



HYDERABAD CENTRAL UNIVERSITY (HCU)
M.Sc. Mathematics Entrance - 2013

Time : 2 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

Instructions:

- (i) There are a total of **50** questions in **Part-A** and **Part-B** together.
- (ii) There is a negative marking in **Part-A**. Each correct answer carries **1 mark** and each wrong answer carries **-0.33 mark**. Each question in **Part-A** has only one correct option.
- (iii) There is **no negative** marking in **Part-B**. Each correct answer carries **3 marks**. In **Part-B** some questions have **more than** one correct option. All the correct options have to be marked in OMR sheet other wise **zero marks** will be credited.

PART-A

1. We say that a sequence (a_n) does NOT converge to l if
 - (a) $\forall \epsilon > 0, \forall n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \geq n_0$ we have $|a_n - l| > \epsilon$
 - (b) $\forall \epsilon > 0, \forall n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n \geq n_0$ such that $|a_n - l| > \epsilon$
 - (c) $\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n \geq n_0$ such that $|a_n - l| > \epsilon$
 - (d) $\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \geq n_0$ we have $|a_n - l| > \epsilon$
2. Consider a sequence (a_n) of positive numbers satisfying the condition $a_n a_{n+2} \leq a_{n+1}^2, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ then (a_n) is a
 - (a) convergent sequence if $a_1 \neq 2a_2$
 - (b) monotonically increasing sequence if $a_1 \neq 2a_2$
 - (c) convergent sequence if $a_1 = 2a_2$
 - (d) monotonically increasing sequence if $a_1 = 2a_2$
3. The sum of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(n+1)^{\frac{1}{5}} - n^{\frac{1}{5}}]$ is
 - (a) less than -1
 - (b) equal to -1
 - (c) greater than -1 but less than 2
 - (d) none of the above



4. Let $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} / x^2 \leq 5\} \cap \mathbb{Q}$. Which of the following statements is true about S ?
- (a) S is bounded above the $\sup S \in \mathbb{Q}$
 (b) S is bounded above and $\sup S \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$
 (c) S is a closed interval
 (d) S is an open interval
5. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{(1/x)} - e^{(-1/x)}}{e^{(1/x)} + e^{(-1/x)}}$ is
- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) -1 (d) none of the above
6. Consider the function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = \begin{cases} -x+3, & x \in \mathbb{Q}, \\ x^2 - 6x + 9 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$. The set of all points at which f is continuous is
- (a) $\{2, 3\}$ (b) $\{3\}$ (c) $\mathbb{R} - \{2, 3\}$ (d) $\mathbb{R} - \{3\}$
7. Consider the function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin x, & x \geq 0, \\ 1 - \cos x, & x < 0 \end{cases}$. Which of the following statements is true about f ?
- (a) f is differentiable (b) f is continuous but NOT differentiable
 (c) f is discontinuous (d) none of the above statements is true
8. Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] \end{cases}$ and $g(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] \\ 1, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1] \end{cases}$, then
- (a) both f and g are Riemann integrable
 (b) f is Riemann integrable but g is NOT Riemann integrable
 (c) g is Riemann integrable but f is NOT Riemann integrable
 (d) both f and g are NOT Riemann integrable
9. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{2k}{k^2 + n^2} =$
- (a) 0 (b) $\log 2$ (c) 2 (d) ∞
10. A solution of $xdy - ydx + (x^2 + y^2)dx + (x^2 + y^2)dy = 0$ is
- (a) $\arctan(y/x) + x + y = C$ (b) $\frac{y}{x} + x^2 + y^2 = C$
 (c) $\arctan(y/x) + x^2 + y^2 = C$ (d) $\frac{y}{x} + x + y = C$

