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C-1 MATHEMATICS

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Although programmable calculators may be used, candidates must show all formulae used, the substitution of values into them, and any intermediate values to 2 more significant figures than warranted for the answer. Otherwise, full marks may not be awarded even though the answer is numerically correct.

Note: This examination consists of ten questions on one page.

Marks

Q. No

Time: 3 hours

Value Earned

1.	a) In three-dimensional Cartesian coordinates, what is the equation of a triaxial ellipsoid with semi-axes a, b and c?	5	
	b) In three-dimensional spherical polar coordinates, what is the equation of a unit sphere?	5	
2.	a) Given (x_0, y_0) on a unit circle centered at the origin of a two-dimensional Cartesian system, what is the equation of a tangent line at (x_0, y_0) ?	5	
	b) What is the curvature at (x_0, y_0) on a unit circle centered at the origin of a two-dimensional Cartesian system?	5	
3.	a) For the quadratic equation $x^2 + x + 1$, what are its roots explicitly?	5	
	b) The cubic equation $x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$ obviously has $x = -1$ as a root, what are the others?	5	
4.	a) What is the total derivative $df(x, y, z)$ for $f(x, y, z) = e^x \sin y \cos z$?	5	
	b) For Cartesian coordinates, what is the gradient $\nabla f(x, y, z)$ for the same $f(x, y, z) = e^x \sin y \cos z$?	5	
5.	a) Given a small rectangular matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$, what are $A^T A$ and AA^T ?	5	
	b) What are the determinants of the previous $A^T A$ and AA^T ?	5	
6.	a) A general complex number z has Cartesian and polar representations, what are they in the complex plane?	5	
	b) For a general complex number z in the complex plane, what are its magnitude and its natural logarithm $\log z$?	5	
7.	a) What is the inverse function of $f(x) = e^{3x+1}$?	5	
	b) What are the first three terms in the series expansion of $f(x) = e^{3x+1}$ about $x = 1$?	5	
8.	a) Given the linear equations $x + y + z = 5$, $x - y - z = 1$, $x + 2y + 3z = 8$, what are x , y and z by Gaussian elimination?	5	
	b) For the previous linear equations, verify the obtained x , y and z by Cramer's rule.	5	
9.	a) Set up a simple ordinary differential equation for $f(x) = e^{\sin x}$?	5	
	b) Set up a simple partial differential equation for $f(x, y) = e^{\sin x \cos y}$?	5	
10.	The solution for the area of a spherical triangle given its interior angles is a simple function of the so-called spherical excess. Explain with examples.	10	
Total Marks:		100	