



**WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY**  
B.Sc. Honours 1st Semester Examination, 2019

**MTMACOR02T-MATHEMATICS (CC2)**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

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

*All symbols are of usual significance.*

**Answer Question No. 1 and any five from the rest**

1. Answer any **five** questions from the following: 2×5 = 10
  - (a) Solve the equation  $x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1 = 0$ .
  - (b) Express  $(\sqrt{3} + i)$  in polar form and hence find  $(\sqrt{3} + i)^{120}$ .
  - (c) If each of the four positive real numbers  $a, b, c, d$  is greater than 1, show that  $8(abcd + 1) > (a+1)(b+1)(c+1)(d+1)$ .
  - (d) If  $\alpha$  is a root of the cubic equation  $x^3 - 3x + 1 = 0$ , then find the other two roots are  $\alpha^2 - 2$  and  $2 - \alpha - \alpha^2$ .
  - (e) Using Descartes's rule of sign, find the nature of the roots of the equation  $x^4 + 16x^2 + 7x - 11 = 0$ .
  - (f) Let  $a, b$  be two nonzero integers and  $c$  be an integer. If  $a|c, b|c$  and  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , show that  $ab|c$  (the symbol  $m|n$  means ' $m$  divides  $n$ ').
  - (g) If 2 and 3 are the eigenvalues of a real square matrix  $A$  of order 2, find by applying Cayley-Hamilton theorem the inverse of  $A$  in terms of itself.
  - (h) For a finite set  $S$ , if  $f : S \rightarrow S$  be injective, then show that  $f$  is bijective.
  
2. (a) Use De Moivre's theorem to show that  $\sin^4 \theta \cos^4 \theta = \frac{1}{2^7}(\cos 8\theta - 4\cos 4\theta + 3)$ . 3
- (b) Solve the equation  $2x^4 - 5x^3 - 15x^2 + 10x + 8 = 0$ , when it is given that the roots of the equation are in geometric progression. 3
- (c) Prove that the roots of the equation  $\frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2}{x-2} + \frac{3}{x-3} = x$  are all real. 2
  
3. (a) Solve by Ferrari's method:  $9x^4 + 12x^3 + 9x^2 - 2x - 8 = 0$ . 5
- (b) If  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  and  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$  are  $2n$  real numbers, then show that 3

$$(a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + \dots + a_nb_n)^2 \leq (a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2)(b_1^2 + b_2^2 + \dots + b_n^2).$$
  
4. (a) Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  (the set of all integers) with  $y \neq 0$ . Then show that there exist unique integers  $q$  and  $r$  such that  $x = qy + r, 0 \leq r < |y|$ . 5
- (b) Define inverse of a relation on a nonempty set. Prove that a relation  $\rho$  on a nonempty set  $S$  is symmetric if and only if  $\rho = \rho^{-1}$  where  $\rho^{-1}$  stands for the inverse of  $\rho$ . 3

5. (a) Show that there is a mapping  $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  which is injective but not surjective,  $\mathbb{Z}$  being the set of all integers. 2
- (b) Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g: B \rightarrow C$ ,  $h: B \rightarrow C$  be three mappings such that  $f$  is surjective and  $g \circ f = h \circ f$ . Prove that  $g = h$ . 3
- (c) Prove that the set of all integers  $\mathbb{Z}$  and the set of all natural numbers  $\mathbb{N}$  are of same cardinality. 3
6. (a) Let  $a$  and  $b (\geq 1)$  be integers. Prove that there exist unique integers  $q$  and  $r$  such that  $a = bq + r$  with  $0 \leq r < b$ . 3
- (b) Using mathematical induction, find the least positive integer  $n_0$  such that  $n^2 < n!$  for all positive integers  $n \geq n_0$ . 3
- (c) Prove that an integer  $p > 1$  is a prime number if and only if  $p$  divides  $ab$  implies, either  $p$  divides  $a$  or  $p$  divides  $b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are any two integers. 2
7. (a) Use the notion of congruence relation between the integers, to prove that 41 divides  $2^{20} - 1$ . 3
- (b) Let  $a, b, c$  be integers and  $m$  be a positive integer. Prove that  $ab \equiv ac \pmod{m}$  if and only if  $b \equiv c \pmod{\frac{m}{\gcd(a, m)}}$ . 3
- (c) Show that  $\phi(5n) = 5\phi(n)$  if 5 divides  $n$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer and  $\phi$  denotes the Euler phi function. 2
8. (a) Prove that  $\gcd(n, n+1) = 1$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Find integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $nx + (n+1)y = 1$ . 5
- (b) For a positive integer  $a$ , find the integral value of  $b$  for which the following system of equations will have infinitely many solutions: 3
- $$\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 1 \\ x + 2y - z &= b \\ 5x + 7y + a^2z &= 5b^2 \end{aligned}$$
9. (a) Applying elementary row operations, find the inverse of the matrix 3
- $$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
- (b) Find the rank of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & a & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & a \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  for different real values of  $a$ . 3
- (c) If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of a real orthogonal matrix  $A$ , prove that  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  is also an eigenvalue of  $A$ . 2

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