



MATHEMATICS HIGHER LEVEL PAPER 3 – SERIES AND DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Wednesday 18 November 2009 (afternoon)

1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer all the questions.
- Unless otherwise stated in the question, all numerical answers must be given exactly or correct to three significant figures.

Please start each question on a new page. Full marks are not necessarily awarded for a correct answer with no working. Answers must be supported by working and/or explanations. In particular, solutions found from a graphic display calculator should be supported by suitable working, e.g. if graphs are used to find a solution, you should sketch these as part of your answer. Where an answer is incorrect, some marks may be given for a correct method, provided this is shown by written working. You are therefore advised to show all working.

1. [Maximum mark: 13]

Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{y}{x} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} \quad \text{(where } x > 0 \text{)}$$

given that y = 2 when x = 1. Give your answer in the form y = f(x).

2. [Maximum mark: 10]

The function f is defined by $f(x) = e^{(e^x - 1)}$.

(a) Assuming the Maclaurin series for e^x , show that the Maclaurin series for f(x)is $1+x+x^2+\frac{5}{6}x^3+\dots$ [5 marks]

(b) Hence or otherwise find the value of
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{f(x) - 1}{f'(x) - 1}$$
. [5 marks]

3. [Maximum mark: 9]

The sequence $\{u_n\}$ is defined for $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ by $u_n = \frac{2n^2}{n^2 + 1}$.

- (a) Find the value L of $\lim_{n \to \infty} u_n$. [2 marks]
- (b) Use the formal ε , N definition of convergence to **prove** that $\lim_{n \to \infty} u_n = L$. [7 marks]

4. [Maximum mark: 13]

Consider the infinite series
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+3)}$$
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(a) Using one of the standard tests for convergence, show that the series is convergent. [3 marks]

(b) (i) Express
$$\frac{1}{n(n+3)}$$
 in partial fractions.

(ii) Hence find the sum of the above infinite series. [10 marks]

5. [Maximum mark: 15]

(a) Find the radius of convergence of the infinite series

$$\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1 \times 3}{2 \times 5}x^2 + \frac{1 \times 3 \times 5}{2 \times 5 \times 8}x^3 + \frac{1 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7}{2 \times 5 \times 8 \times 11}x^4 + \dots$$
 [7 marks]

(b) Determine whether the series
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{1}{n} + n\pi\right)$$
 is convergent or divergent. [8 marks]