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Semester - II

Subject : MATHEMATICS

Paper : GE 2 - T

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Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 Hours

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer any **five** questions :

2×5=10

(a) If a, b, c be positive real numbers, prove that $\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} > \frac{3}{2}$

unless $a = b = c$.

(b) Prove that for a complex number z , $|z| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|\operatorname{Re}(z)| + |\operatorname{Im}(z)|]$.

(c) Discuss the maximum number of complex root of $x^6 - 3x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$ using Descartes' rule of sign.

(d) Solve the equation $x^4 + x^2 - 2x + 6 = 0$ where it is given that $(1 + i)$ is a root.

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- (e) Prove that the product of any m consecutive integers is divisible by m .
- (f) A set contains only null vector. Is it independent? Explain.
- (g) Let P be an orthogonal matrix with $\det(P) = -1$. Prove that -1 is an eigen value of P .
- (h) If $a \mid b$, with $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, then show that $a \mid c$.

2. Answer any **four** questions :

5×4=20

- (a) State and prove Cayley-Hamilton theorem.
- (b) Find the basis and the dimension of the subspace W of R^3 where $W = \{(x, y, z) \in R^3 : x + y + z = 0\}$.
- (c) Show that the intersection of two subspaces of a vector space V over a field F is a subspace of V . Is the union of two subspaces a subspace of V ? If not, discuss the condition.
- (d) Determine the conditions for which the system : $x + y + z = b$; $2x + y + 3z = b + 1$; $5x + 2y + az = b^2$ admits of (i) unique solution, (ii) no solution and (iii) many solutions.
- (e) A linear mapping $T : R^3 \rightarrow R^3$ is defined by $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (2x_1 + x_2 - x_3, x_2 + 4x_3, x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3)$, $(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in R^3$, Find the matrix relative to the order basis $\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$ of R^3 .
- (f) Show that the eigen values of a real symmetric matrix are all real.

3. Answer any **three** questions :

10×3=30

- (a) (i) If n be a positive integer, prove that

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{n+1}} < \frac{1.3.5.....(2n-1)}{2.4.6.....2n} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n+1}}$$

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- (ii) Prove that the minimum value of $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ is $\left(\frac{c}{7}\right)^2$ where x, y, z are positive real numbers subject to the condition $2x + 3y + 6z = c$, c being a constant. Find the values of x, y, z for which the minimum value is attained. 5
- (b) (i) If $\cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma = 0$ and $\sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma = 0$ then prove that $\cos 3\alpha + \cos 3\beta + \cos 3\gamma = 3 \cos(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$. 3
- (ii) Show that the roots of $(1+z)^{2n} + (1-z)^{2n}$ are the values of $\pm i \tan \frac{(2r-1)\pi}{4n}$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$. 5
- (iii) Find the value of $\sqrt[n]{i} + \sqrt[n]{-i}$. 2
- (c) (i) Find the integers u and v such that $63u + 55v = 1$. 2
- (ii) Prove that for all integers $n > 2$, $n^3 - 1$ is composite. 2
- (iii) Establish that the difference of two consecutive cubes is never divisible by 2. 2
- (iv) If $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$ are both injective mappings then show that the composite mapping $g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$ is injective. 2
- (v) If $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, then $\gcd(a^2, b^2) = 1$. 2
- (d) (i) Solve the equation by Cardan's method : $x^3 + 9x^2 + 15x - 25 = 0$. 6
- (ii) The roots of the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$ ($r \neq 0$) are α, β, γ . Find the equation whose roots are $\alpha\beta - \gamma^2, \beta\gamma - \alpha^2, \gamma\alpha - \beta^2$. 4
- (e) (i) Consider a set Z in which the relation ρ is defined by apb iff $3a + 4b$ is divisible by 7. Examine whether ρ is an equivalence relation. 5
- (ii) Let S be a real skew symmetric matrix of order n , then prove that $(I_n + S)^{-1}(I_n - S)$ is orthogonal. 5