



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY
B.Sc. Honours 6th Semester Examination, 2023

PHSADSE04T-PHYSICS (DSE3/4)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.
All symbols are of usual significance.*

Answer Question No.1 and any two questions from the rest

1. Answer any *fifteen* questions from the following: 2×15 = 30
- (a) Show that the identity element in a group is unique.
 - (b) Prove that the order of an element 'a' of a group is same as that of its inverse i.e., 'a⁻¹'.
 - (c) If 'a' is conjugate to 'b', 'b' is conjugate to 'c' then show that 'a' is conjugate to 'c'.
 - (d) If $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, then write down the non-empty subsets of A .
 - (e) Show that the set S of all integers does not form a group under the operation defined by

$$a * b = a - b \quad \forall a, b \in S.$$
 - (f) Let $f : N \rightarrow N : f(x) = 2x$ for all x in N . Check whether f is a bijection when N is the set of all positive integers.
 - (g) Show that the set $U(n)$ of all unitary matrices of order n , where n is a fixed finite positive integer forms group under matrix multiplication.
 - (h) Show that a set of nonzero rational numbers is an abelian group under multiplication.
 - (i) When can a binary relation be called an equivalence relation?
 - (j) State whether the permutation $p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is odd or even permutation.
 - (k) A committee is formed from two men and two women. What is the probability that the committee will have no man?
 - (l) A problem in mechanics is given to three students A , B and C whose chance of solving it are $1/2$, $1/3$ and $1/4$ respectively. What is the probability that the problem will be solved?
 - (m) A biased six-sided dice has probabilities $\frac{p}{2}, p, p, p, p, 2p$ of getting 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 respectively. Calculate p .

- (n) The probability density function $\psi(x)$ of a continuous random variable x is defined by the relation

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} A/x^3 & \text{for } 5 \leq x \leq 10 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Evaluate A .

- (o) If $P(A) = 0.3$, $P(A \cup B) = 0.6$, where A and B are independent then find $P(B)$.
- (p) The mean and standard deviation of a binomial distribution are 10 and 2 respectively. Find the probability of success in each trial.
- (q) A random variable x has a probability density function $f(x) = e^{-x}$ in the interval $0 < x < \infty$, and zero elsewhere. Find the value of probability that x lies in the interval $1 \leq x \leq 2$.

- (r) Show that the equation $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0$ is a hyperbolic differential equation.

- (s) Find the solution of the equation $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + 3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 4x$ with $u(x, 0) = 6e^{-3x}$.

- (t) Show that the function, $U(x, y) = f(x + iy) + g(x - iy) + x^3 + y^3$ satisfies the partial differential equation $\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y^2} = 6(x + y)$ where f and g are arbitrary functions and $i = \sqrt{-1}$.

2. (a) Show that the set of four 2×2 matrices given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

forms a group of order four under multiplication and the group is abelian.

- (b) Prove that the elements common to two intersecting subgroups H_1 and H_2 form a subgroup of the group G .
- (c) Prove that a group where order is a prime number must be a cyclic group.

3. (a) Show that a non-empty subset H of a group G is a subgroup of G if $a \in H$ and $b \in H$ implies $ab^{-1} \in H$.

- (b) Show that the mapping $f: (Z, +) \rightarrow (2Z, +)$ such that $f(x) = 2x$, $\forall x \in Z$ is an isomorphism from Z to $2Z$, where Z is the set of integers.

- (c) A density function is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

- (i) Determine the probability that the variate having this density will fall in the interval $(1, 2)$.
- (ii) Find the cumulative probability function $F(2)$.

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4. (a) What are Dirichlet and Neumann boundary conditions? 2
- (b) What are characteristic curves or characteristics of partial differential equations? 2
- (c) An insurance company insured 2000 scooter drivers, 4000 car drivers and 6000 truck drivers. The probability of a scooter, car and a truck meeting an accident are 0.01, 0.03, 0.15 respectively. If one of the insured persons meets with an accident, find the probability that he is a scooter driver. 4
- (d) Show that every subgroup of an abelian group is a normal subgroup. 2
5. (a) Solve $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} - 6 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = y \cos x$ 5
- (b) The Gaussian distribution with mean μ and standard deviation σ is given by 3
- $$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$
- Find $\langle x \rangle$ and $\langle x^2 \rangle$.
- (c) Show that the function $u = f\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ satisfies the equation $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$. 2