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Further Mathematics B (MEI)

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Mark schemes should be read in conjunction with the published question papers and the report on the examination.

Text Instructions

Annotations and abbreviations

Annotation in scoris	Meaning
✓and ✗	
BOD	Benefit of doubt
FT	Follow through
ISW	Ignore subsequent working
M0, M1	Method mark awarded 0, 1
A0, A1	Accuracy mark awarded 0, 1
B0, B1	Independent mark awarded 0, 1
SC	Special case
^	Omission sign
MR	Misread
Highlighting	
Other abbreviations in mark scheme	**Meaning**
E1	Mark for explaining a result or establishing a given result
dep*	Mark dependent on a previous mark, indicated by *
cao	Correct answer only
oe	Or equivalent
rot	Rounded or truncated
soi	Seen or implied
www	Without wrong working
AG	Answer given
awrt	Anything which rounds to
BC	By Calculator
DR	This indicates that the instruction **In this question you must show detailed reasoning** appears in the question.

Subject-specific Marking Instructions for AS Level Mathematics B (MEI)

a Annotations should be used whenever appropriate during your marking. The A, M and B annotations must be used on your standardisation scripts for responses that are not awarded either 0 or full marks. It is vital that you annotate standardisation scripts fully to show how the marks have been awarded. For subsequent marking you must make it clear how you have arrived at the mark you have awarded.

b An element of professional judgement is required in the marking of any written paper. Remember that the mark scheme is designed to assist in marking incorrect solutions. Correct solutions leading to correct answers are awarded full marks but work must not be judged on the answer alone, and answers that are given in the question, especially, must be validly obtained; key steps in the working must always be looked at and anything unfamiliar must be investigated thoroughly. Correct but unfamiliar or unexpected methods are often signalled by a correct result following an apparently incorrect method. Such work must be carefully assessed. When a candidate adopts a method which does not correspond to the mark scheme, escalate the question to your Team Leader who will decide on a course of action with the Principal Examiner.
If you are in any doubt whatsoever you should contact your Team Leader.

c The following types of marks are available.

M
A suitable method has been selected and *applied* in a manner which shows that the method is essentially understood. Method marks are not usually 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. In some cases the nature of the errors allowed for the award of an M mark may be specified.

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). Therefore M0 A1 cannot ever be awarded.

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

E
A given result is to be established or a result has to be explained. This usually requires more working or explanation than the establishment of an unknown result.

Unless otherwise indicated, marks once gained cannot subsequently be lost, e.g. wrong working following a correct form of answer is ignored. Sometimes this is reinforced in the mark scheme by the abbreviation isw. However, this would not apply to a case where a candidate passes through the correct answer as part of a wrong argument.

d When a part of a question has two or more 'method' steps, the M marks are in principle independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly where there are several B marks allocated. (The notation 'dep*' is used to indicate that a particular mark is dependent on an earlier, asterisked, mark in the scheme.) Of course, in practice it may happen that when a candidate has once gone wrong in a part of a question, the work from there on is worthless so that no more marks can sensibly be given. On the other hand, when two or more steps are successfully run together by the candidate, the earlier marks are implied and full credit must be given.

e The abbreviation FT implies that the A or B mark indicated is allowed for work correctly following on from previously incorrect results. Otherwise, A and B marks are given for correct work only – differences in notation are of course permitted. A (accuracy) marks are not given for answers obtained from incorrect working. When A or B marks are awarded for work at an intermediate stage of a solution, there may be various alternatives that are equally acceptable. In such cases, what is acceptable will be detailed in the mark scheme. If this is not the case please, escalate the question to your Team Leader who will decide on a course of action with the Principal Examiner.
Sometimes the answer to one part of a question is used in a later part of the same question. In this case, A marks will often be 'follow through'. In such cases you must ensure that you refer back to the answer of the previous part question even if this is not shown within the image zone. You may find it easier to mark follow through questions candidate-by-candidate rather than question-by-question.

f Unless units are specifically requested, there is no penalty for wrong or missing units as long as the answer is numerically correct and expressed either in SI or in the units of the question. (e.g. lengths will be assumed to be in metres unless in a particular question all the lengths are in km, when this would be assumed to be the unspecified unit.) We are usually quite flexible about the accuracy to which the final answer is expressed; over-specification is usually only penalised where the scheme explicitly says so.

