



UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS 2011/2012

FIRST-YEAR EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING

FEE 122: ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
FME 172: MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

PURE MATHEMATICS B

DATE: MAY 24, 2012

TIME: 8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M.

QUESTION ONE – COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

- (a) Evaluate the following definite integrals using the fundamental theorem of calculus.

(i) $\int_1^2 \frac{2x \ln(x^2 + 4)}{x^2 + 4} dx$ (2 Marks)

(ii) $\int_0^1 e^{4x} \sin 3x dx$ (2 Marks)

(iii) $\int_0^1 \frac{3^x dx}{\sqrt{25 - 9^x}}$ (2 Marks)

- (b) Find the intervals of convexity and the points of inflection for $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^2} (x - 5)$ (3 Marks)

(c) Show that $\int \frac{dx}{(1+x)^{1/2} (1-x)^{3/2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} + c$. (3 Marks)

- (d) Compute the area of the region bounded by the curves: $y^2 = x$; $y \geq 0$; $x = 1$ and $x = 4$. (4 Marks)

(e) Verify the formula for the volume of a cone of radius r and height h . (3 Marks)

(f) Find the arc length of the parabola $y = x^2/2$ between the points $O(0, 0)$ and $A(\sqrt{3}, 3/2)$. (4 Marks)

(g) Find the shortest distance from the point $P(1, 0)$ to the parabola $x = y^2$. (4 Marks)

(h) Among all pairs of positive real numbers U and V whose sum is 10, which give the greatest product UV ? (3 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

(a) An open box is to be constructed with a square base and is required to have a volume of 48 cubic inches. The bottom of the box costs 3 cents per square inch, whereas the side costs 2 cents per square inch. Find the dimensions that will minimize the cost of the box. (6 Marks)

(b) Given $f(x) = x - 1/x$, find the intervals of monotonicity, extrema, intervals of convexity, points of inflection, asymptotes if any and sketch the graph of $f(x)$. (10 Marks)

(c) Find the function $f(x)$ such that $f'(x)$ is a constant, $f(0) = f'(0)$ and $f(2) = f'(2)$. (4 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

(a) Evaluate the following integrals:

(i) $\int 3^{5x^2} \cdot x \, dx$ (3 Marks)

(ii) $\int \frac{x \, dx}{(x-1)(x+1)^2}$ (4 Marks)

(iii) $\int \frac{dx}{\sin x}$ (3 Marks)

- (b) Express the function $f(x) = \frac{x^4 + x}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$ in the form $P(x) + \frac{R(x)}{Q(x)}$, where the degree of $R(x)$ is less than that of $Q(x)$. Hence evaluate

$$\int \frac{x^4 + x}{x^2 - 3x + 2} dx$$

(6 Marks)

- (c) Find the equation of the curve passing through the point $(2, 3)$ and having slope $3x^2 - 2x + 5$ at each point (x, y) .

(4 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) Find the area of the region bounded by the parabola $y = x^2 - 1$ and $y = -(x^2 - 1)$
- (3 Marks)
- (b) Find the area enclosed by one loop of $r = \sin 4\theta$.
- (5 Marks)
- (c) The part of the circle $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$ in the first quadrant is rotated about the x-axis. Find the area of the resulting surface of revolution.
- (6 Marks)
- (d) Two bodies move from the same point along a straight line. The first body moves with velocity $v = (3t^2 - 6t)$ m/s, the second with velocity $v = (10t + 20)$ m/s. At what instant and at what distance from the initial point will they meet?
- (6 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Find the volume of the solid formed by the rotation of the circle $x^2 + (y - b)^2 = a^2$ ($b \geq a$) about the x-axis.
- (6 Marks)

- (b) Find the length of the curve given by parametric equations:

$$\begin{cases} x = a(2 \cos t - \cos 2t) \\ y = a(2 \sin t - \sin 2t) \end{cases} \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

(6 Marks)

- (c) Consider the region R bounded above by the parabola $y = x^2$, below the x-axis and lying between $x = 0$ and $x = 1$.

Find the volume of the solid obtained by revolving R about;

- (i) Horizontal line $y = -1$
- (ii) Vertical line $x = -2$

(8 Marks)
