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# Simultaneous equations

**(9 – 1) Topic booklet**

## Foundation

These questions have been collated from previous years GCSE Mathematics papers.

**You must have:** Ruler graduated in centimetres and millimetres, protractor, pair of compasses, pen, HB pencil, eraser.

Total Marks

### Instructions

- Use black ink or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer all questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  - there may be more space than you need.
- Diagrams are NOT accurately drawn, unless otherwise indicated.
- You must show all your working out.
- If the question is a 1F question you are not allowed to use a calculator.
- If the question is a 2F or a 3F question, you may use a calculator to help you answer.

### Information

- The marks for each question are shown in brackets
  - use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

**Answer ALL questions**  
**Write your answers in the space provided.**  
**You must write down all the stages in your working.**



16 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x + y = -4 \\ - 3x - 4y = 6 \\ \hline 5y = -10 \\ y = \frac{-10}{5} \\ y = -2 \end{array}$$

$$3x + (-2) = -4$$

$$3x - 2 = -4$$

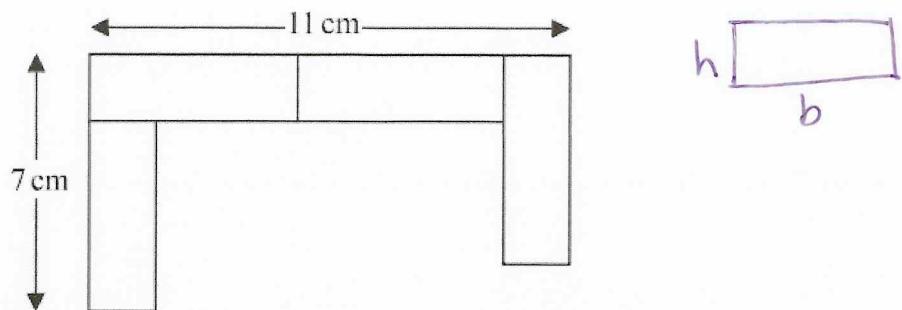
$$3x = -2$$

$$x = \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$y = -2$$

23 A pattern is made using identical rectangular tiles.



Find the total area of the pattern.

$$\begin{array}{r} 2b + 1h = 11 \\ - 1b + 1h = 7 \\ \hline b = 4 \end{array}$$

$$3 \left[ \frac{12 \text{ cm}^2}{4} \right] \times 4$$

$$h = 3$$

$$48 \text{ cm}^2$$

Specimen 1 – Paper 1F

(Total for Question 23 is 4 marks)

25 Solve the simultaneous equations

(xs)  $5x + y = 21$   
 $x - 3y = 9$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5x + y = 21 \\ - 5x - 15y = 45 \\ \hline 16y = -24 \\ y = \frac{-24}{16} \\ y = -1.5 \end{array}$$

$$5x + (-1.5) = 21$$

$$5x - 1.5 = 21$$

$$5x = 22.5$$

$$x = \frac{22.5}{5}$$

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$$x = 4.5$$
$$y = -1.5$$

(Total for Question 25 is 3 marks)

27 Solve the simultaneous equations

(xs)

$$\begin{aligned}x + 3y &= 12 \\ 5x - y &= 4\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}5x + 15y &= 60 \\ - 5x - y &= 4 \\ 16y &= 56 \\ y &= \frac{56}{16} \\ y &= 3.5\end{aligned}$$

$$x + 3(3.5) = 12$$

$$x + 10.5 = 12$$

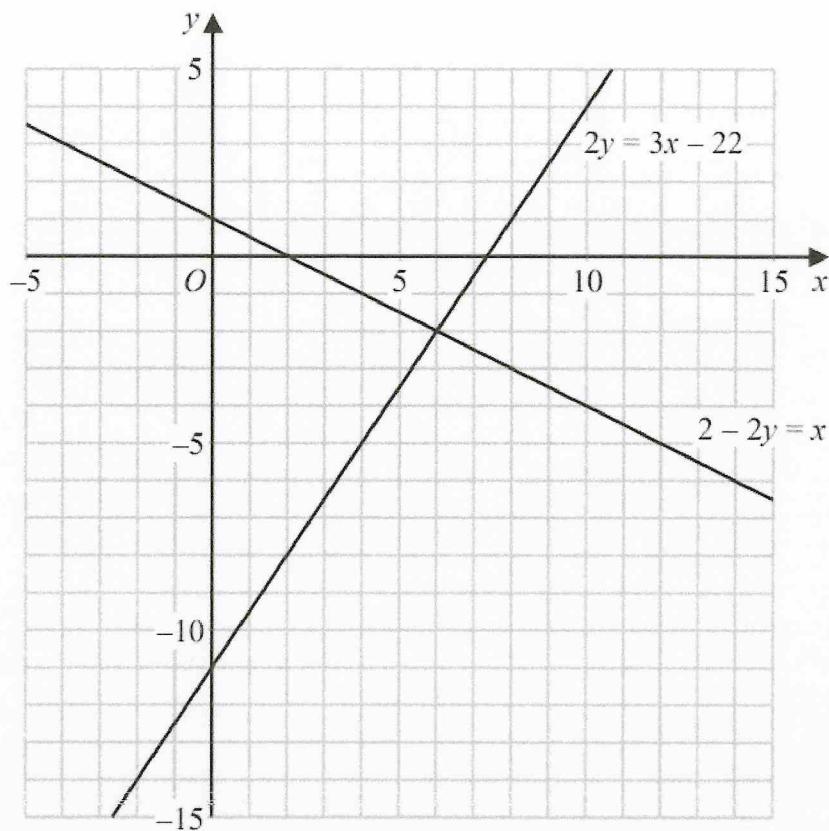
$$\boxed{x = 1.5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1.5 \\ y &= 3.5\end{aligned}$$

