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**ENGINEERING SURVEY**

**EGS 2107**

**Examination Paper**

**Semester I 2023**

This examination paper consists of 3 pages

**Time Allowed: 3 hours**

**Total Marks: 100**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. *Answer ALL Questions.*
2. *Scientific Calculators may be used.*
3. *Programmable calculators are **not** allowed*

1	a	Zimbabwe in recent years commissioned continuous operating reference stations (CORS), explain the concept of CORS giving its advantages and disadvantages over terrestrial reference stations.	[10]
	b	What error sources would you expect to encounter carrying out engineering kinematic surveys.	[5]
	c	Briefly describe how to establish a control network for an engineering surveying project through static GNSS baseline observations in terms of network design, baseline observations, baseline processing and baseline network adjustment.	[10]

2	a	What is a mass haul diagram and state four of its characteristics	[4]
	b	Compute the area of cross-section if the formation width is 12 m, side slopes are 1 to 1, average height along the centreline is 5 m, and the transverse slope of the ground is 10 to 1.	[6]
	c	With the aid of illustrations, discuss the use of the following instruments for providing vertical control during setting out.	
	i	Sight rails	[3]
	ii	Slope rails	[3]
	iii	Profile boards	[3]
	iv	Travellers	[3]
	v	Offset pegs	[3]

3	a	A grade $g_1$ of +3.00 % intersects grade $g_2$ of at a vertex whose station and elevation are 46 + 70 and 853.48 m, respectively. An equal-tangent parabolic curve 600 m long has been selected to join the two tangents. Compute and tabulate the curve for stakeout at full stations.	[16]
	b	The reduced level at the intersection of a rising gradient of 1.5 per cent and a falling gradient of 1.0 per cent on a proposed road is 1193.60 above mean sea level. Given that the K-value for this road is 50, the through chainage of the intersection point is 2 +671.34m and the vertical curve is to have equal tangent lengths, Calculate:	
	i	The through chainages of the tangent points of the vertical curve.	[6]
	ii	The position and level of the highest point on the curve	[3]

4	a)		Outline the essential characteristics of following instruments used for deformation monitoring of engineering structures:	
		i	Theodolites	[3]
		ii	Electronic Distance Measurer (EDM)	[3]
		iii	Real Time Kinematic GPS	[4]
	b		Describe what field procedures can an engineering surveyor take to improve the reliability of deformation measurements.	[8]
	c		Explain 3 factors that you will consider in survey system design when carrying out a building deformation survey.	[7]

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***THE END***