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**GE1-P1-MATHEMATICS**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

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**The question paper contains GE1, GE2, GE3, GE4 and GE5.  
Candidates are required to answer any *one* from the *five* courses and  
they should mention it clearly on the Answer Book.**

**GE1**

**CALCULUS, GEOMETRY AND DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION**

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any *four* questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$

(a) Evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{3x} - 3x - 1}{1 - \cos x}$ . 3

(b) Find the equation of the tangent line to the curve  $x = 2t + 4$ ,  $y = 8t^2 - 2t + 4$  at  $t = 2$  without eliminating the parameter. 3

(c) Find the envelope of the family of ellipses  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where the two parameters  $a, b$  are connected by the relation  $a + b = c$ ,  $c$  is a constant. 3

(d) If the straight line  $r \cos(\theta - \alpha) = p$  touches the parabola  $\frac{l}{r} = 1 + \cos \theta$ , show that 3

$$p = \frac{l \sec \alpha}{2}.$$

(e) Find the degree of the differential equation satisfying 3

$$\sqrt{1-x^2} + \sqrt{1-y^2} = a(x-y).$$

(f) Find the nature of the conic: 3

$$x^2 - 5xy + y^2 + 8x - 20y + 15 = 0$$

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any *four* questions:  $6 \times 4 = 24$

(a) If  $y = (\sqrt{1+x^2} + x)^m$ , prove that  $(1+x^2)y_2 + xy_1 - m^2y = 0$ . 6

(b) Find the asymptotes of the curve: 6

$$x^3 + x^2y - xy^2 - y^3 + x^2 - y^2 = 2$$

(c) Find the area in the first quadrant included between the parabola  $y^2 = bx$  and the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 2bx$ . 6

(d) Solve  $(x + \tan y)dy = \sin 2ydx$ . 6

- (e) Reduce the equation  $5x^2 - 6xy + 5y^2 - 4x - 4y - 4 = 0$  to its canonical form and hence find the nature of the conic. 6
- (f) Find the equation of the sphere which passes through the points  $(0, -2, 4)$  and  $(2, -1, -1)$  and whose centre lies on the straight line  $5y + 2z = 0 = 2x - 3y$ . 6

**GROUP-C****Answer any *two* questions from the following** $12 \times 2 = 24$ 

3. (a) Find the values of  $p$  and  $q$  such that 6

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(1-p \cos x) + q \sin x}{x^3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

- (b) Find the range of values of  $x$  for which  $y = x^4 - 6x^3 + 12x^2 + 5x + 7$  is concave upwards or downwards. Find also its point of inflection, if any. 6

4. (a) Solve:  $\frac{dy}{dx} + (x \tan^{-1} y - x^3)(1 + y^2) = 0$ , when  $x = 0, y = 1$ . 6

- (b) Solve:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y-x+1}{y+x+5}$ . 6

5. (a) Find the smallest sphere which touches the lines  $\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-1}{-2} = \frac{z-6}{1}$  and 6

$$\frac{x+3}{7} = \frac{y+3}{-6} = \frac{z+3}{1}.$$

- (b) Find the point of inflection on the curve  $r = \frac{ae^\theta}{(1+\theta)}$ . 6

6. (a) The origin is shifted to the point  $(3, -1)$  and the axes are rotated through an angle  $\tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4}$ . If the coordinate of a point is  $(5, 10)$  in the new system, find the coordinate in the old system. 6

- (b) Find the area of the region bounded by the upper half of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ , the  $x$ -axis and the ordinates  $x = -3$  and  $x = 4$ . 6

**GE2****ALGEBRA****GROUP-A**

1. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$

- (a) If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  be the roots of the equation  $2x^3 - x^2 - 18x + 9 = 0$ , then find the value of  $\sum \alpha^2 \beta^2$ . 3

- (b)  $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \frac{\pi}{7}$ , then find the value of  $x^7 + \frac{1}{x^7}$ . 3

- (c) If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the rank of  $A + A^2$ . 3

- (d) Examine whether  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by 3  
 $T(x, y, z) = (x+2y+3z, 3x+2y+z, x+y+z); \quad (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear mapping.
- (e) Examine whether the relation  $\rho$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$  defined by 3  
 $\rho = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} : (3a+4b) \text{ is divisible by } 7\}$  is an equivalence relation or not.
- (f) If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of a non-singular matrix  $A$ , show that  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of 3  
 $A^{-1}$ .

