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# **CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS**

0607/63

Paper 6 Investigation and Modelling (Extended)

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Answer all questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do not use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do not write on any bar codes.
- You should use a graphic display calculator where appropriate.
- You may use tracing paper.
- You must show all necessary working clearly, including sketches, to gain full marks for correct methods.
- In this paper you will be awarded marks for providing full reasons, examples and steps in your working to communicate your mathematics clearly and precisely.

#### **INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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#### **Section A**

#### **INVESTIGATION**

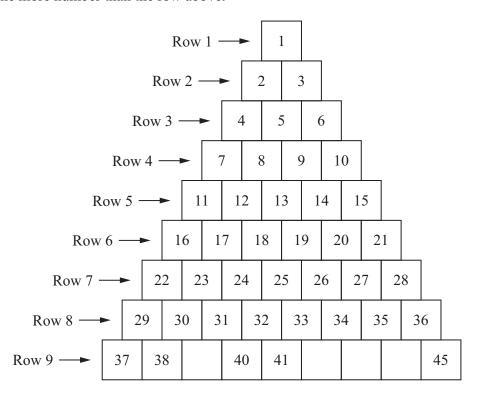
#### **NUMBER DIAMONDS**

You are advised to spend no more than 45 minutes on this section.

In this investigation you will look at the numbers in a pyramid of numbers.

The numbers are placed in order in rows.

Each row has one more number than the row above.



- 1 (a) Complete row 9 in the pyramid.
  - **(b)** In row 4 the 2nd number is 8.

We write N(4, 2) = 8.

In row 4 the 3rd number is 9.

We write N(4, 3) = 9.

In row 4 the last number is 10.

We write N(4, 4) = 10.

Complete these statements.

(i) 
$$N(5, ....) = 12$$

(ii) 
$$N(\dots, 4) = 25$$



(c) (i) Complete the table.

Use the pyramid of numbers and patterns to help you.

| Row number (R) |   |   | Last number in the row |   |    |    |
|----------------|---|---|------------------------|---|----|----|
| 1              | 1 | × | 2                      | = |    | 1  |
| 2              | 2 | × | 3                      | = |    | 3  |
| 3              | 3 | × |                        | = |    | 6  |
| 4              |   | × |                        | = |    |    |
| 5              |   | × |                        | = |    |    |
| 6              | 6 | × | 7                      | = | 42 | 21 |

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(ii) Find an expression in terms of R, for the last number in row R.

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2 To find a number in the pyramid add its position in the row to the last number in the row above.

#### **Example**

N(6, 4) is in row 6.

The last number in row 5 is 15.

N(6, 4) is in position 4.

So N(6, 4) = 15 + 4 = 19.

(a) Complete the statement.

$$N(\dots, \dots, \dots) = \dots + \dots = 50$$

(b) Use your expression from Question 1(c)(ii) to show that

$$N(R, k) = \frac{R(R-1)}{2} + k$$
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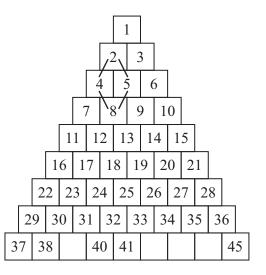
(c) N(R, 11) = 362

Find the value of R.

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3 Numbers in the pyramid can be joined to make a diamond as shown. All diamonds in this investigation are similar.



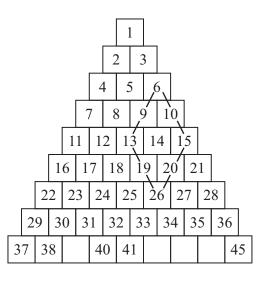
2, 4, 5 and 8 make a diamond.

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The four numbers are always written in order from smallest to largest.

This diamond has width 1 because 5-4=1.

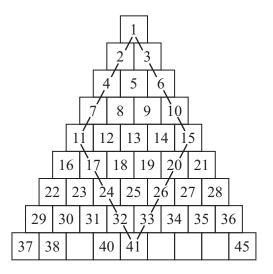
We write D(2, 4, 5, 8) has width 1.



6, 13, 15 and 26 make a diamond.

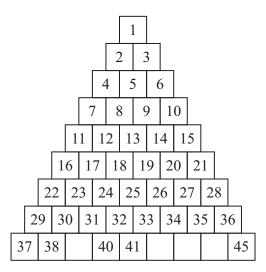
This diamond has width 2 because 15 - 13 = 2.

