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(BMLS)

AMA 4104: MATHEMATICS FOR SCIENCES

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

SERIES: OCTOBER 2014

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Mathematical tables*
- *Scientific Calculator*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

Question One (Compulsory)

a) Simplify the following expressions:

$$\frac{\log 27}{\log 9}$$

(i) (4 marks)

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2}x^{1/2}(1+x)^{-1/2} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}1+x^{1/2}}{x}$$

(ii) (4 marks)

$$\frac{\log 25 - \log 125 + \frac{1}{2}\log 625}{3\log 5}$$

b) (i) Evaluate (4 marks)

(ii) Find the difference between the sums of the first ten terms of the geometrical and arithmetical progressions which begins 6 + 12 + **(3 marks)**

c) Find the values of m and n in the polynomial $2x^3 + mx^2 + nx - 14$ such that $x - 1$ and $x + 2$ are its factors. **(5 marks)**

d) A triangle ABC has sides a = 9.0cm b = 7.5cm, and c = 6.5cm. Determine its three angles and its area. **(6 marks)**

e) Using the data below, compute:

- (i) The upper quartile
- (ii) The lower quartile
- (iii) The median

(6 marks)

Variable	5	7	9	11	13	13	17	19
Frequency	1	2	7	9	11	8	5	4

Question Two

a) By completing the square, find the greatest value of $-7 + 12x - 3x^2$. **(4 marks)**

b) Three members in arithmetical progression are such that their sum is 15 and their product is 45. Find the three numbers:

c) If the roots of equation $x^2 - 5x - 7 = 0$ are α, β . Find the equations whose roots are: α^2, β^2

(i) **(4 marks)**

$\alpha + 1, \beta + 1$

(ii) **(4 marks)**

d) Solve the given equation by completing the square $10 + 3x - 2x^2 = 0$ **(4 marks)**

Question Three

a) (i) Four members are to be selected from five members of party A and another four members are to be selected from five members possible groupings are there? **(4 marks)**

(ii) In how many ways can 11 players be selected from 14 for a soccer team if no places have been filled? **(3 marks)**

b) In a geometrical progression, the sum of the second and third terms is 6, and the sum of the third and fourth terms is -12. Find:

(i) The first term **(3 marks)**

(ii) Common ratio **(3 marks)**

$$y = \sin x \quad -270 \leq x \leq 270$$

- c) Draw the graph of $y = \sin x$ for $-270 \leq x \leq 270$ and use the graph to solve for x in $\sin x = -0.5$ **(7 marks)**

Question Four

$$\frac{1}{(4-x)^2}$$

- a) Expand $\frac{1}{(4-x)^2}$ in ascending powers of x as far as the term in x^3 , using the binomial theorem. **(7 marks)**
- b) The following distribution relates to profits of 100 companies in '000' sh.

Profits	100 – 120	120 – 140	140 – 160	160 – 180	180 – 200	200 – 220	220 – 240
No. of Companies	17	53	199	194	327	208	2

Calculate to 2 decimal places:

- (i) The mean profit **(5 marks)**
 (ii) The modal profit **(5 marks)**

$$\sin \theta = \frac{2}{3} \quad \theta$$

- c) If $\sin \theta = \frac{2}{3}$ and θ is obtuse, find without using calculators the value of $\cot \theta$. **(3 marks)**

Question Five

- a) A husband and wife appear in an interview for two vacancies in the same post. The probability of the husband's selection is $\frac{1}{7}$ and that of wife's selection is $\frac{1}{5}$. What is the probability that:
- (i) Both of them will be selected. **(2 marks)**
 (ii) Only one of them will be selected **(4 marks)**
 (iii) None of them will be selected. **(2 marks)**

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x\right)^{10}$$

- b) Obtain the first FOUR terms of the expansion of $\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x\right)^{10}$ in ascending powers of x . Hence find the value of $(1.005)^{10}$, correct to four decimal places. **(6 marks)**

$$7 = 4e^{-3x}$$

- c) Solve the equation $7 = 4e^{-3x}$ to find x correct to 4 significant figures. **(6 marks)**