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AND ENGINEERING SCIENCE I  
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THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

**DIPLOMA IN AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING  
(AIRFRAMES AND ENGINES OPTION)  
(AVIONICS OPTION)**

**MODULE I**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*You should have the following for this examination:*

*Answer booklet;*

*Non-programmable Scientific calculator/ mathematical tables.*

*This paper consists of TWO sections; A and B.*

*Answer any THREE questions from section A and any TWO questions from section B.*

*All questions carry equal marks.*

*Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown.*

*Candidates should answer the questions in English.*

**This paper consists of 5 printed pages.**

**Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**



## SECTION A: ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS

Answer any **THREE** questions from this section.

1. (a) A bucket in the shape of a frustum of a cone has a height of 24 cm. If the top and bottom radii are 36 cm and 20 cm respectively, determine the capacity of the bucket in litres. (8 marks)

- (b) Given the complex numbers  
 $Z_1 = 2 + j3$ ,  $Z_2 = 5 - j$  and  $Z_3 = j8$ ,

determine, giving the answer in the form  $a + bj$

(i)  $Z_3(Z_1 - Z_2)$

(ii)  $\sqrt[3]{Z_3}$

(8 marks)

- (c) Convert the polar equation  $r = \frac{2}{1 - \cos\theta}$  to Cartesian. (4 marks)

2. (a) Given that  $\log 2_{10} = a$ ,  $\log 3_{10} = b$ , show that

$$\log_5 48 = \frac{4a + b}{1 - a}$$

(5 marks)

- (b) Solve the equations:

$$27^{4x-1} = 3(9^{3x+1})$$

(5 marks)

- (c) Three forces  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  and  $F_3$  in newtons act on a shaft such that they satisfy the simultaneous equations:

$$F_1 + F_2 = 5$$

$$F_1 + 3F_2 + 2F_3 = 1$$

$$2F_1 - F_2 + F_3 = 20$$

Use substitution method to solve the equations.

(10 marks)

3. (a) Given that  $y = \frac{1}{x+1}$ , determine  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  from first principles. (5 marks)

- (b) A curve is defined parametrically by the equations;

$$x = 9 \cos \theta, y = 4 \sin \theta$$

Determine the gradient of the curve at point where  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ , correct to three decimal places.

(5 marks)



- (c) Evaluate the integral:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} x \cos x \, dx$$

Correct to two decimal places.

(4 marks)

- (d) Determine the x – ordinate of the centroid of the region bounded by x - axis, y - axis and the curve.  
 $y = 4 - x^2$  in the first quadrant.

(6 marks)

4. (a) Shows that

$${}^xP_2 \times {}^xC_1 = x^2(x-1)$$

(3 marks)

- (b) (i) Use binomial theorem to expand  $\frac{2x+1}{x+1}$  upto the term in  $x^3$ .  
(ii) By setting  $x = 0.1$  in the result in (i) evaluate  
 $\frac{12}{11}$  correct to three decimal places.

(7 marks)

- (c) Given that  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2x-1}$ , find  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

(4 marks)

- (d) (i) Express  $\cosh^{-1} x$  in logarithmic form  
(ii) Express  $\cosh^{-1} 56$  correct to four decimal places.

(6 marks)

5. (a) Prove the identities:

(i)  $\sin 4\theta = 4 \sin \theta \cos^3 \theta - 4 \cos \theta \sin^3 \theta;$

(ii)  $\frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \sin \theta} = \sec \theta - \tan \theta$

(7 marks)

- (b) (i) Given that  $4 \cos \theta + \sin \theta = R \sin (\theta + \alpha)$   
where  $R > 0$  and  $0^\circ \leq \alpha < 90^\circ$ , determine the values of  $R$  and  $\alpha$ .

- (ii) Hence solve the equation;

$$4 \cos \theta + \sin \theta = 2$$

for values of  $\theta$  between  $0^\circ$  and  $360^\circ$  inclusive.

(7 marks)

- (c) Solve the equation:

$$\cosh^2 \theta + 3 \sinh \theta - 3 = 0.$$

(6 marks)



## SECTION B: ENGINEERING SCIENCE

Answer any **TWO** questions from this section.

