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**MATHEMATICS (Honours)**  
**Paper : I**

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**[Use a separate Answer Book for each group]**

**Group – A**

Answer **any five** questions from Question Nos. 1 to 8 : [5×5]

1. Let  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  be two equivalence relations on a set  $A$  such that  $\rho_1 \circ \rho_2 = \rho_2 \circ \rho_1$ . Prove that  $\rho_1 \circ \rho_2$  is also an equivalence relation.
2. Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$ . Then show that  $f$  is left invertible if and only if  $f$  is injective.
3. a) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$  such that  $o(a) = n$ . Show that if  $a^m = e$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $n$  divides  $m$ .  
b) Let  $G = \{a \in \mathbb{R} : -1 < a < 1\}$ . Define a binary operation ‘ $*$ ’ on  $G$  by  $a * b = \frac{a+b}{1+ab}$  for all  $a, b \in G$ . Show that  $(G, *)$  is a group. (2+3)
4. a) If  $\beta \in S_7$  and  $\beta^4 = (2\ 1\ 4\ 3\ 5\ 6\ 7)$  then find  $\beta$ .  
b) Find the order of the permutation  $(1\ 9\ 6\ 4)(2\ 5) \in S_{10}$ . (4+1)
5. If  $H$  and  $K$  are subgroups of a group  $G$  then show that  $HK$  is a subgroup of  $G$  if and only if  $HK = KH$ .
6. a) Find all elements of order 8 in the group  $(Z_{24}, +)$ .  
b) Give an example of a group  $(G, \circ)$  in which  $o(a), o(b)$  are finite but  $o(a \circ b)$  is infinite for some  $a, b \in G$ . (3+2)
7. a) Show that every group of prime order is cyclic.  
b) Let  $G$  be a group such that  $|G| < 319$ . Suppose  $G$  has subgroups of order 35 and 45. Find the order of  $G$ . (2+3)
8. a) Prove that a group of order 27 must have a subgroup of order 3.  
b) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two subgroups of a group  $G$ . If  $|A| = p$ , a prime integer then show that either  $A \cap B = \{e\}$  or  $A \subseteq B$ . (3+2)

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

9. a) Find the closure of the set of all rationals in  $\mathbb{R}$ .  
b) Prove that for any set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\bar{A}^c = (A^o)^c$  where  $A^c$  denotes the complement of  $A$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ . (2+3)

10. a) Let  $A$  be a non-empty set of real numbers bounded below and if the set  $(-A)$  is defined by  $-A = \{-x : x \in A\}$  then show that  $\text{Inf } A = -\text{Sup } (-A)$ .  
 b) If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $0 \leq a - b < \varepsilon$  holds for every positive  $\varepsilon$  then prove that  $a = b$ . (3+2)
11. Evaluate the following limits:  
 a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{n+1}}{n!}$   
 b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} f(x)$  where (2+3)
- $$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ 1-x, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$
12. a) If  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are two bounded sequences then prove that  $\overline{\lim}(x_n + y_n) \leq \overline{\lim} x_n + \overline{\lim} y_n$ .  
 b) Examine whether the sequence  $\{1 + (-1)^n\}_n$  is convergent or not. (3+2)
13. a) Show that the limit,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos \frac{1}{x^2}$  does not exist.  
 b) Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+x)^{1/x} = e$ . (2+3)
14. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers where  $x_1 = 6$  and for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{6x_n}$ . Does  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  exist? Justify your answer.
15. a) Let  $A = \left\{ \frac{1}{2^m} + \frac{1}{3^n} \mid m, n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$ . Find the closure of  $A$ .  
 b) Prove that a countable subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  has an empty interior. (4+1)
16. a) Show by Cauchy's general principle of convergence that the sequence  $\left\{ \frac{n-1}{n+1} \right\}_n$  is convergent.  
 b) Show that the set of all integers is countable. (3+2)

### **Group – B**

Answer **any three** questions from Question Nos. 17 to 21 :

[3×5]

