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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CHEMISTRY

CHEM 833: ADVANCED MATHEMATICS FOR CHEMISTS

STREAMS: MSC

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 18/04/2019

2.30 PM – 5.30 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer All Questions
- Adhere to the instructions on the answer booklet

QUESTION ONE

(a) Find the range and domain for the function $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 4x - 32}$ [2 marks]

(b) Evaluate the following limits

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{3+x} - \sqrt{5-x}}{x^2 - 1}$ [2 marks]

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7x^6 + x^6}{1 - x^3}$ [2 marks]

(iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{4x}$ [2 marks]

(c) Given that $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 1}$, evaluate $\frac{dy}{dx}$ from first principles [3 marks]

(d) Find the gradient of the curve $y = x^x$ at the point $X=1$ [2 marks]

(e) Given that $x = \sin^2 \theta$ and $y = \cos^3 \theta$, evaluate $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{3}{2}y^{\frac{1}{3}}$ [2 marks]

(f) Given the functions $f(x) = 2x^2 + y^2 = 6$ and $y^2 = 4x$, show that the graphs of the two functions intersect orthogonally. [3 marks]

(g) A spherical balloon is being blown up so that its volume increases at the rate of $0.5 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$. Find the rate at which the radius increases. $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ [2 marks]

QUESTION TWO

(a) Evaluate the following integrals

(i) $\int x^2 \sqrt{x^3 + 5} dx$ (use substitution) [2 marks]

(ii) $\int e^x \cos x dx$ (use by parts) [3 marks]

(iii) $\int \frac{x^3 - 5x^2 - x - 5}{x^2 - 1} dx$ [3 marks]

(iv) $\int \frac{dx}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$ [3 marks]

(v) $\int_0^2 \int_{-1}^1 (1 - 6x^2 y) dy dx$ [3 marks]

(b) Determine the area of the surface generated by revolving the curve $y = 3x$ from $x=1$ to $x=4$ about the y-axis [3 marks]

- (c) Evaluate the length of a circle defined by $x = a \cos t, y = a \sin t$ $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$
[3 marks]

QUESTION THREE

- (a) Determine the angle between the vectors $\tilde{a} = i - 2j + 4k$ and $\tilde{b} = -4i + j - 2k$
- (b) Find the value of t , for which the vectors $\tilde{a} = 2ti + 4j + 2k$ and $\tilde{b} = i + 3k - j$ are orthogonal hence find a unit vector orthogonal to the vectors \tilde{a} and \tilde{b}
- (c) Determine the volume of the parallelepiped spanned by the vectors $i + j, j + k$ and $k + i$
- (d) Solve the system of equations below by the cofactor expansion method.
- (i) $x + 3y - 2z = 1$
 $4x - 5y + 6z = 12$
 $3x + 5y + 2z = 19$
- (ii) Verify the solutions obtained in 3d(i) by Cramer's rule.

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) State the order, degree and linearity of the differential equations below
- (i) $U_{xx} + 4U_x = 0$
- (ii) $1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^2$
- (b) Solve for y given that $\frac{dy}{dx} = x \cos x$
- (c) Solve the differential equation $y' - 2xy = x$ using a suitable integrating factor.
- (d) Determine whether the differential equation

$(5x^4 + 3x^2y^2 - 2xy^3)dx + (2x^3y - 3x^2y^2 - 5y^4)dy = 0$ is exact, hence solve,

(e) Solve the differential equations below

(i) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 8\frac{dy}{dx} + 15y = 0$

(ii) $y'' + 4y' + 5y = 0$

(iii) $y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^{3x}$
