

Mathematics B-Course (Paper-II)

Attempt FIVE Questions in all. Select TWO Questions from Section-A and THREE from Section-B.

Section-A

1. a) Show that if $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are three vectors, then $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot [(\vec{b} + \vec{c}) \times (\vec{c} + \vec{a})] = 2[\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})]$. 5

b) Prove that $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \times (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c})^2$ 5

2. a) If $\vec{f}(t)$ is a vector function of t and \vec{a} is a constant vector, Differentiate $\frac{\vec{a} \times \vec{f}}{|\vec{f}|} + \frac{\vec{f}}{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{f}}$ w.r.to 't'. 5

b) Solve $\vec{a} \times \frac{d^2 \vec{v}}{dt^2} = \vec{b}$; \vec{a}, \vec{b} are constant vectors and \vec{v} is a vector function of t . 5

3. a) If $\phi = r^2 e^{-r}$, where r is the magnitude of position vector of any point (x, y, z) .

Show that $\nabla \phi = (2 - r) e^{-r} \vec{r}$. 5

b) Find the value of m , so that the vector $(mxy - z^3)\vec{i} + (m - 2)x^2\vec{j} + (1 - m)xz^2\vec{k}$ has its curl equal to zero. 5

Section-B

4. a) Two forces P and Q have a resultant R and the resolved part of R in the direction of P is of magnitude Q

show that the angle between the forces is $2 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{P}{2Q} \right)^{1/2} = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{Q - P}{Q} \right)$ 5

b) If the forces $\ell \vec{AB}$, $m \vec{BC}$, $\ell \vec{CD}$ and $m \vec{DA}$ acting along the sides of a quadrilateral are equivalent to a couple, show that either $\ell = m$ or $ABCD$ is a parallelogram. 5

5. a) The smallest force which can support a body of weight W on a smooth inclined plane, is of magnitude P . Show that the horizontal force necessary to support the same body

on the same plane is of magnitude $\frac{PW}{\sqrt{W^2 - P^2}}$ 5

b) A circular disc of weight W and radius ' a ' is suspended horizontally by two vertical strings each of length ℓ attached to the ends of a diameter. A horizontal couple applied to the disc turns it through the angle θ . Find the moment of the couple. 5

6. a) A thin uniform rod passes over one peg and under another, the co-efficient of friction between each peg and the rod being μ . The distance between the pegs is α , and the straight line joining them makes an angle β with the horizontal. Show that equilibrium is not possible unless the length of the rod is

greater than $\frac{\alpha}{\mu} (\mu + \tan \beta)$. 5

b) A hemispherical shell rest on a rough inclined plane whose angle of friction is λ . Show that inclination of the plane base to the horizontal cannot be greater than $\sin^{-1} (2 \sin \lambda)$. 5

7. a) Find the C.G of the region bounded by the cardioid $r = a(1 + \cos \theta)$. 5

b) Find the C.G of a semi-circular lamina of radius r when its density varies as the cube of the distance from the centre. 5

8. a) Three equal rods each of weight W , are freely jointed together at one extremity of each to form a tripod, and rest with their other extremities on a smooth horizontal plane, each rod inclined at an angle of θ to the vertical, equilibrium being maintained by three light strings each joining two of these extremities.

Prove that the tension in each string is $\frac{W \tan \theta}{2\sqrt{3}}$. 5

b) A regular octahedron of 12 equal rods each of weight w , freely jointed together, is suspended from one corner. Show that the thrust in each horizontal rod is $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} W$. 5