

2016

PHYSICS

( Major )

Paper : 4.1

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

GROUP—A

( **Mathematical Methods—IV** )

1. Answer any *four* of the following questions :

1×4=4

(a) Find the value of  $n$  if

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} P_n(x) dx = 2$$

(b) Write the general solution of the equation

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = 0$$

(c) Define Gaussian distribution.

- (d) What is singular point in a second-order linear differential equation?
- (e) If  $H_n(x)$  is the Hermite polynomial, then what is the value of  $H_0(x)$ ?
- (f) What do you mean by standard deviation?

2. Answer any three of the following questions :  $2 \times 3 = 6$

- (a) Check whether Frobenius method can be applied or not to the following equation :

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \frac{5y}{x^3} = 0$$

- (b) Find the value of  $P_{2n+1}(0)$ .
- (c) When one card is drawn from each of two decks, find the probability that at least one of them is an ace.

- (d) Find the degree and order of the following equation :

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{2}{x} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{9^2}{x^4} = 0$$

- (e) Prove that  $H_1(x) = 2x$ .

3. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

5×2=10

- (a) Use Frobenius method to find the series solution of the equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + (x^2 + 2)y = 0$$

- (b) Show that

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} P_m(x) P_n(x) dx = 0$$

where  $m \neq n$ .

- (c) Write the generating function for Hermite polynomial  $H_n(x)$  and hence show that

$$H_n(x) = (-1)^n e^{x^2} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} e^{-x^2}$$

- (d) A manufacturer produces air mail envelope whose weight is normally distributed with  $\mu = 1.95$  g and standard deviation  $\sigma = 0.05$  g. The envelopes are sold in lots of 1000. How many envelopes in a lot will be heavier than 2g? Use the fact

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \int_0^1 e^{-x^2/a} dx = 0.3413$$

- (e) Show that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-x^2} H_m(x) H_n(x) dx = 0$$

if  $m \neq n$ .

4. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

10×2=20

- (a) (i) Show that

$$(1-2xh+h^2)^{-1/2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x) h^n$$

where  $P_n(x)$  is the Legendre polynomial.

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- (ii) Evaluate explicitly the Legendre Polynomials  $P_2(x)$  and  $P_3(x)$ .  $2^{1/2}+2^{1/2}=5$

(b) Prove the following recurrence relations :

(i)  $2xH_n(x) = 2nH_{n-1}(x) + H_{n+1}(x)$  3

(ii)  $H'_n(x) = 2xH_n(x) - H_{n+1}(x)$  3

(iii)  $2nH_{n-1}(x) = H'_n(x)$  4

(c) (i) A dice is thrown 8 times. Find the probability that '5' will show exactly twice, at least seven times and at least once. 3+3+2=8

(ii) Define total probability. 2

(d) Obtain the power series solution of the Legendre equation

$$(1-x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + n(n+1)y = 0 \quad 10$$

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GROUP—B

( Introduction to Computer and  
Computer Programming )

5. Answer any *two* of the following : 1×2=2
- (a) How will you test the efficiency of an algorithm?
  - (b) Name the two units of the central processing unit.
  - (c) What is a variable?
6. Answer any *two* of the following : 2×2=4
- (a) What are the fundamental data types in C++/C/FORTRAN?
  - (b) What is the syntax to find the number of characters in a string in C++/C/FORTRAN?
  - (c) What are the advantages of breaking a program into subroutine?
7. Answer any *one* of the following : 4
- (a) Write a note on high-level language. What are its advantages?
  - (b) What are the basic major computer operations or functions?

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8. Answer any *one* of the following :

(a) Write the algorithm and draw the flow chart to find a prime number from a set of numbers. 5+5=10

(b) Define transfer statement. What are the different types of transfer statements? Write the syntax of all the transfer statements in C++ /C/FORTRAN. 1+3+6=10

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