

**2018****CBCS****1st Semester****PHYSICS****PAPER—C1T****(Honours)**

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.*

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

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

**Mathematical Physics****Group—A**

Answer any five questions :

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1. Solve :  $\frac{dz}{dx} - xz = -x$ .

2. Show that the area bounded by a simple closed curve C

is given by  $\frac{1}{2} \oint_C \rho^2 d\phi$  in case of polar coordinates  $(\rho, \phi)$ .

3. Prove that  $\iint_S \vec{n} ds = \vec{0}$  for any closed surface S.

4. Two solutions of  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$  are  $e^x$  and  $xe^x$ . Is the

general solution  $y = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x$ ? Check by the Wronskian.

5. Rolling a dice three times evaluate the probability of having at least one six.

6. Determine the Jacobian for spherical polar co-ordinates.

7. Prove using the property of Dirac delta function

$$\delta(x - a) = \delta(a - x)$$

8. From a deck of 52 cards, two cards are drawn in succession. Find the chance that the first is a king and the second a queen if the first card is not replaced.

**Group—B**

Answer any four questions :

4×5

9. Give a rough plot of the force function  $F(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$ .  
What are the equilibrium points? Are they stable or unstable and why? 1+1+3
10. Initially at rest, a body of mass  $m$  is falling under action of gravity and air resistance ( $R$ ) proportional to the square of the velocity. (i.e.  $R \propto v^2$ )

Prove that  $\frac{2kx}{m} = \log \frac{a^2}{a^2 - v^2}$

where  $v$  is the velocity achieved by the body after falling a distance  $x$ ,  $g$  is the acceleration due to gravity and  $mg = ka^2$ . What is the maximum velocity the body can attain?

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11. (a) If  $u = f(r)$  and  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$ , prove that

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = f''(r) + \frac{1}{r} f'(r)$$

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(b) Evaluate:  $\int_0^3 x^2 \delta(x+1) dx$

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12. Solve:  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = \frac{e^x}{x}$ ;  $y(1) = 0$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$ .

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13. (a) The Gaussian probability distribution is given by

$$P_G(x; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}; \quad -\infty < x < \infty \quad \text{in usual}$$

notation. Show that it has two points of inflexion at

$$x = \mu \pm \sigma. \quad 3$$

- (b) Define the Dirac delta function  $\delta(x)$ . Mention the properties of  $\delta(x)$ . (1+1)

14. (a) What is Baye's theorem in the theory of Probability? 2

- (b) Consider three bags. The first one contains 3 white, 1 red, 2 green balls, the second one contains 2 white, 3 red, 1 green balls and the 3rd one contains 1 white, 2 red and 3 green balls. Two balls drawn out of a randomly chosen bag, are found to be one white and one red. Find the probability that the balls so drawn came from the second bag. 3

**Group—C**

Answer any *one* question : 1×10

15. (a) Find a unit vector perpendicular to the surface

$$(x-2)^2 + 5y^2 + 2z^2 = 8 \text{ at the point } (1,1,1). \quad 3$$

- (b) If  $\vec{A} = 6z\hat{i} + (2x+y)\hat{j} - x\hat{k}$ , calculate  $\iint_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} \, ds$  over the

entire surface  $S$  of the region bounded by the cylinder  $x^2 + z^2 = 9$ ,  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$  and  $y = 8$ . 5

- (c) An LIC agent sells on the average 3 insurance policies per week. Use Poisson probability distribution to calculate the probability that in a given week he will sell some policies. 2

16. (a) Using Lagrange's method of undetermined multiplier, find the volume of the greatest rectangular parallelepiped that can be inscribed in the ellipsoid

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$

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(b) Solve the differential equation :

$$y'' - 2y' + y = e^x \log x$$

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(c) Find  $\frac{du}{dt}$  if  $u = \sin\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ ,  $x = e^t$  and  $y = t^2$ .

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