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## Mathemntical Methods

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## Trial Examination I (I hour)

## Instructions

Answer all questions.
A decimal approximation will not be accepted if an exact answer is required to a question. In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working must be shown.
Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this exam are not drawn to scale.

## Question 1

A secondary school has 500 tall (defined as over 175 cm in height) students and 1000 short (under 175 cm ) students. The school is divided into 30 groups at random. There are 50 students in each group. Assume that each group is a random sample of students at the school. Let $q$ be the proportion of tall students in a group.
a. Find the mean of $q$ of the 30 groups of students.
b. Find the proportion of the 30 groups having $q>\frac{2}{5}$.

Express your answer as a percentage correct to the nearest whole number of percent. 3 marks
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Another secondary school also has 1500 students. A sample is taken at random and it consists of 5 tall students and 20 short students.
c. Find an approximate $95 \%$ confidence interval for the number of tall students at this school.

Use 2 instead of 1.96 in your calculations. Correct your answer to the nearest whole number.
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Question 2 Consider $f(x)=\frac{x^{2}-3 x+2}{x^{2}-1}$ where $x>-2$.
a. Find the value(s) of $x$ such that $f(x)=0$
b. Find $f^{\prime}(x)$ in simplest form.
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c. State the domain and range of $f^{\prime}(x)$.
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Question 3 Let $f(x)=\tan \left(\frac{2 x}{3}\right)$.
a. Given $g(x)$ is a transformation of $f(x)$. Find a possible $g(x)$ such that $g(x)=f(x)$.
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b. Evaluate $f^{\prime}\left(\frac{11 \pi}{4}\right)$.

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## Question 4

The graphs of $y=e^{2 x}$ and $y=2\left(e^{x}+1\right)$ have an intersection. Find the $y$-coordinate of the intersection.
Express your answer in $a+b \sqrt{c}$ form where $a, b$ and $c$ are natural numbers. 3 marks
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## Question 5

Given $f(x)=\log _{10}(x)-\log _{10}(x+1)$ and $f^{-1}(x)=\frac{a}{b 10^{-x}+c}$ where $a, b$ and $c$ are integers.
Find a set of values of $a, b$ and $c$.
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Question 6 Consider $f(x)=\frac{1}{4}(x-2)^{4}$.
a. Find the average value of $f(x)$ in the interval $[0,3]$.

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b. Find the average rate of change of $f(x)$ in the interval $[0,3]$.

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## Question 7

a. Find $\frac{d}{d x}(x \cos x)$.

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b. Hence evaluate $\int_{0}^{\pi}(x \sin x) d x$.

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Question 8 Consider the following set of simultaneous linear equations where parameter $m \in R$.

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\begin{aligned}
& m x-(m-1) y=m+1 \\
& (m-1) x+m y=m+1
\end{aligned}
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a. Find the value(s) of $m$ such that the graphs of the two equations intersect at the $y$-axis.
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b. Show that the two equations always have a unique solution for any $m$ value.
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## Question 9

Determine the maximal domain of $\left(\frac{1}{2}-\log _{e}\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$.
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Question 10 The following graph shows the probability density function of random variable $X$.

a. The maximum value of the probability density function of $X$ is $c$. Find the value of $c$.
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b. The median of $X$ is $a$. Find the value of $a$.
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