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First Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, August 2021

Physics

PH 212 – MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS

(2014–2017 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

PART – A

I. Answer **any five** questions. Each question carries **3** marks.

- (a) What are errors? Distinguish between systematic and random errors.
- (b) If A and B are diagonal matrices. Show that A and B commute.
- (c) Can Fourier series be developed for a function with a discontinuity?
- (d) Explain the shifting property of Laplace transform.
- (e) If A^i and B_j are the components of a contravariant and covariant tensor, respectively, show that A^i and B_i is a scalar.
- (f) S.T. the cubic roots of unity forms an abelian group under multiplication.
- (g) Show that the identity element in a group is unique.
- (h) Explain singularity with an example.

(5 × 3 = 15 Marks)

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PART – B

Answer A or B of questions from II to IV. Each question carries **15** marks.

- II. (A) (a) Discuss the properties of Poisson distribution. **8**
- (b) Solve the differential equation $\frac{df}{dx} = \lambda f(x)$, where both λ and b are constants, using the Laplace transform method. **7**

OR

- (B) (a) State and prove the Residue theorem. **8**
- (b) Discuss the method of χ^2 fitting. **7**
- III. (A) (a) Obtain the eigen function expansion of Green's function. **8**
- (b) Obtain the orthogonality relation for Legendre polinomial. **7**

OR

- (B) (a) Prove that $xP_n(x) - P_{n-1}(x) = nP_n(x)$. **8**
- (b) Prove that $\sin x = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} J_{2n+1}(x)$. **7**
- IV. (A) (a) Show that a second order homogenous differential equation can have a maximum of two linearly independent solutions. **9**
- (b) What are cyclic groups? Show that group with a prime order is cyclic. **6**

OR

- (B) (a) What are Christoffel symbols? S.T. they do not transform as a components of a third rank tensor. **9**
- (b) From Schur's Lemmas, obtain the great orthogonality theorem. **6**

(3 × 15 = 45 Marks)



PART – C

V. Answer **any three** questions. Each question carries **5** marks.

(a) Show that the Laplace transform $L(t \sin \omega t) = \frac{2\omega s}{(s^2 + \omega^2)^2}$.

(b) Show that $(A + B)(A - B) = A^2 - B^2$, if A and B are commuting matrices.

(c) Evaluate $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)}$, applying Cauchy's residual theorem.

(d) Prove that $H_n(x) = (-1)^n H_n(-x)$.

(e) Show that a group G is Abelian if and only if $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}$, $\forall a, b \in G$.

(f) Obtain the probability that at least one head is obtained when five fair coins are tossed simultaneously.

(3 × 5 = 15 Marks)

