

2018

MATHEMATICS

( Major )

Paper : 2.1

( Coordinate Geometry )

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Answer the following questions :  $1 \times 10 = 10$

(a) What is the locus represented by the equation

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0?$$

(b) Write down the formulae of transformation from one pair of rectangular axes to another with the same origin in two dimensions.

(c) What is the eccentricity of the ellipse

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

- (d) Write down the asymptotes of the hyperbola

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

- (e) What is the equation of the tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  at the point  $(x_1, y_1)$ ?

- (f) Write down the equation of z-axis in symmetrical form.

- (g) What are the direction cosines of the normal to the plane given by the equation  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ ?

- (h) Define skew lines.

- (i) Write down the centre and radius of the sphere given by the equation

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2ux + 2vy + 2wz + d = 0$$

- (j) Mention the condition under which the lines

$$\frac{x - \alpha_1}{l_1} = \frac{y - \beta_1}{m_1} = \frac{z - \gamma_1}{n_1}$$

and 
$$\frac{x - \alpha_2}{l_2} = \frac{y - \beta_2}{m_2} = \frac{z - \gamma_2}{n_2}$$

are coplanar.

2. Answer the following questions : 2×5=10

(a) Find the transformed equation of the line  $y = x$  when the axes are rotated through an angle  $45^\circ$ .

(b) Find the angle between the pair of lines

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$$

the axes being rectangular.

(c) Mention the conditions under which the general equation of second degree

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$$

represents (i) a parabola, (ii) an ellipse, (iii) a hyperbola and (iv) a circle.

(d) Find the equation of the sphere through the circle  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9$ ,  $2x + 3y + 4z = 5$  and the point (1, 2, 3).

(e) Obtain the equation of a cone with its vertex at the origin and passing through the curve  $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1$ ,  $lx + my + nz = p$ .

3. Answer any two parts : 5×2=10

- (a) If by a rotation of the rectangular axes about the origin, the expression  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2$  changes to

$$a_1x_1^2 + 2h_1x_1y_1 + b_1y_1^2$$

then prove that  $a + b = a_1 + b_1$  and

$$ab - h^2 = a_1b_1 - h_1^2$$

- (b) Show that the straight lines joining the origin to the other two points of intersection of the curves, whose equations are

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx = 0$$

and  $a_1x^2 + 2h_1xy + b_1y^2 + 2g_1x = 0$  will be at right angles if  $g(a_1 + b_1) = g_1(a + b)$ .

- (c) Find the equation of the plane through the point (2, 3, 5) and parallel to the plane  $2x - 4y + 3z = 9$ .

- (d) If P and Q are the extremities of a pair of conjugate diameters of the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , then prove that the locus of the middle point of PQ is the ellipse

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

4. Answer any two parts : 5×2=10

- (a) Show that the equation of the tangent to the conic  $\frac{l}{r} = 1 + e \cos \theta$  at the point whose vertical angle is  $\alpha$  is given by

$$\frac{l}{r} = e \cos \theta + \cos(\theta - \alpha)$$

- (b) If the line  $\frac{lx}{a} + \frac{my}{b} = n$  cuts the ellipse

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

at the ends of a pair of conjugate diameters, then prove that

$$l^2 + m^2 = 2n^2$$

- (c) Find the lengths of the semi-axes of the conic  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 1$ .

- (d) Find the asymptotes of the hyperbola

$$2x^2 - 3xy - 2y^2 + 3x + y + 8 = 0$$

and derive the equations of the principal axes.

5. Answer any four parts :

5×4=20

- (a) Find the equation of the polar of the point (2, 3) with respect to the conic

$$x^2 + 3xy + 4y^2 - 5x + 3 = 0$$

- (b) A variable plane is at a constant distance  $p$  from the origin and meets the axes in  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ . Through  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ , planes are drawn parallel to the coordinate planes. Show that the locus of their point of intersection is

$$x^{-2} + y^{-2} + z^{-2} = p^{-2}$$

- (c) Show that the shortest distance between any two opposite edges of the tetrahedron formed by the planes  $y + z = 0$ ,  $z + x = 0$ ,  $x + y + z = a$ ,  $x + y = 0$  is  $\frac{2a}{\sqrt{6}}$  and that the three lines of shortest distance intersect at the point  $(-a, -a, -a)$ .

- (d) Show that by proper choice of axes, the equations of two non-intersecting straight lines can be put in the form  $y = mx$ ,  $z = c$  and  $y = -mx$ ,  $z = -c$ .

- (e) A variable plane is parallel to the given plane

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 0$$

and meets the axes in  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ . Prove that the circle  $ABC$  lies on the cone

$$yz\left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b}\right) + zx\left(\frac{c}{a} + \frac{a}{c}\right) + xy\left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a}\right) = 0$$

- (f) Find the condition that the cone

$$ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + 2fyz + 2gzx + 2hxy = 0$$

may have three perpendicular generators.

6. Answer any four parts : 5×4=20

- (a) Find the equation of the cylinder whose generators are parallel to the line  $2x = y = 3z$  and which passes through the circle  $y = 0, z^2 + x^2 = 8$ .

- (b) Prove that from any point, five normals can be drawn to the paraboloid

$$ax^2 + by^2 = 2cz$$

- (c) Find the equation of the director sphere of the conicoid  $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1$ .

- (d) Tangent planes are drawn to the ellipsoid

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

through  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ . Prove that the perpendiculars to them from the origin generate the cone

$$(\alpha x + \beta y + \gamma z)^2 = a^2 x^2 + b^2 y^2 + c^2 z^2$$

- (e) Prove that the plane  $ax + by + cz = 0$  cuts the cone  $yz + zx + xy = 0$  in perpendicular lines if

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$$

- (f) Find the locus of chords of the conicoid

$$ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1$$

bisected at a given point  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

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