

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
Mathematics: applications and interpretation
MAI

EXERCISES [MAI 2.13-2.14]
POLYNOMIAL MODELS

A. Paper 1 questions (SHORT)

1. [Maximum mark: 9]

Consider the arithmetic sequence 13, 18, 23, 28, 33, 38, ...

The terms of the sequence lie on the line L.

(a) Find

(i) the n -th term u_n of the sequence in terms of n

(ii) the equation of the line L in the form $y = mx + c$. [3]

(b) Write down a comment about the gradient m of the line L in the context of the arithmetic sequence. [1]

(c) Determine whether the points A(-1, 3), B(10, 58), C(0.2, 9) lie on the line. [3]

(d) Write down a comment about the y -coordinates of A, B, C in the context of the arithmetic sequence. [2]

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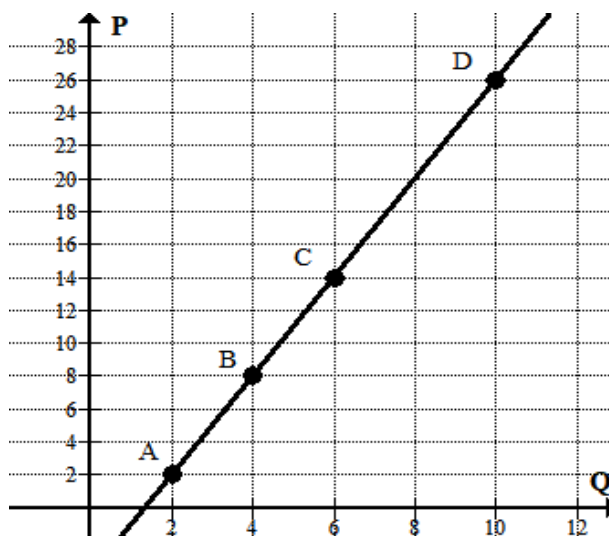
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2. [Maximum mark: 8]

Consider the point series

Q	2	4	6	10
P	2	8	14	26

The following diagram shows that the four points of the series line on a line L .



Select the points $A(2,2)$ and $D(10,26)$ to find the linear equation of P in terms of Q , by using two different methods.

- Find the gradient of the line segment $[AD]$ and hence find the equation of L . [3]
- Given that the points A and D lie on the line $P = aQ + b$, write down two linear equations in a and b and **hence** find the equation of L . [3]
- Verify the two remaining points lie on L . [2]

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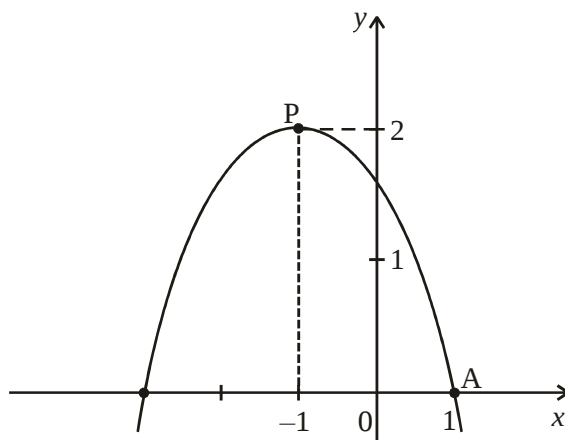
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The diagram shows part of the graph of $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$. The graph has its vertex at P, and passes through the point A with coordinates (1, 0).



- (a) Write down the value of (i) h (ii) k [2]
 (b) Calculate the value of a . [3]
 (c) Express the quadratic function in the forms
 (i) $y = a(x - p)(x - q)$
 (ii) $y = ax^2 + bx + c$. [3]

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14. [Maximum mark: 5]

The following point series lies on a quadratic model $P = aQ^2 + bQ + c$

Q	1	2	3
P	4	7	14

(a) Write down three linear equations on a, b, c . [3]

(b) Hence find the quadratic model. [2]

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15. [Maximum mark: 7]

The following point series lies on a quadratic model $P = aQ^2 + bQ + c$

Q	-2	1	2
P	0	0	12

Find the quadratic model by using two different methods.

(a) By writing down three linear equations on a, b, c and solving the system. [4]

(b) By using factorization and the fact that two of the points are Q -intercepts. [3]

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B. Paper 2 questions (LONG)

19. [Maximum mark: 17]

Consider the points A(1,5), B(3, 11), C(6, 20)

(a) Find

(i) the gradient of the line segment [AB].