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any **four** questions:  $6 \times 4 = 24$

- (a) Reduce the equation  $x^3 - 3x^2 + 12x + 16 = 0$  to its standard form and then solve the equation by Cardan's method. 6
- (b) Using Euclidean algorithm, find the values of  $U$  and  $V$ , such that 6  

$$1269U + 297V = 135$$
- (c) If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the equation  $x^3 + 3x + 1 = 0$ , find the equation whose roots are,  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}, \frac{\beta}{\gamma} + \frac{\gamma}{\beta}$  and  $\frac{\gamma}{\alpha} + \frac{\alpha}{\gamma}$ . Hence find the value of  $\sum \left( \frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} \right)$ . 5+1
- (d) If  $x = \log \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$  and  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , then prove that  $\theta = -i \log \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} + i \frac{x}{2} \right)$ . 6
- (e) Convert the matrix 6  

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & -9 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & -5 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 3 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

into echelon form, and hence find the solution set of the system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 + 4x_4 - 9x_5 &= 17 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 - 3x_5 &= 6 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 - 5x_5 &= 8 \\ 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 + 3x_4 - 8x_5 &= 14 \end{aligned}$$

- (f) Let  $a, b, c$  be positive real numbers and  $a+b+c=1$ . Show that 6

$$8abc \leq (1-a)(1-b)(1-c) \leq \frac{8}{27}.$$

**GROUP-C**

Answer any **two** questions  $12 \times 2 = 24$

3. (a) Using the theory of congruences to prove that  $7 \mid 2^{5n+3} + 5^{2n+3}$ ,  $\forall n \geq 1$ . 3
- (b) If  $ax \equiv ay \pmod{m}$  and  $\gcd(a, m)=1$ , show that  $x \equiv y \pmod{m}$ . 3
- (c) If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then prove that for every integer  $n (\geq 3)$ ,  $A^n = A^{n-2} + A^2 - I$ . 4+2  
Also find  $A^{50}$ .

4. (a) For any two integers  $m$  and  $n$  with  $n \neq 0$ , show that there exists unique integers  $q$  and  $r$  such that  $m = nq + r$ , where either  $r = 0$  or  $r < n$ . 6
- (b) If  $\tan \log(x+iy) = \alpha + i\beta$ , where  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 \neq 1$ , then show that 6
- $$\tan \log(x^2 + y^2) = \frac{2\alpha}{1 - \alpha^2 - \beta^2}$$
5. (a) If  $p$  and  $p^2 + 8$  are both prime numbers then find the value of  $p$ . 4
- (b) For what values of  $k$  and  $\mu$  the following system of equations:  $x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 = 1$ ;  $2x_1 + 7x_2 + 5x_3 = 2k$ ;  $4x_1 + \mu x_2 + 10x_3 = 2k + 1$ , has (i) a unique solution, (ii) no solution, (iii) infinitely many solutions over the field  $\mathbb{Q}$ . 8
6. (a) Solve the equation  $x^4 + 6x^3 + 18x^2 + 24x + 16 = 0$  4
- (b) Determine the linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  which maps the basis vectors  $(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to the vectors  $(1, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)$  respectively. 8
- (i) Find  $\ker T$  and  $\text{Im } T$ .
- (ii) Prove that  $T$  is not one-to-one but onto.

