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ADVANCED MATRICULATION LEVEL 2023 SECOND SESSION

SUBJECT:	Pure Mathematics	
PAPER NUMBER:	Ι	
DATE:	30 th August 2023	
TIME:	09:00 to 12:05	

Directions to Candidates

Answer ALL questions.

Each question carries 10 marks.

Graphical calculators are **not** allowed however scientific calculators can be used but all necessary working must be shown.

- 1. (a) Use a suitable substitution to find the integral $\int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx$. [3 marks]
 - (b) Hence, solve the differential equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{e^{-y}\ln x}{x\,y^2}\,,$$

given that y = 0 when x = e.

2. (a) Let
$$y = \ln(1 + \sin(x^2))$$
. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$, and show that

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + 2e^{-y} \left(2x^2 \sin(x^2) - \cos(x^2)\right) = 0.$$

[5 marks]

[4 marks]

- (b) A curve has equation $4y^2 7xy + 3x^2 21 = 0$. Find the equation of the line that is tangent to the curve at the point (5, 2). [5 marks]
- 3. The points *A*, *B* and *C* have position vectors $5\mathbf{i} + 35\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$, $8\mathbf{i} + \alpha\mathbf{j}$ and $\beta\mathbf{i} 5\mathbf{j} 4\mathbf{k}$, respectively.
 - (a) Find α and β given that *A*, *B* and *C* are collinear.
 - (b) The point *D* has position vector $2\mathbf{i} + \gamma \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$. Find the **TWO** possible values of γ given that the angle *BDC* is a right angle. [3 marks]
 - (c) Find the area of the triangle *BDC* for one of the values of γ found in part (b). [3 marks]

[7 marks]

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- 4. The point *A* has coordinates (2, 5) and the line ℓ_1 has equation 2x + 4y 14 = 0.
 - (a) Find the equation of the line ℓ_2 passing through *A* which is parallel to the line ℓ_1 . [3 marks]
 - (b) Find the equation of the line ℓ_3 passing through *A* which is perpendicular to the line ℓ_1 .
 - [3 marks] (c) Find the locus of the points which are equidistant from the two lines ℓ_1 and ℓ_2 .

[4 marks]

- 5. (a) Use integration by parts to find the integral $\int e^{2x} \sin x \, dx$. [4 marks]
 - (b) Use the substitution $x = \tan \theta$ to show that:

$$\int \frac{1}{(x^2+1)^2} \,\mathrm{d}x = \int \cos^2\theta \,\mathrm{d}\theta \,.$$

Hence, evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{(x^2+1)^2} \, \mathrm{d}x.$ [6 marks]

6. (a) Express into partial fractions

$$\frac{x^2 + 3x - 2}{x^3 - x^2 + x - 1}$$

[4 marks]

(b) If α and β are the roots of the quadratic equation

$$(1+i)z^2 - 2iz + (4+i) = 0$$
,

where $i = \sqrt{-1}$, express $\alpha + \beta$ and $\alpha\beta$ in the form a + ib, where *a* and *b* are real. Find, in a form not involving α and β , the quadratic equation whose roots are $\alpha + 2\beta$ and $2\alpha + \beta$. [6 marks]

7. (a) Show that, if *x* is small enough for its cube and higher powers to be neglected,

$$\sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}} = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2}.$$

By putting x = 1/8, show that $\sqrt{7} \approx 2\frac{83}{128}$.

(b) The seventh term of an arithmetic progression is 4 and the second, fifth and eleventh terms are consecutive terms in a geometric progression. Find the first term of the arithmetic progression and also the common difference, assuming it is NOT zero. What is the common ratio of the geometric progression? [5 marks]

[5 marks]

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- 8. (a) The Hawaiian alphabet is made up of the seven consonants *h*, *k*, *l*, *m*, *n*, *p* and *w*, together with the five vowels *a*, *e*, *i*, *o* and *u*. Find how many different five-letter words can be formed by using exactly one vowel and four consonants if:
 - (i) The letter *a* must be used in the centre of the word and **NO** letter can be repeated;
 - (ii) **No** letter can be repeated;
 - (iii) Any letter can be repeated any number of times.
 - (b) Find the values of the constants *a*, *b*, *c* and *d* such that the matrices **P** and **Q** given below are the inverse of each other.

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & b \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -5 & c \\ 2 & d & -7 \\ -2 & -7 & 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

[4 marks]

[5 marks]

[6 marks]

9. (a) Consider the functions $f, g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{5x-1}$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{5}(x^3+1)$.