11. The general solution of $(D^4 + I)^2 y = 0$ is
- $C_1 \sin x + C_2 \cos x + C_3 e^x + C_4 e^{-x}$
 - $C_1 x \sin x + C_2 x \cos x + C_3 e^x + C_4 e^{-x}$
 - $(C_1 + C_2 x) \sin x + (C_3 + C_4 x) \cos x + C_5 e^x + C_6 e^{-x}$
 - $(C_1 + C_2 x) \sin x + (C_3 + C_4 x) \cos x + (C_5 + C_6 x) e^x + (C_7 + C_8 x) e^{-x}$
12. Consider three different planes $a_{11}x + a_{12}y + a_{13}z = d_1$, $a_{21}x + a_{22}y + a_{23}z = d_2$ and $a_{31}x + a_{32}y + a_{33}z = d_3$. Let $A = (a_{ij})$, $1 \leq i, j \leq 3$. Which of the following conditions necessarily implies that there exists a unique point of intersection of all three planes?
- $\det(A) = 0$
 - $\det(A) \neq 0$
 - $\text{Trace}(A) = 0$
 - $\text{Trace}(A) \neq 0$
13. The number of planes containing both the lines $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3}$ and $\frac{x-2}{-1} = \frac{y-4}{-5} = \frac{z-6}{-1}$ is
- 0
 - 1
 - more than 1 but finitely many
 - infinite
14. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 22 \\ 0 & 1/7 & \pi \end{bmatrix}$, then $\det(A)$ is
- zero
 - a non-zero rational number
 - an irrational number less than 1
 - an irrational number greater than 1
15. Consider the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} and $A, B \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $0 \notin A \cup B$. Let the number of elements in A and B are 4 and 2 respectively, then
- both A and B are linearly dependent sets
 - A is linearly dependent set but B is linearly independent set
 - both A and B are linearly independent sets
 - none of the above is a true statement
16. The number of group homomorphisms from \mathbb{Z}_{12} to \mathbb{Z}_{13} is
- 0
 - 1
 - more than 1 but finitely many
 - infinite
17. The centre of \mathbb{Z}_{33} is
- $\{0\}$
 - \mathbb{Z}_3
 - \mathbb{Z}_{11}
 - \mathbb{Z}_{33}

18. Let G be a group and H be a subgroup of G . Which of the following statements is true?
- (a) If H is a normal subgroup of G then $gH = Hg, \forall g \in G$
 (b) If H is a normal subgroup of G then $gH \neq Hg$, for some $g \in G$
 (c) If $gH = Hg$, for some $g \in G$ then H is a normal subgroup of G
 (d) If $gH \neq Hg$, for some $g \in G$ then H is a normal subgroup of G
19. The number of elements of order 8 in a cyclic group of order 16 is
 (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
20. If $x \neq e, y \neq e$ are elements in a group G such that the order of x is 2 and $x^{-1}yx = y^2$ then the order of y is
 (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
21. In the ring $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ the set $\{12u + 30v \mid u, v \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is the same as $n\mathbb{Z}$ for $n =$
 (a) 6 (b) 4 (c) 3 (d) 2
22. Let S be the sphere with center at the origin and radius 1. Let \vec{f} is a vector field given by

$$\vec{f}(x, y, z) = (z - 2xyz)\hat{i} + 9x^2yz^2\hat{j} + (yz^2 - 3x^2z^3)\hat{k}$$
 If \hat{n} is the outward normal then, the value of

$$\iint_S \vec{f} \cdot \hat{n} dS =$$

 (a) 0 (b) $\frac{4}{3}\pi$ (c) π (d) $\frac{4}{3}\pi^3$
23. If ϕ is a real valued smooth function and \vec{f} is a vector valued smooth function on \mathbb{R}^3 . then $\text{div}(\phi \text{Curl } \vec{f}) =$
 (a) $\nabla\phi \cdot \text{Curl } \vec{f}$ (b) $\nabla(\vec{f} \cdot \nabla\phi)$
 (c) $\nabla\phi \cdot \text{Curl } \vec{f} + \nabla(\vec{f} \cdot \nabla\phi)$ (d) none of the above
24. What is the probability of that girls out number boys in a family with 5 children. Assume that births are independent trials and probability of a boy is equal to 1/2.
 (a) 0 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $\frac{15}{32}$ (d) $\frac{17}{32}$
25. Consider two boxes numbered Box 1 and Box 2. Let Box 1 contains 5 red balls and 4 black balls Box 2 contains 10 red balls and 17 black balls. Consider a random experiment of choosing a box, picking a ball from it. What is the probability that the color of the ball is red?
 (a) $\frac{25}{54}$ (b) $\frac{50}{54}$ (c) $\frac{15}{36}$ (d) $\frac{15}{17}$

PART-B

26. Consider the statement “There is a train in which every compartment has at least one passenger without the ticket”. Negation of this statement is
- There is a train in which every compartment has at least one passenger with the ticket
 - There is a train in which every passenger of every compartment has the ticket
 - Every train has a compartment in which every passenger has the ticket
 - In every train every passenger in every compartment has the ticket
27. Consider a sequence (a_n) of real numbers. Which of the following conditions imply that (a_n) is convergent?
- $|a_{n+1} - a_n| < \frac{1}{n}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$
 - $|a_{n+1} - a_n| < \frac{1}{3^n}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$
 - $a_n > 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and a_n is monotonically increasing
 - $a_n > 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and a_n is monotonically decreasing
28. Which of the following series are convergent?
- $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\log n}{n^{3/2}}$
 - $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n!}$
 - $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \log n}$
 - $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^n}{n^{100}}$
29. Which of the following statements are true?
- If $A \subset \mathbb{Q}$ such that $\mathbb{Q} - A$ is finite then A is dense in \mathbb{R}
 - There exists $A \subset \mathbb{Q}$ such that $\mathbb{Q} - A$ is finite and A is dense in \mathbb{R}
 - There exists a pair of disjoint subsets of \mathbb{Q} such that both of them are dense in \mathbb{R}
 - None of the above is a true statement
30. Consider $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = \sin^3(|x|)$, then $f'(0)$
- is equal to -1
 - is equal to 0
 - is equal to 1
 - does not exist
31. Consider the following two statements
- S_1 : If $f : [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ is continuous then $\exists x_0 \in [0,1]$ such that $f(x_0) = x_0$
- S_2 : There exists a continuous function $f : [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1] - \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}$ such that f is on to
- Both S_1 and S_2 are true
 - S_1 is true but S_2 is false
 - S_2 is true but S_1 is false
 - Both S_1 and S_2 are false

