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INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper consists of **NINE** questions. Answer **ALL** questions in section A and at **most three** questions in section B.
2. All answers should be presented in good style.
3. Begin each full question on a new page.

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QUESTION	MARKS
1-4	40
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Section A [40marks]

Answer **all** questions in this section.

1. If $p = -4 + 3i$ and $q = -1 + \sqrt{3}i$
- a) Calculate the modulus of
- i) p [2]
 - ii) q [2]
- b) Find
- i) The argument of q [2]
 - ii) pq^2 in the form $a + bi$ [3]
 - iii) $\frac{p}{q}$ in the form $a + bi$. [3]
2. Matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, Matrix $B = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and
- Matrix $C = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- a) Find AB . [3]
- b) Show that matrix C is singular. [2]
- c) Find the
- i) determinant of A . [2]
 - ii) inverse of A . [5]
- d) Hence or otherwise, solve the simultaneous equations
- $$\begin{aligned} -x - y + z &= 1 \\ -y + 3z &= 8 \\ 2x + y + 2z &= 8 \end{aligned}$$
- [4]
3. The points A , B and C have position vectors $\mathbf{a} = i - 2\mathbf{j} + p\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{b} = q\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{c} = 5\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j}$ respectively relative to the origin. If $\overline{AB} = -5\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$ find the
- a) values of p and q . [2]
 - b) exact length of AC . [2]
 - c) acute angle BAC . [3]

4. Solve the equation $z^2 + 3z + 5 = 0$, giving the answers in the form $x + iy$. [5]

Section B [60marks]

Answer **at least 3** questions in this section.

5. a) On a single diagram shade the region defined by the inequalities

$$\frac{\pi}{6} \leq \arg(z - 4) \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ and } |z - 4| \leq 4. \quad [3]$$

b) Given the polynomial $f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 16x - 30$,

i) Show that $z = 1 + 3i$ is a root of the equation $f(x) = 0$. [2]

ii) Find the other two roots of $f(x) = 0$. [3]

c) Solve the equation

$$z^3 = -5 + 12i. \quad [6]$$

d) Use de Moivre's theorem to show that

$$\cos 6\theta \equiv 32\cos^6\theta - 48\cos^4\theta + 18\cos^2\theta - 1. \quad [6]$$

6. a) Solve the system

$$\begin{aligned} 3y + 2x &= z + 1 \\ 3x + 2z &= 8 - 5y \\ 3z - 1 &= x - 2y \end{aligned} \quad \text{using Cramer's rule.} \quad [7]$$

b) For the system
$$\begin{aligned} x + 5y + \alpha z &= 0 \\ -2x + 6y + 2z &= 0 \\ \alpha x - y + z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

i) find the values of α for which the system has non-trivial solutions. [4]

ii) find the non-trivial solutions, if $\alpha = 3$. [4]

c) Use the Gaussian elimination to solve the following system of

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 5y - 8z &= 4 \\ x + 2y - 3z &= 1 \\ 3x + 8y - 13z &= 7 \end{aligned} \quad \text{equations} \quad [5]$$

7. a) Find the value of α so that vectors $\mathbf{u} = (2, 3\alpha, -4, 1, 5)$ and

$\mathbf{v} = (6, -1, 3, 7, 2\alpha)$ are orthogonal. [3]

- b) The line L_1 has equation $r = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and the plane π_1 passes through the points A , B and C with coordinates $(2; -1; 3)$, $(4; 2; -5)$ and $(-1; 3; -2)$ respectively.

Find the

- i) cartesian equation of π_1 . [5]
 ii) acute angle between the plane π_1 and the line L_1 . [3]

- c) The plane π_2 has equation $r \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 6$.

The line L_2 lies in the plane π_2 and is perpendicular to L_1 . The line L_2 passes through the point $(4; 2; 1)$.

Find the

- i) vector equation of L_2 . [4]
 ii) vector equation of the line of intersection of the planes π_1 and π_2 . [5]

8. a) Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of the following

3×3 matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. [8]

- b) Find the solution of $X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$ of the system

$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 6 \\ -6 & 0 & -16 \\ 0 & 8 & -17 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix}$ using LU decomposition. [6]

- c) If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & -3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, use Cayley-Hamilton theorem to find A^{-1} . [6]

END OF QUESTION PAPER