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## AUTUMN SEMESTER 2012 PRACTICE EXAMINATION

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## Mathematical Modelling for Science

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics Bachelor of Mathematics and Finance

**Date:** Practise Examination

Time allowed: Three hours plus ten minutes reading time

All questions are to be attempted All questions are of equal value Only non-progammable calculators permitted Answer each question in a separate booklet

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Question 1. - Begin a new booklet for this question.

- (a) Let **a**, **b** and **c** be the vectors  $\mathbf{a} = (0, 3, 4)$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = (1, 0, -2)$ , and  $\mathbf{c} = (-1, 0, 3)$ .
  - (i) Evaluate  $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$
  - (ii) Find a vector parallel to **a** with length equal to 7.
  - (iii) Find a vector perpendicular to both  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  and with the same length as vector  $\mathbf{a}$ .

(6 marks)

- (b) Find a scalar number m such that the vector  $\mathbf{p} = (5, 1, 3)$  is perpendicular to the vector  $\mathbf{q} = (1, 2, m)$ . (4 marks)
- (c) Find the Cartesian equation of the plane passing through the three points (1, 0, -1), (1, 2, 1) and (1, -1, 0). (5 marks)
- (d) A line goes through the point (-1, -2, 3) and is parallel to the vector (2, 1, -1). How close to the origin does the line come? [Hint: At the closest point the direction of the line is perpendicular to the vector from the origin to the line.] (5 marks)

### Question 2. - Begin a new booklet for this question.

(a) For the complex numbers  $z_1 = 2 + 2i$  and  $z_2 = 3 - 5i$ , express each of the following complex numbers in the form a + ib, with a and b real:

(i) 
$$(z_1^2 + i)(z_2 - i)$$
  
(ii)  $\frac{z_1}{|z_2| - 2i}$  (5 marks)

(b) Express the complex number  $-2\sqrt{3}+2i$  in exponential polar form (i.e. in the form  $re^{i\theta}$ ). Hence or otherwise, express

$$(-2\sqrt{3}+2i)^{17}$$

in Cartesian form (i.e. in the form a + ib). (5 marks)

- (c) Find all fourth roots of 1 + i, and plot the solutions in the complex plane. (5 marks)
- (c) Starting from the complex identities for sine and cosine

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2i} \left( e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta} \right)$$
$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \left( e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta} \right) \quad ,$$

prove the trigonometric identity

$$\sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$$

(5 marks)

#### **Question 3.** - Begin a new booklet for this question.

- (a) Find the first derivatives of the following functions:
  - (i)  $f(x) = (5x+3)^6$

(ii) 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\ln x^2}$$

(iii)  $f(x) = \sinh^{-1}(2x)$ 

(iv)  $f(x) = \sin^3(e^{2\cos x})$ 

(4 marks)

(5 marks)

(b) To test zero-gravity devices, NASA uses aeroplanes that trace parabolic arcs, given by the equation

$$y(x) = h - \frac{1}{a}x^2$$

where h = 8000 m is the initial height of the run and  $a = 2000m^2$  is a measure of the curvature. At the point x = 100m, it is observed that the aeroplane's horizontal velocity is 100 m s<sup>-1</sup>. Compute the vertical velocity at this point. (6 marks)

(c) Show that the series

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2 e^{-2k}$$

converges.

(d) Find the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series of

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}$$

expanded about x = 0. Using the *first three* terms of this series, estimate the value of the integral

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+x} \mathrm{d}x \, dx$$

Then evaluate this integral directly and obtain a value for the error of your estimate. (5 marks)

# Question 4. - Begin a new booklet for this question.

(a) Evaluate the following indefinite integrals  
(i) 
$$\int \frac{1}{(1+5x)^4} dx$$
(ii) 
$$\int \frac{1}{2} \sinh 5x dx$$
(iii) 
$$\int e^{2x-1} dx$$
(iv) 
$$\int x^3 e^{-x^4} dx$$
(v) 
$$\int \frac{3x+2}{x^2+5x+6} dx$$
(vi) 
$$\int \frac{\sin x}{1+\cos^2 x} dx$$
(vii) 
$$\int x^2 \cos x dx$$
(viii) 
$$\int \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+3x^2}} dx$$

(8 marks)

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## (c) Evaluate the following definite integrals

(i)  

$$\int_{0}^{\pi} \sin^{2} x dx$$
(ii)  

$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{x-1}{x^{2}+2x+2} dx$$
(iii)  

$$\int_{0}^{\pi} x \sin x^{2} dx$$
(iv)  

$$\int_{1}^{2} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx$$

$$(8 \text{ marks})$$

(d) Given the definition

$$I_n = \int \cos^n x dx$$

then prove that, for n > 1,

$$I_n = \frac{1}{n} \cos^{n-1} x \sin x + \frac{n-1}{n} I_{n-2} \; .$$

 $\int \cos^4 x dx \ .$ 

Hence evaluate

(4 marks)

#### **Question 5.** - Begin a new booklet for this question.

(a) Find the general solution to the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x}y = x^2$$

Hence find the complete solution that satisifies the initial condition y = 2 when x = 1. (8 marks)

(b) Find the general solution to the following differential equations:

(i)  

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 5\frac{dy}{dx} - 6y = 0.$$
(ii)  

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 8y = 0.$$
(6 marks)

(c) A physical mass-spring system is modelled by the second-order differential equation

$$M\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2\gamma\frac{dy}{dt} + ky = 0$$

where k is the spring constant,  $\gamma$  is the damping coefficient, and M is the mass.

(i) Show that, if  $\gamma^2 < kM$ , the general solution to this system is

$$y(t) = e^{-\alpha t} \left( A \cos(\beta t) + B \sin(\beta t) \right)$$

and find expressions for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in terms of  $\gamma$ , k, and M.

- (ii) Graph the motion of the system for the initial conditions y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0.
- (iii) What is the period of the oscillation? In the limit that  $\gamma \to 0$ , what happens to the period if the mass M is doubled?

(6 marks)

### Question 6. - Begin a new booklet for this question.

- (a) Given the matrices  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  determine, where possible:
  - (i) **AB**
  - (ii)  $\mathbf{AB}^T$
  - (iii)  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$
  - (iv)  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  . (8 marks)
- (b) Write the system of equations

in matrix form. By finding the inverse, solve for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ . (8 marks)

(c) Find the inverse of the matrix

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{array}\right)$$

Hence solve the system of equations

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(4 marks)

# Table of integrals

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} = \cosh^{-1}\frac{x}{a} + C$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} = \sinh^{-1}\frac{x}{a} + C_1 = \log\left(x + \sqrt{a^2 + x^2}\right) + C_2$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{1 - x^2} = \tanh^{-1}x + C_1 = \frac{1}{2}\log\left|\frac{1 + x}{1 - x}\right| + C_2$$

$$\int \cosh x \, dx = \sinh x + C$$

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$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \sin^{-1}\frac{x}{a} + C$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{a^2 + x^2} = \frac{1}{a}\tan^{-1}\frac{x}{a} + C$$