

Dr Oliver Mathematics
Applied Mathematics: Mechanics or Statistics
Section B
2007 Paper
1 hour

The total number of marks available is 32.
You must write down all the stages in your working.

1. Find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} x \sin 3x \, dx.$$

(5)

2. Use the binomial theorem to expand

$$\left(x^3 - \frac{2}{x}\right)^4$$

(4)

and simplify your answer.

3. A curve is defined parametrically by

$$x = \frac{t}{t^2 + 1} \text{ and } y = \frac{t - 1}{t^2 + 1}.$$

(5)

Obtain $\frac{dy}{dx}$ as a function of t .

4. (a) For the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 2 \\ 2 & \lambda - 3 \end{pmatrix},$$

(3)

find the values of λ such that the matrix is singular.

- (b) Write down the matrix \mathbf{A}^{-1} when $\lambda = 3$.

(1)

5. Obtain the solution of the differential equation

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = x^2 e^x,$$

(5)

for which $y = 2$ when $x = 1$.

6. (a) Express

$$\frac{8}{x(x+2)(x+4)}$$

(4)

in partial fractions.

(b) Calculate the area under the curve

$$y = \frac{8}{x^3 + 6x^2 + 8x}$$

(5)

between $x = 1$ and $x = 2$.

Express your answer in the form $\ln \frac{a}{b}$, where a and b are positive integers.

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