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Mathematics
Paper 1 (Non-calculator)



MONDAY, 12 MAY
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

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FORMULAE LIST

Standard derivatives	
$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$\sin^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
$\cos^{-1} x$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
$\tan^{-1} x$	$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$
$\tan x$	$\sec^2 x$
$\cot x$	$-\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$
$\sec x$	$\sec x \tan x$
$\operatorname{cosec} x$	$-\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x$
$\ln x$	$\frac{1}{x}$
e^x	e^x

Standard integrals	
$f(x)$	$\int f(x)\,dx$
$\sec^2(ax)$	$\frac{1}{a}\tan(ax)+c$
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}}$	$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)+c$
$\frac{1}{a^2+x^2}$	$\frac{1}{a}\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)+c$
$\frac{1}{x}$	$\ln\lvert x\rvert+c$
e^{ax}	$\frac{1}{a}e^{ax}+c$

Summations

(Arithmetic series) $S_n = \frac{1}{2}n\left[2a+(n-1)d\right]$

(Geometric series) $S_n = \frac{a\left(1-r^n\right)}{1-r}, r \neq 1$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n} r = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}, \quad \sum_{r=1}^{n} r^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}, \quad \sum_{r=1}^{n} r^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$$

Binomial theorem

$$(a+b)^n = \sum_{r=0}^{n}\binom{n}{r}a^{n-r}b^r \text{ where } \binom{n}{r} = {}^nC_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

Maclaurin expansion

$$f(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)x^2}{2!} + \frac{f'''(0)x^3}{3!} + \frac{f^{iv}(0)x^4}{4!} + \ldots$$

De Moivre's theorem

$$\left[r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)\right]^n = r^n\left(\cos n\theta + i\sin n\theta\right)$$

Vector product

$$\mathbf{a}\times\mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|\sin\theta\hat{\mathbf{n}}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{i}\begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} - \mathbf{j}\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} + \mathbf{k}\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Matrix transformation

Anti-clockwise rotation through an angle, θ, about the origin, $\begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$

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MARKS

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1. Use the binomial theorem to expand $\left(\frac{1}{x}-3x\right)^4$.
Simplify your answer. **4**

2. Given $f(x)=\frac{2x^3+x}{3+2x}$, find $f'(x)$. Simplify your answer. **3**

3. Two complex numbers are defined as $z=11+10i$ and $w=3-2i$.
Find $\frac{z}{w}$ in the form $a+bi$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. **2**

4. Matrices A and B are defined by $A=\begin{pmatrix}-3 & 2\\ 0 & 1\end{pmatrix}$ and $B=\begin{pmatrix}2 & 2\\ 5 & \lambda\end{pmatrix}$ where $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

(a) Find $3A+2B$. **1**

(b) (i) Find $A'B$, where A' is the transpose of A. **2**

(ii) Find an expression for the determinant of $A'B$. **1**

(iii) Determine the value of λ such that $A'B$ is singular. **2**

5. Find $\int \frac{1}{1+4x^2}\,dx$. **2**

MARKS

6. On a suitable domain a curve is given by the equation $y = f(x)$, where $f(x) = \dfrac{x^2 + x + 5}{x - 2}$.

(a) Express $f(x)$ in the form $Ax + B + \dfrac{C}{x-2}$, where A, B and C are constants. **2**

(b) State the equations of the vertical and non-vertical asymptotes of the curve. **2**

7. Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{2x-1},\ x, y > 1,$$

given that $y = 12$ when $x = 5$. Express y in terms of x. **5**

8. Three planes are defined by

$\pi_1 :\quad x - y + 4z = -6$
$\pi_2 :\ 2x + 3y + z = 15$
$\pi_3 :\ 3x + 2y - 2z = 16$

(a) Use Gaussian elimination to find T, the point of intersection of the three planes. **4**

The line L_1 is defined by $\dfrac{x+4}{3} = \dfrac{y-7}{2} = \dfrac{z-4}{1}$.

(b) Find P, the point of intersection of the line L_1 and the plane π_3. **3**

The line L_2 passes through points T and P.

(c) Find, in parametric form, the equations of the line L_2. **2**

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Mathematics Paper 2

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MARKS

Total marks — 80

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1. A function is defined by $f(x) = \cos^{-1} 4x$.

