

# MCU → Practice Exam!

- NOTE: 1. Non-programmable calculators are permitted on the exam.  
2. Answer all questions on the foolscap provided.  
3. A communication mark for the exam will be based on the rubric below.

1. Differentiate the following and do not simplify your answers.

a)  $f(x) = 3x^5 + \frac{2}{x^3} - \sqrt{x^7}$

d)  $y = e^{(2x-3)^5}$

b)  $g(x) = (8x^3 + 9)^{5/4}$

e)  $y = -8x^2 \cos(2x+3)$

c)  $p(v) = \frac{7v^2 - 3}{4v + 5}$

f)  $y = 2^{4x^2 + 3x}$

2. Determine the derivative of  $f(x) = x^2 + 6x - 5$  from first principles.

{A - 4 marks}

3. Determine the derivative of  $y = \frac{(9x-4)^8}{(6x+7)^5}$  and express in simplest form.

{K - 4 marks}

4. Graph  $y = \frac{x^2}{x-1}$  using calculus methods.

{T - 12 marks}

5. A particle travels along a horizontal line so that its position can be modelled by the equation

$s(t) = -t^3 + 6t^2 + 15t - 20$ , where  $s(t)$  is the displacement from the origin measured in metres and  $t$  is the time in seconds for  $t \geq 0$ . Determine the particle's maximum velocity and where it is at this time.

{A - 6 marks}

6. An open top cylindrical container is to be made to hold  $2000 \text{ cm}^3$  of liquid. The material for the bottom costs  $\$5/\text{cm}^2$  and the material for the sides costs  $\$10/\text{cm}^2$ . What are the dimensions of the least expensive container? Express answers to one decimal place.

{A - 7 marks}

Possible Useful Formulas:  $SA_{\text{Total}} = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh$  &  $V = \pi r^2 h$

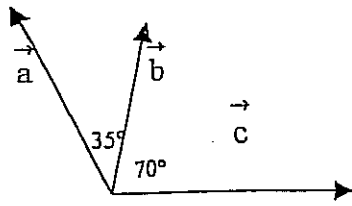
1. Given:  $|\vec{a}| = 10 \text{ N}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 8 \text{ N}$  and  $|\vec{c}| = 15 \text{ N}$ .

Determine: a)  $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$

b)  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$

c) projection of  $\vec{b}$  onto  $\vec{c}$

[6K]

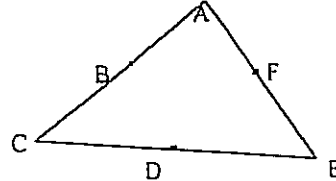


2. B, D and F are the midpoints of AC, CE and EA respectively.  $\vec{u} = \vec{BC}$  and  $\vec{v} = \vec{FE}$ . Express each of the following in terms of  $\vec{u}$  and/or  $\vec{v}$ :

a)  $\vec{CA}$

b)  $\vec{FB}$

[3K]



3. A plane is steering at a heading of  $N60^\circ E$  at a speed of  $800 \text{ km/h}$ . A wind of  $75 \text{ km/h}$  is blowing from  $S45^\circ E$ . Determine the resultant velocity of the plane.

[4A]

4. A box of mass  $2 \text{ kg}$  rests on a ramp which is inclined at  $30^\circ$  to the horizontal. A frictional force of  $5 \text{ N}$  is exerted up the ramp on the box. Determine the force that must be applied to the box at an angle of  $20^\circ$  to keep the box motionless.

[3A]

6. Given vectors  $\vec{a} = (1, -4, 2)$ ,  $\vec{b} = (6, 1, -3)$  and  $\vec{c} = (2, 1, 1)$ , determine:

[5K] a)  $5\vec{a} - 2\vec{b} + \vec{c}$       b)  $\hat{a}$       c)  $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{b}$       d) the angle,  $\theta$ , between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{c}$

7. Determine the value of  $k$  if  $\vec{x} = (k+3, 4)$  and  $\vec{y} = (8, 6)$  are: a) collinear

[4A]

b) perpendicular

8. Determine whether or not the given set of vectors form a basis for space. Justify your answer.

[3T]

$$\vec{u} = (1, 2, -1) \quad \vec{v} = (1, -1, -3) \quad \vec{w} = (2, 11, 12)$$

9. State the parametric equations of:

a) the line through  $(11, -2, 7)$  that is parallel to  $(x, y, z) = (0, -1, 1) + t(8, 5, -6)$

[4K] b) the plane passing through  $A(4, 2, 2)$ ,  $B(1, 3, 1)$  and  $C(-5, 0, 3)$

10. Determine the scalar equation of the plane containing the two lines  $\frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y}{-5} = \frac{z+1}{-2}$  and  $\frac{x-3}{-1} = \frac{y}{3} = \frac{z+1}{2}$ .

[4K]

11. Determine the intersection of:

a) the lines  $(x, y, z) = (0, -1, -2) + p(1, 2, 3)$  and  $x = 9 - 4t$ ,  $y = -5 + 3t$ , and  $z = t - 1$

[7A] b) the planes  $2x - y + z = 5$  and  $4x - y - z = -1$ .

12. Solve:  $x - y - z = 2$

[4K]  $3x + 2y + z = 4$

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