

**BOWEN UNIVERSITY, IWO**  
**FACULTY OF SOCIAL AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**  
**2018/2019 FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

COURSE CODE:ECN 124 COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTORY MATHEMATICS FOR ECONOMISTS II  
 TIME ALLOWED: 2½ hours

COURSE CREDIT: 3

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any four questions.

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| 1. (a) i. if $9^x = 27$  | 4mks    |
| ii. $24^{x+2} = 48^x$  | 5.5mks  |
| Find x   |         |
| (b) Evaluate the following:  |         |
| i. $23x^8 \times 12x^{14}$   | 4mks    |
| ii. $3^{24} \div 3^9$  | 4mks    |
| 2. (a) Find $A^T$ , if $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ | 7.5mks  |
| (b) Find $ A $   | 10mks   |
| 3. (a) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$                 |         |
| $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$                        |         |
| i. Find $A + B$  | 4mks    |
| ii. Find $A - B$   | 4mks    |
| iii. Find the inverse of matrix A  | 9.5mks  |
| 4. (a) $2x + 3y = 4$   |         |
| $3x + 6y = 8$  | 8.75mks |
| (b) $x + y = 5$  |         |
| $2x + 3y = 6$  | 8.75mks |
| Determine x and y  |         |
| 5. (a) $Y = 2x^3 + 35x^4$  | 5.5mks  |
| (b) $Y = 2x^0$   | 4mks    |
| (c) $Y = 3x^5 + 4x^6$  | 4mks    |
| (d) $Y = 4x^7 - 3x^2$  | 4mks    |
| Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$   |         |
| 6. (a) Explain five reasons for the use of mathematics in economics. 10mks                     |         |
| (b) Find the inverse of the following matrix   |         |
| $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$                        | 7.5mks  |