32. Consider the following two statements.

$$S_1 : \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx \text{ exists}$$

$$S_2 : \int_0^1 \frac{x}{\log x} dx \text{ exists}$$

- (a) Both S_1 and S_2 are true
 (b) S_1 is true but S_2 is false
 (c) S_2 is true but S_1 is false
 (d) Both S_1 and S_2 are false

33. Solution of $(x^2 + y^2)xdx + (x^2 + y^2)ydy + 2xy(xdy - ydx) = 0$ is

- (a) $\log(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) - \frac{x^2}{x^2 + y^2} = C$
 (b) $\log(x^2 + y^2) - \frac{x^2}{x^2 + y^2} = C$
 (c) $\log(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) - \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} = C$
 (d) $\log(x^2 + y^2) - \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} = C$

34. The general solution of $(D^2 - 1)y = x^2 + e^{-x}$ is

- (a) $C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{-x} - \left[\frac{1}{4}(2x+1)e^{-x} + x^2 + 2 \right]$
 (b) $C_1 \sin x + C_2 \cos x - \left[\frac{1}{4}(2x+1)e^{-x} + x^2 + 2 \right]$
 (c) $C_1 e^x + C_2 e^{-x} - \left[\frac{1}{2}e^{-x} + x^2 + 2 \right]$
 (d) $C_1 \sin x + C_2 \cos x - \left[\frac{1}{2}e^{-x} + x^2 + 2 \right]$

35. The value of k such that the lines $\frac{x-1}{k} = \frac{y-1}{4} = \frac{z-2}{3}$ and $\frac{x+1}{2} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{z}{3}$ are coplanar is

- (a) -1
 (b) 1
 (c) -2
 (d) 2

36. Consider a plane which is at a distance p from the origin $O = (0, 0, 0)$. Let A, B, C be the points of intersection of that plane with the co-ordinate axis. The locus of the centre of the sphere passing through O, A, B and C is

- (a) $\frac{2}{x^2} + \frac{2}{y^2} + \frac{2}{z^2} = \frac{1}{p^2}$
 (b) $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = \frac{4}{p^2}$
 (c) $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = \frac{2}{p^2}$
 (d) $\frac{4}{x^2} + \frac{4}{y^2} + \frac{4}{z^2} = \frac{1}{p^2}$

37. Consider the circle C which is the intersection of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - x - y - z = 0$ and the plane $x + y + z = 1$. The radius of the sphere with centre at the origin, containing the circle C is

- (a) 1
 (b) 2
 (c) 3
 (d) 4

38. Which of the following statements are true?

- (a) All groups of order 4 are abelian
 (b) All groups of order 6 are abelian
 (c) $73^{12} - 1$ is divisible by 7
 (d) A subgroup of a cyclic group must be cyclic



