

Uva Wellassa University, Sri Lanka  
End Semester Examination – August 2011  
EAG 102-0  
Mathematics for Biological Sciences



Time: Two (02) hours

Total 04 Questions  
Answer all questions

1. (a) Define the terms **domain** and **range** of a function.

[04 marks]

- (b) Find the domain and the range of the following functions by sketching the graph:

i.  $y = \sqrt{4 - x^2}$

ii.  $y = x^2 + 1$

[12 marks]

- (c) Given  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$ ;  $x \neq -1$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + 1$  find each of the followings:

i.  $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

iii.  $f(g(x))$

v.  $g(f(g(0)))$

ii.  $g(-1)$

iv.  $f(f(x))$

vi.  $g(f(f(0)))$

[12 marks]

2. (a) Find each of the following limits, if they exist:

i.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - 2x - 3}{x - 3}$

iii.  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5 - 3u}{6u + 1}$

v.  $\lim_{v \rightarrow 27} \frac{v - 27}{\frac{1}{v^3} - 3}$

ii.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} \frac{t^2 - 4}{t + 2}$

iv.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x^2 - 2x - 1}{x^3 + 4}$

vi.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^4 + 5x - 3}{2 - \sqrt{x^2 + 4}}$

[12 marks]

- (b) Determine whether the following functions are continuous at the given point  $c$ :

i.  $f(x) = \frac{3}{x-2}$  at  $c = 2$

ii.  $g(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t-1}{\sqrt{t}-1}, & \text{if } t > 1 \\ 5 - 3t, & \text{if } -2 \leq t \leq 1 \\ \frac{6}{t-4}, & \text{if } t < -2 \end{cases}$  at  $c = -2$

iii.  $h(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{if } x \neq 1 \\ 2, & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases}$  at  $c = 1$

iv.  $p(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - x}{x^2 - 1}, & \text{if } x \neq 1 \\ 1, & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases}$  at  $c = 1$

[12 marks]

[P.T.O.]

3. (a) Differentiate each of the following functions with respect to  $x$ .

i.  $f(x) = -\frac{1}{4}x^8 + \frac{1}{2}x^4 - 3^2$

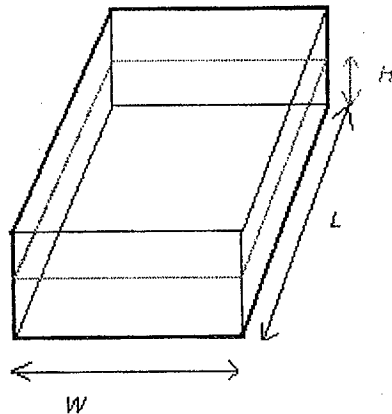
iii.  $h(x) = (x^3 - 6x)(2 \tan x - 4x^3)$

ii.  $g(x) = \sqrt{4x^2 - x}$

iv.  $q(x) = \frac{4 \sin x}{x^3 + 3}; x \neq \sqrt[3]{-3}$

[08 marks]

(b) A rectangular water tank (see figure below) is being filled at the constant rate of 20 liters / second. The base of the tank has dimensions  $w = 1$  meter and  $L = 2$  meters. What is the rate of change of the height of water in the tank?



[08 marks]

(c) A rectangular block has a square base. Its total surface area is 150.

i. If the base length is  $x$ , show that the volume  $V$  of the block is

$$V = \frac{75x - x^3}{2}$$

ii. Find the dimensions of the block when the volume is maximum.

[08 marks]

4. (a) Compute each of the following integrals:

i.  $\int x(4x^2 - 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 3) dx$

iv.  $\int_0^2 (6x^2 - 4x + 5) dx$

ii.  $\int \frac{4u^5 - u^3 + u^2 - 3}{3u^3} du; u \neq 0.$

v.  $\int_0^{\pi/2} (\sin \theta - \cos \theta) d\theta$

iii.  $\int \frac{e^{-x} + 2}{e^{-x}} dx$

[12 marks]

- (b) A proton moves in an electric field such that its acceleration (in  $cm^{-2}$ ) is  $a = -20(1 + 2t)^{-2}$ , where  $t$  is in seconds.

Find the velocity as a function of time if  $v = 30cms^{-1}$  when  $t = 0$ .

[Hint: The velocity of an object at time  $t$ , given the acceleration  $a$ , is given by  $v = \int a dt$ ]

[06 marks]

- (c) The average value of the function  $y = f(x)$  from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$  is given by  $y_{ave} = \frac{\int_a^b f(x) dx}{b-a}$ .

The temperature  $T$  (in  $^{\circ}C$ ) recorded during a day followed the curve

$T = 0.001t^4 - 0.280t^2 + 25$ , where  $t$  is the number of hours from noon

$(-12 \leq t \leq 12)$ . What was the average temperature during the day?

[06 marks]

