## 2020 HSC Common Questions with Mathematics Standard 2

Q2 Sorry this question is not common but it is a good question and I have answered it so it is staying.

2 A random sample of students was taken from each of two universities, and their ages were recorded. The boxplots of their ages are shown.

University $A$


University $B$


For the given samples of students' ages, which of the following statements is FALSE?
A. The range for University $A$ is smaller than the range for University $B$.
B. The median for University $A$ is higher than the median for University $B$.
C. The interquartile range (IQR) for University $A$ is larger than the IQR for University $B$.
D. The oldest student in the sample from University $A$ is older than the oldest student in the sample from University $B$.
A. Range of Uni A is Highest Score minus Lowest Score $=40-17=23$

Range of Uni B $=30-17=13$ FALSE - Therefore correct answer.
B. Median of Uni $A$ is 24 . Median of Uni $B$ is 22
C. IQR of Uni $A=28-20=8$. IQR of Uni $B=25-20=5$.
D. Oldest student for Uni $A=40$. Oldest student from Uni $B=30$.

3 What is 0.002073 expressed in standard form with two significant figures?
A. $\quad 2.07 \times 10^{-2}$
B. $2.1 \times 10^{-2}$
C. $2.07 \times 10^{-3}$
D. $2.1 \times 10^{-3}$

Answer: D

7 The distance between Bricktown and Koala Creek is 75 km . A person travels from Bricktown to Koala Creek at an average speed of $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$.

How long does it take the person to complete the journey?
A. 40 minutes
B. 1 hour 25 minutes
C. 1 hour 30 minutes
D. 1 hour 50 minutes


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\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{T} & =\frac{D}{S} \\
& =\frac{75}{50}(75 / 50) \\
& =1.5 \text { Then press the degrees minutes button } \\
& =1 \text { hour } 30 \text { minutes HENCE } C .
\end{aligned}
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8 Joan invests \$200. She earns interest at 3\% per annum, compounded monthly.
What is the future value of Joan's investment after 1.5 years?
A. $\$ 209.07$
B. $\$ 209.19$
C. $\$ 279.51$
D. $\$ 311.93$

## Compound interest formula

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\begin{aligned}
F Y & =P V(1+r)^{n} \\
& =\$ 200\left(1+\frac{3 \%}{12}\right)^{1.5 \times 12(=18)} \\
& =\$ 209.19 \text { HENCE B. }
\end{aligned}
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9 Team $A$ and Team $B$ have entered a chess competition.
Team $A$ and Team $B$ have three members each. Each member of Team $A$ must play each member of Team $B$ once.

Which of the following network diagrams could represent the chess games to be played?
A.

B.

C.

D.


B Each person on Team $A$ needs to play each person in Team $B$ and vice-versa. That means each vertex must connect to 3 other vertices as shown in the diagram.


- An unusual question testing understanding of network concept and diagram

10 A plumber charges a call-out fee of $\$ 90$ as well as $\$ 2$ per minute while working.
Suppose the plumber works for $t$ hours.
Which equation expresses the amount the plumber charges ( $\$ C$ ) as a function of time ( $t$ hours)?
A. $C=2+90 t$
B. $C=90+2 t$
C. $C=120+90 t$
D. $C=90+120 t$

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D C=mt+c
    c=90 (callout fee) - Tests deeper understanding of algebra
    $2 per minute = 60 }$$2\mathrm{ per hour (working rate)
        =$120 per hour
    So m=120
    So C=120t+90, or
    C=90+120t
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- Tests deeper understanding of algebra
- Converting a worded problem into a generalised formula or equation
- There's a lot of algebra in this exam, even in the statistics questions
- MANSW has reported to NESA that 'function of time' is not Maths Standard terminology


## Question 11 (4 marks)

Consider the triangle shown.