We write D(6, 13, 15, 26) has width 2.



1, 11, 15 and 41 make a diamond.

D(1, 11, 15, 41) has width 4 because 15 - 11 = 4.



Complete the statements.

18 ) has width ..... D(....., , .....,

19 , ..... has width 3.

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- **(b)** A diamond is D(a, b, c, d). a = N(p, p) and b = N(p+1, p).
  - Find c and d in terms of p.

$$c = N(....)$$

$$d = N(\dots, \dots, \dots)$$

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(ii) Use the formula from Question 2(b) and your answers to Question 3(b)(i) to show that

$$b + c = p^2 + 3p + 1.$$

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(iii) 
$$b+c = 701$$

Find the values of a, b, c and d.

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# **Section B**

# **MODELLING**

# **FISH GROWTH**

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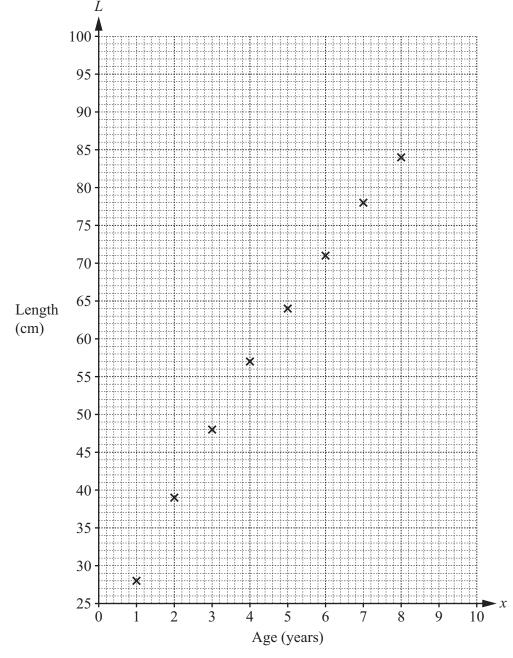
In this task you will be modelling the age and length of fish.

4 Matteo finds some data about the average length of kingfish at different ages. The table shows this.

| Age (x years) | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 |
|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Length (L cm) | 28 | 39 | 48 | 57 | 64 | 71 | 78 | 84 | 89 | 94 |

(a) The first eight points are plotted on the grid.

Plot the last two points.



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- (b) Matteo decides to model the data using the regression line in the form L = mx + c.
  - Find the equation of this model. **(i)**

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Explain what the value of the gradient *m* represents in this context.

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Explain what the value of *c* represents in this context.

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5 Irene finds this data about older kingfish.

| Age (x years) | 11 | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18  | 19  | 20  |
|---------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Length (L cm) | 98 | 102 | 105 | 109 | 112 | 114 | 117 | 119 | 121 | 122 |

Is the model used in **Question 4(b)** valid for older kingfish? Give a reason for your answer.

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Irene uses this model for the length of a kingfish.

$$L = ax^2 + bx + 2$$

(a) Use the lengths at age 10 years and at age 20 years to write two equations in terms of a and b.

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(b) Solve your simultaneous equations from part (a) and write down Irene's model.

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(c) Use Irene's model in part (b) to estimate the length of a kingfish at age 14.5 years.

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7 Mayuko uses a different model for the length of a kingfish.

$$L = \frac{123}{1 + 3.2 \times 10^{-kx}}$$
 where *k* is a positive constant

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(a) Use this model to find the length of the kingfish when x = 0.

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| (b) | (i)  | Write down what happens to the value of $10^{-kx}$ as the age of the kingfish increases.                     |     |
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|     | (ii) | Use <b>part</b> (i) to explain why the value of $L$ gets closer to 123 as the age of the kingfish increases. |     |
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(c) The length of a kingfish is 89 cm at age 9 years.

Find the value of *k*.

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Question 8 is printed on the next page.

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| (a) | Sketch Irene's model from <b>Question 6(b)</b> for values of $x$ between 0 and 30.    | [2] |
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| (b) | Sketch Mayuko's model from <b>Question 7</b> for values of <i>x</i> between 0 and 30. | [2] |
| (c) | Identify the better model giving a reason for your choice.                            |     |
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