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Date : 12/09/2017

Time : 11 am – 1 pm

**MATHEMATICS (Honours)**

Paper : III

Full Marks : 50

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

## Group – A

(Answer any two questions)

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1. A square PQRS of diagonal  $2a$ , is folded along the diagonal PR so that the planes SPR and QPR are at right angles. Show that the shortest distance between SR and PQ is then  $\frac{2a}{\sqrt{3}}$ .
2. Find the smallest sphere which touches the line  $\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-1}{-2} = \frac{z-6}{1}$  and  $\frac{x+3}{7} = \frac{y+3}{-6} = \frac{z+3}{1}$ .
3. If a right circular cone of the semi-vertical angle  $\theta$  passes through the x and y-axes and also through the line  $x = y = z$ , show that  $\sec^2 \theta = 9 - 4\sqrt{3}$ .

## Group – B

(Answer any two questions)

[2×7.5]

4. A particle moves in one plane under a force which is always perpendicular and towards a fixed straight line on the plane, its magnitude being  $\mu \div (\text{distance from the line})^2$ . If initially it be at a distance  $2a$  from the line and be projected with a velocity  $\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{a}}$  parallel to the line, prove that the path traced out by it is a cycloid.
5. A particle hangs at rest at the end of an elastic string whose unstretched length is  $a$ . In the position of equilibrium, the length of the string is  $b$  and  $\frac{2\pi}{n}$  is the time of an oscillation about this position. At time zero when the particle is in equilibrium, the point of suspension begins to move so that its downward displacement is  $c \sin(pt)$ . Show that the length of the string at time  $t$  is

$$b - \frac{cnp}{n^2 - p^2} \sin(nt) + \frac{cp^2}{n^2 - p^2} \sin(pt) \quad (p \neq n).$$

6. A particle is projected vertically upwards with a velocity  $u$  and the resistance of the air produces a retardation  $Kv^2$ , where  $v$  is the velocity. Show that the velocity  $u_1$  with which the particle will return to the point of projection is given by  $\frac{1}{u_1^2} = \frac{1}{u^2} + \frac{K}{g}$ .

## Group – C

(Answer any five questions)

[5×5]

7. Let  $F$  be a field and  $V$  be the space of polynomial functions  $f$  from  $F$  into  $F$ , given by  $f(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_Kx^K$  for  $c_i \in F$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, K$ .

Let us define  $(Df)(x) = c_1 + 2c_2x + \dots + Kc_Kx^{K-1}$  for any  $f \in V$ . Prove that  $D$  is a linear transformation.

8. Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation where  $V, W$  are vector spaces over the field  $F$  and  $V$  is finite dimensional. Prove that  $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim V$ .
9.  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space over the field  $F$  and  $T$  be a linear operator on  $V$ . Suppose  $\text{rank}(T^2) = \text{rank}(T)$ . Prove that the range space and null space of  $T$  have only zero vector in common.
10. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix over the field  $F$ ,  $T: F^{n \times 1} \rightarrow F^{m \times 1}$  defined by  $T(X) = AX$ . Show that if  $m < n$  it may happen that  $T$  is onto without being nonsingular. Similarly, show that if  $m > n$  we may have  $T$  non singular but not onto.
11. Let  $V$  be a vector space over the field  $F$  and  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Prove that  $\dim\left(\frac{V}{W}\right) = \dim V - \dim W$ .
12. Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^4$ .  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$  generated by  $\{(1,2,3,4), (2,3,7,9)\}$ . Find two different complement for  $W$  in  $V$ .

13. Find a basis for the row space of the following matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 9 & 1 & 5 & 6 \\ 5 & 10 & 5 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

14. For what values of  $K$  the planes  $x + y + z = 2$ ,  $3x + y - 2z = K$  and  $2x + 4y + 7z = K + 1$ ; form a triangular prism?

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