

**2020**  
**MATHEMATICS**  
**[HONOURS]**  
**Paper : I**

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Symbols, notations have their usual meanings.*

1. Answer any **five** questions: 1×5=5
- a) Determine the value of  $\lambda$  for which the vectors  $-3\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + \lambda\vec{k}$  and  $-6\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 11\vec{k}$  are perpendicular.
- b) Find the smallest positive integer  $n$ , for which  $\left(\frac{1+i}{1-i}\right)^{2n} = 1$ .
- c) If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then show that  $A^2$  is symmetric.
- d) Find the Cartesian equation of the curve whose polar equation is given by  $r^2 = a^2 \cos 2\theta$ .

- e) Given that  $\omega^n + \omega^{2n} + 1 = 0$  where  $\omega$  is an imaginary cube root of unity and  $n$  is an integer. Is  $n$  divisible by 3? Give reason.
- f) Is  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , given by  $f(x) = \log x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , a mapping where  $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of all real numbers.
- g) If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the equation  $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$ , find the value of  $\Sigma \alpha^2$ , where  $\alpha \neq 0$ .

2. Answer any **ten** questions: 2×10=20

- a) Without expanding find the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 7 & 12 & -3 \\ 9 & 14 & -1 \\ 8 & 13 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

- b) Determine the eigenvalues of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- c) Find the point of intersection of the straight line  $\frac{x+1}{1} = \frac{y+3}{3} = \frac{z-2}{-2}$  and the plane  $3x + 4y + 5z = 5$ .
- d) For what value of  $\lambda$ , does the equation  $xy + 5x + \lambda y + 15 = 0$  represent a pair of straight lines?

- e) If  $|\vec{\alpha} + \vec{\beta}| = |\vec{\alpha} - \vec{\beta}|$ , then show that  $\vec{\alpha}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{\beta}$ .
- f) For any two complex numbers  $z$  and  $z_0$  show that  $\arg(z - z_0) = -\arg(\overline{z - z_0})$ .
- g) Is  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , given by  $f(x-1) = \log(x-1)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , a mapping where  $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of all real numbers?
- h) Find the equation whose roots are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign to the roots of  $x^4 + 3x^3 - 7x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$ .
- i) If the binary operation  $*$  be defined on  $I$ , the set of all integers by  $a * b = a + b + 1$ ,  $a, b \in I$ , find the identity element with respect to the operation  $*$ .
- j) Verify whether the vectors  $(2, 1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 1, 0)$ ,  $(4, 2, 0)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are linearly dependent or independent.
- k) Show whether the mapping  $f: Z \rightarrow Z$  defined by  $f(x) = |x|$ ,  $x \in Z$  (=the set of all integers) is onto or not. Justify your answer.
- l) Is it possible that all the roots of the equation  $2x^3 - 11x^2 + 28x - 24 = 0$  be complex? Justify your answer.

3. Answer any **five** questions: 6×5=30
- a) i) Define Cyclic group. Show that every proper subgroup of a group of order 6 is cyclic.
- ii) Show that the order of every subgroup of a finite group  $G$  is a divisor of the order of  $G$ . 3+3
- b) i) Find the angle through which a set of rectangular axes must be turned without the change of origin so that  $xy$  term is removed from the equation  $7x^2 + 4xy + 3y^2 = 0$ .
- ii) Show that the lines  $\frac{x+3}{4} = \frac{y-5}{-1} = \frac{z+7}{2}$ , lies in the plane  $x - 2y - 3z - 8 = 0$ . 3+3
- c) i) If the two pair of lines  $x^2 - 2pxy - y^2 = 0$  and  $x^2 - 2qxy - y^2 = 0$  be such that each pair bisects the angle between the other pair, prove that  $pq = -1$ .
- ii) Find the equation of the plane passing through the line  $2x - y = 0 = 3z - y$  and perpendicular to the plane  $4x + 5y - 3z = 0$ . 3+3

d) i) Find all the roots of the equation  $z^4 - (1-z)^4 = 0$ .

ii) Prove that  $\sin\left(i \log \frac{x-iy}{x+iy}\right) = \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2}$ ,  
 $x, y$  are real numbers. 3+3

e) i) Solve the cubic  $x^3 - 12x + 65 = 0$  by Cardan's method.