### GE3

#### DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION AND VECTOR CALCULUS

##### GROUP-A

1. Answer any **four** questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) If  $S$  is defined by the rectangle  $|x| \leq a$ ,  $|y| \leq b$ , show that the function  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition. Find the Lipschitz constant. 3
- (b) Find the Wronskian of  $\{1, \sin x, \cos x\}$ . 3
- (c) If  $\vec{r} = 3t^3\hat{i} + 2t^2\hat{j} + t^3\hat{k}$  then find  $\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} \times \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$ . 3
- (d) Find a particular integral of  $(D^2 + 4)y = \sin 2x$ . 3
- (e) If  $|\vec{a}|=1$ ,  $|\vec{b}|=1$ ,  $|\vec{c}|=2$  and  $\vec{a} \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{c}) + \vec{b} = 0$ , find the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{c}$ . 3
- (f) Evaluate  $\frac{1}{D^2 - 1} 4xe^x$ . 3

##### GROUP-B

2. Answer any **four** questions from the following:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) (i) Solve:  $\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} + y = \cosh 4x \sinh 3x$ . 3
- (ii) Solve by the method of variation of parameters:  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y = 4\sin x$ . 3
- (b) (i) Solve by the method of undetermined coefficients: 4
- $$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = 12e^x - 34\sin 2x$$

- (ii) Test the continuity at
- $t = 0$
- of

$$\vec{r}(t) = \begin{cases} t^2\hat{i} + \frac{\sin t}{t}\hat{j} + tk\hat{k} & ; \quad t \neq 0 \\ j & ; \quad t = 0 \end{cases}$$

- (c) (i) Show that
- $\vec{\nabla} \times \{\vec{r} f(\vec{r})\} = 0$
- where
- $r = |\vec{r}|$
- .

- (ii) A particle moves along the curve
- $x = 2t^2$
- ,
- $y = t^2 - 4t$
- ,
- $z = -t - 5$
- , where
- $t$
- is the time. Find the components of its velocity and acceleration at time
- $t = 1$
- in the direction
- $\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$
- .

- (d) (i) If
- $\vec{r} = a \cos t\hat{i} + a \sin t\hat{j} + at \tan \alpha \hat{k}$
- , then prove that
- $\left[ \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}, \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2}, \frac{d^3\vec{r}}{dt^3} \right] = a^3 \tan \alpha$
- .

- (ii) If
- $\vec{A} = (3x^2 + 6y)\hat{i} - 14yz\hat{j} + 20xz^2\hat{k}$
- , then evaluate
- $\int_C \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{r}$
- from
- $(0, 0, 0)$
- to
- $(1, 1, 1)$
- along the path
- $x = t$
- ,
- $y = t^2$
- ,
- $z = t^3$
- .

- (e) Solve:
- $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - y = \frac{2}{1+e^x}$
- .

- (f) Solve the system of simultaneous equations:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y - 3z = x$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} + 2z - 3y = e^{2x}$$

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any
- two***
- questions from the following:
- $12 \times 2 = 24$

- (a) (i) Solve:
- $(1+2x)^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 6(1+2x) \frac{dy}{dx} + 16y = 8(1+2x)$
- .

- (ii) Solve:
- $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = \frac{e^{-x}}{x^2}$
- .

- (b) (i) Solve:
- $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (x-1)^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 4(x-1)y = 0$
- in series about the ordinary point
- $x = 1$
- .

- (ii) Solve the differential equation:

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + a^2y = \sec ax$$

- (c) (i) If
- $\vec{a}$
- and
- $\vec{b}$
- are constant vectors prove that
- $\operatorname{div}\{(\vec{r} \times \vec{a}) \times \vec{b}\} = -2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$
- and
- $\operatorname{curl}\{(\vec{r} \times \vec{a}) \times \vec{b}\} = \vec{b} \times \vec{a}$
- , where
- $\vec{r} = xi\hat{i} + yj\hat{j} + zk\hat{k}$
- ,
- $r = |\vec{r}|$
- .

