

**2018**  
**PHYSICS**  
**PHY: 101**  
**MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS – I**

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

**1. Choose the correct answer from the following, 1x5=5**

(i) The trace of a  $3 \times 3$  matrix is 2. Two of its eigen values are 1 and 2. The third eigen value is,

- (a) -1                      (b) 0                      (c) 1                      (d) 2

(ii) Eigen values of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & \sqrt{\frac{19}{4}} e^{i\pi/3} \\ \sqrt{\frac{19}{4}} e^{-i\pi/3} & 6 \end{bmatrix} \text{ are,}$$

- (a)  $7/2, 5/2$                       (b)  $-5/2, 3/2$                       (c)  $-7/2,$   
 $13/2$                       (d)  $-5/2, -7/2$

(iii) If  $P_0, P_1$  and  $P_2$  are the Legendre polynomials, then find the correct statement

(a)  $P_2(x) = 3x P_1(x) + \frac{1}{2} P_0(x)$

(b)  $P_2(x) = \frac{3}{2} x P_1(x) - \frac{1}{2} P_0(x)$

(c)  $P_2(x) = 3x P_1(x) - \frac{1}{2} P_0(x)$

(d)  $P_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} x P_1(x) + \frac{3}{2} P_0(x)$

(iv) The residue of the function  $\frac{1}{(z+a)} \frac{1}{(z^2+b^2)}$  at  $z = ib$  is,



(a)  $\frac{1}{2b(a+ib)}$     (b)  $\frac{-i}{2b(a+ib)}$     (c)  $\frac{1}{2b(a+ib)}$

(d)  $\frac{-1}{2b(a+ib)}$

(v) Bessel's function describes the

- (a) Velocity of light    (b) Modes of acoustic waves  
 (c) Momenta    (d) None of the above

**2 Answer the following questions (any five) 2x5=10**

- a) Find the imaginary part of the analytic function whose real part is  $x^3 - 3xy^2 + 3x^2 - 3y^2$ .  
 b) Show that the set  $\{(1,1,0), (1,0,1), (0,1,1)\}$  is a basis of the vector space  $R^3$ .  
 c) Find the Laurent series of the function

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(z+1)(z+2)} \text{ about } z = -2$$

- d) Show that  $J_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n J_n(x)$   
 e) Show that  $\frac{d}{dx}(x^n J_n) = x^n J_{n-1}$   
 f) If  $P_n(x)$  is the Legendre polynomial of degree  $n$  then prove that  $P_n(1) = 1$ .  
 g) Examine if the following operator A is linear:

$$Af(x) = (1 - x^2) \frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} - 5x \frac{df}{dx} + 7f(x).$$

**3. Answer the following questions (any five) 3x5=15**

- a) Prove that  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{\sin \theta} d\theta \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin \theta}} d\theta = \pi$   
 b) Find the complex number Z if  $\arg(Z + 1) = \frac{\pi}{6}$  and  $\arg(Z - 1) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$

c) Find the residue of  $\frac{1}{(Z^2+1)^3}$  at  $Z = i$ .

d) Determine the value of  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  when

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \text{ is orthogonal.}$$

e) Expand the function  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z+1}$  in Taylor's series about  $z = 1$ .

f) Use Cauchy's integral formula to evaluate

$$\oint_C \frac{4-3z}{z(z-1)(z-2)} dz, \text{ where } C \text{ is a circle } |z| = \frac{3}{2}.$$

**4. Answer the following questions (any four) 5x4=20**

a) Prove that the following recurrence relations

(i)  $xJ'_n(x) = nJ_n(x) - xJ_{n+1}(x)$

(ii)  $xJ_n(x) = xJ_{n-1}(x) - nJ_n(x)$

b) Using generating function of Legendre polynomial, show that

$$nP_n = (2n - 1)x P_{n-1} - (n - 1)P_{n-2}$$

c) Solve  $x^4 + i = 0$  and locate the indicated roots graphically.

d) Prove that  $\int_0^1 x^m (\log x)^n dx = \frac{(-1)^n}{(m+1)^{n+1}} \Gamma(n+1)$

e) Prove that  $\int_0^1 (1 - x^n)^{1/2} dx = \frac{1}{n} \frac{[\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})]^2}{2\Gamma(\frac{2}{n})}$

f) Prove that  $B(x, y) = \frac{\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)}$ .



5. Answer the following questions (any three)

3x10=30

- (a) Use complex variable technique to find the value of the integral

(i)  $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^2\theta}{5-4\cos\theta} d\theta$  5+5=10

(ii)  $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{x^2}{(x^2+1)(x^2+4)} dx$

- (b) Prove the generating function of Hermite polynomial, and show that Hermite differential equation, 10

$$H_n(x) = (-1)^n e^{x^2} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} e^{-x^2}$$

- (c) If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of  $J_n(ax) = 0$ , then show that.

$$\int_0^\alpha x J_n(ax) J_n(\beta x) dx = 0$$
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- (d) Define Fuch's theorem. Using power series method, find the solution of the following differential equation about  $x = 0$ , 2+8

$$y'' + xy' + (x^2 + 2)y = 0$$

- (e) Determine whether the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  can be diagonalized? If yes, find the diagonal matrix similar to A and the matrix which diagonalizes A. 10

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