

G.C.E. (Advanced Level) Examination - August 2011

Combined Mathematics I

Three hours

Instructions :

This question paper consists of two parts;

Part A (Questions 1 - 10) and Part B (Questions 11 - 17)

PART - A

- Answer all questions. Write your answers to each question in the space provided. You may use additional sheets if more space is needed.

- (01) Using the Principle of Mathematical Induction, Prove that $n^3 + 5n$ is divisible by 3 for every $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

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(04) Show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{4+3\sin x} - \sqrt{4-3\sin x}}{2x} = \frac{3}{4}$.

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- (02) Find how many numbers between 2000 and 4000 can be formed using the digits 1, 2, 3 and 4, if repetitions of the digits are (i) not allowed, (ii) allowed.

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- (05) Find constants A and B such that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left\{ e^{2x} (A \sin 3x + B \cos 3x) \right\} = 13e^{2x} \sin 3x.$$

Hence, find $\int e^{2x} \sin 3x dx$.

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- (03) Using the binomial expansion for a positive integral index, show that $(1 + \sqrt{3})^6 + (1 - \sqrt{3})^6 = 416$.

Hence, find the integer part of $(1 + \sqrt{3})^6$.

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- (06) Find the equation of the straight line parallel to the straight line $3y + 2x + 5 = 0$, and passing through the point that divides the straight line joining the points $(2, 3)$ and $(-1, 2)$ externally in the ratio $3 : 2$.

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- (09) The length of the tangent from a point P to the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 12x = 0$ is twice the length of the tangent from the point P to the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 9 = 0$. Show that the point P lies on the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 12 = 0$.

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- (07) A curve is given by $x = 3t, y = \frac{3}{t}$, where t is a

non-zero parameter. Show that the equation of the

tangent to the curve at the point $\left(3t, \frac{3}{t}\right)$ is $x + t^2 y = 6t$.

Deduce that, as t varies, the area of the triangular region bounded by the coordinate axes and this tangent is a constant.

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- (10) The sides of a triangle are $p - 1, p$ and $p + 1$, where p is a real number such that $p > 1$. If the largest angle of the triangle is twice the smallest angle of the triangle, using the Sine rule and the cosine rule find the value of p .

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- (08) Find the equations of the two circles, each of radius $\sqrt{2}$, touching the straight line $x + y + 1 = 0$ and having the centres on the y -axis.

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PART - B

- Answer five questions only. Write your answers on the sheets provided.
- At the end of the time allotted, tie the answers of the two parts together so that **Part A** is on top of **Part B** before handing them over to the supervisor.
- You are permitted to remove only **Part B** of the question paper from the Examination Hall.

(11) (a) Let α and β be the roots of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, where a , b and c are real numbers. Show that α and β are both

- (i) real, if and only if $b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$.
- (ii) purely imaginary, if and only if $b = 0$ and $ac > 0$.

Find the quadratic equation whose roots are α^2 and β^2 . Show that the roots of this quadratic equation are both real, if and only if either α and β are both real or α and β are both purely imaginary.

(b) Let $f(x) = x^3 - 3abx - (a^3 + b^3)$, where a and b are real numbers. Show that $(x-a-b)$ is a factor of $f(x)$. Find the other factor of $f(x)$ in quadratic form.

Hence or otherwise, show that if a and b are distinct, then $f(x) = 0$ has only one real root.

Deduce that $x^3 - 9x - 12 = 0$ has only one real root and find it.

(12) (a) Let $u_r = \frac{1}{(2r-1)(2r+1)(2r+3)}$ for $r \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Find $\frac{u_{r+1}}{u_r}$ in terms of r .

Hence, show that $(2r-1)u_r - (2r+1)u_{r+1} = 4u_{r+1}$ for $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Deduce that $\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{4(2n+1)(2n+3)}$

Is the series $\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} u_r$ convergent? Justify your answer.

(b) Draw the graph of $y = |2x - 8|$.

Hence, draw the graph of $y = -|2x - 8|$.

Draw the graphs of $y = 4 - |2x - 8|$,

and $y = |2x - 10|$ in the same figure.

