UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS 2008/2009

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TITLE OF PAPER

ELEMENTARY QUANTITATIVE TECHNIQUES

COURSE NUMBER

MS 012

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. THIS PAPER CONSISTS OF

SEVEN QUESTIONS.

2. ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS

3. ONLY NON-PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS

MAY BE USED.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

NONE

THIS EXAMINATION PAPER SHOULD NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.

QUESTION 3

Evaluate the following integrals:

(a)
$$\int (x^3 + 2x^2 + 4)dx$$

[3 marks]

(b)
$$\int_{-2}^{0} (x^2 + 5x - 1) dx$$

[6 marks]

(c)
$$\int \sqrt{x+1}dx$$

[5 marks]

(d)
$$\int 2x\cos(x^2+3)dx$$

[6 marks]

QUESTION 4

Evaluate the limit for the following functions:

(a)
$$\lim_{x\to 5} \sqrt{x^3 - 3x - 1}$$

[4 marks]

(b)
$$\lim_{x\to 2} \frac{x^2-4}{x-2}$$

[6 marks]

(c)
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2x^2 + 1}{6 + x - 3x^2}$$

[5 marks]

(d)
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x}{x^2 + 5}$$

[5 marks]

QUESTION 5

- (a) The cost of making x articles per day is $E(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 50x + 50)$ and the selling price of each one is $E(80 \frac{1}{4}x)$. Find:
- (i) the daily profit in terms of x,

[4 marks]

(ii) the value of x to give the maximum profit.

[5 marks]

(b) Write the polynomial with integer coefficients that has the following roots: $-1, \frac{3}{4}$.

[4 marks]

(c) Determine the polynomial whose roots are -1, 1, 2 and sketch its graph.

[7 marks]

QUESTION 6

(a) Given the function $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + 6$, find the roots of the second derivative of f(x).

[6 marks]

(b) An arithmetric progression has 3 as its first term. Also, the sum of the first 8 terms is twice the sum of the first 5 terms.

Find the common difference.

[9 marks]

(c) Use synthetic division to find the remainder when

 $P(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 + 10x - 12$ is divided by x + 3.

[5 marks]

QUESTION 7

(a) Write down the first five terms of the AP with first

term 8 and common difference 7.

[5 marks]

(b) Find the sum of the first 50 terms of the sequence

 $1, 3, 5, 7, 9, \dots$

[5 marks]

(c) Find the 10th and 20th terms of the GP with first term

3 and common ratio 2.

[5 marks]

(d) Find the sum of the geometric series

 $8-4+2-1+\dots$ where there are 5 terms in the series.

[5 marks]

END OF EXAMINATION