Find $f'(x)$. **2**

2. A curve is defined by the equation $2y^2 + 4xe^{2y} = 3x$.

Find an expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y. **3**

3. Express $\frac{2x^2 - 18x + 4}{(x-1)(x-3)(x+5)}$ in partial fractions. **3**

4. (a) Use the Euclidean algorithm to find d, the greatest common divisor of 1118 and 416. **1**

(b) Hence find integers a and b such that $1118a + 416b = d$. **2**

5. A curve is defined by $y = x^{\cot x}$.

Use logarithmic differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

Write your answer in terms of x. **5**

6. (a) Find and simplify the Maclaurin expansion, up to and including the term in x^4, for $\cos 3x$. **2**

(b) Hence find and simplify the Maclaurin expansion, up to and including the term in x^4, for $\cos^2 3x$. **2**

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7. A curve is defined on a suitable domain by the equations $x = t^2$ and $y = \tan t$.

Find in terms of t:

(a) $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ **2**

(b) $\dfrac{d^2y}{dx^2}$. **3**

8. The matrix A has the following property:

$$A^2 = 6A - I, \text{ where } I \text{ is the identity matrix.}$$

(a) Express A^3 in the form $pA + qI$, where $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$. **2**

Matrix A is non-singular.

(b) Find a similar expression for A^{-1} in terms of A and I. **2**

9. Relative to a fixed origin, the velocity, v metres per second, of an object at time t seconds is given by $v = 2t + e^{5t}$.

(a) Find an expression for the displacement of the object, s metres, in terms of t, given that when $t = 0$, $s = 0$. **2**

(b) Show that the acceleration of the object is always positive. **2**

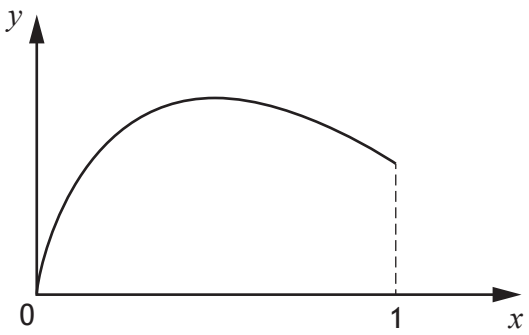
10. Find and fully factorise an expression for $\sum_{r=1}^{n} \left(r^3 - 3r\right)$. **2**

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11. (a) Using the substitution $u = 2x^2$, or otherwise, find $\int xe^{-2x^2}\,dx$. **2**

The diagram shows part of the curve with equation $y = \dfrac{4\sqrt{x}}{e^{x^2}}$.



A solid is generated by rotating the curve through 2π radians about the x-axis from $x = 0$ to $x = 1$.

(b) Calculate the exact value of the volume generated. **3**

12. Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 8\frac{dy}{dx} + 15y = 15x^2 - 31x + 40$$

given that $y = 4$ and $\dfrac{dy}{dx} = 13$ when $x = 0$. **9**

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13. An infinite geometric sequence of positive numbers has second term 100 and fourth term 16.

(a) Determine:

(i) the common ratio **2**

(ii) the first term of this sequence. **1**

(b) Explain why the associated geometric series has a sum to infinity. **1**

(c) Determine this sum to infinity. **1**

A new geometric sequence is formed by multiplying each term in the sequence above by the real number k, where $k \neq 0$.

(d) State the effect that this will have on:

(i) the common ratio **1**

(ii) the sum to infinity of the associated series. **1**

14. Find the general solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{2}{x}y = x^2 \sec^2 3x.$$

Give your answer in the form $y = f(x)$. **5**

15. Prove by induction that, for all positive integers n,

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n} \frac{1}{(2r+1)(2r-1)} = \frac{n}{2n+1}.$$ **5**

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16. Use integration by parts to find

$$\int e^{2x} \sin 5x \, dx. \qquad \textbf{5}$$

17. The volume, V cm^3, of water in a tank is given by

$$V = \frac{1}{5}h^3, \text{ where } h \text{ cm is the depth of water in the tank.}$$

Water is being piped into the tank at a rate of 6 cm^3/second.

Water is leaking from the bottom of the tank at a rate of $\frac{1}{10}\sqrt{h}$ cm^3/second.

Calculate the rate of change of the depth of water when $h = 400$. **4**

18. Let $z = x + iy$ be a complex number, where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

(a) (i) Express $\overline{z} + iz$ in Cartesian form, where $\overline{z}$ is the complex conjugate of z. **2**

(ii) Given $x > y$, find the argument of $\overline{z} + iz$. **1**

When $x < y$, $\overline{z} + iz = r\left(\cos\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)\right)$ where r is the modulus of $\overline{z} + iz$.

(b) Use de Moivre's theorem to find, in polar form, both square roots of $\overline{z} + iz$. **2**

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