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**141 BASIC APPLIED MATHEMATICS**

(For Both School and Private Candidates)

**Time: 3 Hours**

**ANSWERS**

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**Instructions**

1. This paper consists of TEN questions.
2. Answer all questions.

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1. Use a non-programmable scientific calculator to:

(a) compute the value of  $(67.9^3 / 68.53) \div (\sqrt[3]{e} \times \ln 2)$  correct to 5 significant figures.

4729.5

(b) evaluate  $\int_0^1 e^{x^2} dx$  correct to 4 decimal places.

1.4626

(c) approximate the value(s) of  $x$  (correct to 3 decimal places) which satisfy the equation  $x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x - 7 = 0$ .

0.706

2. The function  $f$  is defined as  $f(x) = a/x + b$  such that  $f(2) = 2$  and  $f(-1) = -1$ .

(a) Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

$$f(2) = a/2 + b = 2 \rightarrow a + 2b = 4 \dots(1)$$

$$f(-1) = a/(-1) + b = -1 \rightarrow -a + b = -1 \dots(2)$$

Add (1) and (2):

$$a + 2b - a + b = 4 - 1$$

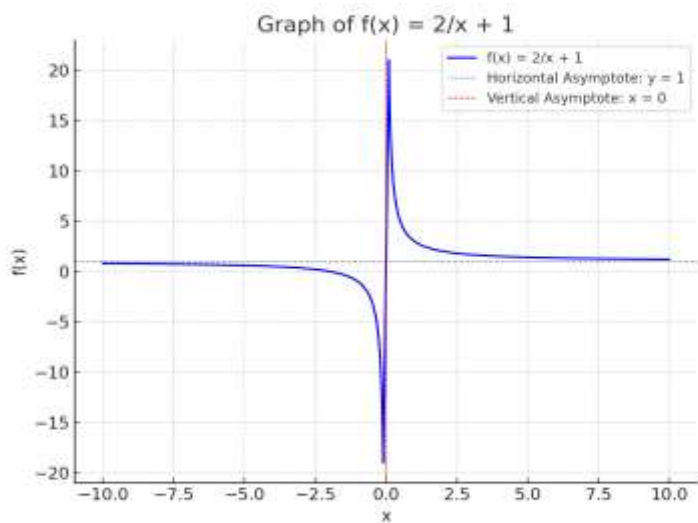
$$3b = 3 \rightarrow b = 1$$

Substitute into (1):

$$a + 2(1) = 4 \rightarrow a = 2$$

$$a = 2, b = 1$$

(b) Sketch the graph of  $f$ .



The graph is a rectangular hyperbola shifted up by 1 unit.

It has a vertical asymptote at  $x = 0$  and a horizontal asymptote at  $y = 1$ .

(c) State the domain and range of  $f$ .

Domain:  $x \neq 0$

Range:  $y \neq 1$

3. (a) The sum of the first three terms of an arithmetic progression is 3 and the sum of the first five terms is 20. Find the first term and the common difference.

Let the first term be  $a$ , common difference  $d$ .

Sum of 3 terms:  $S_3 = 3a + 3d = 3 \rightarrow a + d = 1 \dots(1)$

Sum of 5 terms:  $S_5 = 5a + 10d = 20 \rightarrow a + 2d = 4 \dots(2)$

Subtract (1) from (2):

$$a + 2d - a - d = 4 - 1$$

$$d = 3$$

Substitute into (1):  $a + 3 = 1 \rightarrow a = -2$

$$a = -2, d = 3$$

(b) The volume of a cone varies jointly as its height and the square of its radius. The cone with  $r = 6$  cm and  $h = 10$  cm has volume  $120\pi$  cm<sup>3</sup>. Find the volume of the cone having  $r = 15$  cm and  $h = 7$  cm.

