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First Semester

Physics – Core

MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS

(For those who joined in July 2024 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (15 × 1 = 15 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. The concept of linear vector space is important for the study of

- (a) Electronics
- (b) Quantum mechanics
- (c) Space science
- (d) None of the above

2. The operation of addition in linear vector space must satisfy

- (a) Commutative law
- (b) Associative law
- (c) Both commutative and Associative laws
- (d) None of the above

3. The Elements of vector space are

- (a) Vectors
- (b) Scalars
- (c) Both vectors and scalars
- (d) None of the above

4. If a group is cyclic, it must also be

- (a) Isomorphic
- (b) Homomorphic
- (c) Abelian
- (d) None of the above

5. If  $z = x + iy$  and be a complex number, its modulus is denoted by  $|z|$  and given by

- (a)  $z = +\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$
- (b)  $z = -\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$
- (c)  $z = +\sqrt{x^2 - y^2}$
- (d)  $z = -\sqrt{x^2 - y^2}$

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6. Modulus of the product of two complex numbers is the product of their  
 (a) Arguements (b) Moduli  
 (c) Real numbers (d) None of the above
7. A matrix of the order of  $q \times 1$  is called  
 (a) Row matrix (b) Column matrix  
 (c) Identity matrix (d) None of the above
8. Scalar quantity which is associated with a linear transformation belonging to a vector space is  
 (a) Eigen matrix (b) Eigen matrix  
 (c) Eigen Value (d) All the above
9. A matrix that has all of its elements is zero is said to be a  
 (a) Unit matrix (b) Identify matrix  
 (c) Row matrix (d) Null matrix
10. Which of the following represents Laplace's transform?

(a)  $g(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-iat} dt$

(b)  $g(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-at} dt$

(c)  $g(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) t J_n(\alpha t) dt$

(d)  $g(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) t^{\infty-1} dt$

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11. The fourier sine transform of function  $f(x) = e^{-ax}$  is

(a)  $\frac{s}{a^2 + s^2}$

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

(c)  $\frac{\sin ax}{\sqrt{a^2 + s^2}}$

(d)  $\frac{a \sin ax}{\sqrt{a^2 + s^2}}$

12. Laplace transform of  $t^n$  is

(a)  $\frac{n!}{s^n}$

(b)  $\frac{n!}{s^{n-1}}$

(c)  $\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$

(d)  $\frac{(n+1)!}{s^{n+1}}$

13. The Legendre polynomial  $P_n(x)$  has

(a)  $n$  real zero between 0 and 1

(b)  $n$  zero of which only one is between -1 and +1

(c)  $(2n-1)$  real zeros between -1 and +1

(d) No real zero between 0 and  $z$

14. In  $P_n(x)$  is Legendre polynomial, then the value of

$\int_{-1}^{+1} P_n(x) P_m(x) dx (m \neq n)$  is equal to

(a) 0

(b) 1

(c)  $\frac{2}{(2m+1)(2m-1)}$

(d)  $\frac{m!n!}{2(m+n)!}$

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15. The orthogonality condition for legendre polynomial  $\int_{-1}^{+1} P_m(x) P_n(x) dx = 0$  is true for

- (a)  $m = n$  (b)  $m \neq n$   
(c)  $m = n = 0$  (d) None of these

PART B — (5 × 4 = 20 marks)

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

16. (a) What is linear vector space? Describe orthogonality.

Or

- (b) What is dual space? Describe orthogonal basis.

17. (a) Describe differentiability.

Or

- (b) How the character tables are construed.

18. (a) Diagonalise the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Or

- (b) Find the rank of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

19. (a) State and prove similarity theorem.

Or

- (b) State and prove change of scale property of Laplace transforms.

20. (a) Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 3 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0.$$

Or

- (b) Solve  $(D^2 - 4D + 4)y = x^3 e^{2x}$ .

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

21. (a) Explain Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization procedure.

Or

- (b) Explain orthogonal transformations and rotation of  $R^2$  vector space with standard basis.





22. (a) Write down the properties of moduli and arguments.

Or

- (b) Write down the algebraic operations of complex number.

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

Or

- (b) Find the characteristic equations of a matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

24. (a) Find the Laplace transform of

(i)  $\sin h$  at

(ii)  $\cosh$  at

Or

- (b) Write down the Fourier sine and cosine transform of first derivatives.

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25. (a) Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = +4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = 65 \cos 2x.$$

Or

- (b) Using Rodrigue's formula, prove that

(i)  $\int_{-1}^{+1} P_0(x) dx = 2$

(ii)  $\int_{-1}^{+1} P_n(x) dx = 0 \quad (n \neq 0).$

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