

2025

2nd Semester Examination (CCFUP : NEP)

MATHEMATICS

Paper : MJ 2-T (Single Core Major)

[Algebra]

Full Marks : 60

Time : Three Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Group - A

Answer any *ten* questions : $2 \times 10 = 20$

1. Find the values of $(1+i)^{\frac{1}{5}}$.
2. Prove that if $2^n - 1$ is prime, then n is prime.
3. If $\alpha = \cos \frac{2\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{n}$ and if p is prime to n , prove that $1 + \alpha^p + \alpha^{2p} + \dots + \alpha^{(n-1)p} = 0$.
4. If a, b, c are all positive real numbers and $a + b + c = 1$, prove that $\frac{1}{1-a} + \frac{1}{1-b} + \frac{1}{1-c} \geq \frac{9}{2}$.

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5. Let R_1 and R_2 be equivalence relations on a set S such that $R_1 \circ R_2 = R_2 \circ R_1$. Prove that $R_1 \circ R_2$ is an equivalence relation.

6. Is $f^{-1}(f(A)) = A$ always true? Justify.

7. Show that the rank of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \alpha & 1 & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$

is independent of the values of α and β .

8. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$. Then find the eigen values of

$$A^3 + 4A = 5I.$$

9. Find a basis and the dimension of the subspace W of $\mathbb{R}^3$, where $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x + y + z = 0\}$.

10. Prove that there does not exist a linear map $T: \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^5$ such that $\text{Range}(T) = \text{Null}(T)$.

11. Suppose $b, c \in \mathbb{R}$. Define $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by $T(x, y, z) = (2x - 4y + 3z + b, 6x + cxyz)$. Find the conditions on b and c under which T is linear.

12. Find the last two digits in 7^{100} .

13. Verify whether two distinct eigenvectors corresponding to the same eigenvalue are always linearly dependent or not.

14. If A and B are two square matrices of order n , prove that $\text{trace}(AB) = \text{trace}(BA)$.

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For the equivalence relation ρ on $\mathbb{Z}$, defined by " $a \rho b$ if and only if $5 | a - b$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ", deduce all equivalence classes.

Group - B

5×4=20

Answer any four questions :

16. If each a, b, c, d be greater than 1 then show that $8(abcd + 1) > (a+1)(b+1)(c+1)(d+1)$.

17. By the principle of mathematical induction, prove that $3^{2n+1} + (-1)^n 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

18. If z be a complex number and $\frac{z+1}{z-i}$ be purely imaginary, then show that z lies on the circle whose centre is at $\frac{1}{2}(-1+i)$ and the radius is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$.

19. If one of the roots of the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$ equals the sum of the other two, then prove that $p^3 + 8r = 4pq$.

20. Find the values of k for which the system of equations

$$x + y - z = 1$$

$$2x + 3y + kz = 3$$

$$x + ky + 3z = 2$$

has (i) no solution (ii) more than one solutions (iii) unique solution.

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21. Define $\gcd(a, b)$ where a, b are integers. Prove
 $\gcd(a^2, b^2) = (\gcd(a, b))^2$ for positive integers a, b .

Group - C

Answer any *two* questions :

10×2=20

22. (i) Reduce the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ to a row-

reduced Echelon form and hence find its rank.

- (ii) For a linear transformation $T: P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_2(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T(p(x)) = p(x) + (x+1)p'(x)$, compute matrix representation of T and hence find eigenvalues of T .

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23. (i) Find a linear mapping $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $\text{Im}(T)$ is the subspace

$$U = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x + y + z = 0\}.$$

- (ii) Use Cayley-Hamilton theorem, to find A^{50} where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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- (i) Find $k \in \mathbb{R}$, under which the set
 $S = \{(k, 1, 1, 1), (1, k, 1, 1), (1, 1, k, 1), (1, 1, 1, k)\}$
 is linearly independent in the Vector space $\mathbb{R}^4$.

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- (i) The matrix of a linear mapping $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ relative to the ordered basis

$$\{(-1, 1, 1), (1, -1, 1), (1, 1, -1)\} \text{ of } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ is } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find T .

- (ii) If $2\cos\theta = t$, prove that
 $\frac{1+\cos 7\theta}{1+\cos\theta} = (t^3 - t^2 - 2t + 1)^2$.

- (iii) Find the minimum value of $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ where x, y, z are positive real variables satisfying

4+3+3

$$\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 1.$$

25. (i) Show that if p and q are distinct primes, then
 $p^{q-1} + q^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}$.

- (ii) Solve by Cardan's method : $x^3 - 3x + 1 = 0$.

- (iii) Without determining the $\det(A)$, conclude whether A is invertible or not.

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