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BS-MS Program

End-Semester Examination-2025 (Spring Semester-II)

Subject: Mathematics II

Subject Code(s): MAT 1201

Full marks: 50

Time allotted: 3 hrs

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Answer Question No. 10 and any six of the remaining questions.

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- ✓ 1. Let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be an open interval, let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable on  $I$ . Suppose that  $f''(a)$  exists at  $a \in I$ . Show that

$$f''(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - 2f(a) + f(a-h)}{h^2}.$$

Give an example where the limit exists, but the function does not have a second derivative at  $a$ . [7]

- ✓ 2. If  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and  $\int_0^x f(t)dt = \int_x^1 f(t)dt$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ , show that  $f(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ . [7]

3. Suppose that  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and that  $g$  is nonnegative and integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Prove that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = f(\xi) \int_a^b g(x)dx$$

for some  $\xi \in [a, b]$ . [7]

- ✓ 4. Find the Taylor polynomial for the function  $f(x) = \arctan x$ . [7]

5. Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation, where  $V$  and  $W$  are vector spaces. If  $V$  is infinite dimensional, prove that at least one of  $T(V)$  or  $N(T)$  is infinite dimensional. [7]

6. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation such that

$$T(\mathbf{k}) = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}, \quad T(\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{i}, \quad T(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}.$$

- ✓ (a) Compute  $T(\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$  and determine the nullity and rank of  $T$ .

- (b) Determine the matrix of  $T$ .

[7]

7. In the real vector space  $C(1, e)$ , define an inner product by the equation

$$(f, g) = \int_1^e (\log x) f(x) g(x) dx.$$

- (a) If  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , compute  $\|f\|$ .  
(b) Find a linear polynomial  $g(x) = a + bx$  that is orthogonal to the constant function 1.

[7]

8. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two matrices such that

$$AB - BA = I$$

where  $I$  is the identity matrix. What can you say about  $A$  and  $B$ .

[7]

9. Assume  $T : V \rightarrow V$  is a hermitian operator,

- (a) Prove that  $T^n$  is hermitian for every positive integer  $n$ , and that  $T^{-1}$  is hermitian if  $T$  is invertible.  
(b) What can you conclude about  $T^n$  and  $T^{-1}$  if  $T$  is skew-hermitian?

[7]

10. Given an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  with real entries such that  $A^2 = -I$ . Prove the following statements about  $A$ .

- (a)  $A$  is nonsingular.  
(b)  $n$  is even.  
(c)  $A$  has no real eigenvalues.  
(d)  $\det A = 1$ .

[8]