



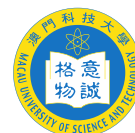
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**2019 年試題及參考答案
2019 Examination Paper and Suggested Answer**

數學正卷 Mathematics Standard Paper

第一部分 選擇題。請選出每題之最佳答案。

1. 若集合 $A = \{x: x^2 - x - 6 < 0\}$ ，則 $A =$
A. $\{x: -2 < x < 3\}$ B. $\{x: x > 3 \text{ 或 } x < -2\}$ C. $\{x: -3 < x < 2\}$
D. $\{x: x > 2 \text{ 或 } x < -3\}$ E. \emptyset
2. 若 x 隨 \sqrt{m} 正變且隨 n^2 反變，當 m 增加 44% 和 n 減少 20%， x 增加的百分比是多少？
A. 64 B. 92.5 C. 84 D. 68.4 E. 87.5
3. 若 $x^3 + 4x^2 + bx + 3$ 能被 $x^2 + ax + 1$ 整除，則 $a + b =$
A. 1 B. 4 C. 5 D. 7 E. 以上皆非
4. 求 $(6 - \sqrt{35})^{100}(6 + \sqrt{35})^{99}$ 之值。
A. $99(6 + \sqrt{35})$ B. $99(6 - \sqrt{35})$ C. $6 + \sqrt{35}$
D. $6 - \sqrt{35}$ E. 以上皆非
5. 設 $2^a = 5$ 。用 a 來表示 $\log_{10} 2$ 。
A. $\frac{1}{a+1}$ B. $a+1$ C. $\frac{a}{a+1}$ D. $\frac{a+1}{a}$ E. $a-1$
6. 若 $x > 2$ ，則 $\sqrt{x^2 - 2x + 1} + |2 - x| =$
A. -1 B. $2x - 3$ C. $3 - 2x$ D. 1 E. $2x - 1$
7. 某 10 個連續偶數之和為 430，求當中的最大數。
A. 34 B. 40 C. 46 D. 52 E. 58
8. 直線 $x + 2y + 4 = 0$ 和 $3x - by + 8 = 0$ 相交於 y 軸，求 b 之值。
A. -16 B. -8 C. -4 D. 4 E. 16

9. 設 D 為符合不等式組 $\begin{cases} x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \\ x - y \geq -2 \\ 3x + 2y \leq 24 \end{cases}$ 的解所組成的區域。

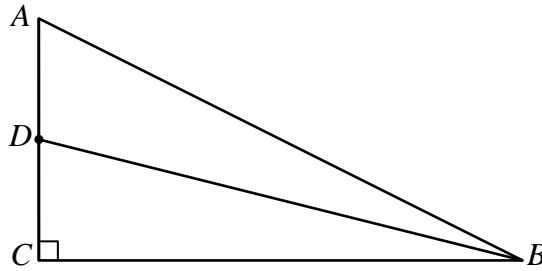
以下哪些點位於 D 區內 (包括邊界)？

- I. (1, 1) II. (4, 6) III. (7, 0)
A. 只有 I 及 II B. 只有 I 及 III C. 只有 II 及 III
D. I、II 及 III E. 以上皆非

10. 用 1、3、5、9 組成的所有無重複數字四位數的總和是多少？

- A. 119988 B. 17776 C. 19998 D. 239976 E. 319998

11. 圖中 $\triangle ACB$ 為直角三角形。D 是 AC 的中點，且 $|CB|=2|AC|$ 。那麼 $\tan \angle ABD =$



- A. $\frac{7}{6}$ B. $\frac{1}{5}$ C. $\frac{2}{9}$ D. $\frac{1}{9}$ E. $\frac{1}{3}$

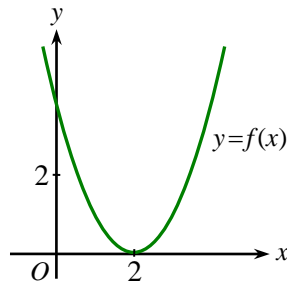
12. 以方程 $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$ 的兩個根的平方為根的一元二次方程是

