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MATHEMATICS

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(Theory of Equations)

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

1. Choose the correct answer : **(any six)**
1×6=6
- (a) An equation of 5th degree is known as
- (i) Quadratic Equation
 - (ii) Cubic Equation
 - (iii) Quintic Equation
 - (iv) Quartic Equation

(b) Every equation of an odd degree has at least _____ of a sign opposite to that of its last term.

- (i) one real root
- (ii) two real roots
- (iii) three real roots
- (iv) four real roots

(c) Roots of the cubic equation $x^3 - 1 = 0$ are

- (i) one real and one imaginary
- (ii) one real and two imaginary
- (iii) two real and one imaginary
- (iv) all real

(d) The equation $x^8 - 10x^3 - x - 4 = 0$ has at least

- (i) 2 imaginary roots
- (ii) 4 imaginary roots
- (iii) 6 imaginary roots
- (iv) 8 imaginary roots

(e) If the roots of an equation be all positive, the co-efficient (including the co-efficient of highest power) should be

- (i) all positive
- (ii) all negative
- (iii) all positive or negative
- (iv) alternately positive and negative

(f) If α, β, γ be the roots of the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, then the value of

$$\sum \frac{1}{\alpha} \text{ is}$$

(i) $\frac{q}{r}$

(ii) $-\frac{q}{r}$

(iii) $\frac{r}{q}$

(iv) $-\frac{r}{q}$

(g) The minimum value of

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + x - 6 \text{ is}$$

(i) $-\frac{49}{8}$

(ii) -49

(iii) 8

(iv) 49

(h) Between two consecutive real roots a and b of the equation $f(x) = 0$, there lies _____ real root of the equation $f'(x) = 0$.

(i) no

(ii) exactly one

(iii) at least one

(iv) at most one

(i) If the sum of two roots of the equation $x^3 + 6x^2 - 3x - 18 = 0$ is zero, then its roots are

(i) $-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}, 6$

(ii) $-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}, -6$

(iii) $-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}, -6$

(iv) $-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}, 6$

(j) A necessary condition for $f(x) = 0$ to be a reciprocal equation is that

(i) $f(0) = 0$

(ii) $f(0) \neq 0$

(iii) $f(0) = 1$

(iv) $f(0) \neq 1$

2. Answer the following questions : **(any five)**
2×5=10

(a) Find the quotient and remainder when $x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x + 2$ is divided by $(x - 1)$.

(b) If α, β, γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, find the value of $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2$.

(c) Solve $x^3 + 3x^2 - 10x - 24 = 0$ if one root is 3.

(d) Find the equation whose roots are the roots of the equation

$$x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + 1 = 0$$

each diminished by 4.

(e) If $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n$ are the roots of the equation

$$x^n - p_1x^{n-1} + p_2x^{n-2} - p_3x^{n-3} + \dots + (-1)^n p_n = 0,$$

find the value of

$$(1 + \alpha_1)(1 + \alpha_2) \dots (1 + \alpha_n).$$

(f) If α be any root of $x^n - 1 = 0$, then prove that α^m is also a root of the equation, where m is any integer.

(g) Find the common roots of $x^4 - 1 = 0$ and $x^6 - 1 = 0$.

3. Answer the following questions : **(any six)**
5×6=30

(a) Prove that every equation of n dimensions has n roots and no more.

(b) Find the equation where roots are the squares of the roots of the equation $2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 5 = 0$.

(c) Find the condition that the cubic equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$ should have two roots α, β connected by the relation $\alpha\beta + 1 = 0$.

(d) Find the equation whose roots are the reciprocals of the roots of $x^4 - 3x^3 + 7x^2 + 5x - 2 = 0$.

(e) Solve the equation $x^3 - 9x + 28 = 0$.

(f) If α, β, γ be the roots of the cubic $x^3 - px^2 + qx - r = 0$ form the equation whose roots are $\beta\gamma + \frac{1}{\alpha}, \gamma\alpha + \frac{1}{\beta}, \alpha\beta + \frac{1}{\gamma}$.

(g) Show that the equation $4(x^2 - x + 1)^3 - 27x^2(x - 1)^2 = 0$ is reciprocal, and solve it.

(h) Find the multiple roots and the remaining factor of the equation $x^5 - 10x^2 + 15x - 6 = 0$.

(i) Find the sum of the fourth powers of the roots of the equation $x^3 - x - 1 = 0$.

(j) Determine k and solve the following equation if its roots are in the harmonic progression :

$$8x^3 - 12x^2 - kx + 3 = 0.$$

4. Answer the following questions : (**any two**)
10×2=20

(a) If the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$ has a root $\alpha + i\alpha$, where p, q, r and α are reals, then prove that

$$(p^2 - 2q)(q^2 - 2pr) = r^2$$

(b) (i) Apply Descartes' rule of signs to show that the equation $x^4 + 2x^3 + 3x - 1 = 0$ has exactly one pair of complex roots. 5

(ii) Transform the equation

$$x^4 + 8x^3 + x - 5 = 0$$

into one in which the second term is wanting. 5

(c) Find the condition that the cubic $ax^3 + 3bx^2 + 3cx + d$ may be capable of being written under the form $l(x - \alpha_1)^3 + m(x - \beta_1)^3 + n(x - \gamma_1)^3$ where $\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_1$ are the roots of the cubic $a_1x^3 + 3b_1x^2 + 3c_1x + d_1 = 0$.

(d) Apply Sturm's theorem to the analysis of the equation

$$x^4 - 4x^3 + 7x^2 - 6x - 4 = 0.$$

5. Answer the following questions : **(any one)**

1×14=14

(a) (i) Prove that every equation of an even degree, whose last term is negative, has at least two real roots — one positive and the other negative. 8

(ii) Show that the equation

$$\frac{A^2}{x-a} + \frac{B^2}{x-b} + \frac{C^2}{x-c} + \dots + \frac{L^2}{x-l} = x - m$$

where a, b, c, \dots, l, m are numbers all different from one another, cannot have an imaginary root.

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(b) (i) Show all the roots of the equation

$$x^n + p_1x^{n-1} + p_2x^{n-2} + \dots + p_{n-1}x + p_n = 0$$

can be obtained when they are in arithmetical progression. 10

(ii) Find in terms of p, q, r the value of the symmetric function

$$\frac{\beta^2 + \gamma^2}{\beta\gamma} + \frac{\gamma^2 + \alpha^2}{\gamma\alpha} + \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{\alpha\beta}, \text{ where}$$

α, β, γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$. 4

(c) (i) If m and n be prime to each other, then prove that the equations $x^m - 1 = 0$ and $x^n - 1 = 0$ have no common root except unity. 6

(ii) Find the integral roots of

$$3x^4 - 23x^3 + 35x^2 + 31x - 30 = 0$$

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