- (i) Determine the composite functions $(f \circ g)(x)$ and $(g \circ f)(x)$.
- (ii) Hence, find the inverse functions $f^{-1}(x)$ and $g^{-1}(x)$. [5 marks]
- (b) The function $f:[0,\pi] \to \mathbb{R}$ is given by $f(x) = 3^{\cos x} + \frac{1}{6}$.
 - (i) Explain why f is injective (i.e. 1-1-function).
 - (ii) Find the range of f, i.e. ran(f).
 - (iii) Find the inverse function f^{-1} : ran $(f) \rightarrow [0, \pi]$.
- 10. (a) Express $4\cos\theta 3\sin\theta$ in the form $R\cos(\theta + \phi)$, where R > 0 and $\phi \in [0, 2\pi]$, giving the exact value of R and the value of ϕ correct to 3 decimal places. Hence, solve the equation $4\cos\theta 3\sin\theta = 1$ for $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$. Give your answer correct to 3 decimal places. [5 marks]
 - (b) If the expression $ax^4 + bx^3 x^2 + 2x + 3$ leaves remainder $\sqrt{3}x + 5$ when it is divided by $x^2 x 2$, find the values of *a* and *b*. Give your answer in surd form. [5 marks]



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SUBJECT:	Pure Mathematics	
PAPER NUMBER:	II	
DATE:	31 st August 2023	
TIME:	09:00 to 12:05	

Directions to Candidates

Answer **SEVEN** questions. Each question carries 15 marks. Graphical calculators are **not** allowed however scientific calculators can be used but all necessary working must be shown.

1. (a) Solve the first order linear differential equation

$$(x-1)\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} + xy = (x-1)e^{-x},$$

given that y = 1 when x = 0. Give your answer in the form y = f(x). [7 marks] (b) Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 12x^2 + 4x,$$

given that
$$y = \frac{3}{2}$$
 and $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ when $x = 0$. Give your answer in the form $y = f(x)$.
[8 marks]

- 2. (Note that angles should be taken in radians throughout this question.)
 - (a) Show that the equation $e^{2x}\cos 5x = x^4 + 5x^2 3$ has a solution between 0 and 1. Use the Newton-Raphson method to find an approximate value of this solution, taking 0.5 as a first approximation. Do **Two** iterations and give your working to four decimal places.

[8 marks]

(b) Evaluate $\int_{0}^{1} \sin(x^3 - x + 1) dx$ by Simpson's Rule with an interval width of h = 0.25. Give your answer to four decimal places. [7 marks]

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3. (a) By reducing to echelon form, or otherwise, solve the equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 6 & -11 \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

[5 marks]

- (b) Let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$. The TRACE of a square matrix **X**, denoted by tr[**X**], is defined to be the sum of the entries on the leading diagonal (the diagonal from the upper left to the lower right entries) of **X**. For example, for the above 2 × 2 matrix **A**, one has tr[**A**] = *a* + *d*.
 - (i) Find det[A], tr[A²] and det[A²] in terms of *a*, *b*, *c* and *d*.
 - (ii) Verify that $det[\mathbf{A}^2] = (det[\mathbf{A}])^2$ and $tr[\mathbf{A}^2] = (tr[\mathbf{A}])^2 2 det[\mathbf{A}]$.
 - (iii) Show that $\mathbf{A}^2 (tr[\mathbf{A}])\mathbf{A} + (det[\mathbf{A}])\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{0}$, where **I** is the 2 × 2-identity matrix and **0** is the

2 × 2-zero matrix. Hence, or otherwise, find **A** when $\mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 18 \\ -6 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$.

[10 marks]

- 4. (a) (i) Find the two square roots of 3-4i, giving your answer in the form x + iy, where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and $i = \sqrt{-1}$.
 - (ii) Draw these on an Argand diagram, labelling the points *A* and *B*.
 - (iii) Find two possible points C_1 and C_2 such that triangles ABC_1 and ABC_2 are equilateral.

