

7. Consider the compound inequality

$$\frac{1-4x}{3} \leq 3 \quad \text{and} \quad x+4 < 10 \quad \dots\dots\dots (*) .$$

- Solve (*) and represent the solution graphically.
- Write down the number of positive integers satisfying (*).

(7 marks)

[illegible]

8. Let $x > 0$. Solve the equation $4\sqrt[3]{x^2} - 11 = 25$.

(4 marks)

[illegible]

9. In Figure 2, AHC is the horizontal ground. BH is perpendicular to AC . It is given that $AB = 15$ m and $CH = 4$ m. The angle of elevation of B from A is 38° .

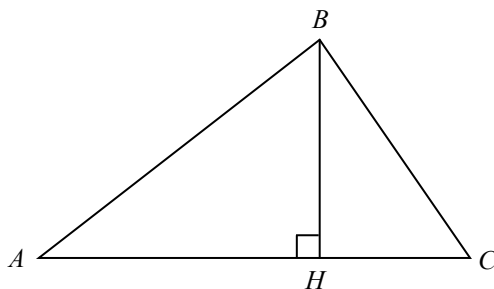


Figure 2

Find

- (a) BH ,
 (b) the angle of depression of C from B .

(6 marks)

10. Adrian has a principal of \$ 10 000. He is considering two saving plans as follows:

Plan A: A simple interest rate of 8% per annum.

Plan B: A interest rate of 6% per annum, compounded half-yearly.

If the period of deposit is 10 years, which plan should he choose? Explain your answer.

(7 marks)

12. In Figure 4, $ABCD$ is a parallelogram. AC and BD intersect at O . P and Q are the mid-points of AB and BC respectively.

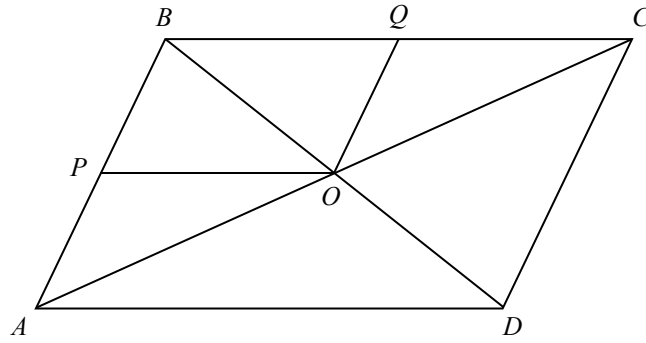


Figure 4

Prove that

- (a) $PO = \frac{1}{2}BC$,
- (b) $OPBQ$ is a parallelogram.

(6 marks)

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13. (a) Factorize $x^3 - 1$.

- (b) Hence, or otherwise, solve $x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0$.

(7 marks)

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- (8 marks)

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15. The table below shows the distribution of the numbers of assignments missed by a group of students on a certain day.

Number of missing assignments	0	1	2	3	4
Number of students	5	3	2	7	3

- (a) Find the median of the distribution.
- (b) Three more students join the group. The numbers of assignments missed by these students are a , b and c respectively.
 - (i) Simon claims that the median must be changed. Do you agree? Explain your answer.
 - (ii) It is given that the mean of the distribution unchanged after the three students are joined.
 - (1) Find $a + b + c$.
 - (2) Furthermore, the median is decreased by 0.5 . Write down two sets of possible values of a , b and c .

(8 marks)

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16. In Figure 5, $ABCDEFGH$ is a rectangular block. M is the mid-point of DE . It is given that $AB = 15$ cm, $BC = 20$ cm and $DE = 16$ cm.

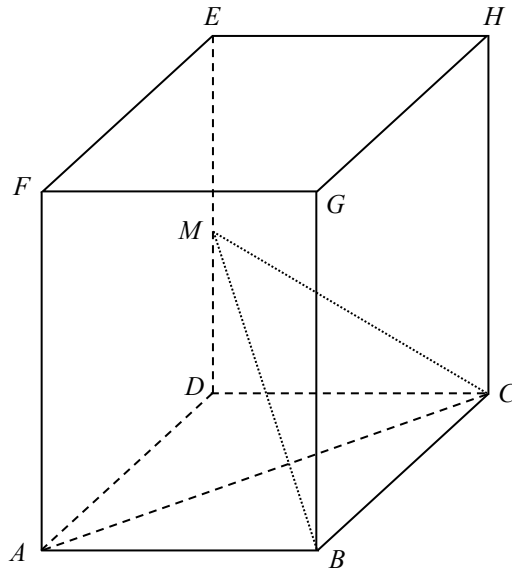


Figure 5

Find

- the angle between BM and the plane $ABCD$,
- the angle between the plane BCM and the plane ABC .

(6 marks)

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- (10 marks)

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