$$V = k \times r^2 \times h$$

$$120\pi = k \times 36 \times 10 = 360k \rightarrow k = \pi/3$$

Now for new values:

$$V = (\pi/3) \times 15^2 \times 7 = (\pi/3) \times 225 \times 7 = 525\pi$$

$$V = 525\pi \text{ cm}^3$$

4. (a) Find the first derivative for each of the following functions:

$$(i) f(x) = \cos(2x + 1)$$

$$f'(x) = -\sin(2x + 1) \times 2 = -2\sin(2x + 1)$$

$$(ii) g(x) = x / (1 + x^2)$$

Use quotient rule:

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= [(1 + x^2)(1) - x(2x)] / (1 + x^2)^2 \\ &= (1 + x^2 - 2x^2) / (1 + x^2)^2 = (1 - x^2) / (1 + x^2)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(iii) h(x) = 3^x$$

$$h'(x) = 3^x \times \ln 3$$

(b) The temperature (T) in °C of meat in a freezer after t hours is given by  $T = 70 - 12t + 4 / (t + 1)$

(i) What is the temperature of the meat after 3 hours?

$$T = 70 - 12(3) + 4 / (3 + 1) = 70 - 36 + 4/4 = 34 + 1 = 35^{\circ}\text{C}$$

(ii) How fast is the temperature of the meat falling after 3 hours?

$$T = 70 - 12t + 4 / (t + 1)$$

$$dT/dt = \text{derivative of } 70 - 12t + 4 / (t + 1)$$

$$= -12 - 4 / (t + 1)^2$$

$$\text{At } t = 3:$$

$$= -12 - 4 / 16 = -12.25$$

Rate of fall is  $12.25^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{hour}$

5. (a) Given that  $\int_3^5 h(x) dx = 4$ ,

(i) evaluate  $\int_3^5 (h(x) + 3) dx$ .

$$\int_3^5 h(x) dx + \int_3^5 3 dx = 4 + 3(5 - 3) = 4 + 6 = 10$$

(ii) find the value of k if  $\int_3^5 (h(x) + kx) dx = 28$ .

$$\int_3^5 h(x) dx + \int_3^5 kx dx = 28$$

$$4 + k \int_3^5 x dx = 28$$

$$\int_3^5 x dx = (1/2)(5^2 - 3^2) = (1/2)(25 - 9) = 8$$

$$4 + 8k = 28 \rightarrow k = 3$$

(b) Find  $\int_1^2 (1 + 5t)^7 dt$

$$\text{Let } u = 1 + 5t \rightarrow du = 5 dt \rightarrow dt = du/5$$

$$\text{When } t = 1, u = 6; \text{ when } t = 2, u = 11$$

$$\int_1^2 (1 + 5t)^7 dt = \int_6^{11} u^7 \times (1/5) du = (1/5) \times \int_6^{11} u^7 du$$

$$= (1/5)[u^8 / 8] \text{ from 6 to 11}$$

$$= (1/5)(11^8 - 6^8) / 8$$

$$= (1/40)(214358881 - 1679616) = (1/40)(212679265)$$

$$= 5316981.625$$

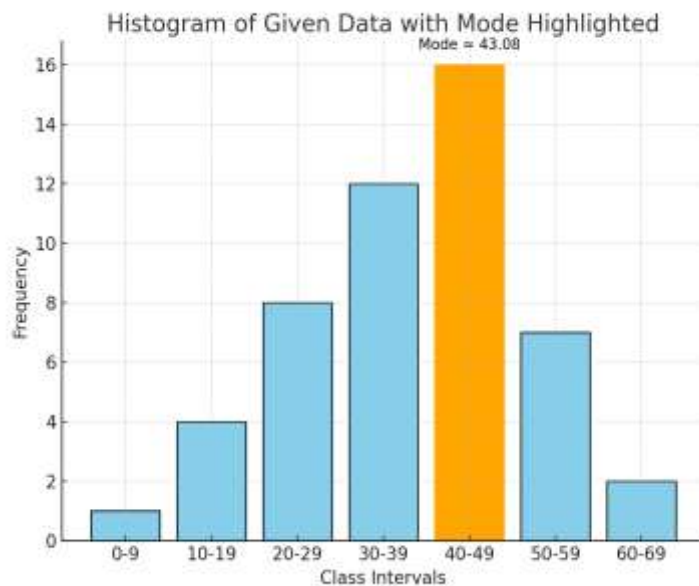
6. Consider the following data:

7, 12, 14, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 41, 42, 43, 43, 44, 44, 45, 46, 46, 47, 48, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62

(a) Construct a frequency distribution table using the intervals 0–9, 10–19, ..., etc.

