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APPLIED MATHEMATICS
Paper 2
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3 HOURS

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APPLIED MATHEMATICS
(PRINCIPAL SUBJECT) Set 11

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

*Answer **all** the **Eight** questions in Section A and **Five** questions from Section B.*

*Any additional question(s) answered will **not** be marked.*

*All necessary working **must** be clearly shown.*

Begin each answer on a fresh sheet of paper.

Graph paper is provided.

Silent, non-programmable scientific calculators and mathematical tables with a list of formulae may be used.

In numerical work, take g to be 9.8 ms^{-2} .

SECTION A: (40 MARKS)

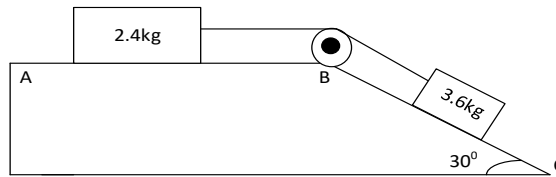
Answer all the questions in this section

- The probability that events A and B occur are $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ respectively. If the probability that only one of them occurs is $\frac{5}{12}$, find the;
(i) $P(A \cap B)$ (ii) $P(A' \cap B')$
- A particle of mass 2 kg resting on a rough horizontal plane is pulled by a force of magnitude of 11.3N inclined at an angle of 60° to the horizontal. If the particle does not move, find the minimum value of the coefficient of friction between the particle and the plane
- Given that for a function $f(x)$, $f(0.9) = 0.2661$, $f(1.0) = 0.2420$ and $f(1.1) = 0.2179$. Use linear interpolation or extrapolation to estimate;
(i) $f(0.96)$ (ii) $f^{-1}(0.2082)$
- A biased coin is tossed six times. The coin is such that the ratio of showing a tail to that of a head is 3:1, find the probability of getting;
(i) At least 4 heads (ii) Between 2 and 4 tails
- A bullet is fired vertically upwards at a speed of 150ms^{-1} . Find the length of time for which the bullet is at least 900m above the ground level.
- Given that $X = 2.79$, $Y = 1.375$ and $z = 1.4$, find the limits within which $X - \frac{Y}{z}$ lies
- A random variable X has a probability density function
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2^x}{k}, & x = 1, 2, 3, 4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
Find the:
(a) Values of k (b) Mean of X
- A particle moves such that its displacement at any time (t) is given by $r = t^2(2\hat{i} - 4\hat{k}) - t^3(3\hat{j} - 2\hat{i}) + 2\sin(2t)\hat{k}$ metres. Find the magnitude of the acceleration of the particle at $t = 3$ seconds

SECTION B: (60 MARKS)

*Answer any **five** questions in this section. All questions carry **equal** marks*

9. The number of cows owned by residents in a village is assumed to be normally distributed. 15% of the residents have less than 60 cows while 90% of the residents have less than 100 cows
- Determine the value of the mean μ , and standard deviation σ of the cows
 - If there are 200 residents, find how many have more than 80 cows
- 10.(a) Use the trapezium rule with 6 ordinates to find the approximate value of $\int_{0.5}^{1.5} \left(\frac{3}{x} + x^4 \right) dx$, correct to 4 significant figures
- Calculate the exact value, hence find the absolute, relative and percentage error in your estimation in (i). Suggest how the error may be reduced
11. Two particles A and B move with velocities $(\lambda \mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 30\mathbf{k})\text{ms}^{-1}$ and $(4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} - 15\mathbf{k})\text{ms}^{-1}$ respectively where λ is a constant. At $t=0$, the particles are located at points $(2, 1, -15)\mathbf{m}$ and $(1, 4, 12)\mathbf{m}$ respectively.
- Find the value λ such that A and B will collide and find the value of t when collision occurs
 - When $\lambda = 2$, find the time after which the particles will be nearest to each other
12. The masses (x) in kg of 50 students were as follows.
- | <i>Masses (x)</i> | <i>Number of students</i> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| $40 \leq x < 45$ | 3 |
| $45 \leq x < 50$ | 2 |
| $50 \leq x < 60$ | 20 |
| $60 \leq x < 65$ | 18 |
| $65 \leq x < 70$ | 3 |
| $70 \leq x < 75$ | 4 |
- Calculate the Mean and standard deviation
 - Construct an ogive and use it to estimate
 - Median
 - Percentage of students who have a mass of 55kg and above
13. A particle of mass 2.4kg is held at rest on a rough horizontal surface AB with coefficient of friction of 0.5, it is connected by a light inextensible string passing over a smooth fixed pulley at B to a particle of mass 3.6kg. The sloping face BC is smooth and makes an angle of 30° to the horizontal



If the system is released from rest. Find the;

- (i) acceleration of the system and Tension in the string
- (ii) Force exerted on the pulley at B
- (iii) Velocity of the 3.6 kg mass after 2 seconds

14. A random variable X has probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} kx; & 0 < x \leq 3 \\ 3k(4 - x); & 3 < x \leq 4 \\ 0; & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) Sketch $f(x)$, hence find the value of the constant k

(b) Find the;

- (i) Mean, $E(X)$
- (ii) Cumulative distribution function $F(x)$, hence find $P(X < 3.5)$

15.(a) Use graphical method to show that the equation $e^x + x - 4 = 0$ has a root between 1 and 2, correct to 1 decimal place

(b) Show that the Newton Raphson formula for finding the root of the equation (i) above

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{e^{x_n}(x_n - 1) + 4}{1 + e^{x_n}}; \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

(c) Hence use the initial approximation x_0 obtained in (a) above to find the root of the equation correct to 3 decimal places

16. A uniform plank of length 8m and mass 100kg rests in limiting equilibrium with the end A on a horizontal ground and the end B against vertical wall. If the coefficient of friction at each end of the plank is 0.3. Find the;

- (a) Angle the plank makes with the vertical
- (b) The plank is now placed at an angle of β to the horizontal where $\tan \beta = 2$ and a body of mass M kg is attached to the plank at B causing the plank to slip. Find the maximum value of M and the magnitude of the corresponding normal reaction at A.