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**ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS I**  
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**Time: 3 hours**



**THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL**

**DIPLOMA IN ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING**  
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**MODULE I**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*You should have the following for this examination:*

*Answer booklet;*

*Drawing instruments;*

*Mathematical tables/Non-programmable scientific calculator.*

*This paper consists **EIGHT** questions.*

*Answer any **FIVE** questions.*

*All questions carry equal marks.*

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

*Candidates should answer the questions in **English**.*

**This paper consists of 4 printed pages.**

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

1. (a) Solve the equations:

(i)  $9 \times 27^{2x+1} = 81^{x-1}$

(ii)  $7^{3x-1} = 4(10^{x+2})$  (10 marks)

(b) Solve the equations:

(i)  $\log_2(x+1) - \log_2 x = \log_2(x-1)$

(ii)  $3 \log_2 x + \log_x 64 = 11$  (10 marks)

2. (a) Three electric charges  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  in coulombs in a d.c circuit satisfy the simultaneous equations:

$$3Q_1 - 2Q_2 + Q_3 = -1$$

$$Q_1 + Q_2 + 2Q_3 = 8$$

$$2Q_1 + 3Q_2 - 4Q_3 = 12$$

Use elimination method to solve the equations. (12 marks)

(b) Solve the equation:

$$4^{2x} - 6(4^x) + 8 = 0$$
 (8 marks)

3. (a) Prove the identities:

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

(ii)  $\cos(x + 90^\circ) + \cos(x - 90^\circ) = -2 \sin x$  (9 marks)

(b) Solve the equation:

$$6 \cos^2 \theta + \sin \theta - 5 = 0 \text{ for } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$$
 (11 marks)

4. (a) Given that  $f(x) = \frac{3x+5}{5x-7}$ , determine:

(i)  $f^{-1}(x)$

(ii)  $f^{-1}(2)$  (6 marks)

(b) Solve the equation:

$$x = \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 720^\circ \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

(c) Solve the equations:

(i)  $\cosh x + 2 \sinh x = 0$

(ii)  $\sinh^2 x - \sinh x - 2 = 0$

(10 marks)

5. (a) Given the complex numbers  $z_1 = 5 + j2$ ,  $z_2 = 3 - j4$  and  $z_3 = 1 + j2$ , determine in the form  $a + jb$ :

(i)  $2z_1 + z_2 - z_3$

(ii)  $\frac{z_1 + z_3}{z_2 - z_1}$

(8 marks)

(b) (i) Show that  $z = 2$  is a root of the equation  $z^3 - 2z^2 + z - 2 = 0$ .

(ii) Hence solve the equation for the other roots.

(8 marks)

(c) Convert the equation  $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$  to polar form giving the answer in the form  $r = f(\theta)$   
(4 marks)

6. (a) Determine the number of six digit codes which can be generated using the digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 if it must end with an even digit. (6 marks)

(b) Use the binomial theorem to expand  $(1 + 2x)^{\frac{1}{3}}$  as far as the term in  $x^2$  and state the values of  $x$  for which the expansion is valid. (5 marks)

(c) (i) Expand using binomial theorem the function  $\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$  up to the term in  $x^2$

(ii) Hence evaluate  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{3}{2}}$ .

(9 marks)

7. (a) Differentiate  $f(x) = \frac{1+x}{1-x}$  from first principles. (6 marks)
- (b) Determine the stationary points of the function  $f(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x + 11$  and classify them. (9 marks)
- (c) The resistance  $R$  of a cable depends on its radius  $r$  and its length  $x$  such that:
- $R = \frac{kx}{r^2}$  where  $k$  is a constant. Determine the percentage change in  $R$  if  $x$  is increased by 2% and  $r$  is decreased by 0.5%. (5 marks)
8. (a) Evaluate the integrals:
- (i)  $\int \frac{x^2 + 2x}{(x-1)(x^2+2)} dx$
- (ii)  $\int_0^\pi x \cos 2x dx$  (14 marks)
- (b) Determine the  $x$ -co-ordinate of the centroid of the region bounded by the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis and the line  $y = 2 - x$ . (6 marks)

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