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(NEP—2020)

(2nd Semester)

MATHEMATICS

(Major/Minor)

(Algebra)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

(SECTION : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. If $f(x)$ is divided by $ax + b$, then the remainder is

(a) $f \frac{b}{a}$ ()

(b) $f \frac{b}{a}$ ()

(c) $f \frac{a}{b}$ ()

(d) 0 ()

2. If the expression $x^5 - 61x + p$ is divisible by $(x - 1)$, then the value of p is

(a) 62 () (b) 60 ()

(c) 60 () (d) 6 ()

3. If a polynomial $f(x)$ of degree $n - 2$ is divisible by $(x - 1)^2$, then the remainder is

(a) $(x - 1)f(1) - f(1)$ ()

(b) $(x - 1)f(1) - f(x)$ ()

(c) $(x - 1)f(1) - f(1)$ ()

(d) $(x - 1)f(1)$ ()

4. For the equation $x^3 - 7x^2 + 15x - 9 = 0$

(a) 2 is a root of multiplicity 2 ()

(b) 3 is a root of multiplicity 1 ()

(c) 2 is a root of multiplicity 3 ()

(d) 3 is a root of multiplicity 2 ()

5. Every equation of an odd degree has at least

(a) 1 real root ()

(b) 2 real roots ()

(c) 3 real roots ()

(d) None of the above ()

6. The equation $4x^3 - 13x^2 + 31x - 41 = 0$ has

(a) three positive roots ()

(b) one positive root which lies between 0 and 1 ()

(c) no positive root ()

(d) only one positive root which lies between 1 and 2 ()

7. The equation $x^4 - 2x^3 - 1 = 0$ has
- (a) at least two imaginary roots ()
 - (b) more than one positive root ()
 - (c) more than one negative root ()
 - (d) four real roots ()
8. The sum of two roots of the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$ is zero, then
- (a) $p = q$ ()
 - (b) $pr = q$ ()
 - (c) $pq = r$ ()
 - (d) $pq + r = 0$ ()
9. The cube roots of unity are
- (a) $2, 2, 2^2$ ()
 - (b) $1, \omega, \omega^2$ ()
 - (c) $2, \omega, \omega^2$ ()
 - (d) None of the above ()
10. The complex number $(3 - 4i)$ in De Moivre's form is
- (a) $5(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ ()
 - (b) $5(\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)$ ()
 - (c) $3(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ ()
 - (d) $4(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ ()

(SECTION : B—SHORT ANSWERS)

(Marks : 15)

Answer *five* questions, taking at least *one* from each Unit :

3×5=15

UNIT—I

1. Expand $x^4 - 4x^3 + 3x - 7$ in powers of $(x - 1)$.
2. Use the remainder theorem to find the remainder if $f(x) = 4x^5 - 3x^3 - 6x^2 - 5$ is divided by $(2x - 1)$.

UNIT—II

3. Show that 2 is a multiple root of $x^3 - x^2 - 16x - 20 = 0$ with multiplicity two.
4. If an equation $f(x) = 0$, whose coefficients are all real quantities, has a root of the form $a + bi$, then prove that the conjugate complex number $a - bi$ is also a root of the same equation.

UNIT—III

5. Find the range of values of k for which the equation $x^4 - 4x^3 + 8x^2 - k = 0$ has all real roots.
6. If α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, then evaluate $(\alpha + \beta)(\beta + \gamma)(\gamma + \alpha)$.

UNIT—IV

7. If n is a positive integer, then prove that

$$(\sqrt{3} - 1)^n - (\sqrt{3} + 1)^n = 2^{n-1} \cdot \cos \frac{n}{6}$$

8. Express $1 - i$ in De Moivre's form and find the fifth root of the number.

(SECTION : C—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

Answer five questions, taking at least one from each Unit :

10×5=50

UNIT—I

1. (a) If a polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta)$, then prove that the remainder is

$$\frac{(x - \beta)f(\alpha) - (x - \alpha)f(\beta)}{\alpha - \beta}$$

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- (b) Using Eisenstein's irreducibility criterion, show that

$$f(x) = 3x^4 + 15x^2 + 10$$

is irreducible over the field of rational numbers.

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2. (a) State and prove Division Algorithm.

1+6=7

- (b) Show that $f(x) = x^2 + x + 2$ is irreducible over the field of rational numbers.

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UNIT—II

3. (a) State and prove fundamental theorem of algebra.

1+7=8

- (b) Prove that irrational roots occur in conjugate pairs.

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4. (a) Find the common roots of the equation $2x^3 + 7x^2 + 14x + 12 = 0$ and $4x^3 + 5x^2 + 10x + 12 = 0$ and hence solve the equations completely.

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- (b) If the equation $x^3 + 2x^2 + ax + b = 0$ has one of the roots as complex root $c + id$, then find the real root.

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UNIT—III

- 5.** (a) Find the necessary condition for the roots of the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$ to be in—
- (i) arithmetic progression;
- (ii) geometric progression;
- (iii) harmonic progression. 6
- (b) Diminish the roots of the equation $x^4 + 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 7 = 0$ by 1. 4
- 6.** (a) If the polynomial $x^4 + px^2 + qx + r$ has a factor of the form $(x + 1)^3$, then show that $8p^3 + 27q^2 = 0$. 4
- (b) If α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, then find the equation whose roots are $\frac{1}{\alpha}, \frac{1}{\beta}, \frac{1}{\gamma}$. 6

UNIT—IV

- 7.** (a) Express
- $$\frac{(\cos 3 + i \sin 3)^5}{(\cos 3 - i \sin 3)^6}$$
- in the form $(a + ib)$. 3
- (b) Using Cardan's method, solve the equation $x^3 + 6x + 2 = 0$. 7
- 8.** (a) Solve $z^5 + 1 = 0$ by De Moivre's theorem. 4
- (b) Deduce Cardan's method of solution of cubic equation. 6
