



The questions assume concepts outlined in earlier papers. They increase in complexity throughout the paper and encourage the use of higher-order thinking skills.

PAPER I & J



NUMBER & ARITHMETIC

ALGEBRA & PATTERNS

MEASURES & UNITS

SPACE & GEOMETRY

STATISTICS & PROBABILITY

Questions may require students to:

NUMBER

- apply index laws involving integer and fractional indices
- convert numbers to scientific notation

ARITHMETIC

- solve problems involving simple and compound interest
- operate on surds

ALGEBRA

- apply index laws to simplify expressions
- expand and simplify binomials
- substitute and rearrange to solve equation
- factorise quadratics
- calculate midpoints, distance and gradient
- solve linear inequalities and graph solution on number line
- solve linear simultaneous equations
- solve problems involving parallel and perpendicular lines
- graph transformations of parabolas, hyperbolae, polynomials and circles

MEASURES

- solve problems with very small time scales and intervals

MEASUREMENT

- calculate areas of composite shapes
- calculate surface area and volume of cylinders, cones, spheres and right pyramids

SPACE

- solve problems involving bearings, depression, elevation and area

SHAPE

GEOMETRY

- use trigonometry to solve 3-D problems
- find unknown sides and angles using sine and cosine rules

PROBABILITY

- use two-step probability with and without replacement
- calculate relative frequencies
- calculate probabilities involving 'and' and 'or'
- solve problems involving conditional probability

STATISTICS

- interpret and compare back-to-back stem and leaf plots, and histograms
- compare displays using measures of location and spread
- interpret box plots and scatterplots
- identify quartiles
- describe distributions

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