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Examination Paper
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Duration : 2 Hours

Special Instructions :

Answer any **FOUR (4)** structured-type questions.

Materials permitted :
Non-Programmable Calculator

Materials provided :
Nil

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Instructions: This question paper consists of **SIX (6)** questions. Answer any **FOUR (4)** questions in the answer booklet provided. All questions carry equal marks.

Question 1

(a) Simplify the following expressions. Leave your answer without using negative exponents.

(i) $\left(\frac{9x^5y^{-3}}{3x^{-5}y^3}\right)^{-2}$ (3 marks)

(ii) $\frac{3x^3y^{-5}}{(3x^2y^{-3})^2}$ (3 marks)

(b) Factorize completely each of the following polynomials.

(i) $2x^2 - 3x - 5$ (3 marks)

(ii) $5x^2 - 20$ (3 marks)

(c) Simplify the expressions completely. Assume that all variables represent positive variables.

(i) $\frac{4}{x} \times \frac{6x^2}{x^5} \div \frac{3x^2y}{x^2}$ (3 marks)

(ii) $\frac{2x^2+32}{8} \times \frac{2}{x^2+16}$ (4 marks)

(d) Rationalize the denominator of the following expressions.

(i) $\frac{4}{\sqrt{3+2}}$ (3 marks)

(ii) $\frac{\sqrt{2x+4}}{2\sqrt{2x}}$ (3 marks)

Question 2

(a) Solve the following equations for x .

(i) $\sqrt{\frac{8x+43}{3}} - 1 = x$ (5 marks)

(ii) $\frac{1}{2} \left| 2x - \frac{1}{3} \right| - \frac{1}{4} = 1$ (4 marks)

(b) Solve the following inequalities.

(i) $7 \leq 4x - 1 < 15$ (3 marks)

(ii) $\left| \frac{2x-4}{5} \right| > 6$ (4 marks)

(iii) $-4 + |2(x - 2) + 3| \leq 3$ (5 marks)

(c) A piece of 42 cm long copper wire is bent into the shape of a rectangle whose length is twice its width. Find the dimensions of the rectangle.

(4 marks)

Question 3

(a) Given a function $f(x) = 8 - 2x - x^2$.

(i) State the x -intercept and y -intercept of the function. (3 marks)

(ii) State the minimum/ maximum value of the function. (3 marks)

(iii) Sketch the graph and clearly show the axis of symmetry. (4 marks)

(b) Let $f(x) = 3x^3 - 2$ and $g(x) = \frac{2x+3}{x-1}$.

Find the followings:

(i) $(f + g)(2)$ (2 marks)

(ii) $(f \cdot g)(2)$ (2 marks)

(iii) $(f \circ g)(2)$ (4 marks)

(iv) $g^{-1}(x)$ (4 marks)

- (c) By using the Factor Theorem, determine whether $(x + 1)$ is a factor of

$$f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x - 12 . \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

Question 4

- (a) A line passes through the points $(2,5)$ and $(1,4)$.

(i) Write the equation of that line. (3 marks)

(ii) Calculate the distance between these two points. (2 marks)

(iii) Find the midpoint between these two points. (2 marks)

- (b) Find the simultaneous solution of the following system.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 2y + z &= 10 \\ 2x + y + 3z &= 16 \\ x - 2y + 2z &= 5 \end{aligned} \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$

- (c) Sketch the graphical solution of the following system of inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 2y &\leq 10 \\ x - y &\leq 2 \\ x - 1 &> 0 \end{aligned} \quad (7 \text{ marks})$$

- (d) Divide $f(x) = 5x^3 - 8x^2 + 3$ by $(x - 2)$ using long division. (5 marks)

Question 5

- (a) Find the 9th term in the expansion of $(x-2y)^{13}$. (4 marks)

- (b) Expand $(3x - 2y)^5$ in descending powers of x . (6 marks)

- (c) If 5, 8 and 11 are the first three consecutive terms of an arithmetic sequence, determine the sum of the first 40 terms in this sequence.

(4 marks)

- (d) The second term of the geometric sequence is 64 and the fourth term is 36. Calculate:
- (i) The first term
 - (ii) The common ratio (6 marks)
- (e) A boy drops a ball from a height of y cm above the floor. After the first bounce, the ball reaches the height of h_1 cm which is $\frac{2}{3}y$. After the second bounce, the ball reaches the height of h_2 cm, which is $\frac{2}{3}$ of its previous height, until it stops eventually. Given $y = 270$, find the number of bounces the ball would have made when it bounces to the height of 80 cm. (5 marks)

Question 6

- (a) Solve the following equations. Give the answer up to 4 significant figures where necessary.
- (i) $4^{2x+1} = 5^{x+3}$ (4 marks)
 - (ii) $\log x + \log(x - 3) = \log 18$ (4 marks)
 - (iii) $e^{2-3x} = 39$ (4 marks)
- (b) Write each of the following expressions in one logarithm.
- (i) $2 \log_b x + \frac{1}{3} \log_b y$ (4 marks)
 - (ii) $3 \log_b x + \frac{1}{2} \log_b (y - 2) - \log_b z$ (4 marks)
- (c) Find the equation of the line that is perpendicular to the line $5x - 2y = 3$ and passing through the point $(-2, 1)$. (5 marks)

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