

Question 9

(50 marks)

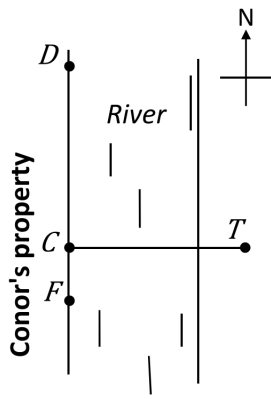


Figure 1

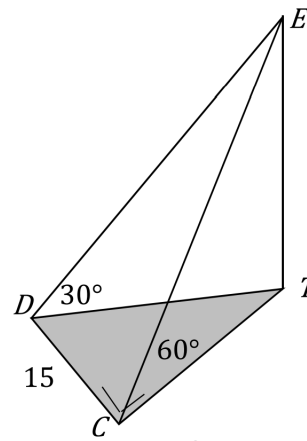


Figure 2

Conor's property is bounded by the straight bank of a river, as shown in **Figure 1** above.

T is the base of a vertical tree that is growing near the opposite bank of the river.

$|TE|$ is the height of the tree, as shown in **Figure 2** above.

From the point C , which is due west of the tree, the angle of elevation of E , the top of the tree, is 60° .

From the point D , which is 15 m due north of C , the angle of elevation of E is 30° (see **Figure 2**).

The land on both sides of the river is flat and at the same level.

- Use triangle ECT , to express $|TE|$ in the form $\sqrt{a}|CT|$ metres, where $a \in \mathbb{N}$.
- Show that $|TE|$ may also be expressed as $\sqrt{\frac{225+|CT|^2}{3}}$ metres.
- Hence find $|CT|$, the distance from the base of the tree to the bank of the river at Conor's side. Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.
- Find $|TE|$, the height of the tree. Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.
- The tree falls across the river and hits the bank at Conor's side at the point F . Find the maximum size of the angle FTC . Give your answer in degrees, correct to 1 decimal place.
- If the tree was equally likely to fall in any direction, find the probability that it would hit the bank at Conor's side, when it falls. Give your answer as a percentage, correct to 1 decimal place.

Q9	Model Solution – 50 Marks	Marking Notes
(a)	$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{ TE }{ CT }$ $\sqrt{3} CT = TE $	<p>Scale 10B (0, 5, 10)</p> <p><i>Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $\tan 60^\circ$ • effort to express TE in terms of another side of the triangle
(b)	$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{ TE }{ DT }$ $ TE = DT \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $ TE = \frac{\sqrt{225 + CT ^2}}{\sqrt{3}}$ $ TE = \sqrt{\frac{225 + CT ^2}{3}}$	<p>Scale 5C (0, 2, 4, 5)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $\tan 30^\circ$ • Use of Pythagoras for DT • Effort at expressing DT in terms of another side of $\triangle DET$ <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $TE = DT \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
(c)	$\sqrt{3} CT = \sqrt{\frac{225 + CT ^2}{3}}$ $ CT = \sqrt{\frac{225}{8}}$ $= 5.3033 \text{ m}$ $= 5.3 \text{ m}$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 5, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • equates both expressions <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isolate CT in equation

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(d)	$ TE = \sqrt{3} CT = 9.17986 \text{ m} = 9.2 \text{ m}$	<p>Scale 10B (0, 5, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substitution into formula for TE
(e)	$\cos \theta = \frac{ CT }{ FT } = \frac{ CT }{ TE } = \frac{ CT }{\sqrt{3} CT } = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\theta = 54.7$	<p>Scale 5C (0, 2, 4, 5)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some relevant substitution for $\cos \theta$ <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formula for $\cos \theta$ substituted in terms of CT
(f)	$P = \frac{(54.7)(2)}{360}$ $= 0.3038$ $= 30.4$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 5, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Answer to part (e))$\times 2$ • 360° <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P fully formulated