

# Government General Degree College, Chapra

Internal Assessment- 2nd Semester, 2023-24

Sub.- Physics (Major)

Paper: MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS

Total Marks: 15

Time: 40 minutes

**Answer any three questions only:**

1. (a) Plot the function  $f(x) = x^2$  and its first derivative. 2  
(b) Find the series expansion of  $\frac{1}{1-x}$ . Mention its interval of convergence. 2+1
2. (a) Check whether  $dw = 2xydx + x^2dy$  is an exact differential. 2  
(b) Solve the differential equation  $:(D^2 + 1)y = \cos x + e^x \sin x$  3
3. (a) Solve the differential equation  $(x + 1)\frac{dy}{dx} - y = e^x (x + 1)^2$ . 3  
(b) Find the Taylor series expansion of  $\ln x$  about  $x = 2$ . 2
4. Solve the equation –  
 $y'' + 6y' + 8y = 0$ , subject to the condition  $y = 1, y' = 0$  at  $x = 0$ ,  
where,  $y' = \frac{dy}{dx}$  and  $y'' = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ . 5
5. (a) Find a unit vector normal to  $\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{B} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ . 2  
(b) Using Stoke's law, prove that  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla} \phi = 0$ . 3
6. (a) The position vectors of three points  $A, B$  and  $C$  are  $\vec{r}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{r}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{r}_3 = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ . Find the area of the triangle. 3  
(b)  $\vec{\omega}$  is a constant vector and  $\vec{r}$  is the position vector of a point. If  $\vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$ , then prove that  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ . 2
7. If  $\vec{F} = x^2\hat{i} + y^2\hat{j}$ , then find the line integral  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  in the  $x - y$  plane along a line  $y = x^2$  from  $P(0,0)$  to  $Q(1,1)$ . 5
8. (a) Find the eigenvalues of the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & i \\ -i & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . 2  
(b) Prove that the modulus of each characteristic root of a unitary matrix is unity. 3
9. (a) Using elementary operations, find inverse of matrix:  
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
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(b) Prove that the eigenvalue of a skew Hermitian is purely imaginary. 2