

## MASTER OF SCIENCE EXAMINATION, 2019

(1st Year, 1st Semester)

## PHYSICS

## Mathematical Methods - I

## Paper - PHY/TG/102

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 40

Answer *Q.no. 1* and any *two* from the rest.

1(a). Evaluate  $\oint_{\Gamma} \bar{z} dz$  and  $\oint_{\Gamma} z^{\frac{1}{2}} dz$  (consider the Principal Branch of  $z^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ) in the two cases, when: (i)  $\Gamma$  is the circle  $|z| = 1$ , and (ii)  $\Gamma$  is the circle  $|z - 1| = 1$ .

1(b). Let  $f$  have an isolated singularity at the point  $z = z_0$ . In other words,  $f$  is analytic in a punctured neighbourhood of the point  $z = z_0$ . Then show that the residue of  $f'(z)$  at  $z = z_0$  is zero.

1(c). Define an *analytic* (holomorphic) function. Examine whether the following functions are analytic: (i)  $\text{Im } z$ , (ii)  $|z|^2$ , (iii)  $\ln |z|$ .

[6 + 4 + 6]

2(a). Evaluate the integral:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin^3 x}{x^3} dx$$

OR

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)^{n+1}}$$

2(b). Let  $\Gamma$  be a smooth, simply-connected closed contour, and let  $f(z)$  be analytic inside and on  $\Gamma$ , with the exception of (may be) a finite number of points inside of  $\Gamma$ . Then show that

$$\oint \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \left( \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) = \# \text{ Zeros of } f - \# \text{ Poles of } f, \text{ (counted with multiplicity)}$$

[6 + 6]

3(a). What are the Cauchy-Riemann conditions and what are they useful for? Find all  $v(x, y) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ , such that for  $z = x + iy$ , the function:  $f(z) = (x^3 - 3xy^2) + iv(x, y)$  is analytic.

3(b). Identify (with proper mathematical justification) the type of singularity of the function  $z^2 e^{1/z}$  at  $z = 0$ .

3(c). Compute the residue(s) of the following function at all its poles, including infinity.

$$f(z) = \left( \frac{z^{n-1}}{z^n - 1} \right)$$

[4 + 2 + 6]

4(a). Evaluate the integral (any ONE):

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(1+x^n)} \quad \text{OR} \quad \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\cos x}{(x^2+a^2)^2} dx \quad (a > 0).$$

4(b). Let  $f(z) = \frac{z^5}{|z|^4}$  ( $z \neq 0$ ), and  $f(0) = 0$ . Show that the real and imaginary parts of  $f$  does satisfy Cauchy-Riemann equations at  $z = 0$ , yet  $f$  is *not* analytic at  $z = 0$ ! Why?

4(c). Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be the linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , defined by

$$\mathcal{T}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (3x_1, x_1 - x_2, 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3).$$

Is  $\mathcal{T}$  invertible? If so, find a rule for the action (analogous to the above formulation) of  $\mathcal{T}^{-1}$ . Hence or otherwise, show that  $\mathcal{T}$  also satisfies the equation:

$$(\mathcal{T}^2 - \mathbb{I})(\mathcal{T} - 3\mathbb{I}) = 0$$

[3 + 4 + 5]

5(a). Of which function is the Laplace transform given by ?

$$\frac{1}{(s^2 + 1)(s - 1)}$$

5(b). Given two functions  $f_1(x)$  and  $f_2(x)$ , their *convolution*  $*$  is defined by:

$$g(x) := (f_1 * f_2)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy f_1(y) f_2(x - y)$$

Show that the Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}$  for the convolution satisfies the simple product rule:

$$\mathcal{F}[g(x)] = \mathcal{F}[f_1(x)] \cdot \mathcal{F}[f_2(x)] \times \text{constant}$$

where the "constant" factor depends on the normalization conventions chosen.

5(c). Let  $F(s)$  denote the Laplace transform of a real-valued function  $f(x)$ . Then show that the formula for the Laplace transform ( $\mathcal{L}$ ) of  $f''(x)$  can be written as:

$$\mathcal{L}[f''(x)] = s^2 F(s) - sf(0) - f'(0).$$

[4 + 4 + 4]