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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (TELECOMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION  
TECHNOLOGY)

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL NEEDS)

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SCIENCE)

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)

SPH 103: MATHEMATICS FOR PHYSICS

DATE:

TIME:

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- The paper consists of **two** sections.
- Section **A** is **compulsory** (30 marks).
- Answer any **two** questions from section **B** (each 20 marks).

## Standard integrals

Integrand	Integral	Integrand	Integral
$\sin x$	$-\cos x$	$\sinh x$	$\cosh x$
$\cos x$	$\sin x$	$\cosh x$	$\sinh x$
$\tan x$	$-\ln(\cos x)$	$\tanh x$	$\ln(\cosh x)$
$\operatorname{cosec} x$	$\ln(\tan \frac{x}{2})$	$\operatorname{cosech} x$	$\ln(\tanh \frac{x}{2})$
$\sec x$	$\ln(\tan x + \sec x)$	$\operatorname{sech} x$	$2 \tan^{-1}(e^x)$
$\cot x$	$\ln(\sin x)$	$\coth x$	$\ln(\sinh x)$
$\sec^2 x$	$\tan x$	$\operatorname{sech}^2 x$	$\tanh x$
$\tan x \sec x$	$\sec x$	$\tanh x \operatorname{sech} x$	$-\operatorname{sech} x$
$\cot x \operatorname{cosec} x$	$-\operatorname{cosec} x$	$\coth x \operatorname{cosech} x$	$-\operatorname{cosech} x$
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$	$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$ or $-\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$		
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}}$	$\sinh^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$ or $\ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2})$		
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}}$	$\cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$ or $\ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 - a^2})$		
$\frac{1}{x^2 + a^2}$	$\frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$		

## Standard differentials

$y$ or $f(x)$	$\frac{dy}{dx}$ or $f'(x)$
$K, K$ is a constant	$\frac{d}{dx}(K) = 0$
$x^n$	$\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$
$\sqrt{x}$	$\frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x}) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$
$e^x$	$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$
$a^x, a > 0$	$\frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = a^x \log a$
$\sin x$	$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \cos x$
$\cos x$	$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = -\sin x$
$\tan x$	$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) = \sec^2 x$
$\cot x$	$\frac{d}{dx}(\cot x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$
$\operatorname{cosec} x$	$\frac{d}{dx}(\operatorname{cosec} x) = -\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x$
$\sec x$	$\frac{d}{dx}(\sec x) = \sec x \tan x$

## SECTION A

### QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) The volume of a ball (solid sphere) of radius  $r$  is given by the function  $V(r) = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ . (3 marks)  
Find the volume of a ball of radius
- b) Solve for  $x$ , given that  $\ln(2x - 1) = 2\ln(x)$  (3 marks)
- c) Express  $(-1 + 3i)^{-1}$  in the form  $x + iy$ . Where  $x$  and  $y$  are real numbers (3 marks)
- d) Determine the exponential function  $f(x) = ka^x$  that passes through the points **(1, 6)** and **(2, 18)** (3 marks)
- e) Find the inverse of the function  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 1$  (3marks)
- f) Find  $\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$  given that  $\mathbf{A} = -\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$  (3 marks)
- g) Sketch a one cycle graph of  $y = 2\sin(x - \pi) - 1$  (3 marks)
- h) If 5 of 20 fuses in a box are, defective and 5 of them are randomly chosen for inspection. Find the probability that two of the chosen fuses are defective (3 marks)
- i) Compute the second derivative  $y''$  of the function  $y = 5x^3 + 3x^2$  (3 marks)
- j) Integrate  $\int e^{(5x+2)} dx$  (3 marks)