- (ii) A particle moves along the curve
- $x = 2t^2$
- ,
- $y = t^2 - 4t$
- ,
- $z = 3t - 5$
- . Find the components of velocity and acceleration at time
- $t = 1$
- , in the direction
- $\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$
- .

- (d) (i) Prove that
- $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$
- ,
- $\vec{b} + \vec{c}$
- ,
- $\vec{c} + \vec{a}$
- are coplanar if and only if
- $\vec{a}$
- ,
- $\vec{b}$
- ,
- $\vec{c}$
- are coplanar.

- (ii) Prove that the necessary and sufficient that the vector  $\vec{a}(t)$  have constant direction is  $\vec{a} \times \frac{d\vec{a}}{dt} = 0$ . 4
- (iii) Show that the vector  $\frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}$  is both solenoidal and irrotational, where  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ ,  $r = |\vec{r}|$ . 4

**GE4**  
**GROUP THEORY**  
**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any **four** questions:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) Prove that a group  $(G, \circ)$  is abelian iff  $(a \circ b)^{-1} = a^{-1} \circ b^{-1}$  for all  $a, b \in G$ . 3
- (b) Find the order of the permutation  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 8 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$  3
- (c) Prove that if  $a$  is a generator of a cyclic group  $G$ , then its inverse  $a'$  is also a generator of  $G$ . 3
- (d) Suppose that  $G$  is a group and  $Z(G) = \{g : gx = xg, \forall x \in G\}$ . Prove that  $Z(G)$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ . 3
- (e) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $O(a)$  be infinite and  $p$  be a positive integer, then prove that  $O(a^p)$  is also infinite. 3
- (f) State Second Isomorphism Theorem. 3

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any **four** questions:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) (i) Let  $H$  and  $K$  be finite subgroups of a group  $G$  such that  $HK$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . Show that 4+2
- $$O(HK) = \frac{O(H) \cdot O(K)}{O(H \cap K)}$$
- (ii) Find all cyclic subgroups of Klein's 4 group. 4+2
- (b) (i) In a group  $(G, \cdot)$ ,  $a^{n+1}b^{n+1} = b^{n+1}a^{n+1}$  and  $a^n b^n = b^n a^n$  hold for all  $a, b \in G$  and for some integer  $n$ . Prove that  $G$  is abelian. 4+2
- (ii) Find all elements of order 8 in the group  $(\mathbb{Z}_{24}, +)$  4+2
- (c) For  $n > 1$ , prove that the number of even permutations and odd permutations in  $S_n$ , are equal. 6
- (d) Let  $f : G \rightarrow G'$  be a group homomorphism. If  $H'$  be a subgroup of  $G'$  then prove that  $f^{-1}(H') = \{a \in G \mid f(a) \in H'\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . Further prove that, if  $H'$  is normal in  $G'$ , then  $f^{-1}(H')$  is normal in  $G$ . 3+3
- (e) (i) Show that  $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$  is not cyclic 3+3
- (ii) Prove that every proper subgroup of a group of order 6 is cyclic. 3+3
- (f) (i) Show that the groups  $(\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot)$  and  $(\mathbb{R}, +)$  are not isomorphic.  $[\mathbb{R}^* = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}]$ . 3+3
- (ii) Let  $G$  be a group of order 10 and  $G'$  be a group of order 6. Prove that there does not exist a homomorphism of  $G$  onto  $G'$ . 3+3

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any ***two*** questions:  $12 \times 2 = 24$
- (a) (i) Let  $G$  be a finite cyclic group generated by  $a$ . Prove that  $O(G)=n$  iff 6  
 $O(a)=n$
- (ii) Let  $H$  be the set of all real matrices 6  

