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DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

DIT 103: MATHEMATICS FOR COMPUTING

DATE: 13/12/2017

TIME: 2.00 4.00 PM

INSTRUCTION:

Answer Question One and any other two questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

a) Simplify using indices

i) $(3a^2b^3)^2 \times (27b^3a^6)^{\frac{1}{3}}$ (3 marks)

ii) $\frac{3x^2}{2y} \div \sqrt{\frac{81x^4}{16y^2}}$ (3 marks)

b) Convert

i) 17_{10} to binary (3 marks)

ii) 11.0101_2 to denary (3 marks)

iii) 249_8 to denary (3 marks)

c) Solve the following equations

i) $\frac{2}{3x-1} + \frac{3}{x+2} = 5$ (2 marks)

ii) $\frac{3}{x-2} - \frac{2x}{x+1} = 1\frac{1}{2}$ (2 marks)

d) Given the set $A = \{1,3,5,6,7\}$ $B = \{3,4,5,8,9,7\}$ $U = \{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10\}$

Write i) $A \cap B$ (2 marks)

ii) $B \cup A$ (2 marks)

- iii) $\{A \cap B\}'$ (2 marks)
- iv) $\{A \cup B\}'$ (2 marks)
- v) Represent the sets in a veinn diagram (3 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Solve the following equations
- I. $9^{x+1} + 3^{2x-1} = 28$ (5 marks)
- II. $3^{2+x} = 5^{x-1}$ (5 marks)
- b) Solve without using tables
- $$\log_{10} 5 + \log_{10}(2x + 1) = \log_{10}(x - 4) + 2$$
- (5 marks)
- c) solve the simultaneous equations
- $$8x - 5y = 10$$
- $$6x - 4y = 11$$
- (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Simplify

- i) $\frac{\log 6 + \log \frac{1}{4}}{\log 3 - \log 2}$
- ii)
$$\frac{\log_{10} 25 - \log_{10} 125 + \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} 625}{3 \log_{10} 5}$$
 (5 marks)
- iii)
$$\sqrt{\frac{86.76 \div 0.03645}{9.463 \times 756.8}}$$
 (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Use logarithms to evaluate

- a)
$$\frac{0.00964 \times 2.1875}{0.003 \times 0.09}$$
 (4 marks)
- b) Plot the graph of $-2x^2 + 3x + 6$ for the values of $x = -2$ to $x = 4$
Use the graph to find the roots of the following equation
- i) $-2x^2 + 3x + 6 = 0$
- ii) $-2x^2 + 3x + 2 = 0$

$$\text{iii)} -2x^2 + 3x + 9 = 0$$

(10mks)

$$\text{c)} \quad \sqrt{\frac{86.76 \div 0.03645}{9.463 \times 756.8}} \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

a) Solve the simultaneous equation

$$6x - y = 5$$

$$5x + 2y = 7 \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

b) Solve

$$\text{i)} \quad e^{2x} - 5e^x - 6 = 0$$

(5 marks)

$$\text{ii)} \quad 5.4^{x+3} \times 8.2^{2x-1} = 4.8^{3x} \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

c)

i) Determine the value of K such that $x+3$ is a factor of $x^3 + kx + 6$ (3 marks)

ii) Find c and d such that 1 and 2 are roots of the equation $x^3 - 4x^2 + cx + d = 0$ (2 marks)