39. Consider the quotient group $G = \frac{\mathbb{Q}}{\mathbb{Z}}$ under addition. Which of the following statements about G are true?
- (a) G is a finite group (b) In G every element has a finite order
(c) G has no non-trivial proper subgroups (d) G is NOT a cyclic group
40. Let $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathbb{Q} - \{0\}, b \in \mathbb{Q} \right\}, U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid b \in \mathbb{Q} \right\}, D = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathbb{Q} - \{0\} \right\}$
- Which of the following statements are true?
- (a) G, U, D are all groups under multiplication (b) D is a normal subgroup of G
(c) U is a normal subgroup of G (d) For every matrix $A \in U, ADA^{-1} \subseteq D$
41. Let $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, $P(X)$ be the power set of X. Consider the ring $R = (P(X), \Delta, \cap)$, for subsets A and B of X, $A \Delta B = (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$. Which of the following statements are true about R?
- (a) R is a commutative ring with unity
(b) R is field
(c) Every element in R has 'additive' order 2.
(d) Every element in R has 'multiplicative' order 2
42. Consider the ring $R = (\mathbb{Z}_{60}, +, \cdot)$. Which of the following statements are true about R?
- (a) There are no maximal ideals in R (b) There are three maximal ideals in R
(c) There are ten non-zero proper ideals in R (d) All non-zero ideals in R are maximal
43. Consider the group \mathbb{Z} under addition +. Define the binary operation * on \mathbb{Z} by $a * b = 0, \forall a \cdot b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Which of the following statements are true about R?
- (a) $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ is a commutative ring with unity
(b) $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ is a ring
(c) Every additive subgroup of \mathbb{Z} is an ideal
(d) The only ideals in \mathbb{Z} are of the form $n\mathbb{Z} = \{nx \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
44. Let A be a non-singular 3×3 matrix with real entries. For every non-zero eigenvalue λ of A,
- (a) λ is an eigenvalue of both $P^{-1}AP, PAP^{-1}$ where $\det(P) \neq 0$
(b) $1 + \lambda$ is an eigenvalue of $I + A$
(c) if $\det(A) < 1$ then $|\lambda| < 1$
(d) if μ is an eigen value of A^{-1} then $\mu\lambda = 1$
45. Let A be a 2×2 real matrix. Let the sum of the entries in each row of A be equal to 2. Which of the following statements is true?
- (a) 0 is always an eigen value of A (b) 0 and 2 are always eigenvalues of A
(c) 2 is always an eigenvalues of A (d) None of the above

46. Let A, B be a 4×4 matrices. Denote rank of a matrix A, B by $\rho(A), \rho(B)$ and adjoint of A by $\text{adj}(A)$. Which of the following statements are true?
- (a) $\rho(A+B) \leq \rho(A) + \rho(B)$ (b) $\rho(A-B) \leq \rho(A) - \rho(B)$
 (c) $\rho(AB) \leq \rho(A)\rho(B)$ (d) If $\rho(A) = 2$ then $\text{adj}(A) = O_{4 \times 4}$
47. Consider the vector space $V = \mathbb{R}^3(\mathbb{R})$ and $B = \{v_1, v_2\} \subset V, 0 \notin B$. Which of the following statements are true?
- (a) If B is a linearly dependent set then $\exists(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \neq (0, 0)$ such that $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 = 0$
 (b) If B is a linearly dependent set then $\exists(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ such that $\alpha_1 \neq 0, \alpha_2 \neq 0$ and $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 = 0$
 (c) If B is linearly independent then \exists no nonzero 2-tuple (α_1, α_2) such that $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 \neq 0$
 (d) If B is linearly independent then \exists no nonzero 2-tuple (α_1, α_2) such that $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 = 0$
48. Let $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$, $|\vec{r}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ and $\vec{f} : \mathbb{R}^3 - \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be given by $f(x, y, z) = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^n}$. The value of n for which $\text{div}(\vec{f}) = 0$ is
- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
49. Let R be a region in the xy -plane. The boundary of R is a smooth simple closed curved C which is parametrized by $C = (x(t), y(t)), t \in [0, 1]$. The area of R is NOT equal to
- (a) $\int_0^1 x(t)y'(t)dt$ (b) $-\int_0^1 y(t)x'(t)dt$
 (c) $\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (x(t)y'(t) + y(t)x'(t))dt$ (d) $\frac{3}{4} \int_0^1 x(t)y'(t)dt - \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 y(t)x'(t)dt$
50. A storage depot contains 10 machines 4 of which are defective. If a company selects 5 of these machines randomly, then what is the probability that at least 4 of the machines are NON DEFECTIVE?
- (a) $\frac{11}{42}$ (b) $\frac{5}{21}$ (c) $\frac{1}{252}$ (d) None of the above

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ANSWER KEY

PART-A

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| 1. (c) | 2. (c) | 3. (d) | 4. (b) | 5. (d) |
| 6. (a) | 7. (b) | 8. (d) | 9. (b) | 10. (a) |
| 11. (d) | 12. (b) | 13. (—) | 14. (c) | 15. (d) |
| 16. (b) | 17. (d) | 18. (a) | 19. (d) | 20. (c) |
| 21. (a) | 22. (a) | 23. (a) | 24. (b) | 25. (a) |

PART-B

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| 26. (c) | 27. (b, d) | 28. (a, b) | 29. (a, b, c) | 30. (b) |
| 31. (b) | 32. (a) | 33. (—) | 34. (a) | 35. (—) |
| 36. (—) | 37. (—) | 38. (a, c, d) | 39. (—) | 40. (—) |
| 41. (a, c) | 42. (b, c) | 43. (—) | 44. (a, b, d) | 45. (c) |
| 46. (a, c, d) | 47. (a, b, d) | 48. (c) | 49. (b, d) | 50. (a) |

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