

B. Sc. Semester II Examinations, 2023-24

Subject: Mathematics

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Course Code: SH/MTH/203/GE-2

Course Title: Algebra (NEW CBCS Syllabus 2022-25)

Time: 2 Hours.

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.
Candidates are required to give their answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

Notations and Symbols have their usual meaning.

1. Answer any 5 (five) of the following questions:

(2 × 5 = 10)

a) If α, β, γ be the roots of the equation $x^3 + qx + r = 0$ then find the value of $\sum \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$.

b)) Find the value of $(\sqrt{3} - i)^{\frac{1}{7}}$.

c) If $S = a + b + c$, prove that $\frac{s}{s-a} + \frac{s}{s-b} + \frac{s}{s-c} > \frac{9}{2}$ where a, b, c are unequal positive real numbers.

d) Show that the mapping $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by $T(x, y) = (e^x, e^y)$ is not linear.

e) Find the rank of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 8 \\ 0 & 5 & 12 & -10 \end{pmatrix}$.

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f) If a/b and a/c then prove that $a/(bx + cy)$ for any integers x and y .

g) Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$. Verify whether the relation $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 3), (3, 2), (1, 2), (2, 1)\}$ is transitive.

h) If $f: R \rightarrow R$ and $g: R \rightarrow R$ be two mappings, then compute $f \circ g$ with usual notations where

$$f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 2 \text{ and } g(x) = 3x - 1 \quad \forall x \in R.$$

UNIT II

2. Answer any 4 (four) of the following questions:

(5 × 4 = 20)

- a) State De Moivre's theorem. Prove it for integral values of the index. 1 + 4
- b) If α, β, γ are the roots of the equation $2x^3 + 3x^2 - x - 1 = 0$, then obtain the equation whose roots are $\frac{\alpha}{\beta+\gamma}, \frac{\beta}{\gamma+\alpha}, \frac{\gamma}{\alpha+\beta}$. Hence find the value of $\sum \frac{\alpha}{\beta+\gamma}$. 4 + 1
- c) Prove that the mapping $f: A \rightarrow B$ is invertible if and only if it is bijective. 5
- d) i) Express the vector $(1, 7, -4)$ as a linear combination of the vectors $(1, -3, 2)$ and $(2, -1, 1)$ in the vector space R^3 .
 ii) For what value of c the set of vectors $\{(1, 1, 2), (1, c, 3), (2, 0, c)\}$ is linearly independent. 3 + 2
- e) Obtain the Sturm's function of the equation $x^3 + 11x^2 - 102x + 181 = 0$. 5

f) i) State the Descartes' rule of signs. Also find the nature of the roots of $x^4 + 15x^2 + 7x - 11 = 0$.

ii) Prove that $3^{2n-1} + 2^{n+1}$ is divisible by 7 $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. 2 + 3

UNIT III

3. Answer any 1 (one) of the following questions:

(10 × 1 = 10)

a) (i) If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ then prove that $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$.

(ii) Find the rank of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$.

(iii) Determine the conditions for which the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 6 \\ x + 2y + 3z &= 10 \\ x + 2y + az &= b \end{aligned}$$

has no solution, unique solution & infinite no. of solutions.

2 + 2 + 6

b) (i) Find the dimension of the subspace of S of \mathbb{R}^4 , where

$$S = \{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{R}^4 : x + 2y - z + 2w = 0\}.$$

(ii) Verify Cayley-Hamilton theorem for the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

(iii) Solve the cubic equation $x^3 - 6x - 9 = 0$ by Cardan's method.

3 + 2 + 5