- A. $x^2 - 7x - 1 = 0$ B. $x^2 - 7x + 1 = 0$ C. $x^2 + 7x + 1 = 0$
 D. $x^2 + 7x - 1 = 0$ E. $x^2 - x + 7 = 0$

13. 若橢圓 $\frac{x^2}{a+2} + \frac{y^2}{a^2} = 1$ 的焦點在 y 軸上，則實數 a 的取值範圍為

- A. $(-2, +\infty)$ B. $(2, +\infty)$ C. $(-2, 0) \cup (1, +\infty)$
 D. $(-\infty, -1) \cup (2, +\infty)$ E. $(-2, -1) \cup (2, +\infty)$

14. 下圖所示為 $y=f(x)$ 的圖像，且圖像的頂點為 $(2, 0)$ ，則以下哪一點是 $y=f(x-3)+1$ 的圖像的頂點？



- A. $(-3, 0)$ B. $(-5, 0)$ C. $(3, 1)$ D. $(5, 1)$ E. 以上皆非

15. 設 $P(n)$ 為一道命題，並對所有正整數 n ，有 $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$ 。若對正整數 m ， $P(m)$ 成立，那麼 $P(n)$

- A. 對所有正整數 n 都成立 B. 對所有 $n \geq m$ 都成立 C. 對所有 $n < m$ 都成立
 D. 對所有 $n \leq m$ 都成立 E. 以上皆非

第二部分 解答題。

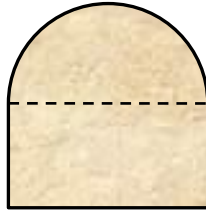
1. 從 1、2、3、...、1000 中，隨意抽出一個正整數。求以下各事件的概率。

- (a) 被抽出的數的個位是 3 或 7。 (2 分)
- (b) 被抽出的數不是立方數。 (3 分)
- (c) 被抽出的數可被 4 或 5 整除。 (3 分)

2. 已知兩點 $A(-1, 2)$ 及 $B(0, 5)$ 。

- (a) 若直線 $y = mx + b$ 為綫段 AB 的垂直平分綫，求 m 和 b 。 (4 分)
- (b) 圓 C 通過 A 和 B 兩點，且圓心在直綫 $2x + y = 5$ 上。求圓 C 的標準方程。 (4 分)

3. 一板身為長方形而頂部則為半圓形 (見下圖) 的石板周界為六米長。問此石板最大可能面積為多少平方米？ (8 分)



4. 等比數列 $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ 的各項均為正數，且 $a_1 + 2a_2 = 1$ ， $a_4^2 = 4a_3a_7$ 。

- (a) 求數列 $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ 的通項公式。 (4 分)
- (b) 設 $b_n = \log_2 a_1 + \log_2 a_2 + \dots + \log_2 a_n$ ，求數列 $\left\{\frac{1}{b_n}\right\}_{n \geq 1}$ 的前 n 項和。 (4 分)

5. 已知 $\sin \alpha + \cos \beta = \sqrt{3}$ 及 $\cos \alpha - \sin \beta = 1$ 。

- (a) 求 $\sin(\alpha - \beta)$ 的值。 (4 分)
- (b) 證明 $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \beta\right) = 1$ 。 (4 分)

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第一部分 選擇題。

題目編號	最佳答案
1	A
2	E
3	C
4	D
5	A
6	B
7	D
8	C
9	D
10	A
11	C
12	B
13	E
14	D
15	B

(第二部分答案由下頁開始)

第二部分 解答題。

1. (a) 從 1 到 1000 之間個位數字為 3 的整數包括 3、13、...、993，共有 100 個。同樣地，7、17、...、997 也有 100 個個位數字為 7 的整數。

$$\text{因此 } P(\text{個位是 3 或 7}) = \frac{100+100}{1000} = \frac{1}{5}。$$

- (b) 由 1 到 1000 的立方數包括 $1^3=1$ 、 $2^3=8$ 、...、 $10^3=1000$ ，共 10 個。

$$\text{因此 } P(\text{不是立方數}) = 1 - P(\text{立方數}) = 1 - \frac{10}{1000} = \frac{99}{100}。$$