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} : ad - bc = 1 \right\}, \quad a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}.$$
- Prove that  $H$  forms a non-commutative group under matrix multiplication.
- (b) (i) If  $H$  be a subgroup of a cyclic group  $G$ , then prove that the quotient group  $G/H$  is cyclic. Is the converse true? Justify your answer. 6
- (ii) Prove that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic. 6
- (c) (i) Let  $(G, \circ)$  be a group and  $a, b \in G$ . If  $a \circ b = b \circ a$  and  $O(a)$  and  $O(b)$  are prime to each other, show that  $O(a \circ b) = O(a) \circ O(b)$ . 6
- (ii) Let  $S$  be the set of all permutations on the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ . Show that  $S$  forms a non-abelian group with respect to multiplication. 6
- (d) (i) Find all homomorphisms from the group  $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$  to  $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +)$ . 6
- (ii) Let  $H$  be a cyclic subgroup of a group  $G$ . If  $H$  is normal in  $G$ , then prove that every subgroup of  $H$  is normal in  $G$ . 6

**GE5****NUMERICAL METHODS****GROUP-A**

1. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) Find the absolute, relative and percentage errors when  $3/7$  is approximated to 5 significant figures. 3
- (b) Find an interpolating polynomial which interpolates  $f(x)$  in such a way that  $f(0)=1$ ,  $f(1)=0$ ,  $f(2)=2$ . 3
- (c) Show that  $\Delta \log f(x) = \log \left\{ 1 + \frac{\Delta f(x)}{f(x)} \right\}$ . 3
- (d) Find the Newton Raphson formula to find  $\sqrt[3]{N}$ , where  $N$  is a positive integer. 3
- (e) What is Regular-Falsi method for numerical solution of the equation  $f(x)=0$ . Interpret this geometrically. 3
- (f) How should the constant  $\alpha$  be chosen to ensure the fastest possible convergence with the iteration formula 3

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{\alpha x_n + x_n^{-2} + 1}{\alpha + 1} ?$$

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) Find positive roots of the equation  $x^3 - 9x + 1 = 0$  lying between 2 and 3 upto two significant digits by method of bisection. 6

- (b) Evaluate  $\int_0^1 (5x - 3x^2) dx$ , taking 10 intervals by using trapezoidal Rule. Also compute the exact value and, find the absolute and relative errors. 6
- (c) Explain the method of bisection for computing a real root of an equation  $f(x) = 0$  with its advantages and disadvantages. 6
- (d) Find the roots of  $2x - \log_{10} x - 7 = 0$  by the method of iteration correct to four decimal places. 6
- (e) Use Picard's method to compute  $y(0.1)$  and  $y(0.2)$  from the equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + xy$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ . 6
- (f) Solve by Gauss-Seidel iteration method, the system: 6
- $$3x_1 + 9x_2 - 2x_3 = 11$$
- $$4x_1 + 2x_2 + 13x_3 = 24$$
- $$4x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = -8$$
- correct upto four significant figures.

**GROUP-C****Answer any two questions from the following**

12×2 = 24

3. (a) Solve by using suitable interpolation formula to find  $f(10)$  correct upto three places of decimal from the following value of  $f(x)$ : 6

$x$	5	6	9	11
$f(x)$	12	13	14	16

- (b) If a number is corrected to  $n$  significant figures and the first significant figure of the number is  $k$ , then show that the relative error 6

$$\epsilon_r < \frac{1}{k \cdot 10^{n-1}}.$$

4. (a) Solve by Euler's modified method the following equation for  $x = 0.02$  by taking step length  $h = 0.01$ :  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ . 6

- (b) Evaluate  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{\cos x} dx$ , by Simpson's one-third rule taking  $n = 6$ . 6

5. (a) Find the real roots of the equation  $x^3 + x^2 - 1 = 0$  using fixed point iteration method, correct upto six decimal places. 6

- (b) Explain Newton-Raphson method and its convergence. 6

6. (a) Calculate the value of  $y$  when  $x = 1.6$  from the following data table: 6

$x$	0	4	8	12	16
$y$	1.0	1.5	3.6	7.9	14.6

- (b) Solve the system of linear equations by using Gauss-Jordan method: 6

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 18$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 10$$

$$x_1 + 4x_2 + 9x_3 = 16$$

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