

National Exams May 2005  
98-BS-1, Mathematics  
3 hours Duration

Notes:

1. If doubt exists as to the interpretation of any question, the candidate is urged to submit with the answer paper, a clear statement of any assumptions made.
  2. NO CALCULATOR is permitted. This is a CLOSED BOOK exam. However, candidates are permitted to bring ONE AID SHEET written on both sides.
  3. Any five questions constitute a complete paper. Only the first five questions as they appear in your answer book will be marked.
  4. All questions are of equal value.
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Marking Scheme:

1. 20 marks
2. 20 marks
3. 20 marks
4. 20 marks
5. (a) 10 marks, (b) 10 marks
6. (a) 3 marks, (b) 3 marks, (c) 14 marks
7. (a) 4 marks, (b) 4 marks, (c) 12 marks
8. 20 marks

1. An elastic membrane in the  $x_1x_2$ -plane with boundary circle  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$  is stretched so that a point  $P : (x_1, x_2)$  goes over into the point  $Q : (y_1, y_2)$  given by

$$y_1 = 5x_1 + 3x_2,$$

$$y_2 = 3x_1 + 5x_2.$$

Find the principal directions of the transformation. These are the directions of the position vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  of all points  $P$  for which the position vector  $\mathbf{y}$  of  $Q$  is the same or exactly opposite. What shape does the boundary circle take under the deformation?

2. Find the general solution,  $y(x)$ , of the differential equation

$$y'' - y' - 6y = 3x^2 + e^{-2x}$$

Note that  $'$  denotes differentiation with respect to  $x$ .

3. Find the volume of the solid region above the cone  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and below the paraboloid  $z = 6 - x^2 - y^2$ .
4. Find the minimum value of the function  $F(x, y, z) = 2x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2$  subject to the constraint  $x + y - z + 1 = 0$

5. Consider the two lines defined as follows:

$$x = t, \quad y = 3, \quad z = 1 - t, \quad (\text{parameter } t);$$

$$x = 2 - s, \quad y = 1 + 2s, \quad z = 2 + s, \quad (\text{parameter } s).$$

- (a) Determine whether or not the two lines intersect, and if so, find the point of intersection.
- (b) Is there a plane containing both lines? If so, find an equation for that plane, if not, find the distance between the two lines.

6. Let  $S$  be the boundary of the region enclosed by the parabola  $z = 5 - x^2 - y^2$  and the plane  $z = 1$  and let

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = xy\mathbf{i} - 3yz\mathbf{j} + xy^2\mathbf{k}.$$

- (a) Evaluate the divergence of  $\mathbf{F}$
- (b) Evaluate the curl of  $\mathbf{F}$
- (c) Evaluate the surface integral  $\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dA$ , where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the unit outward normal on  $S$ .
7. Let  $F(x, y, z) = 3x^2y + y^3z + z$ ,  $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{i} - \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{k}$ , and  $P = (2, 1, -3)$ .
- (a) Find the gradient of  $F$  at the point  $P$
- (b) Find the derivative of  $F$  in the direction of  $\mathbf{u}$  at the point  $P$
- (c) Find the equation of the plane tangent to the surface  $F(x, y, z) = 6$  at the point  $P$ .

8. Find the general solution of the differential equation

$$x^2y'' - 4xy' + 6y = 3x^4.$$

Note that  $'$  denotes differentiation with respect to  $x$ .