



UNIVERSITY OF MINES AND TECHNOLOGY, TARKWA

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, NOV/DEC 2018

COURSE NO: MA 171

COURSE NAME: TRIGONOMETRY AND COORDINATE GEOMETRY

CLASS: MA I

TIME: 3 HOURS

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ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

Q1. (a) Let $p \neq 0, h$ and k be any numbers. Show that an equation of a parabola with focus

$$F(h, k + p) \text{ and directrix } y = k - p \text{ is } (x - h)^2 = 4p(y - k)$$

(b) Find the vertex, focus, directrix, and the endpoints of the latus rectum of the parabola

$$y^2 + 14x - 6y - 47 = 0. \text{ Sketch the graph of the equation.}$$

Q2. (a) (i) Explain the term an orthogonal circle.

(ii) The tangents to the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 6y + 5 = 0$ at the point $(3, 4)$ meets the x - axis at the point F . Find the distance of F from the center of the circle.

(b) The tangents of compound angles can be deduced from the formulae for the sines and cosines

$$\text{of compound angles. Prove that } \tan(A - B) = \frac{\tan A - \tan B}{1 + \tan A \tan B}$$

Hence, If $\tan A = \frac{2}{3}$ and $\tan B = \frac{3}{4}$, both A and B being acute angles, find the value of $\tan(A - B)$ without using tables.

Q3. (a) Find the first 4 terms of the expression $(2 + 3x)^5$, hence evaluate $(2.15)^5$ correct to 3 significant Figures

(b) Express $\frac{5x^2 - 10x + 11}{(x - 3)(x^2 + 4)}$ in partial fractions

Q4. (a) Prove by mathematical induction that $1 + 7 + 13 + \dots + (6n - 5) = n(3n - 2)$

(b) Discuss the graph of the equation $9x^2 + 5y^2 + 36x - 30y + 36 = 0$

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