



**THE MOMBASA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**

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# **Faculty of Applied & Health Sciences**

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS

**UPGRADING MATHEMATICS**

AMA 1104: COMMERCIAL ARITHMETICS

**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

**SERIES: AUGUST 2012**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**Instructions to Candidates:**

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions in **TWO** sections **A & B**

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions  
 Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown  
 This paper consists of **FOUR** printed pages  
**SECTION A (COMPULSORY)**

**Question One (30 marks)**

a) A businessman who deals with electronics in one of his trips he had the following currencies 1000 American Dollars, 3500 British Pounds and 80,000 Japanese Yen. He visited a Kenyan Bank which buys and sells foreign currencies as shown below:

Currency	Buying Kenya Shillings	Selling Kenya Shillings
1 American Dollar	80.6	89.3
1 British Pound	126.52	139.86
100 Japanese Yen	104.97	115.24

- i) If he converted all the currencies into Kenyan shillings, calculate how much money he had in Kshs. **(4 marks)**
- ii) If he bought electrical goods worth all the equivalence in Kenya shillings, paid duty 30% on the cost of the goods and sold them at 20% profit. How much money did he collect at the end? **(3 marks)**

b) Find the determinants of the following matrices.

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 2 & 4 \\ 8 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

**(3 marks)**

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 7 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

**(2 marks)**

c) A mixed school can accommodate a maximum of 440 students. The number of boys must exceed 150. Taking X to represent the number of boys and Y the number of girls, write down all the Inequalities representing this information. **(4 marks)**

d) Nyambura tossed two dice, she added the value of each die to get a value X, if what she recorded was the remainder r after dividing x by 4, calculate the probability that

- i)  $r > 3$  **(4 marks)**
- ii)  $r = 0$  **(3 marks)**
- iii)  $r < 2$  **(3 marks)**

e) A necklace value appreciates at a rate of 10% per year after how many years will its value double? **(4 marks)**

**SECTION B (Answer any TWO questions from this section)**

### Question Two (20 marks)

a) Students performed as follows in a test.

Marks	20 – 29	30 – 39	40 – 49	50 – 59	60 – 69	70 - 79
No of Students	2	5	10	12	8	3

Calculate the:

- i) Mean mark (4 marks)
  - ii) Median mark (4 marks)
  - iii) Modal mark (4 marks)
- b) Find the Inverse of matrix.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 2 & 3 \\ 8 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(8 marks)

### Question Three (20 marks)

a) Using Cramm's rule solve for X, Y and Z. (12 marks)

$$2x - y + 6z = 10$$

$$4y - 3x - 5z = 11$$

$$8x - 7y - 9z = 12$$

b) Agnes bought a sofa set five years ago which depreciates at the rate 10% p.a. If the current value of the sofa set is kshs 29 524.50. What was the sofas price 5 years ago? (5 marks)

c) The market price of a dinning set is kshs 22 800. The hire purchase value of the set is 35% more than the marked price. Hussein bought the dinning set by paying a deposit of 8580 followed by equal monthly Installments of Kshs. 1850 each. Calculate the number of installment paid. (3 marks)

### Question Five (20 marks)

a) The marks obtained by fifty candidates in an examination were recorded in the table below.

Marks	0 – 9	10 – 19	20 – 29	30 – 39	40 – 49	50 – 59	60 - 69
No. of Students	6	8	12	9	7	5	3

Calculate:

- i) The mean mark (3 marks)
  - ii) The standard deviation (6 marks)
- b) A bag contains 5 white, 3 yellow and 2 green balls all identical except for the colour. A ball is drawn and set aside. A second ball is drawn. What is the probability that:
- i) The balls are of different white (3 marks)
  - ii) One of the balls is white (3 marks)
  - iii) At most two balls are white (3 marks)

c) State bayes Theorem

(2 marks)

**Question Five (20 marks)**

a) The table below shows monthly income tax rates for the year 2003.

Monthly Taxable Income In Kshs	Tax Rates (Percentages)
1 - 1980	10%
1981 - 18800	15%
18801 - 27920	20%
27921 - 37 040	25%
37041 - 37010	30%

Helens earnings were as follows: Basic salary Ksh. 38,000 p.m, house allowance kshs 14,000pm, travelling allowance kshs 8500 p.m and medical allowance 3300 p.m. Calculate

- i) Her taxable Income per month. **(2 marks)**
- ii) Her monthly PAYE if she is entitled to a tax relief of kshs 1056 per month. **(6 marks)**
- iii) Her net monthly income, if she pays N.H.I.F of kshs 320, NSSF of Kshs 200 per month and cooperative shares of Kshs 2000 per month. **(3 marks)**

b) Using matrix method, solve the simultaneous equation below.

$$3x + y = 12$$

$$2x - 3y = 8$$

**(5 marks)**

c) A man invested Kshs. 40,000 in a financial institution at 5% p.a compound Interest. Calculate the interest the investment earned after 3 years. **(4 marks)**