



ASSESSMENTS OFFICE

BA (HONS) COMPUTER VISUALISATION AND ANIMATION

Answer **FOUR** questions

Year: 1st

Date: 08/06/04

Time: 09.30-12.30

ALL questions carry equal marks

MATHEMATICS FOR COMPUTER GRAPHICS 1
BACVA1F.03.3

Question 1 (4 Parts)

- 1.1. Our decimal number system is a positional number system using the base 10. Give a general expression that describes how a number for any base. Illustrate your answer using the base 2.

[5 marks]

- 1.2. Define and give one example of each of the following

- a: A natural number.
B: A integer.
C: An irrational number.
D: A real number.
E: A transcendental number.

[5 marks]

- 1.3. Calculate the binary value of X for the following expressions:

- a: $X_{10} = 10011_2 + 105_6 - 23_4$
b: $X_2 = \sqrt{1011_{10} + 100_2 + 100_3}$
c: $X_8 = (110_2 + 20_4) \times (32_5 - 100_3)$

[8 marks]

- 1.4 Let $a+bi$ be a complex number.
Then $a-bi$ is called the *conjugate* of this complex number (i.e. the same real part but the sign of the imaginary part is reversed.)
Similarly, $a+bi$ is the conjugate of $a-bi$.
Show what this means by way of a graphical representation.
Prove that the square of a complex number and the square of its conjugate are also conjugates of each other.

[7 marks]

Question 2 (4 Parts)

- 2.1. Sketch and annotate the graphs of the following functions over the range $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ radians.

- A: $\cos(2x)$
b: $2\sin(x)$
c: $\cos(x) + 2$
e: $\sin^2(x) - \cos^2(x)$

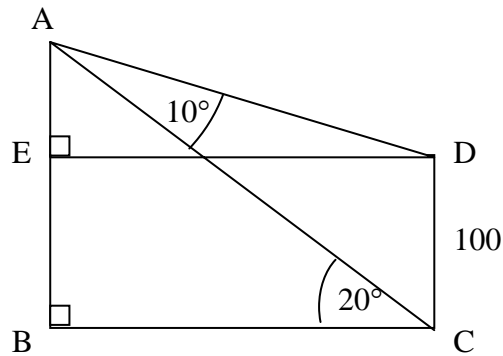
[5 marks]

- 2.2. Prove the following:

- a: $\tan(x) = \sin(x)/\cos(x)$
b: $\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1$
c: $1 + \tan^2(x) = \sec^2(x)$

[5 marks]

- 2.3. In the following diagram, find the distance AB, given that:
 $CB = DE$; $EB = DC = 100$; Angle $EDA = 10^\circ$; Angle $BCA = 20^\circ$



[9 marks]

- 2.4. Given that $\sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$, and $\cos(A+B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$
 prove that: $\tan(A+B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$

[6 marks]

Question 3 (4 Parts)

- 3.1. Describe, with the aid of an example, the following:

- a: Vector addition
- b: The magnitude of a 3D vector
- c: A unit 2D vector
- d: Cartesian vector components

[8 marks]

- 3.2. Three vectors **a**, **b** and **c** are used to construct 2 other vectors **A** and **B** as follows:

$$\mathbf{A} = |\mathbf{b}| \cdot \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c} \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = |\mathbf{c}| \cdot \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a}$$

Using the scalar (dot) product, calculate the angle between the vectors **A** and **B** where:

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

[8 marks]

- 3.3. If $\mathbf{u} = a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j} + c\mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{v} = d\mathbf{i} + e\mathbf{j} + f\mathbf{k}$, what is their vector (cross) product in terms of their cartesian components, and what does this product represent in terms of the vectors **u** and **v**?

[4 marks]

- 3.4. Describe how we might use the cross product to calculate the surface area of a polygon made up of triangles and/or parallelograms. Use a sketch if necessary.

[5 marks]

Question 4 (3 Parts)

- 4.1. Describe, with the aid of graphs, how the linear function:
$$V = tV_1 + (1-t)V_2$$
interpolates between the values V_1 and V_2 . **[5 marks]**
- 4.2. Describe how the above linear interpolant can be developed to support quadratic interpolation. **[7 marks]**
- 4.3. A Bezier curve is constructed between the points (1,1) and (4,-4) and (3,6) as a control point. If the controlling parameter over the range of the curve is where $0 \leq t \leq 1$, calculate the points on the curve for the following values of t .
a: $t = 0$
b: $t = 0.25$
c: $t = 0.5$
d: $t = 1$ **[8 marks]**
- 4.4. State Pascal's Triangle for the first 5 rows, and hence or otherwise give the first 5 binomial expansions, i.e. for $n = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$. **[5 marks]**

Question 5 (3 Parts)

- 5.1. Describe the following terms:
a: transpose of a matrix
b: shearing matrix
c: rotation matrix
d: translating matrix **[8 marks]**
- 5.2. The co-ordinates of a 2D shape are to be scaled relative to the point (2,1) by a factor of 3 in the x-direction and 2 in the y-direction; they are then finally translated by 3 in the x-direction and 3 in the y-direction.

Derive the individual homogenous transformations for these actions, and concatenate them fully into a single homogenous matrix. **[10 marks]**
- 5.3. Show, with the aid of an example, that matrix operations are not commutative **[7 marks]**

Question 6 (3 Parts)

- 6.1. Illustrate the meaning of the scalars a , b and d in the line equation $ax + by - d = 0$, and briefly explain how this equation can be used to partition space.

[9 marks]

- 6.2. What is the equation of the line passing through the points $P_1 = (3, 5)$ and $P_2 = (5, 6)$? Write the answer in Hessian normal form, and give the X and Y axes-intercepts

[8 marks]

- 6.3. If the equation of a circle is $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$, where the radius $r = 1$, calculate, algebraically, the intersection points with the line $y = -\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$

[8 marks]

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