17. If the lines  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$  be the two sides of a parallelogram and the line  $lx + my = 1$  be one of its diagonals, show that the equation of the other diagonal is  $(am - hl)x = (bl - hm)y$ .
18. Determine the values of  $a$  and  $f$  so that the equation  $ax^2 - 2xy + y^2 - 6x + 2fy + 9 = 0$  may represent a conic having infinitely many centres and then determine its type. (2+3)

19. Show that the equation of the circle which passes through the focus of the parabola  $\frac{2a}{r} = 1 + \cos\theta$  and touches it at the point  $\theta = \alpha$  is given by  $r \cos^3\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) = a \cos\left(\theta - \frac{3\alpha}{2}\right)$ .
20. If the sum of the ordinates of two points on the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  is  $b$ , show that the locus of the pole of the chord which joins them is  $b^2x^2 + a^2y^2 = 2a^2by$ .
21. Let OP and OQ be two semi-conjugate diameters of the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ . Then prove that
- i)  $OP^2 + OQ^2 = a^2 + b^2$  and ii) the area of the parallelogram with OP and OQ as adjacent sides is  $ab$ . (3+2)

Answer **any two** questions from Question Nos. 22 to 24 :

[2×5]

22. a) Find the moment of a force represented by  $\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$  acting through the point  $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  about the point  $-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ .
- b) Let PQRS be a tetrahedron with  $(-5, -4, 8)$ ,  $(2, 3, 1)$ ,  $(4, 1, 2)$ ,  $(6, 3, 7)$  as the co-ordinates of P, Q, R, S respectively. Find the distance of the point P from the plane through Q, R, S. (2+3)
23. a) Decompose a vector  $\vec{r}$  as a linear combination of a vector  $\vec{a}$  and another vector perpendicular to  $\vec{a}$  and coplanar with  $\vec{r}$  and  $\vec{a}$ .
- b) Find the shortest distance between the lines  $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + t\vec{\alpha}$ ,  $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_2 + t\vec{\beta}$  where  $\vec{r}_1 = (1, -2, 3)$ ,  $\vec{\alpha} = (2, 1, 1)$ ,  $\vec{r}_2 = (-2, 2, -1)$  and  $\vec{\beta} = (-3, 1, 2)$ . (2+3)
24. a) Find the equation of the plane through the point  $(2, 2, 3)$  and parallel to the vectors  $\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and  $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ .
- b) Solve the vector equation for  $\vec{r}$  if  $t\vec{r} + \vec{r} \times \vec{a} = \vec{b}$  where  $t$  is a non-zero given scalar and  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  are two given vectors. (2+3)

Answer **any five** questions from Question Nos. 25 to 32 :

[5×5]

25. Find an integrating factor of the differential equation  $(y^2 + 2x^2y)dx + (2x^3 - xy)dy = 0$  and hence solve it.
26. Reduce  $x^2p^2 + y(2x + y)p + y^2 = 0$  to Clairaut's form by the substitution  $y = u$ ,  $xy = v$  where  $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$ . Hence solve the equation and prove that  $y + 4x = 0$  is a singular solution.

27. Find the orthogonal trajectories of the family of confocal conics  $\frac{x^2}{a^2 + \lambda} + \frac{y^2}{b^2 + \lambda} = 1$  where  $\lambda$  is the parameter and  $a, b$  are constants.
28. a) Show that the general solution of the equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Q$  can be written in the form  $y = K(y_1 - y_2) + y_2$ , where  $K$  is a constant,  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are its two particular solutions.  
 b) Prove or disprove: The functions  $e^x, \cos x, \sin x$  are linearly independent. (3+2)
29. Solve the following differential equation by the method of undetermined coefficients:  

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = x^3 + \sin x.$$
30. Solve the following differential equation by the method of variation of parameters:  

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{x}\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{1}{x^2}y = \log x (x > 0),$$
 it being given that  $y=x$  and  $y = \frac{1}{x}$  are two linearly independent solutions of the associated homogeneous differential equation.
31. By the use of symbolic operator  $D$  find the solution of  $x^3 \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + 2x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2y = 10\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right).$
32. Show that  $\sin x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \cos x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \sin x = 0$  is exact and solve it completely. (1+4)

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