CANADIAN BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS

C-1 MATHEMATICS

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Note: This examination consists of ten questions on one page. Marks Q. No Time: 3 hours Value Earned a) Evaluate the following limit as x goes to zero: $\lim_{x \to 0} \left\{ \frac{3+7x}{5+8x^2} \right\}.$ 5 1. b) Evaluate the following limit as y goes to infinity: $limit \{3 + e^{-y+1}\}$. 5 a) Formally, $(1 - x)^{-1} = 1 + x + x^{2} + ...$ Is that valid for all real x values? 5 2. b) What can be said about the convergence of the series $1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + ...$? 5 5 a) Differentiate 2 sin(π – 2x) with respect to x and simplify. 3. 5 b) Integrate the same function of x, i.e., $2\sin(\pi - 2x)$ over some interval [a, b] a) Given an ellipse as $\alpha x^2 + \beta y^2 = 1$ in the Cartesian (x, y) plane, set up the 5 integral for its interior area, assuming the parameters α and β are positive. 4. b) For the same ellipse, what is the integral to compute the complete arc length 5 around the ellipse? a) What is the equation for a circle of unit radius at the origin of the complex z 5 plane? 5. b) What is the equation for an ellipse of semi-major axis a and semi-minor axis b at 5 the origin of the complex z plane? a) Given an arbitrary curve y = f(x) in the Cartesian plane, what is the direction of 5 its tangent at some point $y_0 = f(x_0)$? Illustrate with a simple example. 6. b) For the same curve y = f(x) in the Cartesian plane, what is the direction of its 5 normal at the point $y_0 = f(x_0)$? Illustrate with a simple example. a) What are eigenvalues and eigenvectors for a square matrix? Illustrate with a 5 small matrix of order 3. 7. 5 b) What happens when the previous matrix is singular? a) A linear algebraic system of equations is transformed into an upper triangular 5 system by Gaussian elimination. Explain and illustrate with a simple system of three equations. 8. b) Briefly show how to solve an upper triangular system of linear equations and 5 illustrate with the preceding example following the Gaussian elimination. 5 a) What is Laplace partial differential equation in Cartesian coordinates (x, y)? 9. 5 b) What is Laplace partial differential equation in polar coordinates (r, θ) ? a) Given two arbitrary points $P_1 = (\varphi_1, \lambda_1)$ and $P_2 = (\varphi_2, \lambda_2)$ on the spherical Earth 5 with latitude φ and longitude λ , derive a formula for the azimuth of the direction 10. P_1P_2 ? 5 b) Are there any ambiguities in the formula for the preceding azimuth? **Total Marks:** 100