



Machakos University College

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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2012/2013

SCHOOL OF COMPUTING AND APPLIED SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

SCO 111: DIFFERENTIAL CALCULUS FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE

DATE: Monday, 7th April, 2014

TIME: 8.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question **ONE** which is compulsory and any other **TWO**

Question 1

- (a) Given $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$ and $g(x) = \frac{x}{1-x}$. Determine $(f \cdot g)^{-1}$ (6 marks)
- (b) What dimensions of one litre oil circular cylinder can would minimize the material used to make it. (6 marks)
- (c) State L' Hopital's rule
Use the L' Hopital's rule to evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sin x}{x+x-1}$ (6 marks)
- (d) A point is moving on the graph of $y^3 = x^2$. When the point is at $(-8, 4)$ its y coordinate is decreasing at 3 units per sec. How fast is the x coordinate changing? (6 marks)
- (e) Find $\frac{dy}{dt}$ given $y = \frac{2te^t}{\cos 2t}$ (6 marks)

Question 2

- (a) (i) Given that $x^2 \sin \theta - 3x^2 = \sec \theta$ Determine the value of $\frac{dx}{d\theta}$ when $\theta = \pi$
- (ii) If $y = 3e^{2x} \cos(2x - 3)$, verify that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 8y = 0$ (12 marks)
- (b) (i) Given $y = x^2 \cos 3x \ln 2x$

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(ii) Find the inflection point of $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x + 1$ (8 marks)

Question 3

(a) If $x^2 + 2xy - y^2 = 16$ show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y+x}{y-x}$ (6 marks)

(b) (i) Determine the gradient function of the curve $x^2 + 2xy - 2y^2 + x = 2$. Hence determine the gradient of the curve at $(-4, 1)$ (6 marks)

(c) Differentiate the following functions

(i) $\ln(2t^2 + 1)$

(ii) $e^{2x}(3\sinh 3x + 2\cosh 3x)$ with respect to x . (8 marks)

Question 4

(a) Determine the values of the gradients of the tangents drawn to the circle

$x^2 + y^2 - 3x + 4y + 1 = 0$ at $x = 1$ correct to 4s.f. (8 marks)

(b) The equation of a normal to a curve at point (x_1, y_1) is given by $y - y_1 = \frac{-1}{\frac{dy_1}{dx_1}}(x - x_1)$

Determine the equation of the asteroid $x = a \cos^3 \theta, y = a \sin^3 \theta$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ (12 marks)

Question 5

(a) Investigate the critical points on the curve

$y = x^2 e^{-x}$ (6 marks)

(b) Given that $y = x^2 e^x$

Prove that $y_n = e^x [x^2 + 2nx + n(n-1)] \forall n > 0$ (8 marks)

(c) Given $z = f(x, y)$ and $z = x \cos(x + y)$ show that $\frac{d^2z}{dx dy} = \frac{d^2z}{dy dx}$ (6 marks)



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SMA 104: CALCULUS 1

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Question 1

(a) Given $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$ and $g(x) = \frac{x}{1-x}$. Determine $(f \cdot g)^{-1}$ (6 marks)

(b) (i) At what points is the function continuous

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2+x-6}{x^2-4} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

(c) Obtain and classify the stationary points of $y = x^2e^x$ (6 marks)

(i) Evaluate the limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2+x-2}{x^2-x} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

(d) Determine the dimensions for which the total surface area of the cube having a volume of 32m^3 is minimum. (4 marks)

- (e) A point is moving on the graph of $y^3 = x^2$. When the point is at $(-8, 4)$ its y coordinate is decreasing at 2 units per sec. How fast is the x coordinate changing?
(6 marks)

Question 2

- (a) (i) Given that $x^2 \sin \theta - 3x^2 = \sec \theta$ Determine the value of $\frac{dx}{d\theta}$ when $\theta = \pi$
- (ii) If $y = 3e^{2x} \cos(2x - 3)$, verify that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 8y = 0$ (12 marks)
- (b) (i) Given $y = x^2 \cos 3x$ in $2x$
- Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$
- (ii) Find the inflection point of $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x + 1$ (8 marks)

Question 3

- (a) Given $z = f(x, y)$ and $z = x \cos(x + y)$ show that $\frac{d^2z}{dx dy} = \frac{d^2z}{dy dx}$
- (b) Determine the gradient function of the curve $x^2 + 2xy - 2y^2 + x = 2$ Hence determine the gradient of the curve at $(-4, 1)$ (6 marks)
- (c) Differentiate $y = 3e^{\tan x}$ (4 marks)

Question 4

- (a) Determine the stationary points on the surface $z = (x^2 + y^2)^2 - 2(x^2 - y^2)$ and state their nature. (10 marks)
- (b) Given the Hyperbola $x = 2.3 \sec \theta$ and $y = 3.4 \tan \theta$ find:
- (i) $\frac{dy}{dx}$ (ii) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $\theta = 1$ radian. (10 marks)

Question 5

(a) Investigate the critical points on the curve

(i) $y = x^2 e^{-x}$

(ii) Given that $y = x^2 e^x$

Prove that $y_n = e^x [x^2 + 2nx + n(n - 1)] \forall n > 0$ (10 marks)

(b) The pressure (P) Volume (V) and temperature (T) of unit mass of gas are related by the formula $PV=RT$ where R is a constant. Show that;

(i) $dp = \frac{P}{T} dT - \frac{P}{V} dv$

(ii) $dT = \frac{T}{V} dV + \frac{T}{p} dp$ (6 marks)

(c) The pressure P and Volume V of a gas are related by the equation $PV^{1.4}=C$

Estimate the percentage change In C when the pressure is increased by 2.3% and volume decreased by 0.84%. (4 marks)