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(Total for Question 27 is 3 marks)

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Use these graphs to solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2 - 2y &= x \\ 2y &= 3x - 22 \end{aligned}$$

$x = \dots$  6  
 $y = \dots$  -2

28 Solve the simultaneous equations

(x2)

$$5x + 2y = 27$$

$$6x + 4y = 28$$



$$\begin{array}{r} 10x + 4y = 54 \\ - 6x + 4y = 28 \\ \hline 4x = 26 \end{array}$$

$$x = \frac{26}{4}$$

$$x = 6.5$$

$$5x + 2y = 27$$

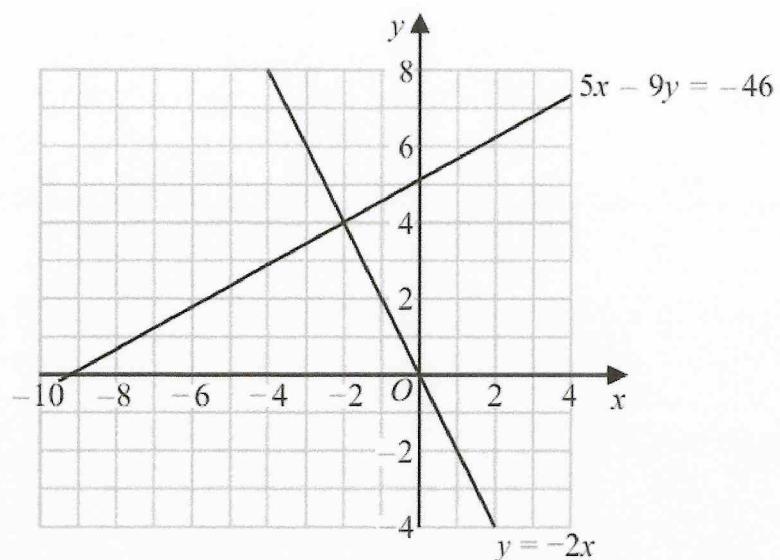
$$5(6.5) + 2y = 27$$

$$32.5 + 2y = 27$$

$$2y = -5.5$$

$$y = -2.75$$

$$x = 6.5$$
$$y = -2.75$$



(a) Use these graphs to solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} 5x - 9y &= -46 \\ y &= -2x \end{aligned}$$

*x* = ..... (1)  
*y* = ..... (1)

29 Solve the simultaneous equations

(x4)

$$\begin{aligned} 4x + y &= 25 \\ x - 3y &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4x + y &= 25 \\ - 4x - 12y &= 64 \\ \hline 13y &= -39 \\ y &= \frac{-39}{13} \\ y &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4x + (-3) &= 25 \\ 4x - 3 &= 25 \\ 4x &= 28 \\ x &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \dots \boxed{7} \dots, y = \dots \boxed{-3} \dots$$

Specimen 1 – Paper 1F

(Total for Question 29 is 3 marks)

30 Solve the simultaneous equations

$\times 3$

$$3x + y = -4.5$$

$$4x + 3y = -3.5$$



$$\begin{array}{r} 9x + 3y = -13.5 \\ - 4x + 3y = -3.5 \\ \hline 5x = -10 \\ x = \frac{-10}{5} \\ \boxed{x = -2} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x + y = -4.5 \\ 3(-2) + y = -4.5 \\ -6 + y = -4.5 \\ \boxed{y = 1.5} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x = -2 \\ y = 1.5 \end{array}$$

November 2023 – Paper 2F

(Total for Question 30 is 3 marks)

30 Solve the simultaneous equations

(x3)

$$\begin{aligned}3x - 4y &= 11 \\9x + 2y &= 5\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}9x - 12y &= 33 \\-9x + 2y &= 5 \\-14y &= 28 \\14y &= -28 \\y &= -\frac{28}{14} \\y &= -2\end{aligned}$$

$$3x - 4(-2) = 11$$

$$3x + 8 = 11$$

$$3x = 3$$

$$\boxed{x = 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1 \\y &= -2\end{aligned}$$