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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
(MATHEMATICS)

Date: 11th December, 2020
Time: 11.30am – 1.30pm

KMA 100 - FOUNDATION MATHEMATICS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms as used in foundation mathematics
- i) Surd (2 Marks)
 - ii) Rational numbers (2 Marks)
 - iii) Logarithm (2 Marks)
- b) Express $3\sqrt{\frac{81}{625}}$ in the form $p\sqrt[q]{q}$ for rational numbers p where q contains no factors which are exact cubes of rational numbers. (2 Marks)
- c) Find y in terms of x if $\log\left(\frac{x^2}{y}\right) = 5 - 2\log x$ (3 Marks)
- d) Expand $(5 - 3x)^7$ up to the term containing x^2 . (3 Marks)
- e) Solve the following quadratic equation by the method of completing the square
 $2x^2 + 8x - 25 = 0$ (4 Marks)
- f) Show that $2\sin B \cos A = \sin(A + B) - \sin(A - B)$ (3 Marks)
- g) Simplify $\frac{(1+x)^{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{1}{3}x(1+x)^{-\frac{2}{3}}}{(1+x)^{\frac{2}{3}}}$ (5 Marks)
- h) Solve for x if $\log_3 x + \log_9 x^2 = 6$ (4 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Obtain the first four terms of the expansion $\left(1 + \frac{1}{6}x\right)^{10}$ in ascending powers of x . Hence, find the value of $(1.005)^{10}$, correct to four decimal places. (8 Marks)
- b) Given that $\sqrt{35} = 5.9160798$ correct to seven decimal places, evaluate $\frac{\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{5}}$ correct to six decimal places without use of tables or calculator. (6 Marks)
- c) Solve the equation $\log_x 2 + 48 \log_{2x} 14 = 14$, giving your answer to three significant figures. (6 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) A polynomial $f(x)$ has remainder 9 when divided by $x - 3$ and remainder -5 when divided by $2x + 1$. Find the remainder when divided by $(x - 3)(2x + 1)$. (8 Marks)
- b) Show that $\tan(A + B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$ (8 Marks)
- c) Simplify $\frac{\log 125}{\log 25}$ (4 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) If $0 < x < \pi$ and $\tan(X - A) = 3$, where $\tan A = 2$, show that $x = \frac{3}{4}\pi$ without using tables. (8 Marks)
- b) Calculate the remaining side and angles of triangle ABC in which $c = 12$ cm, $a = 8$ cm, and angle $A = 30^\circ$. (6 Marks)
- c) How many even numbers greater than 60 000 can be formed using the digits 0, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7
i) Without repeating digits
ii) If repeating digits is allowed? (6 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Draw the graph of $y = 2x^2 - 12x + 19$ for $1 \leq x \leq 5$. By adding suitable lines to your graph
i) Solve the equation $x^2 - 6x + 6 = 0$ (5 Marks)
ii) Solve the equation $4x^2 - 25x + 28 = 0$ (5 Marks)
- b) Solve $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ by completing the square method where a , b and c are real numbers and $a \neq 0$. (10 Marks)