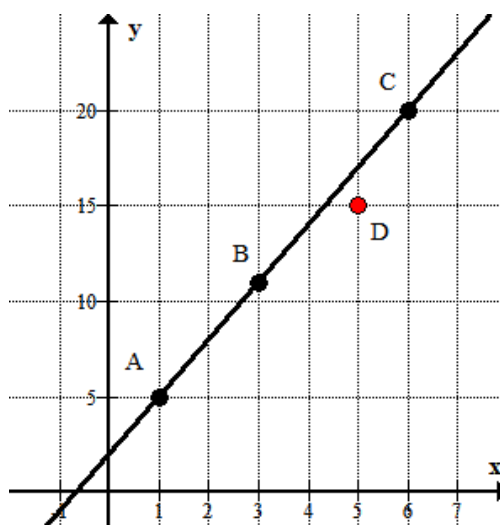
(ii) the equation of the line (AB) in the form $y = mx + c$.

[4]

(b) Show that the three points A, B and C are collinear.

[2]

The following diagram shows the three points A, B, C and the line (AB). An additional point D(5,15) is added.



(c) Show that the point D does not lie on the line (AB).

[2]

(d) Explain why the line (AB) is a satisfactory model for the point series A, B, C, D.

[2]

(e) Use your GDC to find the best fit line L for the point series A, B, C, D. Give the coefficients in 3s.f.

[2]

(f) Complete the following table. Give the squared residuals in 4dp.

x	y	Estimations		Squared Residuals	
		y_1 by line AB)	y_2 by line L	$(y - y_1)^2$	$(y - y_2)^2$
1	5	5		0	
3	11	11		0	
5	15				
6	20				
SS _{res} = SUM OF THE SQUARED RESIDUALS →					

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(g) Write down a comment about the two linear models found.

[1]

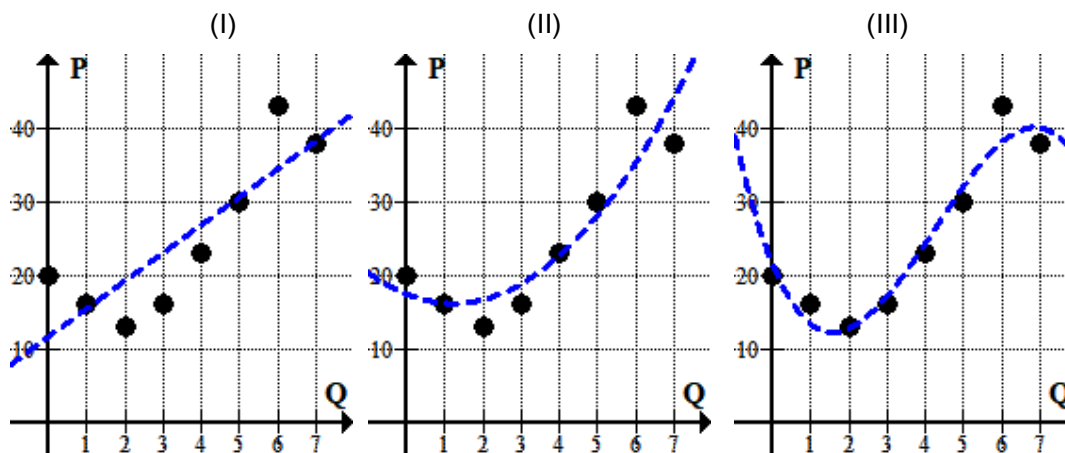
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20. [Maximum mark: 10]

Consider the point series

Q	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
P	20	16	13	16	23	30	43	38

The following diagrams show three regression models for this point series.



(a) Using your GDC and regression find the three models:

(i) The linear model (I): $P = aQ + b$

(ii) The quadratic model (II): $P = aQ^2 + bQ + c$

(iii) The cubic model (III): $P = aQ^3 + bQ^2 + cQ + d$.

Give all the coefficients in 3.s.f.

[4]

(b) Find the percentage error of each model for the estimation of the P -intercept.

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(c) Write down a comment for the appropriateness of the three models.

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(d) Suggest a prediction for the value of P when $Q = 8$.

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