(a) Find the value of $\theta$, correct to the nearest degree.
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(b) Find the value of $x$, correct to one decimal place.
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(a) $\operatorname{Tan} \theta=\frac{8}{10}$

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\begin{aligned}
\Theta & =38.6598 \\
& =39^{\circ} \text { (nearest degree) }
\end{aligned}
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(b) By Pythagoras $x^{2}=8^{2}+10^{2}$

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\begin{aligned}
& =64+100 \\
& =164 \\
X & =\sqrt{164} \\
& =12.8(1 \text { dec. pl. })
\end{aligned}
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## Question 21 (4 marks)

The diagram represents a network with weighted edges.

(a) Draw a minimum spanning tree for this network in the space below and determine its length.
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Question 21 (a)

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Draws a minimum spanning tree and states minimum length | 3 |
| - Draws a spanning tree (which is not minimum) and calculates its length | 2 |
| - Provides correct length based on the diagram drawn | 1 |

## Sample answer:



The length of the minimum spanning tree is 14 .
(b) The network is revised by adding another vertex, $K$. Edges $A K$ and $C K$ have weights of 12 and 10 respectively, as shown.


What is the length of the minimum spanning tree for this revised network?
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## Question 21 (b)

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Adds 10 to the length found in part (a) | 1 |

## Sample answer:

$14+10=24$

Question 27 (3 marks)
The table shows the income tax rates for the 2019-2020 financial year.

| Taxable income | Tax on this income |
| :--- | :--- |
| $0-\$ 18200$ | Nil |
| $\$ 18201-\$ 37000$ | 19 c for each $\$ 1$ over $\$ 18200$ |
| $\$ 37001-\$ 90000$ | $\$ 3572$ plus 32.5 c for each $\$ 1$ over $\$ 37000$ |
| $\$ 90001-\$ 180000$ | $\$ 20797$ plus 37 c for each $\$ 1$ over $\$ 90000$ |
| $\$ 180001$ and over | $\$ 54097$ plus 45 c for each $\$ 1$ over $\$ 180000$ |

For the 2019-2020 financial year, Wally had a taxable income of \$122 680. During the year, he paid $\$ 3000$ per month in Pay As You Go (PAYG) tax.

Calculate Wally's tax refund, ignoring the Medicare levy.
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## Question 27

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Provides correct solution | 3 |
| - Provides correct calculation of tax, or equivalent merit | 2 |
| -Makes some progress towards calculating the tax payable, or equivalent <br> merit | 1 |

## Sample answer:

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\begin{aligned}
\text { Tax } & =20797+0.37(122680-90000) \\
& =\$ 32888.60 \\
\text { PAYG tax } & =3000 \times 12 \\
& =\$ 36000 \\
\text { Refund } & =36000-32888.60 \\
& =\$ 3111.40
\end{aligned}
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Question 29 (4 marks)
There are two tanks on a property, Tank $A$ and Tank $B$. Initially, Tank $A$ holds 1000 litres of water and Tank $B$ is empty.
(a) Tank $A$ begins to lose water at a constant rate of 20 litres per minute. The volume of water in Tank $A$ is modelled by $V=1000-20 t$ where $V$ is the volume in litres and $t$ is the time in minutes from when the tank begins to lose water.

On the grid below, draw the graph of this model and label it as Tank $A$.


Question 29 (a)

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Provides the correct solution | 1 |

Sample answer:

(b) Tank $B$ remains empty until $t=15$ when water is added to it at a constant rate of 30 litres per minute.

By drawing a line on the grid on the previous page, or otherwise, find the value of $t$ when the two tanks contain the same volume of water.
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(c) Using the graphs drawn, or otherwise, find the value of $t$ (where $t>0$ ) when the total volume of water in the two tanks is 1000 litres.
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## Question 29 (b)

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Provides the correct solution | 2 |
| - Draws the graph of volume for tank $B$, or equivalent merit | 1 |

## Sample answer:

29 minutes

## Question 29 (c)

| Criteria | Marks |
| :--- | :---: |
| - Provides the correct answer | 1 |

## Sample answer:

45 minutes

