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**KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2016/2017 ACADEMIC YEAR**  
**FIRST YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION**  
**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**  
**(MATHEMATICS)**

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2016.  
Time: 8.30am – 10.30am

**KMA 101 - INTRODUCTION TO ANALYTICAL GEOMETRY**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

**ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) Find the Cartesian coordinates of the point whose polar coordinates is  $(3, \frac{\pi}{6})$ . (4 Marks)
- b) Find the distance between the points (3,6) and (-2,5). (3 Marks)
- c) Find the gradient of the line passing through the points (3,7) and (-1,23) (3 Marks)
- d) A point  $P(X, Y)$  is equidistant from the line  $x + 2y = 3$  and the point (2,0). Find the equation relating X and Y. (5 Marks)
- e) Find the equation of the tangent from the origin to the circle;  
 $x^2 + y^2 - 5x - 5y + 10 = 0$  (5 Marks)
- f) Derive the equation of the parabola with its vertex at (3,2) and its focus at (5,2). (5 Marks)
- g) Derive the equation of the ellipse having the centre at the origin, one focus at (5,3) and the length of semi-major axis is 5. (5 Marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) Find the equation of the circle with centre on the y axis which cuts orthogonally each of the circles  $x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 2y - 9 = 0$  and  $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 2y + 1 = 0$ . (5 Marks)
- b) The points  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$  are the ends of a diameter of a circle. Find the equation of the circle. (5 Marks)

- c) The length of the tangent from the point  $C(2,3)$  to the circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y + k = 0$  is 2 units. Find the value of  $k$ . (5 Marks)
- d) A circle passes through the points  $A(-3, -4), B(-5, 2), C(1,8)$ . Find the point of the perpendicular bisector of  $AB$  and  $BC$ . (5 Marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Write the equation of the parabola with its vertex at the point  $(2,3)$  with its axis parallel to the  $y$  axis and which passes through the point  $(4,5)$  (6 Marks)
- b) Given the parabola whose equation is  $y^2 + 8y - 6x + 4 = 0$ . determine the coordinates of the vertex, the coordinates of the focus and the equation of the directrix. (7 Marks)
- c) Given the ellipse  $4x^2 + 9y^2 - 48x + 72y + 144 = 0$ . Find its centre, semi-axes, vertices and foci. (7 Marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) Find the coordinates of the vertices and foci, the equation of the directrices, the equation of the asymptotes, the length of the latus rectum, the eccentricity of the hyperbola  $9x^2 - 16y^2 = 144$  (5 Marks)
- b) Determine the equation of the hyperbola with its centre at  $(-4,1)$ , vertex at  $(2,1)$  and semi-conjugate axis 4. (5 Marks)
- c) Find the equation to the tangent and normal to the hyperbola  $9x^2 - 4y^2 = 36$  at the point  $(4, 3\sqrt{3})$ . (5 Marks)
- d) Find the equation to the tangent and normal to the ellipse  $5x^2 + 3y^2 = 137$  at the point in the first quadrant whose ordinate is 2. (5 Marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Convert the rectangular equation  $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax = 0$  to polar form. (5 Marks)
- b) Find the Cartesian equation of  $r = a(1 + 2\cos\theta)$ . (5 Marks)
- c) Find the equation of the tangent and the normal to the parabola  $y^2 = 16x$  at the point  $(16,16)$  and  $(1, -4)$ . (5 Marks)
- d) Find the length of the tangent from the point  $(5,-1)$  to the circle  $(x - \frac{1}{2})^2 + y^2 = \frac{25}{4}$  (5 Marks)