- (c) 共有 $\frac{1000}{4}=250$ 個可被 4 整除的整數和 $\frac{1000}{5}=200$ 個可被 5 整除的整數。此外，共有 $\frac{1000}{4 \times 5}=50$ 個可同時被 4 和 5 整除的整數。

$$\begin{aligned} \text{因此 } P(\text{被 4 或 5 整除}) &= P(\text{被 4 整除}) + P(\text{被 5 整除}) - P(\text{被 4 及 5 整除}) \\ &= \frac{250+200-50}{1000} \\ &= \frac{2}{5}。 \end{aligned}$$

2. (a) AB 的中點有座標 $(\frac{-1+0}{2}, \frac{2+5}{2}) = (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{2})$ 。

穿過 $A(-1, 2)$ 和 $B(0, 5)$ 的直線有斜率 $(5-2)/(0-(-1))=3$ 。所以 AB 的垂直平分線有斜率 $-\frac{1}{3}$ 。

AB 的垂直平分線的方程為 $\frac{y-7/2}{x-(-1/2)} = -\frac{1}{3}$ ，即 $y = -\frac{1}{3}(x + \frac{1}{2}) + \frac{7}{2} = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{10}{3}$ 。

因此有 $m = -\frac{1}{3}$ 和 $b = \frac{10}{3}$ 。

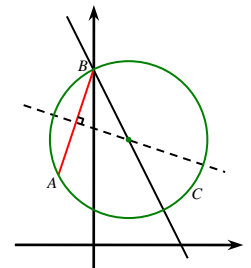
- (b) 直線 $2x + y = 5$ 會與 AB 的垂直平分線(根據 (a)，其方程可寫為 $x + 3y = 10$)

相交於 C 的圓心。圓心的位置可由聯立方程組 $\begin{cases} 2x + y = 5 \\ x + 3y = 10 \end{cases}$ 的解求出。

解方程組得圓心的座標為 $(1, 3)$ 。

圓形的半徑 r 為 $B(0, 5)$ 到圓心 $(1, 3)$ 的距離，即 $r = \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (3-5)^2} = \sqrt{5}$ 。

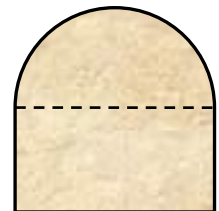
由此知道圓形 C 的標準方程是 $(x-1)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 5$ 。



3. 設半徑長 r 米，並設長方形高 h 米。由周界得 $\pi r + 2h + 2r = 6$ ，從而得 $h = 3 - \frac{\pi+2}{2}r$ 。

$$\begin{aligned} \text{石板面積} &= \frac{\pi}{2}r^2 + 2rh = \frac{\pi}{2}r^2 + 2r\left(3 - \frac{\pi+2}{2}r\right) \text{ (米}^2\text{)} \\ &= 6r - \frac{\pi+4}{2}r^2 = \frac{\pi+4}{2}\left(\frac{12}{\pi+4}r - r^2\right) \text{ (米}^2\text{)} \\ &= \frac{\pi+4}{2}\left[\frac{36}{(\pi+4)^2} - \left(\frac{6}{\pi+4} - r\right)^2\right] = \frac{18}{\pi+4} - \frac{\pi+4}{2}\left(\frac{6}{\pi+4} - r\right)^2 \text{ (米}^2\text{)} \\ &\leq \frac{18}{\pi+4} \text{ (米}^2\text{)}。 \end{aligned}$$

∴ 最大面積為 $\frac{18}{\pi+4}$ 米²。



4. (a) 設數列 $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ 的公比為 q ($q > 0$)。由 $a_4^2 = 4a_3a_7$ 得 $a_4^2 = 4a_5^2$ ，從而得 $q^2 = \frac{a_5^2}{a_4^2} = \frac{1}{4}$ ，故此 $q = \frac{1}{2}$ 。

