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**MAIN EXAMINATION**

**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

**(COMPUTER SCIENCE & INFORMATION SCIENCE)**

**COURSE CODE:** MAT 111

**COURSE TITLE:** GEOMETRY AND ELEMENTARY APPLIED MATHEMATICS

**DATE:** 30/4/15

**TIME:** 3.00PM-5.00PM

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### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One in and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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### QUESTION ONE (30marks)

(a). Show that the points  $A(-1, -2)$ ,  $B(4, -1)$ ,  $C(5,4)$  and  $D(0,3)$  are vertices of a Rhombus (4mks)

(b). Find the mass that must be hung  $1.7m$  to the right of a fulcrum of uniform mass bar to balance a  $69k$  mass suspended  $1m$  to the left of the fulcrum. (2mks)

(c) Find the rectangular coordinates of a point whose polar coordinates are  $(6, 135^\circ)$ . (3mks)

(d) Show that the circles  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 6y + 1 = 0$  and  $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 2y - 11 = 0$  are orthogonal. (4mks)

(e) Find the equation of circle passing through the origin with centre at  $(2, -1)$ . (3mks)

(f) Find the equation of the tangent and normal to the curve  $y = 3x^2 - 8x + 5$  at the point where  $x = 2$ . (3mks)

(g) State the three equations of linear motion (3mks)

(h) Given  $a = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $b = \begin{pmatrix} s \\ t \\ u \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $c = \begin{pmatrix} v \\ w \\ x \end{pmatrix}$ . Show that  $a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$  where  $a, b, c$  are not necessarily coplanar and state this property. (4mks)

(i) Find a polar equation for a circle whose Cartesian equation is  $x^2 + y^2 = 4x$ . (2mks)

(j) A box of mass  $8k$ , standing on a rough horizontal ground is pulled by a string inclined at  $30^\circ$  to the horizontal. If the body is about to slide and  $\mu = 0.5$ , find the tension in the string. (3mks)

### QUESTION TWO (20 MKS)

(a). Verify that the point  $(1,2)$  lies on the circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 4y - 7 = 0$  and find the equation of the tangent at this point. (3 mks)

(b) Express  $(4, -4)$  in polar coordinates. (2mks)

(c) Find the Cartesian equation for the polar equation given by  $r = a(1 + 2\cos\theta)$ . (3mks)

(d) Find the arc length of the spiral  $r = e^\theta$  between  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ . (3mks)

(e) A light rod  $AB$  rests to support one at  $A$  and one at  $B$ . The rod is in equilibrium when mass of  $5k$  and mass of  $2k$  are placed at  $0.6m$  and  $0.5m$  from ends  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. Given that the length of the rod is  $2m$ , find the reaction at the supports. (3mks)

(f) Derive the equation of motion  $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ . (3mks)

(g) Show that if you can find  $g^2 + f^2 - c \geq 0$ , then the equation  $x^2 + y^2 + 2g x + 2f y + c = 0$  represents a circle. (3mks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MKS)

(a). Determine the point of intersection and the angle between the pair of lines

$$r = i + j - 3k + \lambda(2i + j + 2k)$$

$$r = 9i + 2j + k + \mu(2i + j + 2k). \quad (5\text{mks})$$

(b). Find to the nearest tenth of a degree, the acute angle between

$$r = i + 4k + s(2i - 3j + k) \text{ and the plane } r(i + 5j - 2k) = 17. \quad (4\text{mks})$$

(c). Find the distance of the point  $P(-1,5)$  from the line  $l: x - 2y - 4 = 0$ . (4mks)

(d). The motion of an object is governed by the equation  $s = 60t - 2t^2$ , where  $t$  is the time in seconds and  $s$  is the height of the object above the ground in metres. (take  $g = 9.8\text{m/s}^2$ ).

(i). Determine its velocity after 2 seconds. (2mks)

(ii). What is the maximum height reached by the object. (3mks)

(e). Find the Cartesian equation for the plane that contains the point  $(-1,3,6)$  and is perpendicular to

the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . (2mks)

### QUESTION FOUR (20MKS)

(a) Find the equation of the common chord to the two circles  $x^2 + y^2 - 14x + 2y + 40 = 0$  and  $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 4y - 20 = 0$  and hence find the coordinates of the points of intersection of the two circles. (4mks)

(b) A block of wood is placed on a horizontal plank. The plank is tilted so that the angle of inclination increases to  $25^\circ$ . At this angle the block begins to slide down the plank. Find the coefficient of friction. (4mks)

(c) Find the area of the region  $R$  in the first quadrant within the cardioid  $r = 1 - \cos \theta$ . (4mks)

(d) Find the slope of the tangent line to the curve  $r = 4\cos \theta$  at the point where  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . (4mks)

(e) Find the stationary points of  $r = 1 + \sin \theta$  and sketch the graph showing the relative positions of these points. (4mks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MKS)**

- (a). Find the equation of the circle which passes through the points  $A(6,2)$ ,  $B(8,-2)$  and  $C(-1,1)$ . (5mks)
- (b). Show that  $(1,2)$ ,  $(4,7)$ ,  $(-6,13)$  and  $(-9,8)$  are vertices of a rectangle. (4mks)
- (c). Find the length of the tangents from the point  $(8,5)$  to the circle  $(x-2)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 16$ . (4mks)
- (d). Find the equation of the set of points  $P(x,y)$  that are equidistant from the origin  $O$  and the line  $L: x = 4$ . (4mks)
- (e). Find the polar coordinates of the point  $P$  whose rectangular coordinates are  $(-2, 2\sqrt{3})$ . (3mks)