



## MURANG'A UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

(A Constituent College of Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture & Technology)

University Examination

School of Pure And Applied Sciences

End of Semester Examination

Bridging Certificate In Mathematics

### SMB 0103: CALCULUS

DATE: 20<sup>th</sup> MAY 2015

TIME: 2Hours

#### INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

#### QUESTION ONE (30mks Compulsory)

- a) Use the first principles to find the derivative of  $y = x^4$  (5mks)
- b) Evaluate  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  given that  $y = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$  (6mks)
- (c) A particle moves on straight line with velocity  $v = 9t^2 - 20t$ . Determine an expression for the accelerate in terms of t. give the distance covered by the particle over the times when  $t = 6$  and  $t = 3$  (4mks)
- d) Find the equation of the normal to the curve described by the equation  $y = x^4 - 3x^2 + 2x$  at the point where  $x = 2$  (4mks)
- e) Evaluate
- i)  $\int_1^2 \left(x + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) dx$
- ii)  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , given that  $y = (x^2-1)\sqrt{x}$
- (f) Find the area bounded by the curve  $y = 4x^3 + 1$  between  $x = 2$  and  $x = 4$  using the trapezium rule with intervals of 0.5 of a unit. Also compute the same area using the method of direct integration and find the percentage error in using trapezium rule instead of the integration method (5mks)

#### QUESTION TWO (20MKS)

- (a) Evaluate the following

i)  $\int_1^5 (x + 4)^2 dx$  (4mks)

ii)  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  given that  $y = \frac{(x^2+8x)}{(x+1)}$

iii)  $\int(2 + x)dx$

(b) A rectangular block, with a square base of side  $x$  mm , has a total surface area of  $150 \text{ mm}^2$ . Show that the volume of the block is given by;

$$V = \frac{1}{2}(75x - x^3) \text{mm}^3$$

and hence find the maximum volume of the block. (10mks)

### QUESTION THREE (20MKS)

(a) find the turning points of  $y = 2x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - x + 4$ . Distinguish between them and the value of  $y$  at each turning point. (10mks)

(b) An object moves along a straight line in such a way that its distance from a fixed-point  $O$

on the line after  $t$  seconds is  $S$  meters, where  $S = \frac{1}{6}t^4$  find;

I) Its velocity after 3 seconds and after 4 seconds (2mks)

II) Its average velocity during the 4<sup>th</sup> second (3mks)

III) Its acceleration after 2 seconds and after 4 seconds (2mks)

IV) Its average acceleration from  $t = 0$  to  $t = 4$  (3mks)

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MKS )

(a) Approximate the area under the curve described by the equation  $y = x^3 + 9$  and the  $x - \text{axis}$  from the points where  $x = 1$  up to where  $x = 6$  using the Simpson's rule with ten strips.

(10 Mks)

(b) Approximate the area enclosed by the curve ;  $y = x^3 - 2x^2 - 8x$  and the  $x$ -axis

(10mks)