由 $a_1 + 2a_2 = 1$ 得 $a_1 + 2qa_1 = 1$ ，從而得 $a_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ 。因此數列 $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ 的通項公式是

$$a_n = a_1 q^{n-1} = \frac{1}{2^n} = 2^{-n}。$$

(b) 由 (a) 的結果、對數的定義 ($a_n = 2^{-n} \Leftrightarrow \log_2 a_n = -n$) 以及等差級數公式得

$$b_n = \log_2 a_1 + \log_2 a_2 + \cdots + \log_2 a_n = (-1) + (-2) + \cdots + (-n) = -\frac{n(n+1)}{2}。$$

由此得 $\frac{1}{b_n} = -\frac{2}{n(n+1)} = -2\left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)$ ，從而數列 $\left\{\frac{1}{b_n}\right\}_{n \geq 1}$ 的前 n 項和為

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{b_n} &= -2\left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \cdots + \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right] \\ &= -2\left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \\ &= \frac{-2n}{n+1}。 \end{aligned}$$

5. (a) 由 $\sin \alpha + \cos \beta = \sqrt{3}$ ，得 $\sin^2 \alpha + 2\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos^2 \beta = 3$ ----- (1)

由 $\cos \alpha - \sin \beta = 1$ ，得 $\cos^2 \alpha - 2\cos \alpha \sin \beta + \sin^2 \beta = 1$ ----- (2)

將 (1)、(2) 相加得 $2 + 2(\sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta) = 4$ ，即 $2\sin(\alpha - \beta) = 2$ ，從而有

$$\sin(\alpha - \beta) = 1。$$

(b) 由 $\sin \alpha + \cos \beta = \sqrt{3}$ ，得 $\sin^2 \alpha = (\sqrt{3} - \cos \beta)^2 = 3 - 2\sqrt{3} \cos \beta + \cos^2 \beta$ ----- (3)

由 $\cos \alpha - \sin \beta = 1$ ，得 $\cos^2 \alpha = (1 + \sin \beta)^2 = 1 + 2\sin \beta + \sin^2 \beta$ ----- (4)

將 (3)、(4) 相加得 $1 = 5 + 2\sin \beta - 2\sqrt{3} \cos \beta$ ，即 $2\sqrt{3} \cos \beta - 2\sin \beta = 4$ 。

最後的方程可寫成 $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos \beta - \frac{1}{2} \sin \beta = 1$ ，即

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \beta\right) = 1。$$

Part I Multiple choice questions. Choose the best answer for each question.

1. If set $A = \{x : x^2 - x - 6 < 0\}$, then $A =$
A. $\{x : -2 < x < 3\}$ B. $\{x : x > 3 \text{ or } x < -2\}$ C. $\{x : -3 < x < 2\}$
D. $\{x : x > 2 \text{ or } x < -3\}$ E. \emptyset
2. If x varies directly as \sqrt{m} and inversely as n^2 , what is the percentage increase of x when m is increased by 44% and n is decreased by 20%?
A. 64 B. 92.5 C. 84 D. 68.4 E. 87.5
3. If $x^3 + 4x^2 + bx + 3$ is divisible by $x^2 + ax + 1$, then $a + b =$
A. 1 B. 4 C. 5 D. 7 E. none of the above
4. Find the value of $(6 - \sqrt{35})^{100}(6 + \sqrt{35})^{99}$.
A. $99(6 + \sqrt{35})$ B. $99(6 - \sqrt{35})$ C. $6 + \sqrt{35}$
D. $6 - \sqrt{35}$ E. none of the above
5. Let $2^a = 5$. Express $\log_{10} 2$ in terms of a .
A. $\frac{1}{a+1}$ B. $a+1$ C. $\frac{a}{a+1}$ D. $\frac{a+1}{a}$ E. $a-1$
6. If $x > 2$, then $\sqrt{x^2 - 2x + 1} + |2 - x| =$
A. -1 B. $2x - 3$ C. $3 - 2x$ D. 1 E. $2x - 1$
7. The sum of 10 consecutive even numbers is 430. Find the largest number among them.
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8. The lines $x + 2y + 4 = 0$ and $3x - by + 8 = 0$ intersect at the y -axis. Find the value of b .
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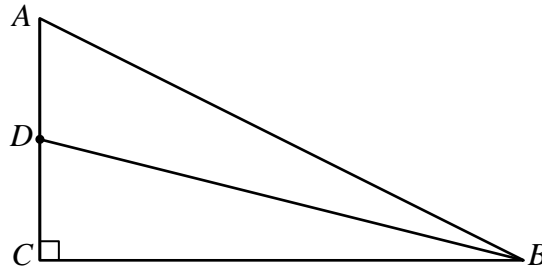
9. Let D be the region which represents the solution of the system of inequalities: $\begin{cases} x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \\ x - y \geq -2 \\ 3x + 2y \leq 24 \end{cases}$.

