



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF EDUCATION  
(ARTS)

SMA 103: ANALYTICAL GEOMETRY

## *INSTRUCTIONS*

**ATTEMPT QUESTION ONE AND ANY TWO QUESTIONS**

### **QUESTION ONE 30 MARKS**

- Convert the Cartesian coordinates of the point  $(-4, 3)$  into Polar coordinates (4 marks)
- Prove that  $\frac{1+\cot\theta}{1+\tan\theta} = \cot\theta$  (4 marks)
- Find the distance between the points  $(2, 1)$  and  $(-3, 8)$ . (2 marks)
- Find the gradient of the line passing through the points  $(3, 7)$  and  $(-1, 23)$  (3 marks)
- Find the distance from point P(-2, -3) to the line  $8x + 15y - 24 = 0$ . (4 marks)
- Determine the radius and the coordinates of the circle given by the equation  
$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x - 2y + 8 = 0$$
 (5 marks)
- Derive the equation of the parabola with its vertex at (3, 2) and its focus at (5, 2). (3 marks)

- h) Find the focus, the equation of the directrix, the length of the latus rectum for the parabola (5 marks)

### QUESTION TWO

- a) Find the general and normal equations to the line through points (2,5) and (3,7) (8 marks)

- b) Determine the equation of the hyperbola whose eccentricity is  $\frac{3}{2}$  and the foci are  $f'(-2,0)$  and  $f(2,0)$  (4 marks)

- c) Prove that  $\sqrt{\frac{1-\sin x}{1+\sin x}} = \sec x - \tan x$  (6 marks)

- d) A triangle ABC has sides  $a = 9.0\text{cm}$ ,  $b = 7.5\text{cm}$  and  $c = 6.5\text{cm}$ . Determine its three angles and its area (2 marks)

### QUESTION THREE

- a) Find the directrix, eccentricity & foci of the ellipse  $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36$ . Hence sketch a graph (8 marks)

- b) Solve the equation in the range  $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 360^\circ$  (6 marks)

$$\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = -1$$

- c) Solve  $6\cos^2\theta + 5\cos\theta - 6 = 0$  for values of  $\theta$  in the range  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$  (6 marks)

#### QUESTION FOUR

- a) Find the coordinate of the foci, the eccentricity, the length of the latus rectum and the direction of the hyperbola

$$\frac{x^2}{36} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1 \quad (8 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Sketch the circle given by the equation  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 6y - 3 = 0$  (6 marks)

- c) Prove that  $\frac{\tan x + \sec x}{\sec x(1 + \tan x / \sec x)} = 1$  (6 marks)

#### QUESTION FIVE

- a) Find the angle between the lines  $y = 2x + 5$  and  $y = 12x - 1$  (4 marks)

- b) Find the focus, the Centre, the eccentricity and diretrix of the ellipse whose equation

is  $x^2 + 4y^2 + 4x - 24y + 24 = 0$  (8 marks)

- c) Find the normal equation of the line with  $p = 6$  and  $w = 30^\circ$  (3 marks)

- d) A circle has the equation  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 10y = 8$ . Find the equation of the tangent and the normal at (3, 1). (5 marks)