6. (a) A force of 380 N parallel to an inclined plane is needed to move a body of mass 56 kg up the plane. Calculate the co-efficient of friction between the body and the plane if the plane is inclined at  $15^\circ$  to the horizontal.  
(Take  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ ) (5 marks)
- (b) (i) Define each of the following terms;  
(I) mechanical advantage;  
(II) velocity ratio
- (ii) The efficiency of a simple machine is 75%. If a load of 2.4 kN is raised by an effort of 400 N, determine the velocity ratio. (6 marks)
- (c) A sound wave travels at 330 m/s in air. If its frequency is 1000 Hz, determine its:  
(i) Period;  
(ii) Wavelength. (4 marks)
- (d) A body of mass 0.05 kg is thrown vertically upwards at an initial speed of 39.2 m/s. Determine for a time period of 4 seconds the:  
(i) height;  
(ii) potential energy.  
(Take  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ ) (5 marks)
7. (a) Figure 1 shows a uniform beam of length 10 m and mass 40 kg supported at the ends A and B. If it carries three loads as shown, determine the:  
(i) total downward force acting on the beam;  
(ii) reaction at each end;  $R_A$  and  $R_B$   
(Take  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ )

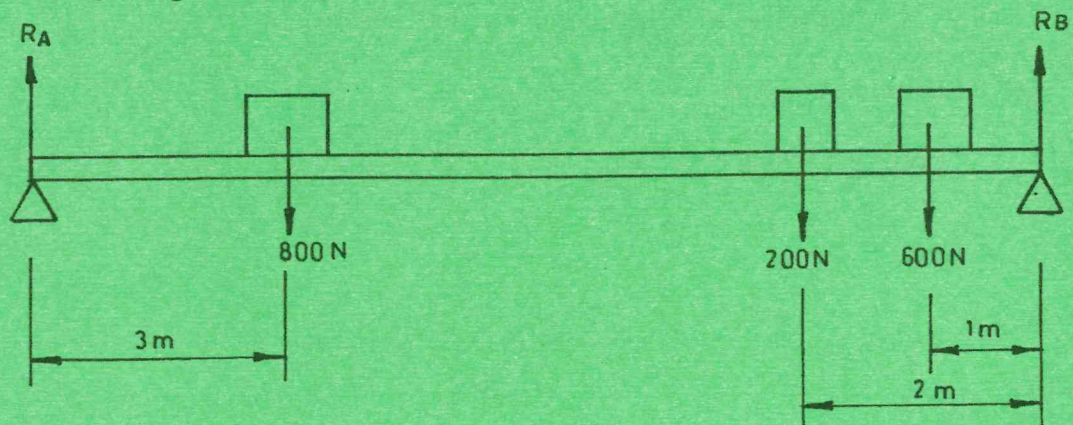


Fig.1



- (b) (i) State the:
- (I) Archimede's principle;
  - (II) law of floatation
- (ii) A piece of plastic material floats in oil of relative density 0.8, with  $\frac{2}{3}$  of its volume submerged. Calculate the density of the material. (5 marks)
- (c) (i) Differentiate between an aneroid barometer and an altimeter.
- (ii) A U-tube manometer contains mercury of density  $13600 \text{ kg/m}^3$ . If the difference between mercury levels is  $120 \text{ mm}$ , calculate the absolute pressure.  
(Take  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ , and atmospheric pressure =  $100 \text{ kPa}$ ) (7 marks)
8. (a) (i) Write down the structure of:
- (I) Propane;
  - (II) ethyne;
  - (III) ethene.
- (ii) The molecular formula of Hexane is  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ . Determine its:
- (I) empirical formula;
  - (II) molecular mass  
(Take  $\text{C} = 12$ ,  $\text{H} = 1$ ) (7 marks)
- (b) (i) An atom of potassium has an atomic number 19 and mass number 40. Determine its number of:
- (I) protons;
  - (II) electrons;
  - (III) neutrons
- (ii) Name the substances produced during the reaction between water and sodium. (5 marks)
- (c) A sample of gas occupies a volume of  $2.4 \text{ dm}^3$  at  $27^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate its volume when its temperature is raised to  $177^\circ\text{C}$  at a constant pressure. (3 marks)
- (d) A spherical vessel has a diameter  $1.5 \text{ M}$  and contains carbon-dioxide at a temperature of  $-10^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate the mass of carbon-dioxide in the vessel if the pressure is  $100 \text{ kPa}$ .  
(Take the characteristics gas constant of carbon-dioxide as  $184 \text{ J/KgK}$ ). (5 marks)

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