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10 2d (ii) Find
$$\int \frac{x}{4+x^2} dx$$
.

$$\int \frac{x}{4+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2x}{4+x^2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \log_e (4+x^2) + c$$
State Mean:
1.35/2

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Most candidates realised that a logarithm integration was needed. Most incorrect answers had a $\ln(4+x^2)$ term involved but did not correctly deal with the coefficient or with the numerator. Again, some differentiated while others thought there was an inverse tan integral involved. Of concern was a technique that used the expression $\frac{x}{2x}\int \frac{1}{4+x^2}dx$ outside the integral sign as it incorrectly moves the variable outside the integral.

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