Which of the following points lie in D (including the boundary)?

- I. (1, 1) II. (4, 6) III. (7, 0)
- A. I and II only B. I and III only C. II and III only
D. I, II and III E. none of the above

10. What is the sum of all the 4-digit numbers having digits 1, 3, 5, 9 without repetition?
 A. 119988 B. 17776 C. 19998 D. 239976 E. 319998

11. In the figure, $\triangle ACB$ is a right-angled triangle. D is the midpoint of AC , and $|CB| = 2|AC|$. Then $\tan \angle ABD =$



- A. $\frac{7}{6}$ B. $\frac{1}{5}$ C. $\frac{2}{9}$ D. $\frac{1}{9}$ E. $\frac{1}{3}$

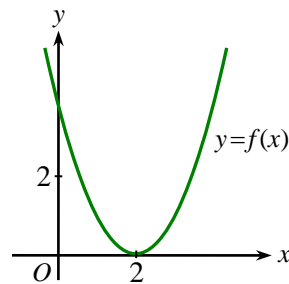
12. Find a quadratic equation with two roots that are the square of the roots of the equation $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$.

- A. $x^2 - 7x - 1 = 0$ B. $x^2 - 7x + 1 = 0$ C. $x^2 + 7x + 1 = 0$
 D. $x^2 + 7x - 1 = 0$ E. $x^2 - x + 7 = 0$

13. If the foci of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a+2} + \frac{y^2}{a^2} = 1$ are on the y -axis, then the range of a is

- A. $(-2, +\infty)$ B. $(2, +\infty)$ C. $(-2, 0) \cup (1, +\infty)$
 D. $(-\infty, -1) \cup (2, +\infty)$ E. $(-2, -1) \cup (2, +\infty)$

14. The figure below shows the graph of $y = f(x)$, and the vertex of the graph is $(2, 0)$. Which of the following is the vertex of the graph of $y = f(x-3) + 1$?



- A. $(-3, 0)$ B. $(-5, 0)$ C. $(3, 1)$ D. $(5, 1)$ E. none of the above

15. Let $P(n)$ be a statement such that $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$ for all positive integers n . If $P(m)$ is true for positive integer m , then $P(n)$ is true for

- A. all positive integers n B. all $n \geq m$ C. all $n < m$
 D. all $n \leq m$ E. none of the above

Part II Problem-solving questions.

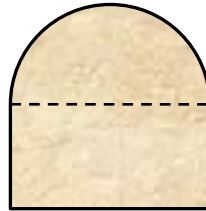
1. A positive integer is randomly chosen from the numbers $1, 2, 3, \dots, 1000$. Find the probability of each of the following events.

