

1. TYPE OF DEGREE: BSc.
2. SESSION: May 2006.
3. MODULE CODE: MA1915.
4. MODULE TITLE: Calculus and Numerical Methods.
5. TIME ALLOWED: **THREE hours** plus **five minutes** reading time.
6.
  - a. NUMBER OF QUESTIONS: Part A has 7 questions, Part B has 4 questions. Full marks: 100.
  - b. Answer **ALL** questions from **SECTION A**.  
Answer **TWO** questions from **SECTION B**. If more than **TWO** questions from **SECTION B** are answered, marks from the best **TWO** answers will be counted.  
  
**Section A** carries 50% of the total marks available for the paper.  
  
All questions in **Section B** carry equal marks.  
  
An indication of the marks allocated to each sub-section of a question is shown in brackets in the right hand margin.
7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Calculators: Casio fx 82, Casio fx 83 and Casio fx 85 ONLY.

- A1.** a. Determine whether the series below is convergent or divergent. If convergent, find the sum

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{n+3}}{3^{n+1}} .$$

[3 marks]

- b. Evaluate the sum

$$\sum_{n=2}^{100} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} .$$

[3 marks]

- A2.** Evaluate the limits

- a.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 + 5}{2x^2 - 6} ,$$

[3 marks]

- b.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1}{\sin^2 x} .$$

[4 marks]

- A3.** a. Show that

$$\frac{d}{dz}(\tan z) = 1 + \tan^2 z .$$

- b. Use the result of (a.) and implicit differentiation to determine  $dy/dx$ , when  $y = \tan^{-1} x$ .

- c. Hence, or otherwise, evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} .$$

[5 marks]

**A4.** a. Evaluate the following definite integrals:

(i)

$$\int_0^{\sqrt{\pi}} x \sin(x^2) dx,$$

[3 marks]

(ii)

$$\int_0^{1/2} x e^{2x} dx.$$

[3 marks]

b. Present the function  $|x - 2|$  in piecewise form and evaluate the following definite integral

$$\int_1^4 |x - 2| dx.$$

[5 marks]

**A5.** Show that the function

$$f(x, y) = x^3 - 12xy + 8y^3$$

has a critical point at  $(0, 0)$ . Determine the second critical point and classify both.

[8 marks]

**A6.** Explain why the equation

$$\cos x - x^2 = 0$$

must have a solution in the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

[2 marks]

Find this solution, correct to  $\pm 0.2$ , using the bisection method.

[5 marks]

**A7.** By formulating the Lagrange polynomials, fit an interpolating polynomial through the points  $f(0.2) = 1.76$  and  $f(0.3) = 1.58$  and hence give an estimate of  $f(0.4)$ .

[6 marks]

**B1.** Consider the functions

$$f(x) := x^3 - 3x^2 - x + 3; \quad g(x) := \frac{1}{f(x)}.$$

a. Factorise  $f(x)$  and hence determine all the roots of the equation  $f(x) = 0$ . [5 marks]

b. What are the natural domain and codomain of  $f$  and  $g$ ? [4 marks]

c. Determine the coordinates of the critical points of  $f$  and classify them.  
Explain your answers. [4 marks]

e. Determine the root of  $f''(x) = 0$ .  
What is the value of  $f$  at this point? Is this a point of inflection?  
Explain your answer. [2 marks]

f. Sketch the graphs of  $f$  and  $g$  on the same axes.  
Show and explain all relevant features of the curves. [7 marks]

g. Evaluate

$$\int_{-1}^3 f(x) dx .$$

What is the geometric meaning of this result? [3 marks]

**B2.** a. Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y = x, \quad \text{where} \quad y(0) = 1.$$

[6 marks]

b. Use the substitution  $y = vx$  to solve the homogeneous differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{xy}, \quad \text{where} \quad y(1) = 1.$$

Express your answer in the form  $y = f(x)$ . [8 marks]

c. Find the solution of the initial-value problem

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = x, \quad \text{where} \quad y(0) = -\frac{4}{9}, \quad y(1) = \frac{8}{9}.$$

[11 marks]

**B3.** The Taylor series for a function of two variables,  $f(x, y)$ , about the point  $(a, b)$  is given by

$$f(x, y) = f(a, b) + (x - a)f_x(a, b) + (y - b)f_y(a, b) + \frac{(x - a)^2}{2}f_{xx}(a, b) + (x - a)(y - b)f_{xy}(a, b) + \frac{(y - b)^2}{2}f_{yy}(a, b) + \dots$$

- a. Obtain the Taylor series expansion, up to and including all second derivatives, for the function  $f(x, y)$  about the point  $(0, 1)$ , when

$$f(x, y) = ye^{2xy}.$$

[11 marks]

- b. Use the method of Lagrange multiplier to locate the critical points of the function  $f(x, y) = 3x + 4y$  subject to the constraint  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ . Determine the nature of these critical points.

[14 marks]

**B4.** Consider the initial value problem (IVP)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= x^2 - 2y, & x \geq x_0 \\ y(x_0) &= y_0. \end{aligned}$$

- a. Write a matlab function **Eulers method** which solves approximately the above IVP on the interval  $[x_0, b]$ . The inputs should be  $x_0, y_0, b$  and  $h$ , the step size, you may assume that  $h$  divides  $b - x_0$  exactly. The outputs should be  $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, x_1 \dots x_n)$  and  $\mathbf{y} = (y_0, y_1 \dots y_n)$ , where  $x_n = x_0 + nh$  and  $y_n$  is the estimate of  $y(x_n)$  obtained by Euler's method with step length  $h$ . (Do not bother to include comment statements).

[10 marks]

- b. Let  $x_0 = 0$  and  $y_0 = 0$  then using Euler's method, first with  $h = 0.1$  and second with  $h = 0.05$ , calculate two estimates for  $y(0.3)$ .

[8 marks]

- c. State whether Euler's method is an explicit or an implicit formula, giving an explanation for your answer.

[2 marks]

- d. (i) Given that the exact solution of the IVP in (b) is

$$y(x) = \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x}{2} - \frac{e^{-2x}}{4} + \frac{1}{4},$$

make a statement regarding the difference in error when using  $h = 0.1$  and  $h = 0.05$ .

[3 marks]

- (ii) What order error do we expect to see when using Euler's method?

[2 marks]