

2015

**PHYSICS**

Paper : 101 (Old Course)

**MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS**

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions*

- 1 **Answer the following (any six)** 1 × 6 = 6
- (a) Eigen value of the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$
- (i)  $e^{\pm i\theta}$       (ii)  $e^{\pm 2i\theta}$       (iii)  $e^{\pm 3i\theta}$       (iv)  $e^{\pm i\frac{\theta}{2}}$
- (b) The eigenvalues of a Hermitian matrix are -  
 (i) Always zero      (ii) Complex  
 (iii) Real      (iv) None of these
- (c) The value of Cristoffel's symbol of 2nd kind.  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} s \\ pq \end{matrix} \right\}$
- (i)  $g^{sr} [pq, r]$       (ii)  $g^{sr} [qp, r]$       (iii)  $g^{sr} [rp, q]$       (iv)  $g^{sr} [pr, q]$
- (d) If A is a real symmetric matrix, the eigenvalues of A are  
 (i) Complex      (ii) Real      (iii) of unit magnitude      (iv) None of these
- (e) Legendre polynomials  $P_1(x)$  is  
 (i) 1      (ii) x      (iii)  $\frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1)$       (iv) None of these
- (f) The complex Fourier transformation of a function  $f(x)$  is defined as
- (i)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{isx} dx$       (ii)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-isx} dx$   
 (iii)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(-x) e^{-isx} dx$       (iv) None of these
- (g) The trace of a  $3 \times 3$  matrix is 1. Two of its eigen values are 1 and 1. The third eigen value is -  
 (i) -1      (ii) 0      (iii) 1      (iv) 2

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2 Answer the following (any five)

2 × 5 = 10

- (a) Evaluate  $\delta_q^p A_s^r$  and  $\delta_q^p \delta_r^q$ .
- (b) Calculate the residue of  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2(z^2+1)}$  at  $z = i$
- (c) If  $X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $Y = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $X, Y \in R^3$ , calculate  $\|X\|$  and  $\langle X, Y \rangle$ . The symbols have their usual meanings.
- (d) If  $F(s)$  is the complex Fourier transform of  $f(x)$ , then prove that
- $$F\{f(ax)\} = \frac{1}{a} F\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$$
- (e) Show that an  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix has  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  independent parameters.
- (f) How many generators will SU(3) have? Give an example in physics where SU(3) symmetry is observed.
- (g) Prove that the eigen values of anti-Hermitian operator are imaginary.
- (h) A quantity  $A(j, k, l, m)$  which is a function of coordinates  $x^i$  transforms to another coordinate system  $x'^i$  according to the rule

$$A'(p, q, r, s) = \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial x'^p} \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial x'^q} \frac{\partial x^l}{\partial x'^r} \frac{\partial x^m}{\partial x'^s} A(j, k, l, m)$$

(i) Is the quantity a tensor? (ii) If so, write the tensor in suitable notation and give the contravariant and covariant order and rank.

3 Answer the following (any five)

5 × 5 = 25

- (a) From series representation of Bessel function, show that
- $$J_{\frac{1}{2}}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x$$
- (b) Write the law of transformation for the tensors (i)  $A_{jk}^i$ , (ii)  $B_{ij}^{mn}$ , (iii)  $C^m$ . If  $A_r^{pq}$  and  $B_r^{pq}$  are tensors, prove that their sum and differences are tensors.
- (c) Using tensorial expression find
- $$\text{div } \vec{A}$$
- in spherical polar coordinates.
- (d) Discuss the properties of linear vector space in  $n$  dimensions.
- (e) Show that  $\int_C \frac{1+z}{z(2-z)} dz = \pi i$ ,

where  $C$  is a unit circle with center at the origin of the complex plane.

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(f) Prove that

$$(i) L(e^{at} \cosh bt) = \frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 - b^2}$$

$$(ii) L[f'(t)] = sL[f(t)] - f(0), \text{ where } L[f(t)] = F(s)$$

4 Answer the following (any three)

3 × 9 = 27

- (a) Prove that  $\int_{-1}^1 P_n(x) P_m(x) dx = \frac{2}{2n+1} \delta_{nm}$
- (b) If  $A_p$  is a tensor show that the covariant derivative of  $A_p$  with respect to  $x^q$  i.e.  $A_{p,q} = \frac{\partial A_p}{\partial x^q} - \left\{ \begin{matrix} s \\ pq \end{matrix} \right\} A_s$  is a 2nd rank covariant tensor.
- (c) Diagonalize the following matrix -
- $$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2i \\ -2i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
- (d) Show that  $L\left[\frac{1}{t} f(t)\right] = \int_s^\infty F(s) ds$ , where  $L[f(t)] = F(s)$

Using Laplace transforms, solve the simultaneous differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} (D+1)y_1 + (D-1)y_2 &= e^{-t} \\ (D+2)y_1 + (D+1)y_2 &= e^t \end{aligned}$$

where  $D = \frac{d}{dt}$  and  $y_1(0) = 1$  and  $y_2(0) = 0$ .

5 Answer the following (any one)

1 × 12 = 12

- (a) Solve the wave equation
- $$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$
- under the condition:  $u = 0$  when  $x = 0$  and  $x = \pi$   
 $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0$  when  $t = 0$  and  $u(x, 0) = x$ ,  $0 < x < \pi$
- (b) Evaluate the following integrals using the calculus of residues
- (i)  $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{5-4 \cos \theta} d\theta$
- (ii)  $\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)^3}$
- (c) Show that permutation of three objects form a non-abelian group  $S_3$  of order six. Obtain the matrix representation of the generators of SU(3).

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