## SECTION B

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Solve for  $x$  given that  $\log_2(1 + \sqrt{x}) = 6$  (4 marks)
- b) Solve for  $x$  in the equation  $8^{x-2} = \sqrt{8}$  (3 marks)
- c) Use chain rule to evaluate  $\frac{dy}{dx}[(x^2 + 10)^3 + 6]^5$  (4 marks)
- d) Obtain the first derivative  $y'$  of the function  $y = x^2 e^{2x^2} dx$  (4 marks)
- e) Find the slope and an equation of the normal line to the graph of  $f(x) = 2x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$  at a point (1,3) (5 marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Solve for  $x$  in the trigonometric equation  $\cos 2x + 3 \sin x - 2 = 0$  (5 marks)
- b) Verify the identity  $\tan \theta + \cot \theta = \frac{\csc \theta}{\cos \theta}$  (4 marks)
- c) Differentiate the function  $y = x^3 \sin^2 3x$  with respect to  $x$  (5 marks)
- d) Sketch a graph of  $y = x^2 - 4x^2 + 3$  (6 marks)

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Express in polar form  $(r, \theta)$ , the complex number  $z = \sqrt{3} + i$ . (4 marks)
- b) Express  $3e^{\frac{\pi}{4}i} = \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{4}$  in ordinary form  $x + iy$  and sketch plot it on the Cartesian plane (6 marks)
- c) Find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$  for the function  $x^2 \sin y^3 + xe^{3z} - \cos z^2 = 3y - 6z + 8$  (10 marks)

### **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Integrate the function using substitution method (4 marks)

$$\int_0^1 (\sqrt{2 + x^4}) 4x^3 dx$$

- b) Evaluate using integration by parts  $\int x \sin x dx$  (4 marks)

- c) A line of action of force of magnitude 80 N passes through parts A (2, -2, 2) and B (4, 5, 6). Express the force in vector form (6 marks)

- d) Find the probability of throwing a total of 6 points or less with three dices (6 marks)

### Co-function Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin \theta &= \cos(\pi/2 - \theta) \\ \sec \theta &= \csc(\pi/2 - \theta) \\ \tan \theta &= \cot(\pi/2 - \theta)\end{aligned}$$

### Negative Angle Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(-\theta) &= -\sin \theta & \csc(-\theta) &= -\csc \theta \\ \cos(-\theta) &= \cos \theta & \sec(-\theta) &= \sec \theta \\ \tan(-\theta) &= -\tan \theta & \cot(-\theta) &= -\cot \theta\end{aligned}$$

### Addition and Subtraction Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(A+B) &= \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B \\ \cos(A+B) &= \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B \\ \tan(A+B) &= \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} \\ \sin(A-B) &= \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B \\ \cos(A-B) &= \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B \\ \tan(A-B) &= \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B}\end{aligned}$$

### Double-Angle Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 2\theta &= 2\sin \theta \cos \theta \\ \cos 2\theta &= \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \\ &= 2\cos^2 \theta - 1 \\ &= 1 - 2\sin^2 \theta \\ \tan 2\theta &= \frac{2\tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}\end{aligned}$$

### Product Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(A+B) + \sin(A-B)) \\ \cos A \sin B &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(A+B) - \sin(A-B)) \\ \cos A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2} (\cos(A+B) + \cos(A-B)) \\ \sin A \sin B &= \frac{1}{2} (\cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B))\end{aligned}$$

### Supplement Angle Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(\pi - \theta) &= \sin \theta & \csc(\pi - \theta) &= \csc \theta \\ \cos(\pi - \theta) &= -\cos \theta & \sec(\pi - \theta) &= -\sec \theta \\ \tan(\pi - \theta) &= -\tan \theta & \cot(\pi - \theta) &= -\cot \theta\end{aligned}$$

### Quotient Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \theta &= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} & \cot \theta &= \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{\tan \theta} \\ \sec \theta &= \frac{1}{\cos \theta} & \csc \theta &= \frac{1}{\sin \theta}\end{aligned}$$

### Pythagorean Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta &= 1 \\ \tan^2 \theta + 1 &= \sec^2 \theta \\ \cot^2 \theta + 1 &= \csc^2 \theta\end{aligned}$$

### Half-Angle Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin \frac{\theta}{2} &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2}} \\ \cos \frac{\theta}{2} &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2}} \\ \tan \frac{\theta}{2} &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{1 + \cos \theta}}\end{aligned}$$

### Sum Identities

$$\begin{aligned}\sin A + \sin B &= 2\sin\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) \\ \sin A - \sin B &= 2\cos\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) \\ \cos A + \cos B &= 2\cos\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) \\ \cos A - \cos B &= -2\sin\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right)\end{aligned}$$