MTH 5117 MATHEMATICAL WRITING

Feedback from marked coursework

To provide feedback, markers use standardised notation and terminology. This document explains the conventions.

SHORTHAND NOTATION:

CAP Missing or incorrect capital letter

FS Missing full stop Spelling Spelling mistake

S/P Singular verb with plural noun (or vice-versa)

G Other grammatical error

∉ Use of symbols when prohibited

COMMENTS: 'BAD'

Confusing Not easy to understand on first reading

Irrelevant The sentence is not pertinent to the subject matter

Meaningless The sentence has no meaning

Lack of content lack of substance, eccessive attention to notation,

or to irrelevant ideas

Repetition A concept or sentence mentioned already
Robotic Mechanical translation of symbols into words

Write shorter sentences

Web-book Chapter/Section See the relevant chapter/section of the web-book

Comments: 'You can do better'

Poor organisation Arguments in wrong order Clumsy Correct, but poorly expressed

Use correct terminology

COMMENTS: 'GOOD'

Valid point Good structure Nicely written