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9709 MATHEMATICS	
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Mark Scheme Notes

Marks are of the following three types:

M Method mark, awarded for a valid method applied to the problem. Method marks are not lost for numerical errors, algebraic slips or errors in units. However, it is not usually sufficient for a candidate just to indicate an intention of using some method or just to quote a formula; the formula or idea must be applied to the specific problem in hand, e.g. by substituting the relevant quantities into the formula. Correct application of a formula without the formula being quoted obviously earns the M mark and in some cases an M mark can be implied from a correct answer.

A Accuracy mark, awarded for a correct answer or intermediate step correctly obtained. Accuracy marks cannot be given unless the associated method mark is earned (or implied).

B Mark for a correct result or statement independent of method marks.

- When a part of a question has two or more "method" steps, the M marks are generally independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly when there are several B marks allocated. The notation DM or DB (or dep*) is used to indicate that a particular M or B mark is dependent on an earlier M or B (asterisked) mark in the scheme. When two or more steps are run together by the candidate, the earlier marks are implied and full credit is given.
- The symbol ∇ implies that the A or B mark indicated is allowed for work correctly following on from previously incorrect results. Otherwise, A or B marks are given for correct work only. A and B marks are not given for fortuitously "correct" answers or results obtained from incorrect working.
- Note: B2 or A2 means that the candidate can earn 2 or 0.
B2/1/0 means that the candidate can earn anything from 0 to 2.

The marks indicated in the scheme may not be subdivided. If there is genuine doubt whether a candidate has earned a mark, allow the candidate the benefit of the doubt. Unless otherwise indicated, marks once gained cannot subsequently be lost, e.g. wrong working following a correct form of answer is ignored.

- Wrong or missing units in an answer should not lead to the loss of a mark unless the scheme specifically indicates otherwise.
- For a numerical answer, allow the A or B mark if a value is obtained which is correct to 3 s.f., or which would be correct to 3 s.f. if rounded (1 d.p. in the case of an angle). As stated above, an A or B mark is not given if a correct numerical answer arises fortuitously from incorrect working. For Mechanics questions, allow A or B marks for correct answers which arise from taking g equal to 9.8 or 9.81 instead of 10.

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The following abbreviations may be used in a mark scheme or used on the scripts:

- AEF Any Equivalent Form (of answer is equally acceptable)
- AG Answer Given on the question paper (so extra checking is needed to ensure that the detailed working leading to the result is valid)
- BOD Benefit of Doubt (allowed when the validity of a solution may not be absolutely clear)
- CAO Correct Answer Only (emphasising that no "follow through" from a previous error is allowed)
- CWO Correct Working Only – often written by a 'fortuitous' answer
- ISW Ignore Subsequent Working
- MR Misread
- PA Premature Approximation (resulting in basically correct work that is insufficiently accurate)
- SOS See Other Solution (the candidate makes a better attempt at the same question)
- SR Special Ruling (detailing the mark to be given for a specific wrong solution, or a case where some standard marking practice is to be varied in the light of a particular circumstance)

Penalties

- MR –1 A penalty of MR –1 is deducted from A or B marks when the data of a question or part question are genuinely misread and the object and difficulty of the question remain unaltered. In this case all A and B marks then become "follow through" marks. MR is not applied when the candidate misreads his own figures – this is regarded as an error in accuracy. An MR–2 penalty may be applied in particular cases if agreed at the coordination meeting.
- PA –1 This is deducted from A or B marks in the case of premature approximation. The PA –1 penalty is usually discussed at the meeting.

