

2022
B.A./B.Sc.
Second Semester
 GENERIC ELECTIVE – 2
MATHEMATICS
Course Code: MAG 2.11
 (Algebra)

Total Mark: 70

Pass Mark: 28

Time: 3 hours

Answer five questions, taking one from each unit.

UNIT-I

1. (a) If $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ then prove that $|x - y| \geq ||x| - |y||$ 3
- (b) Show that $\frac{n+1}{2n+1} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ 3
- (c) Prove that a sequence $\{x_n\}$ can have at most one limit. 6
- (d) Find the n^{th} term of $\left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{4}{10}, \dots \right\}$ 2

2. (a) Show that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ where $x_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$ is monotone increasing and bounded and hence converges. 6
- (b) Solve $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{2}{n^2} + \dots + \frac{n}{n^2} \right)$ 3
- (c) Show that $\left\{ \sqrt[3]{n-2} \right\}$ diverges to infinity. 3
- (d) Find the n^{th} term of $\left\{ \frac{2}{3 \cdot 4}, \frac{3}{4 \cdot 5}, \frac{4}{5 \cdot 6}, \dots \right\}$ 2

UNIT-II

3. (a) Check the convergence or divergence of the series

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} + \cdots \quad 6$$

- (b) Prove by comparison test that the series

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{2}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{3}{5 \cdot 7} + \frac{4}{7 \cdot 9} + \cdots \text{ is divergent.} \quad 3$$

- (c) Test the convergence of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\sqrt{n^4+1} - \sqrt{n^4-1})$ 5

4. (a) Show that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$ is convergent if $p > 1$ and divergent for

$$0 < p \leq 1. \quad 6$$

- (b) Show that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n^2}$ is absolutely convergent. 3

- (c) Use integral test to show that the series $\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 5} + \cdots$ is convergent or divergent. 5

UNIT-III

5. (a) Prove that, in a polynomial equation with real coefficient, imaginary roots occur in pairs. 4

- (b) Solve the equation $x^4 - 7x^3 + 27x^2 - 47x + 26 = 0$, given that one of its root is $2 - 3i$. 5

- (c) Solve the following reciprocal equation.

$$x^5 - 5x^4 + 9x^3 - 9x^2 + 5x - 1 = 0 \quad 5$$

6. (a) Solve the following equation by Cardon's method.

$$x^3 - 15x^2 - 33x + 847 = 0 \quad 6$$

- (b) Transform the equation into an equation lacking the third term.
 $x^4 - 4x^3 - 18x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$ 6
- (c) If α, β, γ be the roots of $x^3 + x + 1 = 0$, prove that
 $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 = -2$ 2

UNIT-IV

7. (a) Define an operation $*$ on \mathbb{R} in the following way.
 $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x * y = xy + 1$.
 Show that the operation is commutative but not associative. 4
- (b) Show that the set of integers form an abelian group with respect to the binary operation $*$ defined by $a * b = a + b + 1 \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ 4
- (c) Let G be the additive group of all integers. Prove that the set of all multiples of integer by a fixed integer m is a subgroup of G . 4
- (d) Consider the group $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +_4)$, where $\mathbb{Z}_4 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$. Find the order of each element. 2
8. (a) Show that the group $G = (\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, \times_7)$ is cyclic. How many generators of G are there? 4
- (b) Let G be a group of nonzero complex numbers $(a + ib)$ such that $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ under the operation of multiplication of complex numbers.
 Let $H = \{a + ib \in G / a^2 + b^2 = 1\}$. Show that H is a subgroup of G . 6
- (c) If H, K are two subgroups of a group G then prove that HK is a subgroup of G if and only if $HK = KH$. 4

UNIT-V

9. (a) Prove that, if G is an abelian group, then for all $a, b \in G$ and all integers n , $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$ 4

- (b) Let $H = \{I, (1\ 2)\}$ and $K = \{I, (1\ 3)\}$ be two subgroups of S_3 . Find HK and using Lagrange's theorem prove that HK is not a subgroup of S_3 5
- (c) Prove that any two left (right) cosets of a subgroup are either identical or disjoint. 5
10. (a) Find all the cosets of $3\mathbb{Z}$ in the group $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ 4
- (b) Prove that every group of prime order is cyclic. 4
- (c) Express $\psi = (1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5)(1\ 2\ 3)(4\ 5) \in S_5$ as the product of disjoint cycles and find the order. 4
- (d) Find the number of generators of the group $(\mathbb{Z}_{12}, +_{12})$ 2
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