

ANNEX B

2012 NJC H2 Maths Preliminary Examination Paper 1

Qn/No	Topic Set	Answers
1	System of Linear Equations	$f(x) = \frac{4x^3}{27} - \frac{10x^2}{9} - \frac{56x}{9} + 1; x < 2.5$
2	Vectors	(ii) $\lambda = -109$ Since P is on BA produced, $\overrightarrow{AP} = k\overrightarrow{AB}$ for a negative value of k .
3	Maclaurin Series	$1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x^3$ (a) 13 (b) $1 - x + \frac{5}{2}x^2$
4	Differential Equation	(ii) $x = \frac{16t^2}{16t+1}; \frac{256}{65}$ or 3.94 (iii) The particular solution of the DE suggests that the <u>amount of bacteria in the Petri dish will grow indefinitely as time passes.</u>
5	Differentiation and Application of Integration involving Parametric Equations	(ii) $b = -4.5$
6	Vectors	(a) $a = -7$ or $a = -1$ (b) $\overrightarrow{ON} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$ or $\begin{pmatrix} -1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $a = \frac{1}{2}, b \neq 7$
7	Arithmetic and Geometric Progressions	(a)(ii) $\frac{125}{3}a$ (b)(i) $p = -5, q = 305$ (ii) $n = 9$
8	Complex Numbers	$m = -1$ (i) $z_1 = 2 - i, z_2 = 2 + i, z_3 = -3$ (iii) Since $ z_1 = \sqrt{5}, z_3 = 3, z_1 \neq z_3 $. The locus of complex numbers satisfying the

		equation $ w = a$, for some positive constant a , will not pass through all the points representing the complex numbers z_1 , z_2 and z_3 .
9	Sequences and Series/ Method of Difference/ Mathematical Induction	(ii) $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{(N+1)(N+2)} \right)$ (iv) $\frac{1}{144} - \frac{1}{2N(N-1)}$
10	Curve Sketching/ Graph Transformations	(a) (i) Vertical asymptotes: $x = -a$ or $x = a$ Horizontal asymptote: $y = 2$ $h \geq 3$
11	Functions/ Inequalities	(i) $x = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ (ii) $k = (1 - e^{9/8})/2$ or -1.04 (iii) $\frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq 1$ or $2.5 \leq x < 3$