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Time : 11 am – 2 pm

Paper : I

Full Marks : 75

[Use a separate Answer Book for each Group]

Group – A

Answer any five questions from Question Nos. 1 to 8 :

[5×7]

1. a) Show that the set $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 - 24x + 119 \leq 0 \text{ and } x \neq 7\}$ is neither open nor closed in $\mathbb{R}$. [4]
b) Consider the set $A_k = \{x \mid x = kn \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ where $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ is the set of natural numbers. Write down the set A_2 and A_3 then show that $A_2 \cap A_3 = A_6$ [3]
2. a) Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2+1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2+2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2+n}} \right) = 1$ [5]
b) Give example of an oscillatory sequence with infinite oscillation. [2]
3. a) Show that the sequence $x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(x_n + \frac{2}{x_n} \right)$ for $n \geq 2$ and $x_1 = 2$ converges to $\sqrt{2}$. [5]
b) Using part (a), give a sequence which converges to $\sqrt{\alpha}$ for $\alpha > 0$. [2]
4. a) State Archimedean Property of $\mathbb{R}$.
b) Prove that the series $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^p + \left(\frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4}\right)^p + \left(\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6}\right)^p + \dots$ is convergent for $p > 2$ and divergent for $p \leq 2$. [2+5]
5. a) Prove that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ is divergent. [5]
b) Write down the Cauchy's principle of convergence for a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$. [2]
6. Verify whether the following functions are onto, one-to-one or bijection.
 - a) $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x) = x^2$
 - b) $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x) = x^2$
 - c) $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{0\}$ such that $f(x) = x^2$
 - d) $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ such that $f(x) = x^2$

Here, $\mathbb{R}_+$ denotes the set of all positive real numbers.

[2+2+2+1]

7. a) Represent the set of ordered pairs $S = \{(x, y) \mid |y-1| - x \leq 1, -\infty < x, y < \infty\}$, in a graph. Is it a closed or an open set? [4]
- b) Draw the functions $f(x) = \min\{|x|, 1\}$ for $-\infty < x < \infty$. Comment on the continuity and the differentiability of f at $x = +1$ and $x = -1$. [3]
8. a) Check whether the sequence $s_n = \left\{(-1)^n\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is convergent or not. Consider a sequence $s_n \in \left(a - \frac{1}{n}, a + \frac{1}{n}\right)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$ where $\mathbb{N}$ and $\mathbb{R}$ are respectively the set of natural numbers and the set of real numbers. Show that $s_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. [2+2]
- b) If $A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$ and $B = \{b_1, b_2\}$, then how many different functions $F: A \rightarrow B$ are possible? [3]

Group – B

Answer any five questions from Question Nos. 9 to 16 : [5×6]

9. a) Solve the equation $x^3 + 8 = 0$. [2]
- b) If α, β are the roots of the equation $t^2 + 2t + 4 = 0$ and m is a positive integer, then prove that $\alpha^m + \beta^m = 2^{m+1} \cos \frac{2m\pi}{3}$. [4]
10. a) Let $(G, \circ)$ be a group. A relation ρ on G is defined by " $a \rho b$ if and only if $b = g \circ a \circ g^{-1}$ for some g in G ; $a, b \in G$ ". Prove that ρ is an equivalence relation.
- b) Prove that the set of complex numbers of unit modulus forms a commutative group with respect to multiplication. [3+3]
11. a) Prove that in a group $(G, \circ)$, $(a \circ b)^{-1} = b^{-1} \circ a^{-1}$ for all $a, b \in G$.
- b) Let, addition $\oplus$ and multiplication $\odot$ be defined on the ring $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ by $a \oplus b = a + b - 1$, $a \odot b = a + b - a \cdot b$, $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that $(\mathbb{Z}, \oplus, \odot)$ is a ring with unity. [2+4]
12. a) Prove that, in a field F $a^2 = b^2$ implies either $a = b$ or $a = -b$, $\forall a, b \in F$.
- b) Solve by Cramer's rule:

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$ax + by + cz = k$$

$$a^2x + b^2y + c^2z = k^2, \text{ where } a \neq b \neq c \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{R}$$

[2+4]

13. Examine whether the ring of matrices form a field under matrix addition and matrix multiplication

a) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 3b & a \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{Q} \right\}$

b) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 3b & a \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

[3+3]

14. Consider the matrix on friendship involving five individuals A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 and A_5 .

$$\begin{array}{c} A_1 \quad A_2 \quad A_3 \quad A_4 \quad A_5 \\ \begin{array}{c} A_1 \\ A_2 \\ A_3 \\ A_4 \\ A_5 \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = F \end{array}$$

Where, $a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } A_i \text{ is friend with } A_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

a) Calculate F^2 . [2]

b) What does each diagonal term of F^2 mean? [2]

c) What does each off-diagonal term of F^2 mean? [2]

15. a) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Show that $A^2 - 4A - 5I_3 = 0_3$, where I_3 and 0_3 are the identity and the null matrices of order 3 respectively. Hence, obtain A^{-1} .

b) Let A and B be two non-singular matrices of order $n \times n$. Is $A+B$ non-singular? [4+2]

16. a) Determine the values of α, β and γ when $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$ is orthogonal. [4]

b) Let A be a non-singular matrix of order 4. Determine the rank of the matrix $\text{Adj } A$. [2]

Answer any two questions from Question Nos. 17 to 19 :

[2×5]

17. (a) Determine the function whose first difference is $3x^2 - 5x + 7$.

(b) Eliminate A and B from $y_n = A \cdot 3^n + B \cdot 4^n$ and determine the corresponding difference equation of lowest order.

[3+2]

18. Solve : $u_x - u_{x-1} + 2u_{x-2} = x + 2^x$

[5]

19. Reduce the matrix A to the fully reduced normal form and find non-singular matrices P and Q such

that PAQ is the fully reduced normal form , where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Also find the rank of A.

[5]

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