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MATHEMATICS

9709/23

Paper 2 Pure Mathematics 2

May/June 2023

1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: List of formulae (MF19)

INSTRUCTIONS

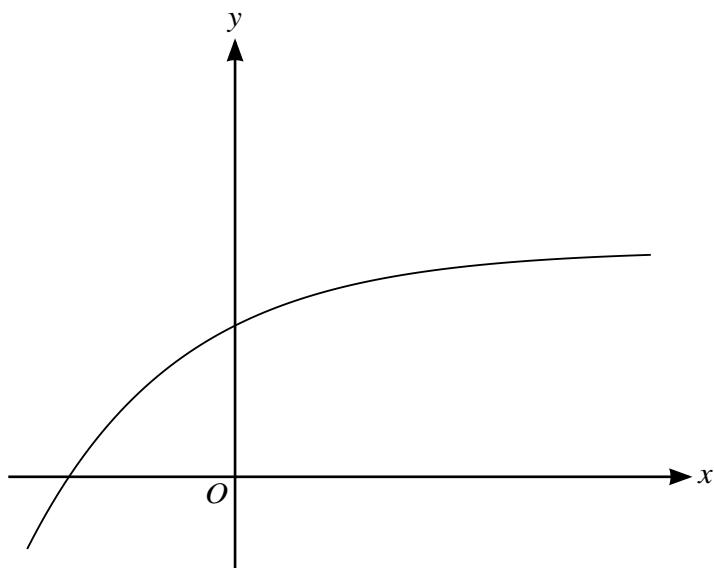
- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
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- If additional space is needed, you should use the lined page at the end of this booklet; the question number or numbers must be clearly shown.
- You should use a calculator where appropriate.
- You must show all necessary working clearly; no marks will be given for unsupported answers from a calculator.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures, or 1 decimal place for angles in degrees, unless a different level of accuracy is specified in the question.

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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4 (a)



The diagram shows the graph of $y = 3 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}x}$.

On the diagram, sketch the graph of $y = |5x - 4|$, and show that the equation $3 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} = |5x - 4|$ has exactly two real roots. [2]

It is given that the two roots of $3 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} = |5x - 4|$ are denoted by α and β , where $\alpha < \beta$.

(b) Show by calculation that α lies between 0.36 and 0.37. [2]

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(c) Use the iterative formula $x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{5}(7 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}x_n})$ to find β correct to 4 significant figures. Give the result of each iteration to 6 significant figures. [3]

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- (b) It is given that $(t + 1)$ is a factor of

$$2t^3 + (a + 8)t^2 + (4a + 8)t + 4a - 1.$$

Find the value of a .

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- (c) Hence show that P is the only point on the curve at which the gradient is 1.

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