Hence or otherwise, find the set of real values of x satisfying the inequality $|2x - 10| + |2x - 8| \leq 4$.

(13) (a) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$. Find the values

of λ and μ such that $A(\lambda A + \mu I) = I$, where I is the 2×2 identity matrix.

Hence, find A^{-1} .

(b) Let p , Q and R be three distinct point which represent complex numbers z_0 , z_1 and z_2 respectively in the Argand diagram.

If $PQ = PR$ and θ is the angle measured from PQ to PR in the anti-clockwise sense, show that

$$z_2 - z_0 = (z_1 - z_0)(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta).$$

The points A , B , C and D , taken in the anti-clockwise sense, form a square in the Argand diagram.

Let $1 - i$ and z be the complex numbers represented by the points A and B respectively. Find the complex numbers represented by the points C and D in terms of z .

If C varies such that $AC = 2$, find the locus of B in the Argand diagram.

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(14) (a) Let $f(x) = 2x^3 + ax^2 + bx$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$, where a and b are real constants. Suppose that $f'(3) = 12$ and $f''(3) = 18$, where f' and f'' have the usual meaning.

Find the values of a and b .

For these values of a and b , sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$ indicating the turning points.

Hence, find the number of solutions of the equation

$$2x^2 + ax + b = \frac{3}{x}.$$

- (b) A closed rectangular box with a square base is made of thin cardboard. The volume of the box is 8192cm^3 . Let the length of a side of the square base be $4x\text{cm}$. A circular hole of radius $x\text{cm}$ is cut out from the top square face. Show that the surface area $A\text{cm}^2$ of the box with

the hole is given by $A = (32 - \pi)x^2 + \frac{8192}{x}$.

Hence, show that A is minimum when $x = \frac{16}{\sqrt{32 - \pi}}$.

- (15)(a) Using the method of Integration by Parts,

evaluate $\int_1^e x^{\frac{3}{2}} \ln x \, dx$.

- (b) Let $t = \tan x$

Show that $\cos 2x = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$, $\sin 2x = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}$

and $\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{1+t^2}$.

Hence, show that $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{4 \cos 2x + 3 \sin 2x + 5} dx = \frac{1}{12}$

- (c) Let a and b be distinct real numbers.

Find constants A and B such that

$$\frac{1}{(x-a)(x-b)} = \frac{A}{x-a} + \frac{B}{x-b} \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R} - \{a, b\}$$

By replacing x , a and b appropriately in the above

equation, write down $\frac{1}{(x^2 + a^2)(x^2 + b^2)}$

in partial fractions and hence, find

$$\int \frac{1}{(x^2 + a^2)(x^2 + b^2)} dx$$

- (16) (a) Show that the equations of the two straight lines drawn through the origin perpendicular to each other so as to form an isosceles right angled triangle with the straight line $lx + my + l = 0$ are $(l-m)x + (l+m)y = 0$ and $(l+m)x - (l-m)y = 0$.

- (b) Show that, if the circle

$$S' = x^2 + y^2 + 2gx' + 2fy' + c' = 0 \text{ cuts the circle}$$

$$S = x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0 \text{ at the ends of a diameter of the circle } S = 0, \text{ then}$$

$$2g^2 + 2f^2 - c = 2gg' + 2ff' - c'.$$

A variable circle cuts each of the circles

$$S_1 = x^2 + y^2 - 25 = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$S_2 = x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 4y - 11 = 0 \text{ at the ends of a diameter. Show that the centre of the variable circle lies on the straight line } x + 2y + 2 = 0.$$

- (17) (a) Using the identity $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$ or otherwise, determine the real constants a and b such that $\cos^6 \theta + \sin^6 \theta = a + b \cos 4\theta$.

Hence or otherwise,

- (i) Sketch the graph of $y = 8(\cos^6 x + \sin^6 x)$,

- (ii) find the general solution of the equation

$$\cos^6 x + \sin^6 x = \frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \sin 4x.$$

- (b) Solve the equation

$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x-1}{x-2} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x+1}{x+2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$