

42nd C.C. Exam., 1999

MATHEMATICS, PAPER – I

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 200

Answer any five questions.

1. (a) If U and W are subspaces of a finite dimensional vector space V , then prove that :

$$\dim(U + W) = \dim U + \dim U \cap W$$

- (b) If $[S]$ denotes the subspace spanned by a non-empty subset S of a vector space V over F , then show that :

$$[S] = \{a_1\alpha_1 + a_2\alpha_2 + \dots + a_n\alpha_n : a_1, a_2, \dots,$$

$$a_n \in F, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in S; n \in N\}$$

2. (a) Show that a set S of non-zero vectors $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ is linearly depended if and only if one of the $\alpha_m \in S, m > 1$ is a linear combination of the preceding vectors.

- (b) Show that the only real value of λ for which of the following equations have non-zero solution is 6 :

$$x + 2y + 3z = \lambda x; 3x + y + 2z = \lambda y \text{ and } 2x + 3y + z = \lambda z.$$

- (c) Find the inverse of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

3. (a) Find the value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow \alpha} \frac{\cos x - \cos \alpha}{\cot x - \cot \alpha}$.

- (b) The normal at the point $P(at^2, 2at)$ of the parabola $Y^2 = 4ax$ cuts the same parabola at Q . Find the minimum length of PQ .

- (c) Show that the asymptotes of

$$x^2 y^2 = a^2 (x^2 + y^2) - a^3 (x + y) + a^4 = 0$$

from a square, through two of whose angular points the curve passes.

4. (a) Find the value of $\int_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} \frac{X}{1 + \sin x} dx$.

- (b) Show that $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}$.

- (c) Find the volume of that part of the cylinder $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$ which lies between the planes $y = 0$ and $y = mx$.

5. (a) Find the locus of midpoints of the portion of lines $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$ (p is constant) which is intercepted between the axes.

- (b) Show that the equation $bx^2 - 2hxy + a^2y = 0$ represents a pair of straight lines which are at right angles of the pair given by the equation $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$.

- (c) If the angle between a pair of tangents drawn from a point P to the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$ is 45° , then show that the locus of P is a hyperbola.

6. (a) Prove that the locus of intersection of normals at the ends of conjugate diameters of an ellipse is the curve.

$$2(a^2x^2 + b^2y^2)^3 = (a^2 - b^2)^2(a^2x^2 - b^2y^2)^2.$$

- (b) If a circle and a rectangular hyperbola $xy = c^2$ meet in four points t_1, t_2, t_3 and t_4 then prove that $t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4 = 1$.

7. (a) For the curve $\gamma = a(3u - u^3, 3u^2, 3u + u^3)$, prove that

$$3a(1 + u^2)^2$$

- (b) Find the involute and evolute of the circular helix $\gamma = (a \cos \theta, a \sin \theta, a\theta \cot \alpha)$.

8. (a) Find the locus of the point of intersection of three mutually perpendicular tangent planes to the conicoid $x^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1$.

- (b) Prove that the normals from (α, β, γ) to the paraboloid.

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 2z \text{ lie on the cone } \frac{\alpha}{x-\alpha} - \frac{\beta}{y-\beta} + \frac{a^2 - b^2}{z-\gamma} = 0.$$

9. (a) Solve: $(1 + xy)ydx + (1 - xy)x dy = 0$.

- (b) Solve: $y - 2px = f(xp^2)$.

- (c) Solve: $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} + y = xe^x \sin x$.

10. (a) Solve: $x\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y^2}{x} = y$.

- (b) Solve: $(D^2 + 4)y = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$.

- (c) Investigate $xp^2 - (x - a)^2 = 0$ for singular solution.

11. (a) Prove $\nabla \times (\nabla \times A) = -\nabla^2 A + \nabla (\nabla \cdot A)$, where the symbols have usual meaning.

- (b) If $\phi(x, y, z) = zy^2z$ and $A = xzi - xy^2j + yz^2k$, then find

$$-\frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^2 \partial z}(\phi A) \text{ at } (2, -1, 1).$$

- (c) Verify Stoke's theorem for $A = (2x - y)i - yz^2j - y^2zk$, where S is the upper half surface of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ and C is its boundary.

12. (a) Show that $\left\{ \frac{i}{ij} \right\} = \frac{\partial \log \sqrt{g}}{\partial x^i} = \frac{\partial \log \sqrt{-g}}{\partial x^j}$.
- (b) Prove that the covariant derivatives of the tensors g^{ij} , g_{ij} and ∂_j^i all vanish identically.
13. (a) A particle moves under a force $\mu \{ 3ar^4 - 2(a^2 - b^2)r^5 \}$. $a > b$ and is projected from an apse at a distance $a + b$ with velocity $\frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{a + b}$, show that its orbit is $r = a + b \cos \theta$.
- (b) Two equal forces act one along each of the straight lines $\frac{x \pm a \cos \theta}{a \sin \theta} = \frac{y - b \sin \theta}{\mp b \cos \theta} = \frac{z}{c}$; show that their central axis must, for all values of θ , line on the surface $y \left(\frac{x}{z} + \frac{z}{x} \right) = b \left(\frac{a}{c} + \frac{c}{a} \right)$.
14. (a) A smooth parabolic wire is fixed with its axis vertical and vertex downwards and it is placed in a uniform rod of length $2l$ with its ends resting on wire. Show that, for equilibrium, the rod is either horizontal or makes with the horizontal an angle θ given by $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{2a}{l}$, $4a$ being the latus rectum of the parabola.
- (b) The end links of a uniform chain slide along a fixed rough horizontal rod. Prove that the ratio of the maximum span to the length of the chain is $\mu \log \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + \mu^2}}{\mu}$, where μ is the coefficient of friction.
15. (a) A planet of mass M and periodic time T , when at its greatest distance from the sun comes into collision with a meteor of mass m moving in the same orbit in the opposite direction with