- When a value is given in the paper only accept an answer correct to at least as many significant figures as the given value.
- When a value is not given in the paper accept any answer that agrees with the correct value to 2 s.f.
  Follow through should be used so that only one mark is lost for each distinct accuracy error.

g Rules for replaced work: if a candidate attempts a question more than once, and indicates which attempt he/she wishes to be marked, then examiners should do as the candidate requests; if there are two or more attempts at a question which have not been crossed out, examiners should mark what appears to be the last (complete) attempt and ignore the others. NB Follow these maths-specific instructions rather than those in the assessor handbook.

h For a genuine misreading (of numbers or symbols) which is such that the object and the difficulty of the question remain unaltered, mark according to the scheme but following through from the candidate's data. A penalty is then applied; 1 mark is generally appropriate, though this may differ for some units. This is achieved by withholding one A mark in the question. Marks designated as cao may be awarded as long as there are no other errors. E marks are lost unless, by chance, the given results are established by equivalent working. 'Fresh starts' will not affect an earlier decision about a misread. Note that a miscopy of the candidate's own working is not a misread but an accuracy error.

i If a graphical calculator is used, some answers may be obtained with little or no working visible. Allow full marks for correct answers (provided, of course, that there is nothing in the wording of the question specifying that analytical methods are required). Where an answer is wrong but there is some evidence of method, allow appropriate method marks. Wrong answers with no supporting method score zero. If in doubt, consult your Team Leader.

j If in any case the scheme operates with considerable unfairness consult your Team Leader.

Question			Answer	Marks	AOs		Guidance
1	(a)		(α is a repeated root so) there will be no sign change when values either side of α are evaluated oe isw	B1 [1]	1.2		"repeated root" oe is insufficient
1	(b)		[(– 1.59375 – 1.5625)/2] = – 1.578125 cao	B1 [1]	1.1		
1	(c)		[±] 0.015625 cao	B1 [1]	1.1	or $\frac{1}{32}$	no FT available
1	(d)		=IF(F2<0,C2,E2)	B1 [1]	1.1	or =IF(F2>0,E2,C2)	inequality must be strict must see = or other operator must see both brackets
1	(e) (i)		= L3 – L2	B1 [1]	1.1		
1	(e) (ii)		=M4/M3	B1 [1]	1.1	=(L4 – L3)/(L3 – L2)	
1	(f)		the convergence is 1st order (since the ratio of differences is approximately constant) [Newton-Raphson] normally has 2nd order convergence	B1 B1 [2]	1.2 2.2a	allow (slightly) slower than 1st order allow Newton-Raphson normally faster than 1st order oe	

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2	(a)		$\log_{10}11 - \log_{10}(2\times4.98 + 1)$ soi 0.00158213…	**M1** **A1** **[2]**	**1.1** **1.1**	allow the negative of this for **M1** to 3 or more sf	allow omission of base ignore 9th dp and beyond
2	(b)		Use of $f(a + h) \approx f(a) + hf'(a)$ oe soi 0.07910655…	**M1** **A1** **[2]**	**1.1a** **1.1**	$\log_{10}11 \approx \log_{10}10.96 + 0.02\times f'(4.98)$ to 1 or more sf	allow omission of base ignore 9th dp and beyond
2	(c)		use of central difference method soi 0.07925116 to 0.07925117 0.07925090 to 0.07925091 0.07925083 to 0.07925084	**M1** **A1** **A1** **[3]**	**1.1** **1.1** **1.1**	eg $\frac{\log_{10}11-\log_{10}10.92}{0.04}$ for one of these correct to 6 sf or more	allow omission of base
2	(d)		0.079251	**B1** **[1]**	**2.2b**	allow 0.0792508	FT their values from central difference method
3	(a)		£8.74 oe	**B1** **[1]**	**1.1**	allow 8.74 or 874 as long as no inconsistency with supporting calculations	

