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## **Instructions for Candidates**

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.

- 2. Attempt five questions in all.
- 3. All questions carry equal marks.
- 4. Question number 1 is compulsory.

## 1. Attempt any six questions

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- (a) If  $A_i$  is a vector, show that  $F_{ij} = \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x_i}$  is a Cartesian tensor of rank two.
- (b) If  $A_i$  and  $B_i$  are two Cartesian tensors, prove that  $A_iB_i$  is a scalar.
- (c) Using Cartesian tensors, show that the curl of gradient of a scalar is zero.
- (d) Show that  $\frac{\partial A_p}{\partial x^q}$  is not a tensor under a general coordinate transformation, even though  $A_p$  is a covariant tensor of rank one.
- (e) Let A(i,j,k) be a set of  $N^3$  functions of coordinates in N-dimensions. If  $A_{ijk}B^{jk}=C_i$  where  $B^{jk}$  is an arbitrary contravariant tensor of rank-2 and  $C_i$  is a covariant tensor of rank-1. What can you conclude about  $A_{ijk}$ ?
- (f) What is polarizability tensor?

- (g) Prove that  ${S \choose p q} = {S \choose q p}$  where  ${S \choose p q}$  is the Christoffel Symbol of the second kind.
- 2. (a) Show that  $\delta_{ij}$  is an isotropic Cartesian tensor of rank two and  $\varepsilon_{ijk}$  is an isotropic Cartesian tensor of rank three. (8)
  - (b) Let  $X_{ijkl}$  be a Cartesian tensor of rank four such that  $X_{ijkl} = X_{jikl}$  and  $X_{ijkl} = -X_{ijlk}$  i.e. it is symmetric with respect to the first two indices and anti-symmetric with respect to the last two indices. How many independent components are there in  $X_{ijkl}$  in three dimensions? (6)
  - (c) Show that any rank two Cartesian tensor can be expressed as a sum of symmetric and antisymmetric tensors. (4)
- 3. (a) A rigid body consists of three point masses of 1 kg, 2 kg and 1 kg, connected by massless rods. The coordinates of the three masses are (1,1,0), (2, -1,2) and (0, -1, -1) in meters, respectively. Determine the inertia tensor of the system. If the body is rotating with an angular velocity  $\omega = 3\hat{\imath} 2\hat{\jmath} + 4\hat{k}$ , what is the angular momentum of the body?
  - (b) Stress tensor  $\sigma_{ij}$  and strain tensor  $e_{kl}$  are related as  $\sigma_{ij} = C_{ijkl}e_{kl}$  where, elastic tensor  $C_{ijkl}$  is symmetric in i, j and k, l and its most general isotropic form is given by  $C_{ijkl} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \nu \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}$  where  $\lambda$ ,  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are constants. Prove that  $C_{ijkl} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu \left( \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk} \right)$  (6)

- 4. (a) If  $ds^2 = 5(dx^1)^2 + 4(dx^2)^2 3(dx^3)^2 + 4 dx^1 dx^2 6 dx^2 dx^3$ , find the following matrices:
  - (i)  $[g_{ij}]$
  - (ii)  $[g^{ij}]$
  - (iii) the product of  $[g_{ij}]$  and  $[g^{ij}]$  (4, 4, 2)
  - (b) If  $A_i$  are the component of a covariant vector, show that  $\frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x^j} \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x^i}$  are components of a skew-symmetric covariant tensor of rank 2 (8)
- 5. (a) Write the Lorentz transformation for coordinates (ct, x, y, z) in an inertial frame S to coordinates (ct', x', y', z') in another frame S' moving with velocity v along the x axis. Write these equations in matrix form. Show that the invariance of spacetime interval in the two frames leads to the condition

$$\eta_{\mu\nu}\Lambda^{\mu}_{\alpha}\Lambda^{\nu}_{\beta}=\eta_{\alpha\beta}$$

where  $\Lambda^{\mu}_{\alpha}$  and  $\Lambda^{\nu}_{\beta}$  are Lorentz transformation matrices and  $\eta_{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\eta_{\mu\nu}$  are Minkowski metric tensors. (10)

- (b) Calculate the values of the following Christoffel symbols of the first kind for cylindrical coordinates  $(x^1 = \rho, x^2 = \phi, x^3 = z)$  for which the metric is given by  $ds^2 = d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\phi^2 + dz^2$ 
  - (i) [12,2]

$$(ii)$$
 [22,1] (8)

6. (a) Prove the following vector identities using Cartesian tensors:

(i) 
$$\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C})\vec{B} - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})\vec{C}$$

(ii) 
$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$
 (5,5)

(b) Check if the matrix T given by 
$$T = \begin{bmatrix} -x_1x_2 & -x_2^2 \\ -x_1^2 & -x_1x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a tensor of rank two. (8)