## The University of the State of New York

Examination for Qualifying Certificates

## INTERMEDIATE ALGEBRA

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Answer eight questions. Full credit will not be granted unless all operations (except mental ones) necessary to find results are given; simply indicating the operations is not sufficient. Each answer should be reduced to its simplest form. Papers entitled to less than 75 credits will not be accepted.

1 Find the prime factors of each of the following:

$$\begin{array}{lll} 3a^{zb} - 729a^{zb} & [2\frac{1}{2}] \\ 16x^2 - 24x(c-d) + 9(c-d)^2 & [2\frac{1}{2}] \\ y^2 - 9z^2 + 9 - 6y & [2\frac{1}{2}] \\ 1.2y^2 + 9.82y - 1.5 & [2\frac{1}{2}] \\ x^3 - 6x^2 + 5x + 12 & [2\frac{1}{2}] \end{array}$$

2 a Find the value of  $243^{\frac{9}{8}} \times 27^{-\frac{9}{8}} \times (\sqrt[8]{3})^{6} \times (3^{2})^{6}$  [6]

b Rationalize the denominator in 
$$\frac{\sqrt{12}}{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{2}}$$
 [6½]

3 Find the roots of the following equation to the nearest hundredth:

$$2y^2 + .06y = .3$$
 [12]

4 Solve the following equation and check one root:

$$\sqrt{2x+3} - \sqrt{x+1} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2x+3}}$$
 [12½]

5 a In the equation  $x^2 = rx - 165$  find the values of r if one root is 4 more than the other root. [6½] [Leave all work on the paper.]

b Form the quadratic equation whose roots are  $3 + 2\sqrt{5}$  and  $3 - 2\sqrt{5}$  [6]

6 By the use of logarithms find the value of

$$\frac{\sqrt{(.0621)^3} \times \sqrt[4]{78}}{8.964}$$
 [12½]

7 Solve the following set of equations and correctly group your answer:

$$x^{2} + y^{2} - 21 = xy$$
  
 $x^{2} - 2xy + 15 = 0$  [12]

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8 Determine by formula the sum of all positive integers less than 650 that are divisible by 7.  $[12\frac{1}{2}]$ 

9 Two boats raced 48 miles. The first averaged 12 miles an hour; the second traveled 18 miles at a certain rate and then increased its speed 3 miles an hour. The first boat won by 30 minutes. Find the rates at which the second boat traveled. [12]

10 The numerator and denominator of a certain proper fraction each consist of the same two digits written in different order. The sum of the digits is 9. If the value of the fraction is  $\frac{4}{7}$ , find the numerator and the denominator.  $[12\frac{1}{2}]$ 

11 Plot the graph of each of the following equations and from the graphs determine approximately the common solutions:

$$x^2 + 2y^2 = 32$$
  
 $2x - y = 2$  [8½, 2, 2]