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MATHEMATICS

9709/31

Paper 3 Pure Mathematics 3

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1 hour 50 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.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- 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 75.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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- 1** Expand $(3+x)(1-2x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ in ascending powers of x , up to and including the term in x^2 , simplifying the coefficients. [4]

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2 Solve the equation $\ln(x-5) = 7 - \ln x$. Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places. [4]

[illegible]

4 The complex number u is given by $u = -1 - i\sqrt{3}$.

- (a) Express u in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$, where $r > 0$ and $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$. Give the exact values of r and θ . [2]

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The complex number v is given by $v = 5\left(\cos \frac{1}{6}\pi + i \sin \frac{1}{6}\pi\right)$.

- (b) Express the complex number $\frac{v}{u}$ in the form $re^{i\theta}$ where $r > 0$ and $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$. [2]

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5 The equation of a curve is $y = \frac{e^{\sin x}}{\cos^2 x}$ for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$.

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and hence find the x -coordinates of the stationary points of the curve. [7]

[illegible]

[Turn over

- 6 (a) By sketching a suitable pair of graphs, show that the equation $\operatorname{cosec} \frac{1}{2}x = e^x - 3$ has exactly one root, denoted by α , in the interval $0 < x < \pi$. [2]

- (b) Verify by calculation that α lies between 1 and 2. [2]

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- (c) Show that if a sequence of values in the interval $0 < x < \pi$ given by the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \ln(\operatorname{cosec} \frac{1}{2}x_n + 3)$$

converges, then it converges to α . [1]

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- (d) Use this iterative formula with an initial value of 1.4 to determine α correct to 2 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]

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- (e) State the minimum number of calculated iterations needed with this initial value to determine α correct to 2 decimal places. [1]

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- 7 (a) On a single Argand diagram sketch the loci given by the equations $|z - 3 + 2i| = 2$ and $|w - 3 + 2i| = |w + 3 - 4i|$ where z and w are complex numbers. [4]

- (b) Hence find the least value of $|z - w|$ for points on these loci. Give your answer in an exact form. [2]

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[illegible]

- 9 The equations of two straight lines l_1 and l_2 are

$$l_1: \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} + \lambda(2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + a\mathbf{k}) \quad \text{and} \quad l_2: \mathbf{r} = -\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k} + \mu(3\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}),$$

where a is a constant.

The lines l_1 and l_2 are perpendicular.

- (a) Show that $a = 4$. [1]

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The lines l_1 and l_2 also intersect.

- (b) Find the position vector of the point of intersection. [4]

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The point A has position vector $-5\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 9\mathbf{k}$.

- (c) Show that A lies on l_1 . [2]

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The point B is the image of A after a reflection in the line l_2 .

- (d) Find the position vector of B . [2]

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10 (a) Given that $2x = \tan y$, show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{1+4x^2}$. [3]

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(b) Hence find the exact value of $\int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} x \tan^{-1}(2x) dx$. [7]

[illegible]

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- 11** In a field there are 300 plants of a certain species, all of which can be infected by a particular disease. At time t after the first plant is infected there are x infected plants. The rate of change of x is proportional to the product of the number of plants infected and the number of plants that are **not** yet infected. The variables x and t are treated as continuous, and it is given that $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0.2$ and $x = 1$ when $t = 0$.

(a) Show that x and t satisfy the differential equation

$$1495 \frac{dx}{dt} = x(300 - x). \quad [2]$$

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(b) Using partial fractions, solve the differential equation and obtain an expression for t in terms of a single logarithm involving x . [9]

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