



B.Sc./3rd Sem/MTM/25(NEP)

2025

3rd Semester Examination (CCFUP : NEP)

MATHEMATICS

Paper : MI 3-T (Minor)

Algebra (For Single Core) /
Differential Equations and Vector Calculus
(For Multidisciplinary Studies Major)

Full Marks : 60

Time : Three Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

[Algebra]

(For Single Core Major)

Group - A

Answer any *ten* questions : $2 \times 10 = 20$

1. Find the value of $\phi(2021)$, where ϕ is Euler's Phi function.
2. Apply Descarte's rule of signs to determine the number of complex root of $x^4 + 2x^2 + 3x = 1$.
3. Obtain polar form of the complex number $z = -1 + i$.
What is the principal argument of z ?

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4. If n be a positive integer greater than 1, prove that

$$n(n+1)^2 > 4(n!)^{3/n}.$$

5. Find the rank of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 7 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

6. State the fundamental theorem of arithmetic. Write down the prime factorization of 2025.

7. If a , b and c are positive real numbers, prove that

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} \geq 3.$$

8. Express the $\gcd(91, 52)$ as $91x + 52y$ for some $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$.

9. Show that a non-singular matrix cannot have zero eigen value.

10. Define linear map on a vector space. Check whether $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $T(x, y) = xy$, for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, is linear or not.

11. If α, β, γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 + qx + r = 0$, find the value of $\sum \alpha^5$.

12. Let $S = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ and $T = \{\alpha, \beta, \alpha + \beta, \beta + \gamma\}$ be subsets of a real vector space V . Show that $L(S) = L(T)$.

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13. Prove that $(1+2+\dots+n)\left(1+\frac{1}{2}+\dots+\frac{1}{n}\right) > n^2$, $n > 1$.
14. If one of the roots of the equation $2x^3 - x^2 - 18x + 9 = 0$ is $\frac{1}{2}$ and the other two roots are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign, find these roots.
15. Let V be a vector space of all real valued functions over the field $\mathbb{R}$. Verify whether $W = \{f \in V : f(3) = 1 + f(4)\}$ is a subspace of V .

Group - B

Answer any **four** questions : $5 \times 4 = 20$

16. Show that $S = \left\{ X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid AX = 0 \right\}$, where

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^3$. Find a basis for S .

17. If z is a variable complex number such that the amplitude of $\frac{z-i}{z+1}$ is $\frac{\pi}{4}$, then show that z lies on a circle in the complex plane.

P.T.O.

18. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 \\ -1 & 8 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $b = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and let W be the set

of all linear combinations of the columns of A .

(a) Is b in W ? Why or why not?

(b) Show that the second column of A is in W . 4+1

19. For what values of k the planes $x + y + z = 2$, $3x + y - 2z = k$ and $2x + 4y + 7z = k + 1$ form a triangular prism?

20. If $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ be all positive real numbers and $s = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$, prove that

$$\left(\frac{s - a_1}{n - 1} \right) \left(\frac{s - a_2}{n - 1} \right) \dots \left(\frac{s - a_n}{n - 1} \right) = a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n, \text{ unless}$$

$$a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n.$$

21. Find the values of k for which the system of equations

$$x + y - z = 1$$

$$2x + 3y + kz = 3$$

$$x + ky + 3z = 2$$

has (i) no solution, (ii) more than one solutions, (iii) unique solution.

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Group - C

Answer any **two** questions : $10 \times 2 = 20$

22. (a) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -2 & -9 \\ 6 & 4 & 8 \\ 4 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $W = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Determine

if W is in the column space of A . Is W in the null space of A ? Justify.

(b) Let α , β and γ be the roots of the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$. Then find (a) the value of $\sum \alpha^2 \beta$, (b) an equation whose roots are $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma$, $\beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha$ and $\gamma\alpha + \alpha\beta$. $(3+2)+(3+2)$

23. (a) For what values of k the planes $x - 4y + 5z = k$, $x - y + 2z = 3$ and $2x + y + z = 0$ intersect in a line? Find the equation of the intersecting line in that case.

(b) The matrix of a linear mapping $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ relative to the ordered basis $\{(-1, 1, 1), (1, -1, 1),$

$(1, 1, -1)\}$ of $\mathbb{R}^3$ is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Find the matrix

of T relative to the ordered basis $\{(0, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 0)\}$ of $\mathbb{R}^3$. $(4+1)+5$

P.T.O.

24. (a) Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ and $g: B \rightarrow C$ be two mappings. Prove that (a) if $g \circ f$ is injective and f is surjective then g is injective, (b) if $g \circ f$ is surjective and g is injective then f is surjective.

- (b) Solve the equation by Ferrari's method :

$$x^4 + 12x^3 + 54x^2 + 96x + 40 = 0.$$

- (c) Find the values of $\log(-i)^{1/2}$. (2+2)+4+2

25. (a) Reduce the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ to a row-

reduced Echelon form and hence find its rank.