ii) If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the equation  $x^3 + x^2 + x - 2 = 0$ , find the value of  $\sum \frac{1}{\alpha}$ ,  
 $\sum \frac{1}{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\sum \frac{1}{\alpha^2}$ . 3+3

f) i) Given that  $A$  and  $B$  are two matrices such that  $AB=A$  and  $BA=B$ . Show that  $A^T$  and  $B^T$  are both idempotent.

ii) Determine the values of  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  when  
 $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{pmatrix}$  is orthogonal. 3+3

g) i) Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+a_1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+a_2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+a_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 a_2 a_3 \left(1 + \frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \frac{1}{a_3}\right).$$

ii) Solve the following system of equations by Cramer's rule:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x - z &= 1 \\ 2x + 4y - z &= 1 \\ x - 8y - 3z &= -2. \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ 3+3 \end{array}$$

h) i) Show that a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is invertible if and only if  $f$  is a bijection.

ii) Give an example of a mapping  $f: Z \rightarrow Z$  which is injective but not surjective. Here  $Z$  denotes the set of all integers. 3+3

4. Answer any **three** questions: 15×3=45

a) i) Find the equation of a sphere which passes through the origin and makes equal intercepts of unit length on the axes.

ii) Find the equation of the right circular cylinder which passes through the point  $(3, -1, 1)$  and has the straight line  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+3}{-1} = \frac{z-2}{1}$  as its axis.

iii) If the straight line  $r \cos(\theta - \alpha) = p$  touches the parabola  $\frac{l}{r} = 1 + \cos \theta$ , show that  $p = \frac{1}{2} \sec \alpha$ . 5+5+5

- b) i) Prove that a subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if  $aHa^{-1} = H$  for all  $a \in G$ .
- ii) If the three vectors  $\vec{\alpha} = a_1\vec{i} + b_1\vec{j} + c_1\vec{k}$ ,  $\vec{\beta} = a_2\vec{i} + b_2\vec{j} + c_2\vec{k}$ ,  $\vec{\gamma} = a_3\vec{i} + b_3\vec{j} + c_3\vec{k}$  are coplanar, show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

- iii) Find the equation of the tangent plane to the quadratic  $3x^2 + 2y^2 - 6z^2 = 6$  which passes through the point  $(3, 2, -3)$  and is parallel to the line  $x = y = -z$ .

5+5+5

- c) i) Find the special roots of  $x^9 - 1 = 0$ . Deduce that  $2\cos\frac{2\pi}{9}$ ,  $2\cos\frac{4\pi}{9}$ ,  $2\cos\frac{8\pi}{9}$  are the roots of the equation  $x^3 - 3x + 1 = 0$ .
- ii) Solve the reciprocal equation  $3x^6 + x^5 - 27x^4 + 27x^2 - x - 3 = 0$  by reducing to its standard form.

- iii) If  $\sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma = 0 = \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma$ , then prove that

$$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = \frac{3}{2} = \sin^2 \alpha +$$

$$\sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma. \quad 5+5+5$$

- d) i) If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , show that

$A^3 - 6A - 9I_3 = 0$ . Hence obtain a matrix B such that  $BA = I_3$  where  $I_3$  denotes the unit matrix of order 3.

- ii) Find  $\lambda$  for which the system of equations

$$(4 + \lambda)x + 2y + 2z = 0$$

$$2x + (4 + \lambda)y + 2z = 0$$

$$2x + 2y + (4 + \lambda)z = 0$$

has non-zero solutions.

- iii) If A is a real skew symmetric matrix and  $I+A$  is non-singular, prove that  $(I+A)^{-1}(I-A)$  is orthogonal. 5+5+5

- e) i) Reduce the equation

$$7x^2 - 2xy + 7y^2 - 16x + 16y - 8 = 0$$

to canonical form and determine the nature of the conic.

- ii) If  $6x = 3y = 2z$ , represents one of a set of three mutually perpendicular generators of the cone  $5yz - 8zx - 3xy = 0$ , find the equation of the other two.
- iii) A variable plane at a distance  $p$  from the origin meets the axes at  $A, B, C$ . Show that the locus of the centroid of the tetrahedron  $OABC$  is

$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = \frac{16}{p^2}. \quad 5+5+5$$

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