- (a) The chosen integer has unit digit 3 or 7. (2 marks)
- (b) The chosen integer is not a cubic number. (3 marks)
- (c) The chosen integer is divisible by 4 or by 5. (3 marks)

2. Two points $A(-1, 2)$ and $B(0, 5)$ are given.

- (a) Let the line $y = mx + b$ be the perpendicular bisector of the line segment AB . Find the values of m and b . (4 marks)
- (b) A circle C passes through the two points A and B , with its center on the line $2x + y = 5$. Find the standard equation of the circle. (4 marks)

3. A stone tablet of a rectangular body and a semi-disc head (see the figure below) is made with perimeter 6 meters long. What is the largest possible area (in square meters) of the tablet? (8 marks)



4. Given that every term of the geometric sequence $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ is positive, and that $a_1 + 2a_2 = 1$ and $a_4^2 = 4a_3a_7$.

- (a) Find the general term of $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$. (4 marks)
- (b) Let $b_n = \log_2 a_1 + \log_2 a_2 + \dots + \log_2 a_n$. Find the sum of the first n terms of the sequence $\left\{\frac{1}{b_n}\right\}_{n \geq 1}$. (4 marks)

5. Given that $\sin \alpha + \cos \beta = \sqrt{3}$ and $\cos \alpha - \sin \beta = 1$.

- (a) Find the value of $\sin(\alpha - \beta)$. (4 marks)
- (b) Prove that $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \beta\right) = 1$. (4 marks)

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Part I Multiple choice questions.

Question Number	Best Answer
1	A
2	E
3	C
4	D
5	A
6	B
7	D
8	C
9	D
10	A
11	C
12	B
13	E
14	D
15	B

(Answers for Part II start from next page)

Part II Problem-solving questions.

1. (a) Among 1 to 1000, integers with unit digit 3 include 3, 13, ..., 993, a total of 100 integers. Similarly, among 7, 17, ..., 997, there are 100 integers with unit digit 7.

$$\text{Thus } P(\text{unit digit is 3 or 7}) = \frac{100+100}{1000} = \frac{1}{5}.$$

- (b) Cubic numbers from 1 to 1000 include $1^3=1, 2^3=8, \dots, 10^3=1000$, a total of 10 integers.

$$\text{Thus } P(\text{not a cubic number}) = 1 - P(\text{cubic number}) = 1 - \frac{10}{1000} = \frac{99}{100}.$$

- (c) There are $\frac{1000}{4}=250$ integers that are divisible by 4, and $\frac{1000}{5}=200$ integers that are divisible by 5.

Also, there are $\frac{1000}{4 \times 5}=50$ integers that are divisible by both 4 and 5.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } P(\text{divisible by 4 or 5}) &= P(\text{divisible by 4}) + P(\text{divisible by 5}) - P(\text{divisible by 4 and 5}) \\ &= \frac{250+200-50}{1000} \\ &= \frac{2}{5}. \end{aligned}$$

2. (a) The mid-point of AB has coordinates $(\frac{-1+0}{2}, \frac{2+5}{2}) = (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{2})$.

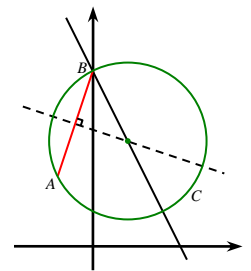
Slope of the line passing through $A(-1, 2)$ and $B(0, 5)$ is $(5-2)/(0-(-1))=3$. So the perpendicular bisector of AB has slope $-\frac{1}{3}$. Hence the equation of the perpendicular bisector of AB is $\frac{y-7/2}{x-(-1/2)} = -\frac{1}{3}$,

$$\text{that is, } y = -\frac{1}{3}\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{7}{2} = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{10}{3}.$$

$$\text{Thus } m = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ and } b = \frac{10}{3}.$$

- (b) The line $2x + y = 5$ should meet the perpendicular bisector of AB (from (a), its equation can be written as $x + 3y = 10$) at the center of circle C . The location of

the center can be found by solving the system of linear equations $\begin{cases} 2x + y = 5 \\ x + 3y = 10 \end{cases}$



Solving this system of linear equations yields the coordinates of the center, namely $(1, 3)$.

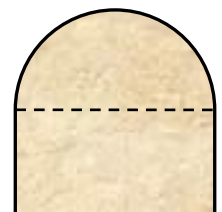
The radius r of the circle equals the distance from $B(0, 5)$ to the center $(1, 3)$. Thus we have $r = \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (3-5)^2} = \sqrt{5}$.

