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MATHEMATICS

(Honours)

Paper : MAT-HC-3036

(Analytical Geometry)

Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

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

1. Answer the following questions: 1×10=10

(i) What is the polar equation of a circle when the pole is at the centre ?

(ii) Find the point on the conic

$$\frac{8}{r} = 3 - \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$$
 whose radius vector

is 4.

(iii) Find the equation of the line $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 2$, when the origin is transferred to the point (a, b) .

(iv) What is meant by diametral plane of a conicoid ?

(v) If $\frac{x}{l} = \frac{y}{m} = \frac{z}{n}$ is a generator of the cone represented by the homogeneous equation $f(x, y, z)$, then what is the value of $f(l, m, n)$?

(vi) Write down the conditions under which the general equation of second degree $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + 2ux + 2vy + 2wz + d = 0$ represents a sphere.

(vii) If the axes are rectangular, find the direction cosines of the normal to the plane $x + 2y - 2z = 9$.

(viii) Under what condition

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

may represent a pair of parallel straight lines ?

(ix) Define skew lines.

(x) What is the nature of the conic represented by

$$4x^2 - 4xy + y^2 - 12x + 6y + 9 = 0 ?$$

2. Answer the following questions: $2 \times 5 = 10$

(a) Find where the line $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{-3} = \frac{z+3}{4}$

meets the plane $x + y + z = 3$.

(b) Find the centre and foci of the hyperbola $x^2 - y^2 = a^2$.

(c) If $(at_1^2, 2at_1)$ and $(at_2^2, 2at_2)$ are the extremities of any focal chord of the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$, then prove that $t_1 t_2 = -1$.

4. Answer the following questions : *(any four)*

$$10 \times 4 = 40$$

(a) 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, C respectively. Prove that the circle ABC lies on the cone

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

(b) Find the equation to the cylinder generated by the lines drawn through the points of the circle

$x + y + z = 1, x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ which are

parallel to the line $\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{-1} = \frac{z}{2}$.

(c) Show that the shortest distance between any two opposite edges of the tetrahedron formed by the planes

$y + z = 0, z + x = 0, x + y = 0,$

$x + y + z = a$ is $\frac{2a}{\sqrt{6}}$ and that the three

lines of shortest distance intersect at the point $x = y = z = -a$.

(d) Find the condition that the plane $lx + my + nz = p$ may touch the conicoid

$ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1$. Verify that the plane $2x - 2y + 8z = 9$ touches the ellipsoid $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 = 9$.

(e) Show that the ortho-centre of the triangle formed by the lines

$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ and $lx + my = 1$ is

$$\text{given by } \frac{x}{l} = \frac{y}{m} = \frac{a+b}{am^2 - 2hlm + bl^2}.$$

(f) Prove that the sum of the reciprocals of two perpendicular focal chords of a conic is constant.

(g) Show that the equation

$$9x^2 - 24xy + 16y^2 - 18x - 101y + 19 = 0$$

represents a parabola and it can be reduced to the standard form $Y^2 = 3X$. Find the coordinates of the vertex and the focus.

(h) Find the point of intersection of the lines represented by the equation

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