- (b) Find the eigen values and the corresponding eigen

vectors of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

- (c) If X and Y are two non-empty sets and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a mapping, then for any subsets A and B of Y show that

$$f^{-1}(A \cup B) = f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B). \quad 4+4+2$$

Paper : MI 3-T

Differential Equations and Vector Calculus

(For Multidisciplinary Studies Major)

Group - A

Answer any *ten* questions : $2 \times 10 = 20$

1. Determine whether $x = 0$ or $x = 1$ is an ordinary point of the differential equation $(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + n(n+1)y = 0$ for any positive integer n .
2. Find an equation for the plane determined by the points $P_1(2, -1, 1)$, $P_2(3, 2, -1)$, and $P_3(-1, 3, 2)$.
3. Find the general solution of

$$\frac{dx}{cy - bz} = \frac{dy}{az - cx} = \frac{dz}{bx - ay}$$

4. Prove that

$F = (y^2 \cos x + z^3)i + (2y \sin x - 4)j + (3xz^2 + 2)k$ is a conservative force field.

5. What can one say about the general solution of $y'' + 16y = 0$ if two particular solutions are known to be $y_1 = \sin 4x$ and $y_2 = \cos 4x$?

P.T.O.

6. For what values of a and b , all real solutions of the differential equation $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2a\frac{dy}{dx} + by = \cos x$ are periodic.
7. Find the volume of the parallelepiped whose edges are represented by :
- $$A = 2i - 3j + 4k, B = i + 2j - k, C = 3i - j + 2k.$$
8. Find the general solution of the differential equation $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + 9y = 0$.
9. Show that $\nabla r^n = nr^{n-2}r$ (symbols have their usual meaning).
10. Show that the Wronskian of the function $f_1(x) = x^2$ and $f_2(x) = x|x|$ is zero.
11. Determine whether the set $\{1 - x, 1 + x, 1 - 3x\}$ is linearly dependent on $(-\infty, \infty)$.
12. Find an equation of the tangent plane to the surface $x^2 + 2xy^2 - 3z^3 = 6$ at the point $P(1, 2, 1)$.
13. Determine the singular points of the following differential equation

$$x^2(x-1)^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2(x-2) \frac{dy}{dx} + (x+3)y = 0.$$

14. Show that $f(t, x) = (3t + 2x_1, x_1 - x_2)$ on $S: \{ |t| < \infty, \|x\| < \infty \}$ satisfying Lipschitz condition.

15. Find the constant a so that the following vectors are coplanar :

$$3i - 3j - k, -3i - 2j + 2k, 6i + aj - 3k.$$

Group - B

Answer any *four* questions : $5 \times 4 = 20$

16. Apply the method of variation of parameters to solve :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y = \sec^3 x \tan x$$

17. 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 of $i - 2j + k$.

18. Find a recurrence formula for the power series solution around $t = 0$ for the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + (t-1) \frac{dy}{dt} + (2t-3)y = 0.$$

19. Prove that $\nabla \times (\nabla \times A) = -\nabla^2 A + \nabla(\nabla \cdot A)$, (symbols have their usual meaning).

P.T.O.

20. Solve the following differential equation by the undetermined coefficients :

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = x^2 e^{3x}.$$

21. Given $A = (yz + 2x)i + xzj + (xy + 2z)k$. Evaluate $\int_C A \cdot dr$ along the curve $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, $z = 1$ in the positive direction from $(0, 1, 1)$ to $(1, 0, 1)$.

Group - C

Answer any **two** questions : $10 \times 2 = 20$

22. (a) Solve $(D^2 - 4D + 4)y = 8x^2 e^{2x} \sin 2x$.

- (b) Prove that there exists a set of n linearly independent solutions of $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$.

- (c) Find the solution for the system

$$\frac{dy_1}{dt} = -3y_1 + 2y_2, \quad \frac{dy_2}{dt} = -2y_1 + 2y_2. \quad 4+2+4$$

23. (a) Let F be a conservative force field such that $F = -\nabla\phi$. Suppose a particle of constant mass m is to move in this field. If A and B are any two points in space, prove that

$$\phi(A) + \frac{1}{2}mv_A^2 = \phi(B) + \frac{1}{2}mv_B^2$$

where v_A and v_B are the magnitudes of the velocities of the particle at A and B , respectively.

- (b) The equation of motion of a particle are given by

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + \omega y = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dy}{dt} - \omega x = 0. \quad \text{Find the path of the particle and show that it is a circle.} \quad 4+6$$

24. (a) Use the method of Fröbenius to find one solution near $x = 0$ of

$$x^2 y'' - xy' + y = 0.$$

- (b) Suppose a force field is given by

$$\mathbf{F} = (2x - y + z)\mathbf{i} + (x + y - z^2)\mathbf{j} + (3x - 2y + 4z)\mathbf{k}$$

Find the work done in moving a particle once around a circle C in the xy -plane with its center at the origin and a radius of 3. 5+5

25. (a) Evaluate $\iint_S \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dS$, where $\mathbf{A} = 18z\mathbf{i} - 12\mathbf{j} + 3y\mathbf{k}$ and S is that part of the plane $2x + 3y + 6z = 12$, which is located in the first octant.

- (b) Solve the following system of differential equation :

$$\frac{dx}{dt} + 4x + 3y = t, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} + 2x + 5y = e^t. \quad 4+6$$