
UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FINAL EXAMINATION, 2015/2016

B.Sc. II, B.Ed II

Title of Paper : Mathematics for Scientists

Course Number : M215

Time Allowed : Three (3) Hours

Instructions

1. This paper consists of TWO (2) Sections:

a. SECTION A (40 MARKS)

– Answer **ALL** questions in Section A.

b. SECTION B

– There are FIVE (5) questions in Section B.

– Each question in Section B is worth 20 Marks.

– Answer **ANY THREE (3)** questions in Section B.

– If you answer more than three (3) questions in Section B, **only the first three questions answered in Section B will be marked.**

2. Show all your working.

Special Requirements: None

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SECTION A [40 Marks]: Answer ALL Questions

- A1. Find the angle between $\bar{u} = (1, -2, 4)$ and $\bar{v} = (1, 2, 4)$. (4)
- A2. State
- (a) Mean value theorem,
 - (b) L'Hospital's rule,
 - (c) Maclaurin's formula. (3,2,3)
- A3. Find the partial derivatives of $f(x, y) = x^2y^5$ at $p(-1, 2)$. (3)
- A4. State the equality of mixed derivatives theorem. (2)
- A5. For the function $f(x, y, z) = xy + z^2 + x + y$, find
- (a) gradient,
 - (b) stationary points, (2,2)
- A6. Describe Lagrange's method for optimization problems: minimize $f(x)$, subject to $h(x) = 0$. (4)
- A7. Compute the volume under the graph of $z = f(x, y) = x + 4y$ over the region $0 < x < 2$, $1 < y < 2$. (5)
- A8. Consider a double integral $\int \int_D f(x, y) dx dy$. What transformations should be done to pass to polar coordinates? (3)
- A9. Give definitions and examples of
- (a) ODE with homogeneous coefficients,
 - (b) exact ODE.
 - (c) characteristic (auxiliary) equation
for linear ODE with constant coefficients (2,2,3)

SECTION B: Answer Any THREE Questions

QUESTION B1 [20 Marks]

- B1. (a) Does the point $R(1, 2)$ lie on the line through $P(0, 2)$ and $Q(3, 4)$? (5)
- (b) Use vector product to find a unit vector perpendicular to the vectors $\bar{a} = (1, -3, 2)$ and $\bar{b} = (2, -1, 3)$. (5)
- (c) Find the volume of parallelepiped spanned by the directed segments \overline{OA} , \overline{OB} and \overline{OC} , if the coordinates of A, B and C are $(1, 0, 0)$, $(1, 1, 0)$ and $(0, 0, 4)$ respectively. (5)
- (d) If $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 9}$, find all numbers in the interval $(0, 4)$ for which the mean value theorem is satisfied. (5)

QUESTION B2 [20 Marks]

B2. (a) Evaluate

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{x^3},$

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x e^{\frac{1}{x}}.$ (4,4)

(b) (i) Use the quadratic approximation to compute $\sqrt{1+x}$ for small $|x|$ and estimate the error,

(ii) In particular compute $\sqrt{1.02}.$ (4,3)

(c) Find the third Taylor's polynomial of $f(x) = 1 + x^2 + 2x^3$ about $x_0 = 1.$ (5)

QUESTION B3 [20 Marks]

B3. (a) Apply the chain rule to evaluate f'_u and f'_v if $f(x, y) = \exp(xy), x = u^2, y = uv.$ (6)

(b) If $f(u, v, w) = u^2 - w^2,$ what is $df?$ (3)

(c) Find and classify all stationary points of $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3x - 3y.$ (6)

(d) Maximize $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2,$ subject to $2x + y = 5.$ (5)

QUESTION B4 [20 Marks]

B4. (a) Evaluate the volume of the solid below the surface $z = x^2 + 2y$ and over the region $R,$ where $R = \{(x, y) : 0 < x < 2, x^2 < y < 2x\}.$ (7)

(b) Compute $\int \int_R (x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} dx dy$ in polar coordinates if R is the region in the first quadrant bounded by the circles $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 4,$ and the coordinate axes. (5)

(c) Evaluate $\int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_{2x-y}^{2x+y} z dz dy dx.$ (8)

QUESTION B5 [20 Marks]

B5. (a) Solve IVP $2ydx = 3xdy,$ when $x = -2, y = 1.$ (5)

(b) Solve ODE with homogeneous coefficients $3(3x^2 + y^2)dx - 2xydy = 0$ (5)

(c) Test the equation $(x + y)dx + (x - y)dy = 0$ for exactness and solve it. (5)

(d) Solve $4y''' + 4y'' + y' = 0.$ (5)

END OF EXAMINATION PAPER