

G.C.E. (Advanced Level) Examination - August 2007

10 - Combined Mathematics - I

Three hours

- Answer six questions only.

- (01) (a) α and β are the roots of the equation $x^2 + bx + c = 0$. Find the quadratic equation, in terms of b and c , whose roots are α^3 and β^3 .

Hence, find the quadratic equation, in terms of b

and c , whose roots are $\alpha^3 + \frac{1}{\beta^3}$ and $\beta^3 + \frac{1}{\alpha^3}$.

- (b) $f(x)$ is a polynomial in x of degree greater than 3. When $f(x)$ is divided by $(x-1)$, $(x-2)$ and $(x-3)$, the remainders are a , b and c respectively. By repeated application of the Remainder Theorem, show that when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)$, the remainder can be expressed as

$\lambda(x-1)(x-2) + \mu(x-1) + \nu$, where λ , μ and ν are constants.

Find λ , μ and ν in terms of a , b and c .

- (02) (a) A candidate sitting an examination is required to answer six questions out of twelve given under three parts A , B and C , with each part containing four questions. Find the number of different ways the candidate can select six questions if,

- the first question in each part is compulsory.
- he cannot answer more than three questions from any part.
- it is compulsory to answer at least one question from each part.

- (b) State the *binomial theorem* for a positive integral index.

Let a , b and d be integers such that $a = b + d$. Show that $a^n - b^{n-1}(b + nd)$ is divisible by d^2 for positive integral n .

If U is the n^{th} term of an arithmetic progression whose first term is a and the common difference is d , prove that $a^n - (a-d)^{n-1}U$ is divisible by d^2 .

Deduce that $7^{60} - 3^{64}$ is divisible by 16.

- (03) (a) By using the principle of Mathematical Induction, prove that $\frac{n^2}{7} + \frac{n^2}{5} + \frac{n^2}{3} + \frac{34n}{105}$ is an integer, for positive integral n .

- (b) Write down u_r , the r^{th} term of the series

$$\frac{3}{1.2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{4}{2.3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{5}{3.4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \dots$$

Find $f(r)$ such that $u_r = f(r-1) - f(r)$.

Hence, find $S_n = \sum_{r=1}^n u_r$.

Evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$.

- (04) (a) The complex number $z_1 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i\frac{1}{2}$ and

$z_2 = -\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ are represented on an Argand diagram by the points A and B respectively. Find $\text{Arg } z_1$ and $\text{Arg } z_2$.

Given that $OACB$ is a square in the Argand diagram, where O is the origin, find the modulus and the argument of the complex number represented by C .

- (b) (i) Find the least and the greatest values of $|z-3|$, subject to the condition

$$\left| z - \left(\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \right| \leq 2.$$

- (ii) Find the least value of $|z|$, subject to the condition $\arg(z-1) = \frac{\pi}{6}$.

- (05) (a) (i) Show that $\frac{d^r}{dx^r}(xe^x) = (x+r)e^x$ for any positive integer r .

(ii) If $y = x^2 e^x$, prove that $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2xe^x + y$.

Deduce that $\frac{d^r y}{dx^r} - \frac{d^{r-1} y}{dx^{r-1}} = 2(x+r-1)e^x$.

Hence, show that $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = n(2x+n-1)e^x + y$,

for any positive integer n .

(b) The tangent at the point $P(at^2, at^3)$ to the curve $ay^2 = x^3$, where a is a constant, meets the curve again at Q . Find the coordinates of Q in terms of t .

(06) (a) Using partial fractions, find $\int \frac{x^2+1}{x(x-1)^2} dx$.

(b) Find A , B and C such that $25 \cos x + 15 = A(3 \cos x + 4 \sin x + 5) + B(-3 \sin x + 4 \cos x) + C$.

Hence, find $\int \frac{25 \cos x + 15}{3 \cos x + 4 \sin x + 5} dx$.

(c) Using the method of integration by parts, show that

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^6 x \, dx = \frac{5}{6} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^4 x \, dx = \frac{5 \cdot 3}{6 \cdot 4} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 x \, dx = \frac{5}{32}$$

Hence, evaluate $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^6 3x \, dx$.

(07) Let ABC be a triangle such that $A = (2, 4)$ and B and C lie $y = x + 1$. A line l , drawn parallel to BC cuts AB and AC at D and E respectively such that the areas of the triangles ABC and ADE are in the ratio $9 : 4$. Let G be the foot of the perpendicular from A to l and M be the mirror image of G in the line AB .

(i) Find the coordinates of G and the equation of l .

(ii) Show that $AM = AG$.

Hence or otherwise, prove that, as the point B moves along the line $y = x + 1$, the point M moves on a circle

which has the centre at A and the radius $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$.

(08) Two circles are said to intersect orthogonally when the two tangents at each point of intersection are at right angles. Find the condition for the two circles

$x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$ and $x^2 + y^2 + 2g'x + 2f'y + c' = 0$ to intersect orthogonally.

Prove that the equation

$$x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 2\lambda y - 6 = 0 \dots\dots\dots (*)$$

Where λ is a parameter, represents a system of circles passing through the points $(-2 + \sqrt{10}, 0)$ and $(-2 - \sqrt{10}, 0)$.

$S = 0$ is a circle belonging to the system represented by $(*)$. Show that there exists a unique circle $S' = 0$ belonging to the same system which is orthogonal to $S = 0$.

Find $S' = 0$ when $S = x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 4y - 6 = 0$.

Find also the general equation of the circle orthogonal to both $S = 0$ and $S' = 0$.

(09) (a) State the *sine rule*, in the usual notation.

P is a point inside a triangle ABC such that $\angle PAB = \angle PBC = \angle PCA = \phi$.

Prove that the area of the triangle ABC is

$\frac{abc}{2} \left(\frac{BP}{bc} + \frac{CP}{ac} + \frac{AP}{ab} \right) \sin \phi$, in the usual notation.

Deduce that $\frac{1}{\sin^2 \phi} = \frac{1}{\sin^2 A} + \frac{1}{\sin^2 B} + \frac{1}{\sin^2 C}$.

(b) Show that

$$(i) \quad 2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{5}{12} \right)$$

$$(ii) \quad 2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{5}{12} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{120}{119} \right)$$

$$(iii) \quad \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{120}{119} \right) + \frac{\pi}{4} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{239} \right)$$

Deduce that $4 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{239} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$.