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**MATHEMATICS  
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PAPER 3 – SERIES AND DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS**

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1 hour

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**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 should be given exactly or correct to three significant figures.
- A graphic display calculator is required for this paper.
- A clean copy of the **Mathematics HL and Further Mathematics SL information booklet** is required for this paper.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is *[60 marks]*.

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: 6]

Use L'Hôpital's Rule to find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - x \cos x}{\sin^2 x}$ .

2. [Maximum mark: 21]

Consider the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2}{1+x}$ , where  $x > -1$  and  $y = 1$  when  $x = 0$ .

(a) Use Euler's method, with a step length of 0.1, to find an approximate value of  $y$  when  $x = 0.5$ . [7 marks]

(b) (i) Show that  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{2y^3 - y^2}{(1+x)^2}$ .

(ii) Hence find the Maclaurin series for  $y$ , up to and including the term in  $x^2$ . [8 marks]

(c) (i) Solve the differential equation.

(ii) Find the value of  $a$  for which  $y \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow a$ . [6 marks]

3. [Maximum mark: 7]

Find the general solution of the differential equation  $t \frac{dy}{dt} = \cos t - 2y$ , for  $t > 0$ .

4. [Maximum mark: 15]

The sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is defined by  $u_n = \frac{3n+2}{2n-1}$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

(a) Show that the sequence converges to a limit  $L$ , the value of which should be stated. [3 marks]

(b) Find the least value of the integer  $N$  such that  $|u_n - L| < \varepsilon$ , for all  $n > N$  where

(i)  $\varepsilon = 0.1$ ;

(ii)  $\varepsilon = 0.00001$ . [4 marks]

(c) For each of the sequences  $\left\{ \frac{u_n}{n} \right\}$ ,  $\left\{ \frac{1}{2u_n - 2} \right\}$  and  $\{(-1)^n u_n\}$ , determine whether or not it converges. [6 marks]

(d) Prove that the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (u_n - L)$  diverges. [2 marks]

5. [Maximum mark: 11]

(a) Find the set of values of  $k$  for which the improper integral  $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x(\ln x)^k}$  converges. [6 marks]

(b) Show that the series  $\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r}{r \ln r}$  is convergent but not absolutely convergent. [5 marks]