



**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS: 2014/2015**  
**ORDINARY EXAMINATION FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**  
**IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**  
**BIT 1110 MATHEMATICS FOR SCIENCE**

**DATE: APRIL, 2015**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO**

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**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) i) Differentiate clearly *Rational* and *Irrational* numbers (2 marks)  
ii). State whether the number  $5+\sqrt{7}$  is rational or irrational. Justify your answer. (2 marks)
- b) Express in standard form and rationalize  $\frac{1+\cos 3\theta}{1-\cos 3\theta}$  (4 mark)
- c) Simplify  $\frac{36a^2b \times 9ab^2}{9a^2b}$  (3 marks)
- d) Solve the equation  $\log(x+2)+2\log 9=3$  (3 marks)
- e) Use series to express the repeated decimal into a fraction  $7\overline{56}$  (5 marks)
- f) If  $f(x)=ax^4+bx^3-x^2+2x+3$  has a remainder 11 when divided by  $(x-2)$  and has a  
a  
Remainder 2 when divided by  $(x+1)$ . Find the values of a and b (6 marks)
- g) The roots of the equation  $2x^2+10x-5=0$  are  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Find an equation whose roots are  $\frac{4}{\alpha}$  and  $\frac{4}{\beta}$ . (5 marks)

## QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) i) State the remainder theorem and factor theorem (2 marks)
- ii. Given that  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 11x^2 - 19x - 5$ . Find the remainder when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $(x+1)$ , using long division. Is  $(x+1)$  a factor of  $f(x)$ ? (5 marks)
- ii) Solve the equation  $3x^3 - 11x^2 - 19x - 5 = 0$  (5 marks)
- b) Given the function  $f(x) = 5x^2 - 12x + 25$
- i) Express  $f(x)$  in standard form (5 marks)
- ii) State the minimum value, vertex, and line of symmetry of  $f(x)$  (3 marks)

## QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) i) State the difference between a sequence and a series (2 marks)
- ii) The 12<sup>th</sup> term of an arithmetic progression is 32 and the 5<sup>th</sup> term is 18. Find the 30<sup>th</sup> term and the sum of the first 30 terms. (6 marks)
- b) John was recently employed by a company with annual salary of Ksh 20,000. Salary scheme entails an annual salary increase of Ksh. 5,000 at the end of each year of service. Find
- i) The salary earned by John during his 40<sup>th</sup> year (3 marks)
- ii) The total salary earned by John during 40 years of employment. (4 marks)
- c) The roots of the equation  $x^2 - 12x - 8 = 0$  are  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Find the values of  $\alpha^2 - 5$  and  $\beta^2 - 5$ . (5 marks)

## QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) i) Define permutation and combinations of  $r$  objects from  $n$  objects (2 marks)
- ii) In how many ways can the five letters word be formed from the letters of the word BESIOGU? (3 marks)
- iii) In how many ways can a customer at the super market select 3 different types of soda from 30 available types, and 10 different packets of biscuits from 12 different available packets? (3 marks)
- b) Find the binomial expansion for  $(1+x)^{1/2}$  up to and including  $x^3$ . By substituting 0.08 for  $x$  in  $(1+x)^{1/2}$  and its expansion, find  $\sqrt{3}$  correct to 4 decimal place. (6 marks)

- c) Solve the equation for values of  $\theta$  from  $0^\circ$  to  $360^\circ$  inclusive  
 $4\cot^2\theta + 39 = 24\csc\theta$  (6 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Eliminate  $\theta$  from the following equations  
 $x = a\sec\theta, y = b\tan\theta$  (4 marks)
- b) If  $\sin A = \frac{3}{5}, \sin B = \frac{5}{13}$ , where A and B are acute angles, find the value of  $\cos(A+B)$   
without using tables or calculator. (5 marks)
- c) Prove that  $\cos 3A = 4\cos^3 A - 3\cos A$  (5 marks)
- d)  $\log x - 4\log 5 + 3 = 0$  (6 marks)