

BABCOCK UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF BASIC & APPLIED SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF BASIC SCIENCES

FIRST SEMESTER DEGREE EXAMINATION, 2012/2013

COURSE CODE: MATH 101 COURSE TITLE: GENERAL MATHEMATICS 1

CREDIT UNITS: 3 TOTAL MARKS: 60

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HRS EXAMINERS: AYINDE, S.A., ADIO, A.K., KANU, R.U. & BAMISILE, O.C

INSTRUCTION: Attempt any FOUR questions

QUESTION 1 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x-a} + \frac{1}{2a} + \frac{1}{x-a^2} = \frac{3}{x} \Rightarrow \frac{-a+2+1}{-a+2+1} \frac{x-a}{x} = \frac{3}{x}$

In a class of 60 students, 22 offered French, 22 offered English, 36 offered History, 10 offered French and English, 10 offered English and History, 12 offered French and History while 6 did not offer any of the three subjects.

- Use Venn Diagram to find the number of students who offered
 - English and French only (3 marks)
 - Only one subject. (3 marks)
 - Exactly two subject. (3 marks)
- Explain the following using Venn diagram
 - Difference of sets (2 marks)
 - Compliment of a set (2 marks)
 - Subset (2 marks)

QUESTION 2

- Define a Venn diagram (1 mark)

Let A, B, C be arbitrary non empty sets. Then show that

 - $(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$ (3 marks)
 - $(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$ (3 marks)
- Distinguish between a sequence and a series. (3 marks)

- Given that $\frac{1}{y-x}$, $\frac{1}{2y}$, and $\frac{1}{y-z}$ are consecutive terms of an arithmetic progression prove that x, y, and z are consecutive terms of a geometric progression. (5 marks)

QUESTION 3

- If the sum of the first 7 terms of an arithmetic progression is 28 and the sum of the first 15 terms is 90, find the sum of n terms. (6 marks)
- Insert three geometric means between 3 and 48. (3 marks)

- (c) The 4th term of a geometric progression is 16 and the 8th term is 256. Find the first term, the common ratio and the sum of the first ten terms. (6 marks).

QUESTION 4

(a) If α and β are the roots of $x^2 - 7x + 10 = 0$. Form the equations whose roots are:

- $3\alpha + \beta$ and $3\beta + \alpha$ (3 marks)
- $\alpha^3 + \beta^3$ α^3, β^3 ($4\frac{1}{2}$ marks)

(b) i. Determine the values of k in $x^2 + (k - 2)x + (k + 1) = 0$, if it has equal roots. ($3\frac{1}{2}$ marks)

(b) ii. Show that $(p^2 + r^2)x^2 + 2(p + r)x + 2 = 0$ has no real roots, if p and r are unequal. (4 marks)

QUESTION 5

Prove by the method of mathematical induction that the following statements are valid for all positive integer n .

a) $9^n - 1$ is a multiple of 8.

b) $\sum_{r=1}^n \frac{1}{(3r-2)(3r+1)} = \frac{n}{3n+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} n &= k+1 & k+1 \leq n &= 1 \\ 9^{k+1} - 1 & \\ 8^{k+1} & \\ 8^n &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

(7 marks)

(8 marks)

QUESTION 6

a) (i). Find the complete expansion of $(x + 3y)^5$.

(6 marks)

(ii) Use the result of the expansion in a (i) above to determine the value of $(1.02)^5$ to 5 decimal places.

(4 marks)

b) Obtain and simplify the term in the expansion of $(2x^2 - y^3)^8$ which contains x^{10} .

(5 marks)