
University of Swaziland



Supplementary Examination — July 2015

BSc in Environmental Sciences I

Title of Paper : Calculus for Health Sciences

Course Number : EHM107

Time Allowed : Two (2) hours

Instructions:

1. This paper consists of 2 sections.
2. Answer ALL questions in Section A.
3. Answer ANY 2 questions in Section B.
4. Show all your working.

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Section A

Answer ALL Questions in this section

A.1 Evaluate

i. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \left(\frac{3x + 4}{x^2 - 4} \right)$ [2 marks]

ii. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{2 - x}{x^2 - 4} \right)$ [4 marks]

iii. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2x - 7}{x^2 + 23} \right)$ [3 marks]

A.2 a. State *limit definition* of the derivative of the function $f(x)$. [2 marks]

b. State three (3) properties of the derivative. [3 marks]

c. Use the limit definition to find $\frac{df}{dx}$ given

$$f(x) = 9 - 4x. \quad [7 \text{ marks}]$$

d. Find y' if

i. $y = 3 - 4x + 3x^2$ [2 marks]

ii. $y = 8\sqrt{x} - \frac{7}{x}$ [3 marks]

iii. $y = 10X^{\frac{2}{5}} - 6X^{-\frac{1}{3}}$ [3 marks]

iv. $y = \sin 2x - e^{-4x}$ [2 marks]

v. $y = \ln(2x - 1)$ [3 marks]

A.3 a. State the *Fundamental Theorem of Calculus*. [3 marks]

b. Integrate

i. $\int_{-3}^4 (5 + 4x^3) dx$ [5 marks]

ii. $\int \left(5\sqrt{X} + \frac{7}{X} \right) dX$ [3 marks]

iii. $\int \frac{dx}{2x - 3}$ [3 marks]

Section B

Answer ANY 2 Questions in this section

B.4 a. Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4 - \sqrt{x + 16}}{x} \quad [7 \text{ marks}]$$

b. Find the indicated derivative

i. $y = xe^{-2x}$ y' [4 marks]

ii. $y = \frac{2x}{3 - 5x}$, y' [5 marks]

iii. $y = x^3 - \frac{2}{x}$, y''' [4 marks]

iv. $y = \cos 2x$, y^{iv} [5 marks]

B.5 a. Consider the function

$$y = 4 + 3x^2 - x^3.$$

i. Find the stationary points of y and determine their nature. [10 marks]

ii. Find the intervals where y is increasing/decreasing. [3 marks]

iii. Find the intervals where y is concave up/down. [3 marks]

iv. Find the inflexion point(s) of y . [4 marks]

v. Make a sketch of the graph of y clearly showing the stationary point(s), inflexion point(s) and the y -intercept. [5 marks]

B.6 a. Evaluate

i. $\int \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 5)^3}$ [7 marks]

ii. $\int 4xe^{-2x} dx$ [9 marks]

b. The concentration of alcohol (in percentage) in the bloodstream is given by

$$P(t) = 0.4te^{-t/3}$$

where t is the number of hours after consumption. Find the

i. the time at which the concentration reaches a maximum in the blood. [5 marks]

ii. the maximum concentration. [4 marks]

B.7 a. The rate of seepage of toxic chemicals (in thousands of litres per year) from a dumping site is given by

$$R'(t) = \frac{10}{(1+t)}$$

where t is the number of years after discovering the seepage. Find the total volume of toxic chemicals that seep during the first 10 years. [6 marks]

b. Use partial fractions to integrate

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 - x - 6}$$
 [12 marks]

c. Find the area of the region enclosed by the curves

$$y = x^2, y = x + 12.$$

[7 marks]
