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Physics

Core – MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS – I

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. The curl of a vector field can be represented as

- (a)  $\text{Curl } A$  (b)  $\nabla \times A$   
(c)  $\nabla \cdot A$  (d)  $\nabla^2 A$

2. A field is irrotational if

- (a)  $\text{grad } A = 0$  (b)  $\text{div } A = 0$   
(c)  $\text{curl } A = 0$  (d)  $\nabla^2 A = 0$

3. The eigen values of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$  are \_\_\_\_\_

- (a)  $e^{+i\theta}$  (b)  $e^{+2i\theta}$   
(c)  $e^{+3i\theta}$  (d)  $e^{+i\theta/2}$

4. Which one of the following matrices is Hermitian?

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & i \\ -i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

5. The value of  $J_{-1/2}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  is

- (a) 0 (b) 1  
(c)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  (d)  $\frac{2}{\pi}$

6. The value of  $L_1(x)$  is

- (a) 1 (b)  $1-x$   
(c)  $1+x$  (d) 0



7. Fourier transform of which of the following functions does not exist?

- (a)  $e^{-|x|}$  (b)  $xe^{-x^2}$   
(c)  $e^{x^2}$  (d)  $e^{-x^2}$

8. The average of the function  $f(x) = \sin x$  in the interval  $(0, \pi)$  is \_\_\_\_\_

- (a)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (b)  $\frac{2}{\pi}$   
(c)  $\frac{1}{\pi}$  (d)  $\frac{4}{\pi}$

9. Laplace transform of  $J_0(t)$  is

- (a)  $\frac{1}{S}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{S^2+1}}$   
(c)  $\frac{1}{S^2+1}$  (d)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-S^2}}$

10. Laplace transform of  $\cos at$  is

- (a)  $\frac{s}{s^2+a^2}$  (b)  $\frac{a}{s^2+a^2}$   
(c)  $\frac{a}{s^2-a^2}$  (d)  $\frac{s}{s^2-a^2}$

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Find the value of  $a, b$  and  $c$  such that

$$F = (3x - 4y + 9z)i + (cx + 5y - 2z)j + (x - by + 7z)k \text{ is irrotational.}$$

Or

- (b) Using Green's theorem evaluate

$$\oint_C (x^2y \, dx + x^2 \, dy) \text{ where } C \text{ is boundary described counter-clockwise of the triangle with vertices } (0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1).$$

12. (a) Show that  $\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_y^2 = \sigma_z^2 = 1$  where  $\sigma_x, \sigma_y$  and  $\sigma_z$  are Pauli spin matrices.

Or

- (b) Show that the eigen values of a Hermitian matrix are real.

13. (a) Prove that  $x J'_x(x) = -n J_n(x) + x J_{n-1}(x)$ .

Or

- (b) Prove that  $(n+1)L_{n+1}(x) = (2n+1-x)L_n(x) - nL_{n-1}(x)$ .



14. (a) State and prove modulation theorem of Fourier transform.

Or

- (b) Find the sine transform of  $\frac{e^{-ax}}{x}$ .

15. (a) Find Laplace transforms of

(i)  $\cosh(at)$

(ii)  $\sin at$ .

Or

- (b) Find the inverse Laplace transform of  $\frac{e^{-ps}}{s^2 + 1}$ .

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) State and prove Gauss divergence theorem.

Or

- (b) Show that  $r^n \vec{r}$  is an irrotational vector for any value of  $n$ , but is solenoidal only if  $n = -3$   $\vec{r}$  is position vector of a point.

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17. (a) State and prove Cayley Hamilton theorem.

Or

- (b) Find the eigen values any eigen vectors of the

following matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

18. (a) Obtain the series solution of Langeve differential equation.

Or

- (b) Obtain the series solution of Bessel differential equation.

19. (a) Find the Fourier transform of  $e^{-r^2/a^2}$  where  $a$  is a constant and  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ .

Or

- (b) Find the cosine transform of a function of  $x$  which is unity for  $0 < x < a$  and zero for  $x \geq a$  what is the function whose cosine transform is  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\sin ap}{p}$ .

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20. (a) State and prove extension theorem is Laplace transform.

Or

- (b) Obtain Laplace transform of the function  $f(t) = \sinh at \sin at$ .
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