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MATHEMATICS

9709/23

Paper 2 Pure Mathematics 2

October/November 2021

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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- 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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2 (a) Sketch, on the same diagram, the graphs of $y = 3x$ and $y = |x - 3|$. [2]

(b) Find the coordinates of the point where the two graphs intersect. [3]

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(c) Deduce the solution of the inequality $3x < |x - 3|$. [1]

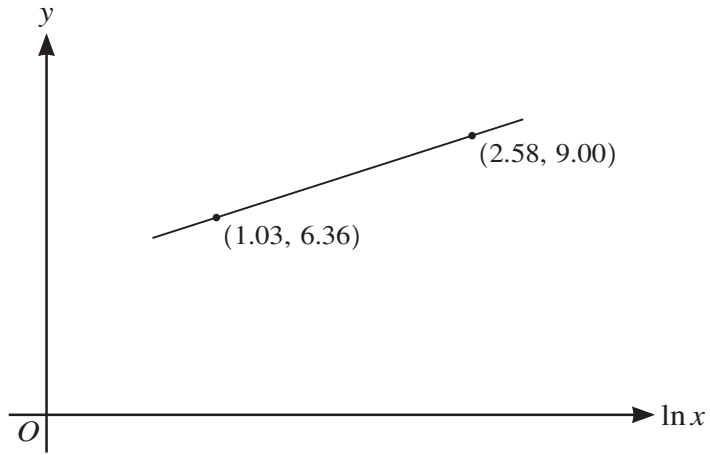
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The variables x and y satisfy the equation $a^y = kx$, where a and k are constants. The graph of y against $\ln x$ is a straight line passing through the points $(1.03, 6.36)$ and $(2.58, 9.00)$, as shown in the diagram.

Find the values of a and k , giving each value correct to 2 significant figures. [5]

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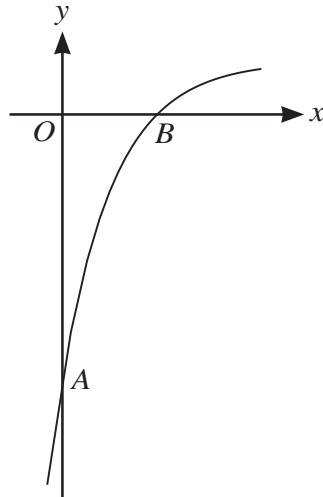
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The diagram shows the curve with parametric equations

$$x = \ln(2t + 3), \quad y = \frac{2t - 3}{2t + 3}.$$

The curve crosses the y-axis at the point *A* and the x-axis at the point *B*.

- (a) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6}{2t + 3}$. [4]

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(b) Find the gradient of the curve at A .

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(c) Find the gradient of the curve at B .

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6 The polynomials $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are defined by

$$f(x) = 4x^3 + ax^2 + 8x + 15 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x^2 + bx + 18,$$

where a and b are constants.

(a) Given that $(x + 3)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, find the value of a . [2]

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(b) Given that the remainder is 40 when $g(x)$ is divided by $(x - 2)$, find the value of b . [2]

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(c) When a and b have these values, factorise $f(x) - g(x)$ completely. [3]

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(d) Hence solve the equation $f(\operatorname{cosec} \theta) - g(\operatorname{cosec} \theta) = 0$ for $0 < \theta < 2\pi$. [3]

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- 7 (a) By first expanding $\cos(2\theta + \theta)$, show that $\cos 3\theta \equiv 4\cos^3\theta - 3\cos\theta$. [3]

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- (b) Find the exact value of $2\cos^3\left(\frac{5}{18}\pi\right) - \frac{3}{2}\cos\left(\frac{5}{18}\pi\right)$. [2]

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