[8 marks]

(b) Use de Moivre's Theorem to show that

$$\tan 4\theta = \frac{4\tan\theta - 4\tan^3\theta}{1 - 6\tan^2\theta + \tan^4\theta}.$$

Hence, by substituting $t = \tan \theta$, solve the equation $t^4 + 4t^3 - 6t^2 - 4t + 1 = 0$, giving your answer correct to three decimal places. [7 marks]

- 5. (a) (i) How many subsets of the set of integers {1,2,...,8} can be formed (include also the empty set and the whole set itself)?
 - (ii) How many of these subsets do NOT contain two consecutive integers?
 - (iii) If one of the subsets is chosen at random, what is the probability that it contains two successive integers? [12 marks]
 - (b) If the two events *A* and *B* are independent, show that:

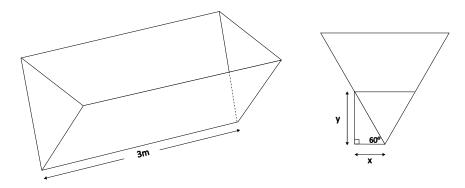
$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A)P(B).$$

[3 marks]

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6. (a) (i) Let
$$I_n = \int \frac{x^n}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx$$
. Show that, for $n \ge 1$,
 $(2n+1)I_n = 2x^n \sqrt{1+x} - 2nI_{n-1}$.

- (ii) Evaluate I_0 , I_1 and I_2 .
- (iii) The region bounded by the curve $y = \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^{1/4}}$ and the *x*-axis between x = 0 and x = 3 is rotated through 2π radians about the *x*-axis. Find the volume of the solid that is generated by this rotation. [9 marks]
- (b) A water trough in a farm is shaped like a triangular prism. It is 3 meters long and its cross section is an equilateral triangle (see diagram, where y is the height of the water in the trough). The trough is filling up at a rate of 6 cm³ s⁻¹.



Find the rate of change of the surface area of the water in contact with the air, when the depth of the water in the trough is 20 cm. [6 marks]

- 7. Let $f(\theta) = \frac{3\cos\theta}{\cos 2\theta}$ for $-\frac{\pi}{4} \le \theta \le \frac{\pi}{4}$, and let the curve \mathscr{C}_1 have polar equation $r = f(\theta)$.
 - (a) Which are the values of θ in the given domain for which $f(\theta)$ is **NOT** defined? [3 marks]
 - (b) Obtain the Cartesian equation of the curve \mathscr{C}_1 .
 - (c) Hence, sketch the curve \mathscr{C}_1 , showing clearly any asymptotes. [4 marks]
 - (d) The curve \mathscr{C}_2 has polar equation $r = 3\cos\theta$ for $0 \le \theta \le \pi$. Find the polar coordinates of the common point on the curves \mathscr{C}_1 and \mathscr{C}_2 . [4 marks]
- 8. (a) Let $f(x) = e^x \sin x$.
 - (i) Show that f''(x) = 2(f'(x) f(x)).
 - (ii) Hence, or otherwise, find the Maclaurin series for f(x), up to and including, the term in x^5 . [7 marks]
 - (b) Use the principle of mathematical induction to prove that for every integer $n \ge 1$,

$$1 + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \dots + n\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} = 4 - \frac{n+2}{2^{n-1}}.$$

[8 marks]

[4 marks]

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- 9. The function *f* is given by $f(x) = \frac{x^2 3x 4}{2x^2 + 7x + 3}$.
 - (a) Find where the curve y = f(x) cuts the coordinate axes. [2 marks]
 - (b) Show that the curve y = f(x) does **NOT** have any stationary points. [3 marks]
 - (c) Determine the equations of the horizontal and vertical asymptotes of the curve y = f(x).
 - (d) Find where the curve cuts the line representing the horizontal asymptote. [2 marks] [2 marks]
 - (e) Sketch the curve of y = f(x) and hence, sketch also the curve of y = |f(x)|. [6 marks]
- 10. The lines ℓ_1 and ℓ_2 have vector equations

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = 3\mathbf{i} - 11\mathbf{j} - 10\mathbf{k} + \lambda(\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j} - 9\mathbf{k})$$
, and
 $\mathbf{r}_2 = -\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k} + \mu(\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k})$,

respectively.

- (a) Show that the lines intersect. Find the position vector of their point of intersection *A*, and the equation of the plane Π_1 in which they both lie. [5 marks]
- (b) The line ℓ_3 has vector equation

$$\mathbf{r}_3 = 2\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} + 19\mathbf{k} + \nu(\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 11\mathbf{k}).$$

Show that ℓ_3 also lies in Π_1 .

(c) The point *B* has position vector $3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 8\mathbf{k}$. Verify that *B* does **NOT** lie in the plane Π_1 , and find the equation of the plane Π_2 containing *B* and ℓ_1 . Find the acute angle between the planes Π_1 and Π_2 . [6 marks]

[4 marks]