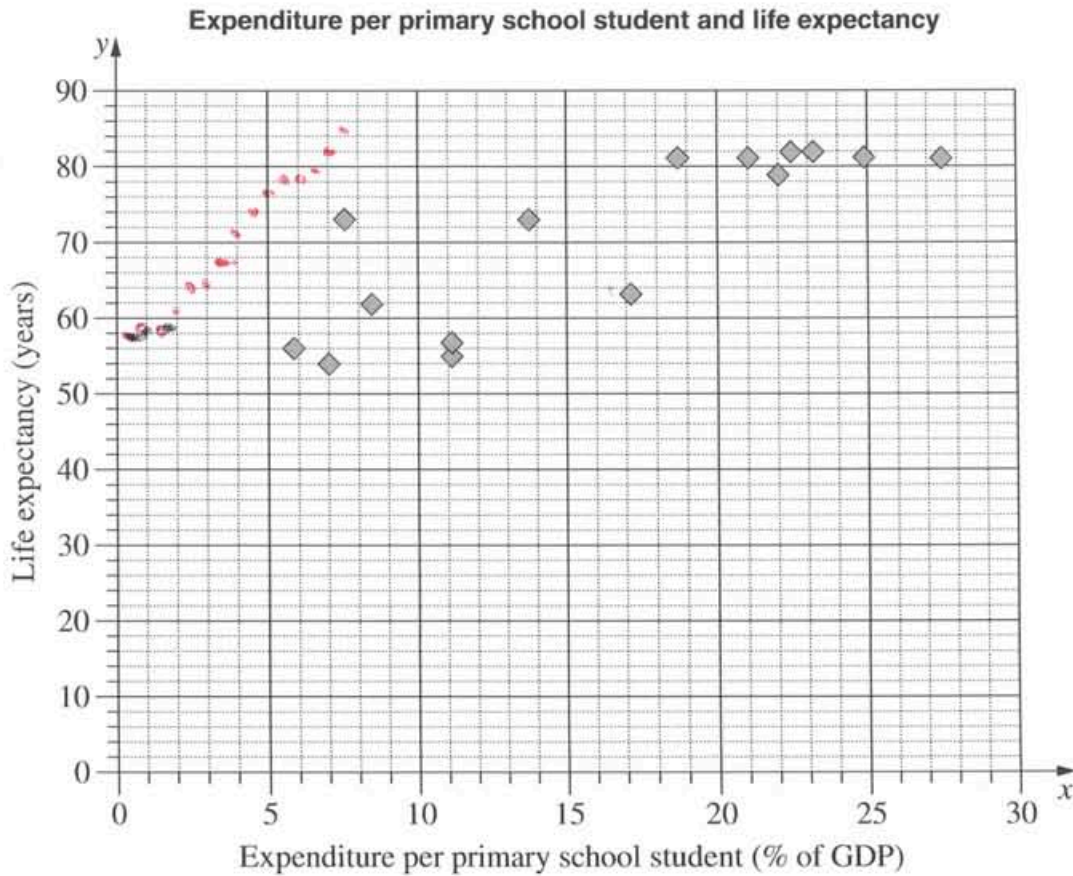
$$P = 97.79790437$$

$$P = \$97.80$$

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Question 30 (continued)

- (b) The scatterplot shows the relationship between expenditure per primary school student, as a percentage of a country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP), and the life expectancy in years for 15 countries.



- (i) For the given data, the correlation coefficient,  $r$ , is 0.83. What does this indicate about the relationship between expenditure per primary school student and life expectancy for the 15 countries?

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Life expectancy is increasing.

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Question 30 (continued)

- (ii) For the data representing expenditure per primary school student,  $Q_L$  is 8.4 and  $Q_U$  is 22.5. 1

What is the interquartile range?

$$22.5 - 8.4 = 14.1$$

- (iii) Another country has an expenditure per primary school student of 47.6% of its GDP. Would this country be an outlier for this set of data? Justify your answer with calculations. 2

NO because its percentage is lower.

- (iv) The expenditures per primary school student for the 15 countries in the scatterplot are: 2

5.9, 7, 7.6, 8.4, 11.2, 11.2, 13.7, 17.1, 18.7, 21.1, 22, 22.5, 23.2, 24.9, 27.6

Complete the table below by calculating the mean,  $\bar{x}$ , and the standard deviation,  $\sigma_x$ , of these data. Calculate both values to two decimal places.

The table also shows the mean,  $\bar{y}$ , and the standard deviation,  $\sigma_y$ , of life expectancy for the same 15 countries.

	Mean	Standard deviation
Expenditure per primary school student	$\bar{x} = 16.14$	$\sigma_x = 7.03$
Life expectancy	$\bar{y} = 70.73$	$\sigma_y = 10.94$

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Question 30 (continued)

- (v) Using the values from the table in part (iv), show that the equation of the least-squares line of best fit is 2

$$y = 1.29x + 49.9.$$

$y = 1.29 \times 5.9 + 49.9 = 57.511$	$1.29 \times 15.7 + 49.9 = 74.023$
$= 1.29 \times 7 + 49.9 = 58.93$	$1.29 \times 21.1 + 49.9 = 77.119$
$= 1.29 \times 7.6 + 49.9 = 59.704$	$1.29 \times 22 + 49.9 = 78.28$
$= 1.29 \times 8.4 + 49.9 = 60.736$	$1.29 \times 22.5 + 49.9 = 78.925$
$= 1.29 \times 11.2 + 49.9 = 64.348$	$1.29 \times 23.2 + 49.9 = 79.828$
$= 1.29 \times 11.2 + 49.9 = 64.348$	$1.29 \times 24.9 + 49.9 = 82.021$
$= 1.29 \times 13.7 + 49.9 = 67.573$	$1.29 \times 27.6 + 49.9 = 85.504$
$= 1.29 \times 17.1 + 49.9 = 71.959$	

- (vi) On the scatterplot on page 30, draw the least-squares line of best fit,  $y = 1.29x + 49.9$ . 2

- (vii) Using this line, or otherwise, estimate the life expectancy in a country which has an expenditure per primary school student of 18% of its GDP. 1

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- (viii) Why is this line NOT useful for predicting life expectancy in a country which has expenditure per primary school student of 60% of its GDP? 1

because the graph doesn't  
extend beyond 30%

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