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**2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR**  
**SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**  
**SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION**  
**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

**COURSE CODE: MAT 251**

**COURSE TITLE: ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS I**

**DATE: 11<sup>19</sup> / 17/10/18**

**TIME: 8AM -10 AM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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### QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Find the  $n$ th derivative of  $y = x^2 e^{3x}$  at  $x = 1$ . (7 marks)
- b) Express  $\frac{2+i}{7-3i}$  in the form  $a + bi$  and find its modulus. (4 marks)
- c) Given that  $x - 2, 2x - 6, 4x - 8$  form an arithmetic progression:  
Determine:  
(i) The value of  $x$ ;  
(ii) The sum of the first 8 terms. (5 marks)
- d) Using Maclaurin's series, find the first four (non-zero) terms for the function  
 $f(x) = \sin 2x$ . (6 marks)
- e) Solve for  $x$  given  $\sinh x = 2$ , (4 marks)
- f) Given the matrices  
 $A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
Determine  $C = B^2 + 2A$ . (5 marks)

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) State and prove Leibnitz's theorem. (6 marks)
- (b) Express  $\cos^7 \theta$  in cosines of multiples of  $\theta$ . (7 marks)
- (c) Solve the differential equation  $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = 3e^{2t-2\theta}$ . (3 marks)
- (d) Evaluate  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & x \\ x & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 28$  (4 marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Use Taylor's theorem to determine the power series for  $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + h\right)$  as far as the term in  $h^4$ , and hence determine the value of  $\sin 57^\circ$  correct to five decimal places. (8 marks)
- (b) Use Maclaurin's series to expand the function  $f(x) = \cos^2 x$  in ascending powers of  $x$  up to the term in  $x^6$ . Hence evaluate  $\int_1^2 \frac{\cos^2 x}{x^3} dx$ . (12 marks)

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) i) State de Moivre's theorem (1 mark)  
ii) Solve the binomial equation  $z^3 + 64 = 0$  and locate the roots in the Argand diagram. (9 marks)
- (b) Show that  
 $32 \sin^4 \theta \cos^2 \theta = \cos 6\theta - 2 \cos 4\theta - \cos 2\theta - 2$ . (10 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Given  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  as one of the eigenvectors of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & y \\ 0 & y & x \end{bmatrix}$ .

Determine;

- (i) The values of  $x$  and  $y$ . (5 marks)  
(ii) All the eigenvectors of  $A$ . (10 marks)
- (b) In two closed loops of an electrical circuit, the currents flowing are given by the simultaneous equations:

$$I_1 + 2I_2 = -4$$

$$3I_2 + 5I_1 = 1$$

Use determinants to find the values of  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  (5 marks)