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## MATHEMATICS

9709/23

Paper 2 Pure Mathematics 2

October/November 2024

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 Solve the inequality  $|x-7| > 4x+3$ .

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4 The polynomial  $p(x)$  is defined by

$$p(x) = ax^3 - ax^2 - 15x + 18,$$

where  $a$  is a constant. It is given that  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $p(x)$ .

(a) Find the value of  $a$ . [2]

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(b) Hence factorise  $p(x)$  completely. [3]

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(c) Solve the equation  $p(\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta) = 0$  for  $-90^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$ . [3]

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(b) Use an iterative formula, based on the equation in part (a), to find the value of  $a$  correct to 3 significant figures. Use an initial value of 2 and give the result of each iteration to 5 significant figures. [3]

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6 A curve has parametric equations

$$x = \frac{e^{2t} - 2}{e^{2t} + 1}, \quad y = e^{3t} + 1.$$

(a) Find an expression for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  in terms of  $t$ . [4]

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(b) Find the exact gradient of the curve at the point where the curve crosses the  $y$ -axis. [3]

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7 (a) Prove that  $\cos(\theta + 30^\circ)\cos(\theta + 60^\circ) \equiv \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{2}\sin 2\theta$ . [4]

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(b) Solve the equation  $5 \cos(2\alpha + 30^\circ)\cos(2\alpha + 60^\circ) = 1$  for  $0^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$ . [4]

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(c) Show that the exact value of  $\cos 20^\circ \cos 50^\circ + \cos 40^\circ \cos 70^\circ$  is  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$ . [3]

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