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UNIT CODE: BMA1208

UNIT TITLE: ANALYTICAL GEOMETRY

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MAIN EXAM

TIME: 2 HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer question one and any other two

**ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS**

1. a). The line  $GH$  with coordinates  $G(7,5)$  and  $H(9,7)$  is the diameter of a circle.  
Find
  - i. The coordinates of the centre of the circle. (2mks)
  - ii. The equation of the circle. (5mks)
  - iii. The equation of the tangent to the circle at point  $H$  (4mks)
- b). Sketch the parabola with equation  $x^2 + 2x + 4y - 3 = 0$  clearly indicating the vertex and the focus. (5mks)
- c). Determine the equation of the ellipse that has major axis of length 8 along the  $y$ -axis, minor axis of length 4 along the line  $x = -1$  (4mks)
- d). Find the equation of the line that passes through the point  $(1,2)$  and the intersection of the lines  $x + 2y = 3$  and  $2x - 3y = -1$  (5mks)
- e). A hyperbola has one focus  $F'$  at  $(-2,3)$ . The corresponding directrix is the line  $x = 3$ . Find the coordinates of  $V'$  (3mks)
- f) Convert  $(3,5)$  into polar coordinates (2mks)

2. a). An ellipse has equation  $3x^2 + 6y^2 - 48x + 36y + 222 = 0$ . Determine
- the coordinates of the centre, foci, and vertices,
  - the length of the major and minor axis
  - Equation of tangent to the ellipse at point  $(8, -5)$  (10 mks)

b). Find the equation of the circle that passes through the points  $(2,3), (3,2)$  and  $(-4,3)$  (7mks)

c). Convert  $x^2 + (y-3)^2$  into a polar equation. (3mks)

3. a). A hyperbola has equation  $2x^2 - 3y^2 + 16x - 6y + 7 = 0$ . Find

- The coordinates of the centre, and vertices
- Find the equation of the asymptotes
- Sketch the curve (10 Mks)

b). Write a polar equation of the parabola with focus at origin and directrix  $y=2$ . (6mks)

c). Show whether the circles  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y + 9 = 0$  and  $x^2 + y^2 + 6x - 2y - 26 = 0$  are orthogonal (4mks)

4. a) Determine the equation of the tangents at the end points of the latus rectum of the parabola with equation  $x^2 + 2x + 4y + 15 = 0$  (10mks)

b) Given the lines  $3x - 2y = 6$  and  $x - 3y = -5$  find the size of the angle between the two lines. (6 Mks)

c) Express

- $(4, -4)$  in polar coordinates (2mks)

ii.  $r = \frac{4}{1 + 2\sin\theta}$  as a Cartesian equation. (2mks)

5. a) The triangle  $PQR$  has vertices  $P(6, -2), Q(4, 3)$  and  $R(-1, -1)$ . Find

- The coordinates of the point  $T$  which divides the line  $PQ$  in the ratio  $3:2$  (4mks)
- The distance from the point  $T$  to the line  $PR$  (4mks)

b) Find

- i. The length of the tangent to the circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 8y = 5$  from the point (8,2) (6mks)
- ii. Determine whether the point (2,-3) lies in, on or outside the circle (6 mks)