

**Dr Oliver Mathematics**  
**Applied Mathematics: Mechanics or Statistics**  
**Section B**  
**2005 Paper**  
**1 hour**

The total number of marks available is 32.

You must write down all the stages in your working.

1. Differentiate, and simplify as appropriate,

(a)  $f(x) = \exp(\tan \frac{1}{2}x)$ , where  $-\pi < x < \pi$ , (3)

(b)  $g(x) = (x^3 + 1) \ln(x^3 + 1)$ , where  $x > 0$ . (3)

2. Given that (3)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix},$$

show that

$$\mathbf{A}^2 - \mathbf{A} = k\mathbf{I}$$

for a suitable value of  $k$ , where  $\mathbf{I}$  is the  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix.

3. A curve is defined by the parametric equations

$$x = 5t^2 - 5 \text{ and } y = 3t^3.$$

(a) Find the value of  $t$  corresponding to the point  $(0, -3)$ . (2)

(b) Calculate the gradient of the curve at this point. (3)

4. Expand and simplify (3)

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

5. (a) Express (3)

$$\frac{x^2 + 3}{x(1 + x^2)}$$

in partial fractions.

- (b) Hence obtain (3)

$$\int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 \frac{x^2 + 3}{x(1 + x^2)} dx.$$

6. (a) Given the differential equation (4)

$$\sin x \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y \cos x = 0,$$

find the general solution, expressing  $y$  explicitly in terms of  $x$ .

(b) Find the general solution of (5)

$$\sin x \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y \cos x = 3 \sin^3 x.$$