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(Under CBCS Pattern)

**Semester — II**

**Subject : MATHEMATICS**

**Paper : GE-2T**

**( Algebra )**

**Full Marks : 60**

**Time : 3 hours**



*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

*The symbols used have their usual meanings.*

Answer from **all** the Groups as directed.

**GROUP—A**

1. Answer **any ten** questions from the following :

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(a) State and prove the triangle inequality of complex numbers.

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- (b) Find the product of all the values of  $(1+i)^{\frac{4}{5}}$ .
- (c) Apply Descartes' rule of signs to find the nature of the roots  $x^7 + x^5 - x^3 = 0$ .
- (d) If  $a, b, x$  and  $y$  all are positive real numbers, then prove that
 
$$\frac{ax+by}{a+b} \geq \frac{(a+b)xy}{ay+bx}$$
- (e) Find the number of multiple roots of the equation
 
$$f(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!}$$
- (f) Find the rank of the matrix
 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 7 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
- (g) Is the union of two subspaces of a vector space  $V$  form a subspace of  $V$ ? Justify.
- (h) Find the remainder when  $1!+2!+3!+\dots+80!$  is divided by 30.
- (i) Let  $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = 0 \text{ or } y = 0\}$ . Is  $W$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Why?
- (j) Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear map given by  $T(x, y) = (2x - y, -8x + 4y)$ . Does  $(5, 10)$  belong to  $\ker(T)$ ? Justify.
- (k) Using the principle of induction, prove that  $(3 + \sqrt{5})^n + (3 - \sqrt{5})^n$  is an even integer for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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- (l) Let  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^4 + qx^2 + rx + s = 0$ . Find  $\sum \frac{1}{\alpha^2}$ .
- (m) Find the values of  $k$  for which the system of equations
 
$$\begin{cases} x + y + z = kx \\ x + y + z = ky \\ x + y + z = kz \end{cases}$$
 will have non-trivial solution.
- (n) Let  $A$  be a  $7 \times 6$  matrix such that  $Ax = 0$  has only the trivial solution.
- (o) Show that the map  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $T(x, y, z) = x + y + z, \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  is a linear map.



**GROUP—B**

2. Answer any **four** questions from the following :  $5 \times 4 = 20$
- (a) Solve the equation by Ferrari's method  $x^4 - 2x^2 + 8x - 3 = 0$ .
  - (b) If  $a, b, c$  are positive rational numbers, then show that
 
$$a^a b^b c^c \geq \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left(\frac{b+c}{2}\right)^{\frac{b+c}{2}} \left(\frac{c+a}{2}\right)^{\frac{c+a}{2}} \geq \left(\frac{a+b+c}{3}\right)^{a+b+c}$$

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(c) If  $a, b, c$  are the roots of the equation  $x^3 + qx + r = 0$ , then find the equation whose roots are  $(a-b)^2, (b-c)^2, (a-c)^2$ .

(d) If  $a, b, c$  are positive real numbers such that  $a+b+c=1$ , then show that  $\sqrt{4a+1} + \sqrt{4b+1} + \sqrt{4c+1} < 5$ .

(e) State Cayley-Hamilton theorem for matrix.

Using it, compute the inverse of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$1+4=5$$

(f) Find a basis and dimension of the subspace  $S \cap T$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  where  $S = \{x, y, z, w\} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid x+y+z+w=0\}$  and  $T = \{x, y, z, w\} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid 2x+y-z+w=0\}$

**GROUP—C**

3. Answer any two questions from the following :  
10×2=20

(a) (i) Let  $f(x) = x^4 + 6x^2 + 14x^2 + 22x + 5$ . Find  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\lambda$  so that  $f(x)$  may be expressed in the form  $(x^2 + 3x + \lambda)^2 - (\alpha x + \beta)^2$ . Hence solve the equation  $f(x) = 0$ .

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(ii) If  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , then show that  $\gcd(a+b, a^2 - ab + b^2) = 1$  or 3.  
(3+3)+4=10

(b) (i) Define orthogonal matrix. Prove that if  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of a real orthogonal matrix  $A$ , then  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  is also an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

(ii) Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  real matrix with its eigenvectors  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  corresponding to eigenvalues 2, 3 and 1 respectively. Find  $A$ . (1+4)+5=10

(c) (i) Let  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$  and  $(\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3)$  be the order bases of the real vector space  $V$  and  $W$  respectively. A linear mapping  $T: V \rightarrow W$  maps the basis vectors as  $T(\alpha_1) = \beta_1 + \beta_2, T(\alpha_2) = \beta_2 + \beta_3, T(\alpha_3) = \beta_3$ . Find the matrix of  $T$  relative to the order bases  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$  of  $V$  and  $(\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3)$  of  $W$ . Deduce that  $T$  is invertible. Find the matrix of  $T^{-1}$  relative to the same chosen order bases.

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- (ii) Find the dimension of the subspace  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined by

$$S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \begin{aligned} x + 2y &= z, \\ 2x - y + 3z &= 0 \end{aligned}\}$$

6+4=10

- (d) (i) Let  $R_1$  be a relation defined on the set of integers  $\mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$R_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} : x - y = 5n\}$$

Show that  $R_1$  is an equivalence relation.

- (ii) Find the roots of the equation  $z^n = (z+1)^n$ , where  $z$  is a complex number and  $n$  is a positive integer.

- (iii) Let  $V$  be a vector space of functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Verify whether the transformation  $T: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $T(f) = (f(0), f(1)+1)$  is linear.

4+3+3=10

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