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# DIPLOMA IN BUILDING DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING DIPLOMA IN ARCHITECTURE

#### MODULE I

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#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

You should have the following for this examination:

answer booklet;

scientific calculator;

drawing instruments.

This paper consists of EIGHT questions in TWO sections; A and B.

Answer FIVE questions choosing TWO questions from section A, TWO questions from section B and ONE question from either section.

ALL questions carry equal marks.

Candidates should answer the questions in English.

This paper consists of 5 printed pages.

Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

## SECTION A: MATHEMATICS I

Answer at least TWO questions from this section.

Use quadratic formula to solve the following equation:  $\frac{2}{x-3} + 4 = \frac{x+4}{3}$ . 1. (a) (6 marks)

Solve the equation:  $Log 3x^3 - log x^2 = log 27 - log x$ . (b)

(4 marks)

- Transpose the formula  $T = 4\pi \sqrt{\frac{(M+m)l}{3(M+2m)a}}$  to make M the subject. (5 marks) (c)
- The bending moment at a point in a beam is given by:  $M = \frac{2.5x(12-x)}{2}$  where x metres is the distance from the point of support. Find the value of x when the bending (d) (5 marks) moment is 56 NM.
- A septic tank is to be excavated at the rate of 15 m3 during the first day, 35 m3 during 2. (a) the second day, 55 m3 during the third day and so on. Find the number of days required to excavate a rectangular septic tank measuring 16 m x 7 m x 7 m. (4 marks)
  - A piece of land cost Ksh 500,000 and 5 years later it is sold for Ksh 1,250,000. Find (b) the percentage appreciation if the appreciation is constant annually. (4 marks)
  - If  $Sin(\theta + \phi) = 2Cos(\theta \phi)$  prove that: (c) (i)

$$\tan\theta = \frac{2 - \tan\phi}{1 - 2\tan\phi}$$

(4 marks)

Solve the equation  $3\cos 2\theta + \sin \theta = 1$  for values of  $\theta$  from 0° to 180°. (ii)

(4 marks)

- Draw the graph of  $y = e^{-x^2}$  over the range of x = -2 to x = 2. (4 marks) (d)
- A vertical, cylindrical ventilation shaft of diameter 300 mm has its end at an angle of 3. (a) 24° to the horizontal. Determine the area in cm2 of the plate required to cover the end (5 marks)
  - A metal sphere weighing 36.0 kg is melted down and recasted into a solid cone of base (b) radius 14 cm. If the density of the metal is 8 g/cm3. Find:
    - the radius of the metal sphere; (i)
    - the perpendicular height of the solid cone, assuming that 10 % of the metal is (ii) lost in the process.

(8 marks)

Expand  $(5+x)^{\dagger}$  up to the term in  $x^{\dagger}$  and hence evaluate  $\sqrt{5.1}$  to 6 decimal places. (c) (7 marks)

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 (a) The following data represents the frequency distribution of 50 blocks of grade M15 that were tested for compressive strength in N/mm<sup>2</sup>.

Compressive strength in N/mm <sup>2</sup>	No. of blocks
12.0 - 12.2	7
12.2 - 12.4	11
12.4 - 12.6	18
12.6 - 12.8	10
12.8 - 13.0	4

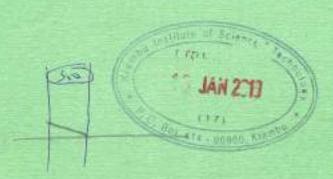
## Determine the:

- (i) mean;
- (ii) standard deviation;
- (iii) interquartile range of the distribution.

(14 marks)

- (b) A batch of 24 articles consist of 14 good ones, 6 with only minor defects, and 4 with major defects. Two articles are taken at random tested and replaced. Use a tree diagram to find the probability that:
  - (i) one article is good while the other has major defect;
  - (ii) one article has major defect while the other article has minor.

(6 marks)



# SECTION B: PHYSICAL SCIENCE

Answer at least TWO questions from this section.

- 5. (a) (i) Define the moment of a force about a point.
  - (ii) State the principle of moment.

(4 marks)

(b) Figure 1 shows a system of forces acting on a light uniform rod of 1 metre long.

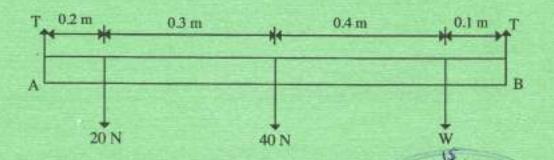


Figure 1

Find:

- (i) the value of W so that the tensions are equal;
- (ii) the tension T.

(6 marks)

(c) State five factors which affect propagation of sound.

(8 marks)

(d) State four methods of sound prevention in an environment.

(2 marks)

6. (a) State the laws of reflection.

(2 marks)

(b) State the characteristics of images formed by concave mirrors.

(4 marks)

(c) State four uses of curved mirrors.



(4 marks)

- (d) An object 4.0 cm tall is placed 18.0 cm from a concave mirror of focal length 6.0 cm. By using full scale ray diagram, determine:
  - (i) the distance of the image;
  - (ii) the height of the image;
  - (iii) nature of the image.

(10 marks)

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7. Explain what is meant by the following terms as applied to atomic physics: (a) (i) mass number; (ii) atomic number; (iii) nucleons. (3 marks) A particular atom of neon has atomic number 10 and mass number 20. (b) (i) Calculate the number of protons and neutrons in this atom. (ii) Another atom of neon has a mass number of 22. Compare and contrast this atom with the first atom in (i) above. (4 marks) (c) Explain three uses of radioisotopes in the construction industry. (6 marks) With the aid of a graph of activity against time for a radioactive material, explain how (d) the half-life for radioactive material is determined. (7 marks) 8. (a) (i) State the two types of polymers. (ii) Give two examples in each of the type stated in (i) above. (6 marks) Explain the following method of polymerization: (b) (i) addition: (ii) condensation. (4 marks)

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(4 marks)

(6 marks)

(c)

(d)

State four characteristics of a base.

Describe three properties of ionic compounds.