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3	(b)		assume that the average saving per account is 0.005; allow if seen only in calculation	M1	3.3	or eg half are nearer the lower end and half are nearer the upper end,	or eg half would go up so would earn an extra 1p and half would go down as with chopping
			12 254 × 0.005 oe	M1	3.4	so would save on average 0.5p per account;	half of 12 254 is 6127
			£61.27 or 6127p	A1 [3]	1.1	allow **A1** if units omitted as long as answer consistent with working	6127 × 0.01 = £61.27 If **M0M0** allow **SC2** for [£]61.27 or 6127[p] unsupported
3	(c)		£2671.10 or 267110[p]	B1 [1]	3.4		
3	(d)		[part (c)] more reliable since average saving per account should get closer to 0.005 as number of accounts increases	B1 [1]	3.5a	allow eg "bigger sample"	
4	(a)		$\lim_{x \to 0} (0.8x)^x = 1$ oe	B1 [1]	3.1a	allow eg $0^0 = 1$	

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4	(b)		$M_2 = 0.675236$ $T_2 = 0.766228$ $S_8 = 0.701395$	**B1** **B1** **B1** **[3]**	**1.1** **1.1** **1.1**	allow 0.675237 from $\frac{3S_4 - T_2}{2}$	
4	(c)		0.7 is secure by comparison of S_8 and S_4	**B1** **[1]**	**2.2b**	allow 0.70 is probable by comparison of S_8 and S_4	FT their S_8 and S_4
5	(a)		**both** soi (fractions) will be (very) small oe (finding the difference between) nearly equal numbers may incur loss of accuracy oe	**B1** **B1** **[2]**	**2.2a** **2.4**	references to technology alone are insufficient eg both fractions may round to / be stored as the same value	
5	(b)		the numbers in the numerator will (probably) not be close together (unless x and y are very close)	**B1** **[1]**	**2.2b**		
5	(c)		6.9028×10^{27} cao	**B1** **[1]**	**1.1**		
5	(d)		diverging oe	**B1** **[1]**	**2.2a**	allow "increasing" isw	
5	(e)		the displays are the same because the spreadsheet displays values to limited precision oe	**B1** **[1]**	**2.4**	allow eg $(8 \times 10^8)^{10}$ and $(8.00000005 \times 10^8)^{10}$ are the same to 6 significant figures	

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5	(f)		the spreadsheet stores two different (very large) numbers in the same (binary) form, (say P, so when the subtraction is performed the computer evaluates $P - P = 0$) oe	**B1** **[1]**	**3.1b**	eg the spreadsheet stores the numbers to (say) 15 sf and so two different numbers may be stored as the same value	
5	(g)		the spreadsheet cannot display numbers (larger than 10^{309}) this big	**B1** **[1]**	**3.2b**	allow eg can't perform the calculation	"numerical error" alone is insufficient
6	(a)		$e^x - x^2 = 0$ cao	**B1** **[1]**	**1.1**		
6	(b)		secant method cao	**B1** **[1]**	**1.2**		
6	(c)		-4.8×10^{-9} and 1.4×10^{-8} seen (so that sign change shows root correct to 8 dp)	**B1** **[1]**	**2.4**	from f(–0.70346742 ± 0.000 000 005)	
6	(d)		convergence is faster than 1st order since magnitude of ratios decreasing	**B1** **[1]**	**2.2b**	allow not first order since ratios not converging to a constant	
6	(e)		$(n + 1)$th difference ÷ (nth difference)^2 oe	**B1** **[1]**	**1.1**	allow eg 2nd order check; eg difference ÷ difference squared	
6	(f)		convergence is **slower** than 2nd order since ratios **increasing**	**B1** **[1]**	**2.2a**	must say slower than 2nd order and mention ratios increasing	