It follows from the above that the standard equation of circle C is $(x-1)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 5$.

3. Let the radius be r m long, and let the rectangle be h m high. From the given perimeter, we have

$$\pi r + 2h + 2r = 6. \text{ Thus } h = 3 - \frac{\pi+2}{2}r.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of the tablet} &= \frac{\pi}{2}r^2 + 2rh = \frac{\pi}{2}r^2 + 2r\left(3 - \frac{\pi+2}{2}r\right) \text{ (m}^2\text{)} \\ &= 6r - \frac{\pi+4}{2}r^2 = \frac{\pi+4}{2}\left(\frac{12}{\pi+4}r - r^2\right) \text{ (m}^2\text{)} \\ &= \frac{\pi+4}{2}\left[\frac{36}{(\pi+4)^2} - \left(\frac{6}{\pi+4} - r\right)^2\right] = \frac{18}{\pi+4} - \frac{\pi+4}{2}\left(\frac{6}{\pi+4} - r\right)^2 \text{ (m}^2\text{)} \\ &\leq \frac{18}{\pi+4} \text{ (m}^2\text{)}. \end{aligned}$$



\therefore The largest area of the tablet is $\frac{18}{\pi+4}$ m².

4. (a) Let the common ratio of $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be q ($q > 0$). From $a_4^2 = 4a_3a_7$, we have $a_4^2 = 4a_5^2$. It follows that

$$q^2 = \frac{a_5^2}{a_4^2} = \frac{1}{4}, \text{ and so } q = \frac{1}{2}. \text{ From } a_1 + 2a_2 = 1, \text{ we have } a_1 + 2qa_1 = 1, \text{ and so } a_1 = \frac{1}{2}. \text{ Hence the}$$

general term of $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ is given by $a_n = a_1q^{n-1} = \frac{1}{2^n} = 2^{-n}$.

(b) From the result of (a), the definition of logarithm ($a_n = 2^{-n} \Leftrightarrow \log_2 a_n = -n$), and the formula for arithmetic series, we get

$$b_n = \log_2 a_1 + \log_2 a_2 + \dots + \log_2 a_n = (-1) + (-2) + \dots + (-n) = -\frac{n(n+1)}{2}.$$

It follows that $\frac{1}{b_n} = -\frac{2}{n(n+1)} = -2\left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)$, and so the sum of the first n terms of $\left\{\frac{1}{b_n}\right\}_{n \geq 1}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{b_n} &= -2\left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)\right] \\ &= -2\left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \\ &= \frac{-2n}{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

5. (a) Since $\sin \alpha + \cos \beta = \sqrt{3}$, we have $\sin^2 \alpha + 2\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos^2 \beta = 3$ ----- (1)

Since $\cos \alpha - \sin \beta = 1$, we have $\cos^2 \alpha - 2\cos \alpha \sin \beta + \sin^2 \beta = 1$ ----- (2)

Adding up (1) and (2), we get $2 + 2(\sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta) = 4$, i.e. $2\sin(\alpha - \beta) = 2$, and so

$$\sin(\alpha - \beta) = 1.$$

(b) Since $\sin \alpha + \cos \beta = \sqrt{3}$, we have $\sin^2 \alpha = (\sqrt{3} - \cos \beta)^2 = 3 - 2\sqrt{3} \cos \beta + \cos^2 \beta$ ----- (3)

Since $\cos \alpha - \sin \beta = 1$, we have $\cos^2 \alpha = (1 + \sin \beta)^2 = 1 + 2\sin \beta + \sin^2 \beta$ ----- (4)

Adding up (3) and (4), we get $1 = 5 + 2\sin \beta - 2\sqrt{3} \cos \beta$, i.e. $2\sqrt{3} \cos \beta - 2\sin \beta = 4$.

The last equation can be written as $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos \beta - \frac{1}{2} \sin \beta = 1$, i.e.

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \beta\right) = 1.$$