Class Intervals	frequency
0–9	1
10–19	4
20–29	8
30–39	12
40–49	16
50–59	7
60–69	2

(b) Draw a histogram and use it to estimate the mode correct to 2 decimal places.



Modal class = 40–49 (highest frequency = 16)

Class before = 30–39 (frequency = 12)

Class after = 50–59 (frequency = 7)

Using formula:

$$\text{Mode} = L + \frac{(f_1 - f_0)}{(2f_1 - f_0 - f_2)} \times h$$

$$L = 40, f_1 = 16, f_0 = 12, f_2 = 7, h = 10$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mode} &= 40 + \frac{(16 - 12)}{(2 \times 16 - 12 - 7)} \times 10 \\ &= 40 + \frac{4}{(32 - 19)} \times 10 \\ &= 40 + \frac{4}{13} \times 10 \\ &= 40 + 3.08 \\ &= 43.08 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Calculate:

(i) the median (correct to 3 decimal places)

Number of values = 50  $\rightarrow$  median = average of 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> values

From ordered data: 25<sup>th</sup> = 40, 26<sup>th</sup> = 41

Median =  $(40 + 41) / 2 = 40.5$

(ii) the 70<sup>th</sup> percentile (correct to 3 decimal places)

70% of 50 = 35<sup>th</sup> value

35<sup>th</sup> value = 47

70<sup>th</sup> percentile = 47.000

7. (a) A certain family consists of mother, father and their ten children. The family is invited to send a group of four representatives to a wedding. In how many ways can the group be formed if it must include both parents?

From 12 people, if both parents are included, choose 2 children out of 10:

$C(10, 2) = 45$

(b) A fair coin is tossed three times. Using tree diagram, find the probability of obtaining exactly two heads.

Possible outcomes: HHT, HTH, THH  $\rightarrow$  3 outcomes

Total outcomes = 8

Probability =  $3 / 8$

8. (a) If  $x = \sin(A + B)$  and  $y = \sin(A - B)$ , prove that  $xy = \sin^2 A - \sin^2 B$ .

$xy = \sin(A + B) \times \sin(A - B)$

Use identity:

$\sin(A + B) \times \sin(A - B) = \sin^2 A - \sin^2 B$

Therefore,  $xy = \sin^2 A - \sin^2 B$

(b) Solve the following equations for  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ :

(i)  $2\sin^2\theta - 3\cos\theta = 3$

Use identity:  $\sin^2\theta = 1 - \cos^2\theta$

$2(1 - \cos^2\theta) - 3\cos\theta = 3$

$2 - 2\cos^2\theta - 3\cos\theta - 3 = 0$

$-2\cos^2\theta - 3\cos\theta - 1 = 0$

$2\cos^2\theta + 3\cos\theta + 1 = 0$

Solve using quadratic formula:

$$\cos\theta = [-3 \pm \sqrt{(9 - 8)}] / 4$$

$$\cos\theta = (-3 \pm 1)/4$$

$$\cos\theta = -0.5 \text{ or } -1$$

$$\text{For } \cos\theta = -0.5 \rightarrow \theta = 120^\circ, 240^\circ$$

$$\text{For } \cos\theta = -1 \rightarrow \theta = 180^\circ$$

$$\theta = 120^\circ, 180^\circ, 240^\circ$$

$$(ii) \sqrt{2} \cos\theta - \sin 2\theta = 0$$

Use identity:  $\sin 2\theta = 2\sin\theta\cos\theta$

$$\sqrt{2} \cos\theta - 2\sin\theta\cos\theta = 0$$

$$\cos\theta(\sqrt{2} - 2\sin\theta) = 0$$

$$\text{Either } \cos\theta = 0 \rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ, 270^\circ$$

$$\text{Or } \sin\theta = \sqrt{2}/2 \rightarrow \theta = 45^\circ, 135^\circ$$

$$\theta = 45^\circ, 90^\circ, 135^\circ, 270^\circ$$

9. The following figure shows part of the curve of the function  $y = g(x)$ , where  $g(x) = |4e^{2x} - 25|$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) The y-coordinate of point A.

