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CERTIFICATE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (CIT/JAN 2012/S-EV)

EIT 1113: FUNDAMENTALS OF MATHEMATICS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

SERIES: MAY/JUNE 2012

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions

Answer any **THREE** questions. Question **ONE** is Compulsory

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

SECTION A (20 marks)

Question One (20 Marks)

a) Solve the following equations:

$$4x + 3y = 120$$

$$5x + 6y = 150$$

i. (4 marks)

$$2x^2 + 6x + 8 = 0$$

ii. (3 marks)

b) Evaluate the following:

$${}^4P_2 * {}^6C_2$$

i. (3 marks)

$${}^5P_2 * {}^5C_3$$

ii. (3 marks)

c) If $(2a - b)^{20}$ is expanded in ascending powers of b find:

i. The 1st five terms of the series (4 marks)

ii. The 7th term of the powers of 2a (3 marks)

SECTION B (Answer any TWO questions – 40 Marks)

Question Two (20 marks)

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 10 & 8 \\ 4 & -7 & -6 \\ -3 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad N = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ -3 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) Show that if matrix M and matrix N
The $MN = NM = I$ where I is the 3×3 unit matrix (16 marks)

b) Using matrix N above determine its determinant (4 marks)

Question Three (20 marks)

The masses of students in a CIT class are given below:

Mass in Kg f

40 – 49 1

50 – 59 3

60 – 69 17

70 – 79 14

80 – 89 9

90 – 99 6

i. Calculate the mean (6 marks)

- ii. Calculate the variance (8 marks)
- iii. Determine the standard deviation (6 marks)

Question Four (20 marks)

a) Solve the following equation

$$\frac{2}{1+3x} - \frac{1}{2-x} = \frac{3}{7}$$

(7 marks)

b) Convert the following numbers to the indicated bases:

- i. $20BE_{16}$ to decimal
 - ii. 764_8 to binary
 - iii. 956_{10} to hexadecimal
- (9 marks)

c) Express the number 239_8 to denary (3 marks)