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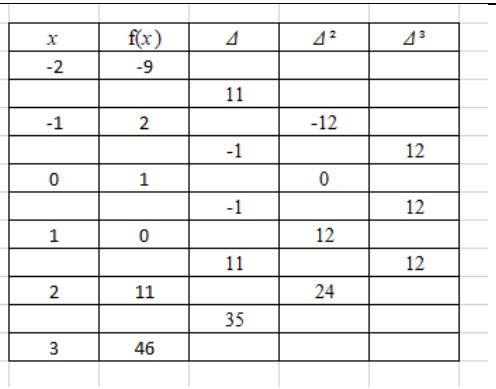
7	(a)			M1 A1 [2]	1.1 1.1	clear attempt at finding differences all correct	
7	(b)		(appears to be) suitable since 3rd differences constant	B1 [1]	2.4	at least two of third differences must be 12	
7	(c)		$-9+(x--2)\times 11+\frac{(x--2)(x--1)}{2!}\times(-12)$ $+\frac{(x--2)(x--1)x}{3!}\times 12$ $2x^3 - 3x + 1$	M1 A1 A1 A1 [4]	1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1	NB $-9 + (11x + 22) - 6(x^2 + 3x + 2) + 2(x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x)$ one coefficient correct two correct all correct with no exras	allow sign errors, one substitution error; must be 4 terms

x	$f(x)$	Δ	Δ^2	Δ^3
-2	-9			
		11		
-1	2		-12	
		-1		12
0	1		0	
		-1		12
1	0		12	
		11		12
2	11		24	
		35		
3	46			

Question			Answer	Marks	AOs		Guidance
8	(a)		T_n + difference × $\frac{r}{1-r}$ used	M1	2.1	allow partial extrapolation eg to find T_{128}	
			T_n = 0.60193696 *and* difference = 0.0007253 used	A1	1.1		
			r = 0.35 to 0.4	M1	1.1		if **M0**, allow **SC1** for $\frac{4T_{64}-T_{32}}{3}$ oe used to obtain 0.6021787(2666)
			0.6023275 to 0.6024205	A1	1.1	this mark is available for values obtained by partial extrapolation	
			0.602 since agrees with T_{64} or 0.6023 is probable since extrapolation improves accuracy	A1 [5]	2.2b	must justify precision quoted for this mark; this mark is only available if all previous marks awarded; NB it is not sufficient to compare two extrapolated values	and then **SC1** for 0.602 by comparison with T_{64}
8	(b)		=(4*B3–B2)/3	M1 A1 [2]	3.1b 1.1	evidence of $(4T_{2n} - T_n)/3$ used all correct	

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8	(c)		S_{2n} + difference × $\frac{r}{1-r}$ used	**M1**	**2.1**	allow partial extrapolation eg to S_{128}	
			S_n = 0.602178723 *and* difference = 0.00029025 used	**A1**	**1.1**		
			r = 0.35 to 0.3531573 used	**M1**	**1.1**		if **M0**, allow **SC1** for $\frac{16S_{64} - S_{32}}{3}$ oe used to obtain 0.60219807(3333)
			0.602335 to 0.6023372	**A1**	**1.1**	this mark is available for values obtained by partial extrapolation	
			0.602 is certain since agrees with S_{64}, allow 0.6023 or 0.60234 as probable since extrapolation improves accuracy	**A1** **[5]**	**2.2b**	must justify precision quoted for this mark; this mark is only available if all previous marks awarded; NB it is not sufficient to compare two extrapolated values	and then **SC1** for 0.602 by comparison with S_{64}

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