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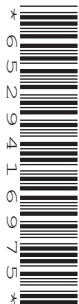
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FURTHER MATHEMATICS

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Paper 2 Further Pure Mathematics 2

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2 hours

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: List of formulae (MF19)

INSTRUCTIONS

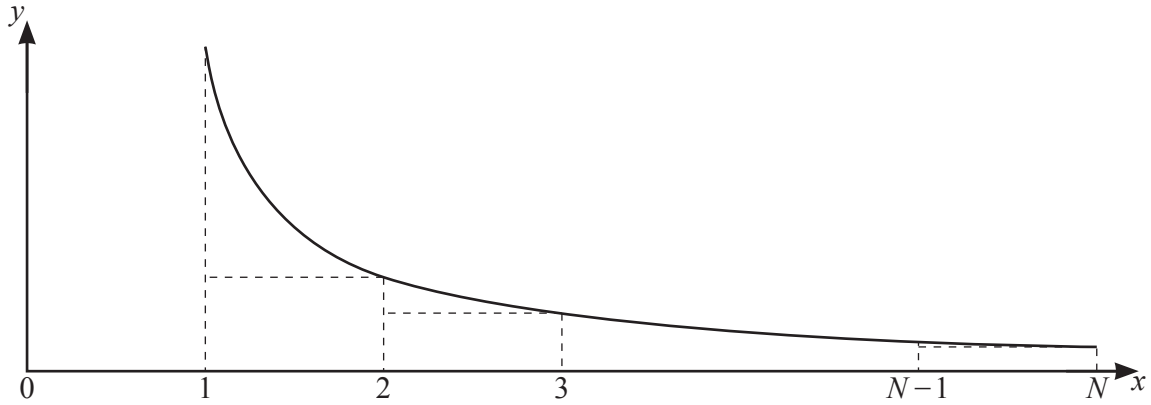
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- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures, or 1 decimal place for angles in degrees, unless a different level of accuracy is specified in the question.

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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The diagram shows the curve $y = \frac{x}{2x^2 - 1}$ for $x \geq 1$, together with a set of $N - 1$ rectangles of unit width.

(a) By considering the sum of the areas of these rectangles, show that

$$\sum_{r=1}^N \frac{r}{2r^2 - 1} < \frac{1}{4} \ln(2N^2 - 1) + 1. \quad [7]$$

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- (b) Use a similar method to find, in terms of N , a lower bound for $\sum_{r=1}^N \frac{r}{2r^2-1}$. [3]

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5 The variables x and y are related by the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = 4e^{-x}.$$

- (a) Find the value of the constant k such that $y = kxe^{-x}$ is a particular integral of the differential equation. [4]

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- (b) Find the solution of the differential equation for which $y = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}$ when $x = 0$. [6]

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6 (a) Starting from the definitions of sinh and cosh in terms of exponentials, prove that

$$2 \sinh^2 x = \cosh 2x - 1. \quad [3]$$

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(b) Find the solution to the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y \coth x = 4 \sinh x$$

for which $y = 1$ when $x = \ln 3$. [7]

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7 The integral I_n , where n is an integer, is defined by $I_n = \int_0^{\frac{3}{2}} (4+x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}n} dx$.

(a) Find the exact value of I_1 , expressing your answer in logarithmic form. [3]

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(b) By considering $\frac{d}{dx} \left(x(4+x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}n} \right)$, or otherwise, show that

$$4nI_{n+2} = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{2}{5} \right)^n + (n-1)I_n. \quad [5]$$

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- 8 (a) Find the value of a for which the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} 13x + 18y - 28z &= 0, \\ -4x - ay + 8z &= 0, \\ 2x + 6y - 5z &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

does not have a unique solution. [2]

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The matrix \mathbf{A} is given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & 18 & -28 \\ -4 & -1 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & -5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (b) Find the eigenvalue of \mathbf{A} corresponding to the eigenvector $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. [1]

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- (c) Find a matrix \mathbf{P} and a diagonal matrix \mathbf{D} such that $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{PDP}^{-1}$. [8]

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- (d) Use the characteristic equation of \mathbf{A} to find \mathbf{A}^{-1} in terms of \mathbf{A} . [2]

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