

(FOR THE CANDIDATES ADMITTED
DURING THE ACADEMIC YEARS 2024-26 ONLY)

SUBJECT CODE **24 PPS 101**

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N.G.M.COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) : POLLACHI

END-OF-SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS : NOVEMBER – 2024

M.Sc. – PHYSICS

MAXIMUM MARKS: 50

I SEMESTER

TIME : 3 HOURS

**PART – III
MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS**

SECTION – A (10 X 1 = 10 MARKS)

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

(K1)

- The value of $P_n(1)$ is
a) 0 b) 1 c) -1 d) $(-1)^n$
- Which of the following is not an analytic function?
a) $|z|$ b) $\sin z$ c) z^{-1} d) none of these
- Heat flow equation is
a) $\nabla^2\phi = 1$ b) $\nabla^2\phi = 0$ c) $\nabla^2\phi = \frac{1}{h^2} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}$ d) $\nabla^2\phi = \rho$
- The Fourier transform of the Gaussian function $f(x) = e^{-x^2}$ is
a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\omega^2/4}$ b) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\omega^2/2}$ c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\omega^2}$ d) None of these
- The value of $\Gamma(0)$ is
a) 0 b) 1 c) -1 d) ∞

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING IN ONE (OR) TWO SENTENCES.

(K2)

- What is the value of the Bessel function $J_{3/2}(x)$?
- Write the Cauchy Riemann equations in polar form.
- Write the Laplace's equation in cylindrical coordinates.
- Write the complex form of Fourier integral for $f(x)$
- What is a dummy index?

(CONTD 2)

SECTION – B (5 X 5 = 25)

**ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.
(K3)**

11. (a) Obtain the generating function of Hermite polynomials
(OR)
- (b) Prove the recurrence relation $n P_n = (2n - 1)x P_{n-1} - (n - 1) P_{n-2}$
12. (a) State and prove Cauchy's integral theorem.
(OR)
- (b) Determine the analytic function whose real part is $x^3 - 3xy^2 + 3x^2 - 3y^2 + 1$.
13. (a) Obtain the solution of Laplace's equation in Cartesian coordinates.
(OR)
- (b) Find the solution of heat flow equation by the method of separation of variables.
14. (a) Express the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |x| \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{for } |x| > 1 \end{cases}$ as a Fourier integral and hence evaluate $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \lambda \cos \lambda x}{\lambda} d\lambda$
(OR)
- (b) State and prove Parseval's theorem of Fourier transform.
15. (a) Define Kronecker delta symbol and mention its properties.
(OR)
- (b) Derive the relation between Beta and Gamma functions.

SECTION – C (5 X 8 = 40)

**ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.
(K4/K5)**

16. a) Solve the Bessel's differential equation and obtain its most general solution.
(OR)
- b) Prove the orthogonal properties of Legendre polynomials.

(CONTD 3)

17. a) Find the Laurent's series expansion of $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z+1)(z+3)}$ valid for

(i) $|z| < 1$

(ii) $1 < |z| < 3$

(OR)

b) Evaluate $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{4}{5+4 \cos \theta} d\theta$ using calculus of residues.

18. a) Obtain the solution of Laplace's equation in spherical polar coordinates.

(OR)

b) Determine the steady state temperature distribution of a thin plate bounded by the lines $x = 0, x = l, y = 0, y = \infty$ assuming that heat cannot escape from either surface of the plate, the edges $x = 0, x = l, y = \infty$ are maintained at zero temperature and the edge $y = 0$ is maintained at steady state temperature $F(x)$.

19 .a) Find Fourier transform of the function

$$f(x) = 1 - x^2; \quad -1 < x < 1$$

$$= 0 \quad ; \quad |x| = 1$$

and hence evaluate $\int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^3} \right) \cos \frac{x}{2} dx$

(OR)

b) Find the Fourier sine and cosine transforms of $f(t) = e^{-pt}$, $p > 0$. Hence evaluate the integrals (i) $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos \omega t}{p^2 + \omega^2} d\omega$ (ii) $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega \sin \omega t}{p^2 + \omega^2} d\omega$

20. a) Show that in Cartesian coordinate system the contravariant and covariant components of a vector are identical.

(OR)

b) Show that $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^p \theta \cos^q \theta d\theta = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{q+1}{2}\right)}{2 \Gamma\left(\frac{p+q+2}{2}\right)}$

Hence evaluate $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^p \theta d\theta$ and $\int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^p \theta d\theta$