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Level I Semester I Examination – November/December 2024

OCG 1141: Mathematics

Time: 1 hour and 30 minutes

Answer any **three (03)** questions.

Q1

(a) Solve the equation

$$\log_3 x + \log_3(x - 2) = 2.$$

for x .

[25 marks]

(b) A nutritionist wants to create a diet plan that provides at least 3000 calories but does not exceed 4500 calories per day. The diet consists of two foods: A and B. Let x be the number of servings of food A, and y be the number of servings of food B. The calories per serving are given as:

Food A: 200 calories

Food B: 150 calories

(i) Formulate a system of inequalities representing the caloric constraints. [05 marks]

(ii) Determine if the combination $x = 10$ and $y = 15$ satisfies the constraints.

[10 marks]

(c) Find the domain, co-domain and range of the function $f(x) = \frac{2x+3}{x-1}$. [20 marks]

(d) Consider the function $f(x) = 3x + 5$.

(i) Find the inverse of the function, $f^{-1}(x)$. [05 marks]

(ii) Verify that $f(f^{-1}(x)) = x$. [10 marks]

(e) Use the Cramer's rule and solve the system of equations

$$3x + 4y = 10$$

$$5x - 2y = 8$$

for x .

[25 marks]

Q2

(a)

(i) Write the formulas for $\sin(\alpha + \beta)$ and $\cos(\alpha + \beta)$. [10 marks]

(ii) Hence prove that $\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta}$. [15 marks]

(iii) Using the above formulas find $\sin 75^\circ$, $\cos 75^\circ$ and $\tan 75^\circ$. [25 marks]

(iv) Take $\beta = 2\alpha$ and using the formulas in part (i), show that [15 marks]

$$\sin 3\alpha = 3 \sin \alpha - 4 \sin^3 \alpha.$$

(b) Verify the following identities.

(i) $\frac{\sin x}{\sin 2x} + \frac{\cos x}{\cos 2x} = 2 \sin 3x \operatorname{cosec} 4x.$ [20 marks]

(ii) $\frac{\cos 2x - \cos 12x}{\sin 12x + \sin 2x} = \tan 5x.$ [15 marks]

Q3

(a) Find the following limits.

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sin(x-2)}{x^2-4}$ [20 marks]

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} \frac{2x^2-3x+1}{6x^2-5x+1}$ [15 marks]

(b) The concentration of a drug in the bloodstream $C(t)$ (in mg/L) after t hours is given by:

$$C(t) = 20 t e^{-0.5t}.$$

(i) Find $\frac{dC(t)}{dt}$. [10 marks]

(ii) Setting $\frac{dC(t)}{dt} = 0$, find the time t at which the concentration is maximized. [15 marks]

(iii) Hence, determine the maximum concentration. (Assume $e = 2.72$) [10 marks]

(c) If $y = \frac{1}{x} \sin x$, show that [30 marks]

$$x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + yx = 0.$$

Q4

(a) Using the method of integration by parts, evaluate the definite integral [25 marks]

$$\int_0^2 x e^{x^2} dx.$$

(b) Find the constants A, B and C such that,

$$\frac{2x+5}{x(x^2+1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+1}.$$

Hence evaluate $\int \frac{2x+5}{x(x^2+1)} dx$. [35 marks]

(c) A population of animals, under certain conditions, has a growth rate given by $500\pi \cos 2\pi t$, where t is the time in years. If the initial size of the herd is 3000, find the size of the population at time t . What are the maximum and minimum numbers in the herd during the course of a year? [40 marks]

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