

B.SC. THIRD SEMESTER (PROGRAMME) EXAMINATIONS, 2021

Subject: Mathematics

Course ID: 32118

Course Title: Algebra

Course Code: SP/MTH/301/C-1C

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hour

The figures in the margin indicate full marks

Notations and symbols have their usual meaning

1. Answer *any five* of the following questions: (2x5=10)

- a) Using Principle of Mathematical Induction, prove that  $3^{2n-1} + 2^{n+1}$  is divisible by 7 for all natural number  $n$ .
- b) Prove that  $\frac{(n+1)^n}{2^n} > n!$
- c) Find the values of  $i^i$
- d) Apply Descartes' rule of sign to examine the nature of roots of the equation  $x^6 + 4x^4 + 2x^2 + 4x + 1 = 0$ .
- e) State fundamental theorem of classical algebra.
- f) Find the dimension of the subspace  $W$  of  $R^3$  defined by  $W = \{(x, y, z) \in R^3 : x + y + z = 0\}$ .
- g) Determine the rank of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- h) Use Cayley-Hamilton theorem to compute  $A^{-1}$  where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Answer *any four* of the following questions: (5x4=20)

- a) If  $\alpha = \cos \frac{2\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{n}$  and if  $p$  is prime to  $n$ , prove that  $1 + \alpha^p + \alpha^{2p} + \dots + \alpha^{(n-1)p} = 0$ .
- b) If  $\alpha$  be a root of the equation  $x^3 - 3x - 1 = 0$ , prove that the other roots are  $2 - \alpha^2$  and  $\alpha^2 - \alpha - 2$ .
- c) How many different relations can be defined on a set with  $n$  elements? How many of these are reflexive? 3+2
- d) Determine the conditions for which the system of equations has (a) only one solution, (b) no solution, (c) many solution

$$\begin{aligned}x + y + z &= 1 \\x + 2y - z &= b \\5x + 7y + az &= b^2.\end{aligned}$$

- e) Determine the linear mapping  $T: R^3 \rightarrow R^2$  which maps the basis vectors  $(1,0,0)$ ,  $(0,1,0)$ ,  $(0,0,1)$  of  $R^3$  to the vectors  $(1,1)$ ,  $(2,3)$ ,  $(3,2)$  of  $R^2$  respectively. Hence find  $T(6,1,1)$ .
- f) Find the eigen values and the corresponding eigen vectors of the real matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

**3. Answer any one of the following questions: (10 × 1 = 10)**

- a) (i) Find the least positive residue in  $2^{41} \pmod{23}$

(ii) If  $n$  be a positive integer, prove that  $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{(n+1)}} < \frac{1.3.5\dots(2n-1)}{2.4.6\dots 2n} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2n+1)}}$

(iii) Solve by Cardan's method  $x^3 - 27x - 54 = 0$ . 2+4+4

- b) (i) In  $R^2$ ,  $\alpha = (3,1)$ ,  $\beta = (2, -1)$ . Determine  $L\{\alpha, \beta\}$  and hence show that  $L\{\alpha, \beta\} = R^2$ .

(ii) If  $\alpha$  is an eigen value of a real orthogonal matrix  $A$ , then prove that  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$  is also an eigen value of  $A$ .

(iii) Obtain the fully reduced normal form of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

3+3+4=10

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