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RESIT/SPECIAL EXAMINATION

EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
MATH 124: GEOMETRY AND LINEAR ALGEBRA

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 10/08/2021

11.30 A.M – 1.30 P.M.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- All questions on this question paper are compulsory.

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

(a) Determine the centre and the radius of the circle whose equation is

$$x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y - 15 = 0. \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

(b) Find the equation of a circle whose centre is at the point (2,3) and which passes through the point(2,2) in the form  $ax^2 + by^2 + cx + dy + f = 0$  (5 marks)

(c) A line  $L_1$  passes through (1,2) and has a gradient of 5. Another line  $L_2$  is perpendicular to  $L_1$  and meets it at the point where  $x = 4$ . Find the equation of  $L_2$  (5 marks)

(d) A plane has the equation  $2x + 3y + 6z + 28 = 0$ . Calculate the shortest distance of the point  $(-1,1,1)$  from the plane. (3 marks)

(e) Find the equation of the hyperbola in standard form if its centre is the origin and the points  $(6, -1)$  and  $(8, \sqrt{8})$  lie on it. (4 marks)

(f) Solve the quadratic equation  $x^2 - \frac{2}{5}x + \frac{1}{5} = 0$  (4 marks)

(g) Find the eccentricity of  $\frac{y^2}{25} - \frac{x^2}{4} = 1$  (5 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

(a). Analyze fully and graph the equation

$$x^2 + 4y^2 + 4x - 8y + 7 = 0 \quad (12\text{marks})$$

(b) If  $\mathbf{AB}=\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{AC}=\mathbf{b}$ , show that the area of the triangle ABC is given by

$$\text{Area}=\sqrt{(\mathbf{a}\cdot\mathbf{b})^2 - (\mathbf{a}\cdot\mathbf{a})(\mathbf{b}\cdot\mathbf{b})} \quad (4 \text{ Marks})$$

(c) Hence or otherwise find the area of the triangle whose vertices are A(1,-5,3) , B(-1,1,6) and C(3,0,1). (4 Marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

(a) Use matrix inverse method to solve

$$2x + y - 4z = 3$$

$$x + 2y - z = 7$$

$$z - y + 3x = 4$$

(11 Marks)

(b) Convert  $6xy = c^2$  into polar coordinates. (3 marks)

(c) Given that  $Z_1 = 4i + 3$  and  $Z_2 = 7i - 2$  find

(i)  $Z_1 Z_2$  (2 marks)

(ii) a and b given  $\frac{Z_2}{Z_1} = ax + bi$  (4 marks)

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