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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For The Following Qualifications:-

B.A. B.Sc. B.Sc.(Econ)M.Sci.

Mathematics B51A: Mathematics for Students of Economics, Statistics & Related Disciplines

COURSE CODE : MATHB51A

UNIT VALUE : 0.50

DATE : 08-MAY-03

TIME : 14.30

TIME ALLOWED : 2 Hours

All questions may be attempted but only marks obtained on the best **five** solutions will count.

The use of an electronic calculator is **not** permitted in this examination.

1. Evaluate the following limits (without using L'Hôpital's Rule):

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+3}{x+2},$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x+5} - \sqrt{5}}{x},$

c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1 + \cos x}{2x^2},$

d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - \sec x}{\sin x}.$

2. a) Differentiate from first principles $\sqrt{9 - x^2}.$

b) Differentiate

i) $\ln \cos \frac{3}{x},$

ii) $e^{5x^7},$

iii) $x^{2 \cos 3x}.$

c) Find the n -th derivative of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+2}}.$

3. Find the following integrals:

a) $\int x \sin x dx,$

b) $\int \frac{x^{11}}{x^6 - 1} dx,$

c) $\int \frac{1}{x^2 - 4x + 3} dx,$

d) $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{(1 + \cos x)^2} dx,$

e) $\int_1^e \frac{\ln x}{2\sqrt{x}} dx.$

4. Determine whether or not the following series converge or diverge, clearly stating any tests used.

a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n(n+1)}$,

b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{3^n}$,

c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln(n+1)}$,

d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos \frac{\pi n}{4}$,

e) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^{1/3}}$.

5. a) Find the real and imaginary parts of the complex numbers:

i) $\frac{2+3i}{1+i}$,

ii) $(1+i)^{2i}$.

b) Solve the equations:

i) $z^3 + 1 = i\sqrt{2}$,

ii) $(z+1)^3 + (z-1)^3 = 0$.

6. a) Show that $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$ for $f(x, y) = x^3 - 2x^2 - xy + y^3$.

b) Use differentials to approximate the change in

$$f(x, y) = x^2 - 2x^2y^3 + 5x - 2y^2 + 5$$

if (x, y) changes from $(1, 2)$ to $(0.98, 2.03)$.

c) Find $\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}$ for $w = u^2 \cos v$, $u = x^4 - 2y^4$ and $v = xy^3$.

d) If $z = f(x, y)$ satisfies the equation

$$x^2z^3 + xy^3 - z^3 + 4yz - 6 = 0,$$

find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$.

7. a) Find the absolute maximum and minimum of

$$f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 2 \text{ on } [0, 2].$$

- b) Find the critical numbers of the following functions and determine the local minima and local maxima.

i) $f(x) = 1 - |x|^{1/3}$,

ii) $f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{x^2-2}$.

- c) For each of the following functions g determine whether it satisfies the hypotheses of the Mean Value Theorem on the indicated interval $[a, b]$. If so, find all numbers c in (a, b) such that $g(b) - g(a) = g'(c)(b - a)$.

i) $g(x) = x + \frac{2}{x}$ on $[1, 2]$,

ii) $g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^2}$ on $[-1, 1]$.