$$\text{At } x = 0: g(x) = |4e^0 - 25| = |4 - 25| = 21$$

$$y = 21$$

(b) The x-coordinate of point B.

$$g(x) = 0 \rightarrow 4e^{2x} - 25 = 0$$

$$e^{2x} = 25/4$$

$$2x = \ln(25/4)$$

$$x = (1/2)\ln(6.25) = (1/2) \times 1.8326 = 0.916$$

$$x = 0.916$$

(c) The value of k.

$$\text{As } x \rightarrow -\infty, e^{2x} \rightarrow 0$$

$$g(x) = |4e^{2x} - 25| \rightarrow |-25| = 25$$

$$k = 25$$

10. (a) (i) Write down all possible orders for a matrix with 6 elements.

Possible orders:

$$1 \times 6, 2 \times 3, 3 \times 2, 6 \times 1$$

(ii) Suppose  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix whose elements are given by  $a_{ij} = (j - i)/2$ . Determine the elements of matrix A.

$$i = 1, 2; j = 1, 2$$

$$a_{11} = (1-1)/2 = 0$$

$$a_{12} = (2-1)/2 = 0.5$$

$$a_{21} = (1-2)/2 = -0.5$$

$$a_{22} = (2-2)/2 = 0$$

Matrix A =

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0.5 \\ -0.5 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

10. (b) The following graph represents business optimization possibilities for a company which sells two types of stoves,  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ . The variable  $x$  represents the number of  $S_1$  type while  $y$  represents the number of  $S_2$  type. The time available for the company to make both  $S_1$  type and  $S_2$  type is 80 hours and the space available can hold not more than 50 stoves.

Constraints:

$$x + y \leq 50$$

$$2x + y \leq 80$$

$$x \geq 0, y \geq 0$$

(i) How many hours are used to make one stove of each type?

From the constraint equations:

-  $2x + y = 80$  represents the time in hours

-  $x + y = 50$  represents total number of stoves

Let:

$x$  = number of  $S_1$  stoves

$y$  = number of  $S_2$  stoves

To find hours per stove, solve:

$$2x + y = 80$$

$$x + y = 50$$

Subtract equations:

$$(2x + y) - (x + y) = 80 - 50$$

$$x = 30$$

Substitute into second equation:

$$30 + y = 50 \rightarrow y = 20$$

So for 30  $S_1$  and 20  $S_2$  stoves:

Total time = 80 hours  $\rightarrow 80 / (30 + 20) = 80 / 50 = 1.6$  hours per stove (on average)

$S_1$ : 2 hours per stove

$S_2$ : 1 hour per stove

(ii) If one stove of  $S_1$  type is sold at Tshs. 300 and one stove of  $S_2$  type is sold at Tshs. 200, how many stoves of each type could be sold in order to maximize revenue?

Revenue function:

$$R = 300x + 200y$$

Constraints:

$$x + y \leq 50$$

$$2x + y \leq 80$$

$$x \geq 0, y \geq 0$$

Feasible region corners from graph:

- (0, 0)

- (0, 50)

- (30, 20)

- (40, 10)

- (50, 0)

Evaluate revenue at each corner:

At (0, 0):  $R = 0$

At (0, 50):  $R = 0 + 200 \times 50 = 10000$

At (30, 20):  $R = 300 \times 30 + 200 \times 20 = 9000 + 4000 = 13000$

At (40, 10):  $R = 300 \times 40 + 200 \times 10 = 12000 + 2000 = 14000$

At (50, 0):  $R = 300 \times 50 = 15000$

Maximum revenue is Tshs. 15000 at (50, 0)

So, 50 stoves of  $S_1$  type and 0 stoves of  $S_2$  type should be sold to maximize revenue.