

**B.Sc. Semester I (Honours) Examination, 2018-19****PHYSICS****Course ID : 12411****Course Code : SHPHS-101C-1(T)**

Course Title : Mathematical Physics I

**Time: 1 Hour 15 Minutes****Full Marks: 25***The figures in the margin indicate full marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.***Section-I**

1. Answer *any five* questions of the following: 1×5=5
- (a) Find a vector perpendicular to both  $\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{B} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ .
- (b) Sketch  $\theta = \text{Constant}$  surface in spherical polar co-ordinate system.
- (c) If  $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}\phi$ ,  $\phi$  is the scalar function, then find  $\oint_C \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$  if C is any simple closed curve.
- (d) Find the value of  $\beta(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2})$ .
- (e) Determine the integrating factor for the differential equation  $y dx - x dy = 0$ .
- (f) State the condition for which  $x = x_0$  is a regular singular point of the differential equation  $P_1(x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + P_2(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + P_3(x)y = 0$ .
- (g) By using Rodrigue's formula for Legendre's polynomial, show that  $P_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1)$ .
- (h) Form the differential equation by eliminating the arbitrary function  $f$  and  $g$  from  $z = f(x + at) + g(x - at)$ .

**Section-II**

2. Answer *any two* questions of the following: 5×2=10
- (a) For a solenoidal vector  $\vec{A}$ , show that  $\vec{\nabla} \times [\vec{\nabla} \times \{\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})\}] = \nabla^4 \vec{A}$ .
- (b) Prove that  $\vec{\nabla}\phi$  points in the direction of maximum rate of increase of the scalar point function  $\phi(x, y, z)$ . 3+2=5
3. Represent the vector  $\vec{A} = Z\hat{i} - 2x\hat{j} + y\hat{k}$  in cylindrical co-ordinate system. 5
4. Solve:  $(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4y) = e^x \sin^2 x$ . 5
5. (a) Prove that  $P_n'(x) - xP_{n-1}'(x) = nP_{n-1}(x)$
- (b) Prove that  $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$ . 3+2=5

**Section-III**Answer *any one* question.

10×1=10

6. (a) Write down the two-dimensional Laplace's equation in polar co-ordinate.  
(b) Find the general solution of the above equation by the method of separation of variables.  
(c) Prove that  $\beta(m, m) \times \beta\left(m + \frac{1}{2}, m + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{m} (2)^{1-4m}$ . 2+5+3=10
7. (a) Evaluate  $\int_C \vec{A} \cdot \overrightarrow{dr}$  along the curve  $x^2 + y^2 = 1, z = 1$  in the positive direction from (0, 1, 1) to (1, 0, 1) if  $\vec{A} = (yz + 2x)\hat{i} + xz\hat{j} + (xy + 2z)\hat{k}$ .  
(b) Find the acute angle between the surfaces  $xy^2z = 3x + z^2$  and  $3x^2 - y^2 + 2z = 1$ . at the point (1, -2, 1).  
(c) Evaluate:  $\text{div} \left( \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} \right)$  4+4+2=10
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