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**FURTHER MATHEMATICS**

**9231/11**

Paper 1

**October/November 2017**

**3 hours**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

Additional Materials: List of Formulae (MF10)

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

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You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.

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Answer **all** the questions.

Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures, or 1 decimal place in the case of angles in degrees, unless a different level of accuracy is specified in the question.

The use of a calculator is expected, where appropriate.

Results obtained solely from a graphic calculator, without supporting working or reasoning, will not receive credit.

You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

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2 Find the general solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dx}{dt} + 5x = 4 - 5t^2. \quad [6]$$

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- 3 (i) Show that  $\frac{d^{n+1}}{dx^{n+1}}(x^{n+1} \ln x) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(x^n + (n+1)x^n \ln x)$ . [2]

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- (ii) Prove by mathematical induction that, for all positive integers  $n$ ,

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n}(x^n \ln x) = n! \left( \ln x + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \right). \quad [5]$$

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4 The cubic equation  $2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 10 = 0$  has roots  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ .

(i) Find the value of  $(\alpha + 1)(\beta + 1)(\gamma + 1)$ . [4]

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(ii) Find the value of  $(\beta + \gamma)(\gamma + \alpha)(\alpha + \beta)$ . [4]

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(ii) Find the perpendicular distance of the point  $A$  from the line  $BC$ . [3]

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(iii) Find the cartesian equation of the plane through  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ . [2]

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(ii) Find the matrix product  $\mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and hence find the general solution of the equation  $\mathbf{Ax} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 21 \\ 24 \\ 27 \end{pmatrix}$ .  
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8 Let  $I_n = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}\pi} \sec^n x dx$  for  $n > 0$ .

(i) Find the value of  $I_2$ . [2]

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(ii) Show that, for  $n > 2$ ,

$$(n - 1)I_n = 2^{\frac{1}{2}n-1} + (n - 2)I_{n-2}. \quad [5]$$

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9 The curve  $C$  has equation

$$y = \frac{3x - 9}{(x - 2)(x + 1)}.$$

(i) Find the equations of the asymptotes of  $C$ . [2]

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(ii) Show that there is no point on  $C$  for which  $\frac{1}{3} < y < 3$ . [4]

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(iii) Find the coordinates of the turning points of  $C$ . [3]

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(iv) Sketch  $C$ . [3]





- (ii) Hence explain why the roots of the equation  $16x^4 - 20x^2 + 5 = 0$  are  $x = \pm \sin \frac{1}{5}\pi$  and  $x = \pm \sin \frac{2}{5}\pi$ . [3]

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- (iii) Without using a calculator, find the exact values of

$$\sin \frac{1}{5}\pi \sin \frac{2}{5}\pi \sin \frac{3}{5}\pi \sin \frac{4}{5}\pi \quad \text{and} \quad \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{5}\pi\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{2}{5}\pi\right). \quad [4]$$

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11 Answer only **one** of the following two alternatives.

**EITHER**

- (i) The vector  $\mathbf{e}$  is an eigenvector of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , with corresponding eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , and is also an eigenvector of the matrix  $\mathbf{B}$ , with corresponding eigenvalue  $\mu$ . Show that  $\mathbf{e}$  is an eigenvector of the matrix  $\mathbf{AB}$  with corresponding eigenvalue  $\lambda\mu$ . [3]

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- (ii) Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad [6]$$

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**OR**

The polar equation of a curve  $C$  is  $r = a(1 + \cos \theta)$  for  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ , where  $a$  is a positive constant.

(i) Sketch  $C$ . [2]

(ii) Show that the cartesian equation of  $C$  is

$$x^2 + y^2 = a(x + \sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)}). \quad [2]$$

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