



MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

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SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE
OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL
ENGINEERING

COURSE CODE:

CSE 241

COURSE TITLE:

ENGINEERING SURVEYING I

DATE:

7/12/2023

TIME: 8.00AM -10.00AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. This paper contains FOUR questions
- 2. Answer any THREE questions
- 3. Marks for each question are indicated in the parenthesis.
- 4. Examination duration is 2 Hours

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CSE 241 ENGINEERING SURVEYING I

QUESTION 1 (25 Marks)

(a) Define engineering surveying.

(2 marks)

- (b) Explain the main purposes of engineering surveying by dividing the surveying process into three basic stages. (9 marks)
- (c) With reference to survey measurements and observations, differentiate between the following:

Precision and Accuracy Systematic error and random error Level and Total station

(6 Marks)

(d) State the principles involved in choosing stations for a chain and tape survey

(8 Marks)

QUESTION 2 (25 Marks)

- (a) Describe with the aid of a diagram the method you would use when chaining a line that runs a cross a hill such that the visibility between the two end points are obscured. (6 marks)
- (b) List SIX types of corrections that are normally applied to a distance measurement in catenary, quoting the equation used in each case. (6 Marks)
- (c) A 30m steel tape measured 30.015 m when standardized fully supported under a 70 N pull at a temperature of 20°c. The tape weighed 0.90kg (9N), had a cross sectional area of 0.028mm², coefficient of linear expansion of 0.0000115 per °c, and Young's modulus of elasticity as 21 x 10⁶ N/mm². What is the true length of the recorded distance AB for the following condition? (Assume all full tape lengths except in the last one)

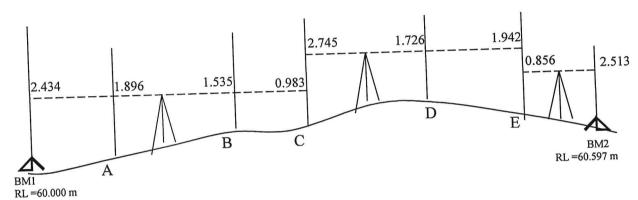
Recorded distance AB	Average Temperature	Means of support	Tension	Elevation difference per 100m
114.095m	12°	Suspended	100 N	2.5m (13 Marks)

QUESTION 3 (25 Marks)

- (a) Explain the difference between the following terms as used in levelling:
 - (i) "Level surface" and "Level line"
 - (ii) "Datum surface" and "Bench mark""
 - (iii) "Backsight" and "Foresight"
 - (iv) "Spot Height" and "Contour"
 - (v) "Intermediate Sight" and "Change Point"

(10 marks)

- (b) Why is it necessary to try and keep sight lengths as equal as possible when leveling? (2 marks)
- (c) Levelling was done down the centre line of a road for the purpose of production of a longitudinal section and this is shown schematically below with the level readings marked thereon.



Determine the reduced levels at the various staff stations by the Rise and Fall Method, applying the necessary arithmetical checks. (14 marks)

QUESTION 4 (25 Marks)

a) Define reciprocal levelling and state when it may be necessary

(6 Marks)

b) The readings obtained from a Two-Peg Test carried out on an automatic level with a single level staff set up alternately at two pegs *A* and *B* placed 50 m apart were as follows:

With the level midway between A and B

Staff reading at A = 1.283 m

Staff reading at B = 0.860 m

With the level positioned 5 m from peg B on the line AB produced

Staff reading at A = 1.612 m

Staff reading at B = 1.219 m

Calculate

(i) The collimation error of the level per 50 m of sight

- (ii) The reading that should have been observed on the staff at A from the level in (6marks) position 5 m from B.
- (c) The under noted readings in meters on a leveling staff were taken a long a roadway AB with a dumpy level, the staff being held in the 1st case at a starting point A and then at 20m intervals: 0.765, 1.064, [0.616], 1.835, 1.524. The level was then moved forward to another position and further readings were taken. These were as follows; the last reading being at B: 2.356, 1.378, [2.063], 0.677, 2.027. The level of A is 41.819m. Set out the readings and complete the bookings using the Height of Collimation method. Calculate the gradient from A to B. (Figures in brackets denote inverted staff readings).

(13 Marks)