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B.A./B.Sc.
Fourth Semester
CORE – 9
MATHEMATICS
Course Code: MAC 4.21
(Riemann Integration & Series of Functions)

Total Mark: 70
Time: 3 hours

Pass Mark: 28

Answer five questions, taking one from each unit.

UNIT-I

1. (a) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded and $c \in (a, b)$. Let P_1 and P_2 be partitions of $[a, c]$ and $[c, b]$ respectively. Show that $P = P_1 \cup P_2$ is a partition of $[a, b]$. Also, show that $L(f, P) = L(f, P_1) + L(f, P_2)$ and $U(f, P) = U(f, P_1) + U(f, P_2)$. 4
- (b) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded such that f^2 is integrable over $[a, b]$, where $f^2(x) = \{f(x)\}^2$. Then f is integrable over $[a, b]$. Prove or disprove. 4
- (c) Let $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} a, & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0 \\ b, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$ where $b < 0 < a$. Is f integrable over $[-1, 1]$? Justify. 6
2. (a) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} k, & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ -k, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$ where $k \neq 0$. Is f integrable over $[a, b]$? Justify. 4
- (b) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded and continuous. If $\int_a^b f(x) dx = 0$, prove that $f(c) = 0$ for at least one $c \in [a, b]$. 4

(c) Let $f : (0,1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \\ \frac{1}{q}, & \text{if } x = \frac{p}{q} \end{cases}$

where $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ having no common factor. Show that f is integrable

$(0,1)$ and hence, evaluate $\int_0^1 f(x)dx$. 6

UNIT-II

3. (a) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable over $[a, b]$ and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove

that cf is integrable over $[a, b]$ and $\int_a^b (cf)(x)dx = c \int_a^b f(x)dx$. 7

(b) Let $h : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable over $[a, b]$. If $h(x) \geq 0$ for all

$x \in [a, b]$, prove that $\int_a^b h(x)dx \geq 0$.

Hence, prove the following:

Let $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable over $[a, b]$. If $f(x) \geq g(x)$ for

all $x \in [a, b]$, then $\int_a^b f(x)dx \geq \int_a^b g(x)dx$. 5+2=7

4. (a) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded and monotone. Prove that f is integrable over $[a, b]$. 7

(b) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded. Suppose that f is continuous in $[a, b]$ except at one point $c \in (a, b)$. Show that f is integrable over $[a, b]$. Hence, prove that f is integrable over $[a, b]$ if f has only finitely many points of discontinuity in $[a, b]$. 4+3=7

UNIT-III

5. (a) For what values of $p \in \mathbb{R}$ does the integral $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ converge?

Justify.

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(b) Prove that $\Gamma(a+1) = \Gamma(a)$ for $a > 0$.

Deduce that $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

4+1=5

(c) Examine the convergence of $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}(1+x^2)}$ 4

6. (a) Show that $\int_0^\infty x^{t-1}e^{-x} dx$ is convergent for $t > 0$. 5

(b) For $a, b > 0$, show that $B(a, b) = \frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)}$. 5

(c) Examine the convergence of $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}(1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ 4

UNIT-IV

7. (a) Consider the sequence of functions $f_n : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f_n(x) = \frac{x^n}{n+x^n} \text{ and } f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ defined by}$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1, & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}. \text{ Prove that } f_n \rightarrow f \text{ pointwise on } [0, \infty].$$

Does $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $[0, \infty)$? Justify.

5+1=6

(b) Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be uniformly continuous on \mathbb{R} . Consider the

sequence of functions $f_n(x) = f\left(x + \frac{1}{n}\right)$. Show that $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on \mathbb{R} . 4

(c) Let $a > 0$. Prove that the series of functions $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{x}{n(1+nx^2)}$ is uniformly convergent on any interval $[a, b]$. 4

8. (a) Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and let $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Prove that (f_n) is uniformly convergent on X if and only if (f_n) is uniformly Cauchy on X . 7

(b) Let $f_n, f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n = f$ uniformly on $[a, b]$.

If each f_n is integrable over $[a, b]$, prove that f is integrable over

$$[a, b] \text{ and } \int_a^b f(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_a^b f_n(x) dx. \quad 7$$

UNIT-V

9. (a) Let (a_n) be a bounded sequence of real numbers and let

$$L = \limsup a_n. \text{ Prove that} \quad 4+3=7$$

(i) there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $a_n < L + \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq N$

(ii) $L - \varepsilon < a_n$ for infinitely many n

(b) Suppose that the coefficients of the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ are all integers and infinitely many of them are non-zero. Prove that the

$$\text{radius of convergence of } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \text{ is at most 1.} \quad 3$$

(c) Determine the radius of convergence of the following power series:

$$(i) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!} x^n \quad (ii) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{3^n} x^n \quad 2+2=4$$

10. (a) Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-a)^n$ be a power series whose coefficients $a_n \neq 0$ for

$$\text{all } n \geq 0. \text{ If } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| \text{ exists, prove that the limit equals } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left| a_n \right|^{\frac{1}{n}}. \quad 7$$

(b) For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, prove that $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$. 3

(c) Let \mathbb{R} be the radius of convergence of the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$.

What can you say about the convergence of $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ at $x = \mathbb{R}$?

Justify. 4