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1	<p>Introduce logarithms and use power law twice</p> <p>Obtain $(x + 3) \log 5 = (x - 1) \log 7$ or equivalent</p> <p>Solve linear equation for x</p> <p>Obtain 20.1</p>	M1* A1 M1 dep A1	[4]
2	<p>Use quotient rule or, after adjustment, product rule</p> <p>Obtain $\frac{3x - 15 - 3x - 1}{(x - 5)^2}$ or equivalent</p> <p>Equate first derivative to -4 and solve for x</p> <p>Obtain x-coordinates 3 and 7 or one correct pair of coordinates</p> <p>Obtain y-coordinates -5 and 11 respectively or other correct pair of coordinates</p>	M1* A1 M1 dep A1 A1	[5]
3	<p>(i) State or imply $R = 17$</p> <p>Use appropriate formula to find α</p> <p>Obtain 61.93</p>	B1 M1 A1	[3]
	<p>(ii) Attempt to find at least one value of $\theta + \alpha$</p> <p>Obtain one correct value of θ (97.4 or 318.7)</p> <p>Carry out correct method to find second answer</p> <p>Obtain second correct value and no others between 0 and 360</p>	M1 A1 M1 A1	[4]
4	<p>(i) Make a recognisable sketch of $y = \ln x$</p> <p>Draw straight line with negative gradient crossing positive y-axis and justify one real root</p>	B1 B1	[2]
	<p>(ii) Consider sign of $\ln x + \frac{1}{2}x - 4$ at 4.5 and 5.0 or equivalent</p> <p>Complete the argument correctly with appropriate calculations</p>	M1 A1	[2]
	<p>(iii) Use the iterative formula correctly at least once</p> <p>Obtain final answer 4.84</p> <p>Show sufficient iterations to justify accuracy to 2 d.p. or show sign change in interval (4.835, 4.845)</p>	M1 A1 A1	[3]
5	<p>(a) Use $\tan^2 x = \sec^2 x - 1$</p> <p>Obtain integral of form $p \tan x + qx + r \cos 2x$</p> <p>Obtain $\tan x - x - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x + c$</p>	B1 M1 A1	[3]

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	(b) Obtain integral of form ke^{1-2x}		M1*
	Obtain $-\frac{3}{2}e^{1-2x}$		A1
	Apply both limits the correct way round		M1 dep
	Obtain $-\frac{3}{2}e^{-1} + \frac{3}{2}e$ or exact equivalent		A1 [4]
6	(i) Carry out division at least as far as quotient $x^2 + kx$		M1
	Obtain partial quotient $x^2 + 2x$		A1
	Obtain quotient $x^2 + 2x + 1$ with no errors seen		A1
	Obtain remainder $5x + 2$		A1 [4]
	(ii) <u>Either</u> Carry out calculation involving $12x + 6$ and their remainder $ax + b$		M1
	Obtain $p = 7, q = 4$		A1
	<u>Or</u> Multiply $x^2 - x + 4$ by their three-term quadratic quotient		M1
	Obtain $p = 7, q = 4$		A1 [2]
	(iii) Show that discriminant of $x^2 - x + 4$ is negative		B1
	Form equation $(x^2 - x + 4)(x^2 + 2x + 1) = 0$ and attempt solution		M1
	Show that $x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$ gives one root $x = -1$		A1 [3]
7	(i) Obtain $12 \sin t \cos t$ or equivalent for $\frac{dx}{dt}$		B1
	Obtain $4 \cos 2t - 6 \sin 2t$ or equivalent for $\frac{dy}{dt}$		B1
	Obtain expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t		M1
	Use $2 \sin t \cos t = \sin 2t$		A1
	Confirm given answer $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{3} \cot 2t - 1$ with no errors seen		A1 [5]
	(ii) State or imply $\tan 2t = \frac{2}{3}$		B1
	Obtain $t = 0.294$		B1
	Obtain $t = 1.865$		B1 [3]
	(iii) Attempt solution of $2 \sin 2t + 3 \cos 2t = 0$ at least as far as $\tan 2t = \dots$		M1
	Obtain $\tan 2t = -\frac{3}{2}$ or equivalent		A1
	Substitute to obtain $-\frac{13}{9}$		A1 [3]