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B.Sc. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2023-24

PHSADSE01T-PHYSICS (DSE1/2)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

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Question No. 1 is compulsory and answer any two questions from the rest

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1. Answer any **ten** questions from the following:

(a) Prove that if $L[f(x)] = \tilde{f}(p)$, then $L[e^{ax} f(x)] = \tilde{f}(p-a)$.

(b) Prove that δ_q^r is a mixed tensor of the second rank.

(c) State the quotient law of tensor.

(d) Define unit step function and find its Laplace transformation.

(e) Find $L[x \sinh(ax)]$.

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(f) For which value of R , the vector $\vec{u} = (1, -2, R)$ in $\mathcal{R}^3$, will be a linear combination of the vectors $\vec{v} = (3, 0, 2)$ and $\vec{w} = (2, -1, 5)$.

(g) Define the subspace of a vector space.

(h) Evaluate $L\{t^n\}$ if n is positive integer.

(i) If $\Phi = a_{jk} A^j A^k$, show that it is always possible to write $\Phi = b_{jk} A^j A^k$, where b_{jk} is a symmetric tensor.

(j) Evaluate: $L^{-1}\left[\frac{2}{(s-4)^2 + 4}\right]$

(k) Show that the operator $|\phi\rangle\langle\phi|$ is a projection operator only when $|\phi\rangle$ is normalized.

(l) If $L[f(t)] = \tilde{f}(s)$, then show that $L[f(at)] = \frac{1}{a} \tilde{f}\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$, where a is a constant.

(m) Define inner-product of a pair of vectors. What is norm of a vector?

(n) If a vector $|\alpha\rangle \in \mathbb{R}^3$ in standard basis is $|\alpha\rangle = (3, 2, -1)$, find its components in the new basis $\{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$.

2. (a) Find the eigen-values and eigen-vectors (Normalized) of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. 2+3+1

Check whether the eigen-vectors are orthogonal or not.

- (b) Given, $\psi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\psi_2 = \begin{bmatrix} +1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\psi_3 = \begin{bmatrix} +1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$; construct an orthonormal set using Gram-Schmidt process. 4

3. (a) Find the Laplace transform of a periodic function. 5

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} \sin \omega t & , 0 < t < \pi/\omega \\ 0 & , \pi/\omega < t < 2\pi/\omega \end{cases}$$

where $f(t + 2\pi/\omega) = f(t)$.

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- (b) Use Convolution theorem to evaluate $L^{-1} \left[\frac{s}{(s^2 + a^2)^2} \right]$. 5

4. (a) Prove that $L[x^n f(x)] = (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n} [\tilde{f}(s)]$, where $L[f(x)] = \tilde{f}(s)$. 3

- (b) If A^j and B^j are two non-null vectors such that $g_{ij} U^i U^j = g_{ij} V^i V^j$, where $U^i = A^i + B^i$ and $V^i = A^i - B^i$, show that A^j and B^j are orthogonal. 3

- (c) Using tensor notation establish the vector identity: 4

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}) = \vec{A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) + \vec{B} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) + (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{B} + (\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A}$$

5. (a) Prove that $\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = 0$ using tensor notation for an arbitrary vector $\vec{A}$. 2

- (b) Distinguish between the covariant and contravariant component of a vector using their transformation rule. 2

- (c) Show that velocity is a contravariant vector while gradient of a scalar is a covariant vector. 3

- (d) Show that the contraction of the outer product of tensors A_j and B_k results in an invariant. 3

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1. Answer any **ten** questions from the following:

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(a) Define isomorphism of vector space.

(b) Consider the following two kets

$$|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} -3i \\ 2+i \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } |\phi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -i \\ -3i \end{pmatrix}$$

Evaluate the scalar product $\langle\phi|\psi\rangle$.

(c) Write in full the following

$$g_{ij} dx^i dx^j \quad (i, j = 1, 2, 3)$$

(d) Show that $f_1(x) = Ae^{mx}$ and $f_2(x) = Be^{nx}$ ($m \neq n$) are linearly independent.

(e) Show that the operator $|\phi\rangle\langle\phi|$ is a projection operator only when $|\phi\rangle$ is normalized.

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(f) Write down the Minkowski metric in the mixed tensor form showing the components.

(g) Prove that every vector in a finite dimensional vector space V over the field F can be uniquely expressed as a linear combination of the basis vectors.

(h) Define Laplace transform of a function. What conditions are to be satisfied for the transform to exist?

(i) Evaluate $L[e^{-2x}(2\cos 5x - 3\sin 5x)]$

(j) Find the metric for the three-dimensional Euclidean space in terms of spherical polar coordinates.

(k) Find $L^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{s+2}}\right]$.

(H) State the convolution theorem of Laplace transform.

(M) Show that for Laplace inverse transform

$$L^{-1}\{c_1 f_1(p) + c_2 f_2(p)\} = L^{-1}\{c_1 f_1(p)\} + L^{-1}\{c_2 f_2(p)\}$$

(P) Any arbitrary second rank tensor M_{ij} can be written as a sum of a symmetric and an antisymmetric tensor.

2. (a) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & i \\ -i & 3 \end{pmatrix}$.

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Check whether the eigenvalues are real and the eigenvectors are orthogonal. Find the normalized eigenvectors of the same.

(b) Prove that $\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \left(\sqrt{g} g^{kr} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^r} \right)$

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3. (a) Solve $\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = \cos x$, given $y(0) = 1$, using Laplace transform method.

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(b) Find the Laplace transform of the Heaviside function:

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$$H(t-a) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t < a, \\ 1 & \text{for } t \geq 0, a \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

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(c) Prove that $L[f(t)] = \frac{1}{1-e^{-pT}} \int_0^T e^{-pt} f(t) dt$ where, $f(t+T) = f(t)$.

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4. (a) Find a unit vector orthogonal to

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$$\alpha_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \alpha_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Prove that $\delta_j^i a^{jk} = a^{ik}$.

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(c) Show that $\varepsilon_{ijk} \varepsilon_{ijk} = 6$.

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(d) Consider the states $|\psi\rangle = 3i|\phi_1\rangle - 7i|\phi_2\rangle$ and $|\chi\rangle = -|\phi_1\rangle + 2i|\phi_2\rangle$, where $|\phi_1\rangle$ and $|\phi_2\rangle$ are orthonormal. Show that the states $|\psi\rangle$ and $|\chi\rangle$ satisfy the Schwarz inequality and triangle inequality.

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5. (a) Expand $\phi = a_{ij} u^i v^j$, where $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ assuming Einstein summation convention.

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(b) Show that $\delta_i^i = n$ where, n is the dimension.

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(c) Prove that every basis of a finite dimensional vector space has the same number of vectors.

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(d) Show that $\frac{\partial A_p}{\partial x^q}$ is not a tensor even though A_p is a covariant tensor of rank one.

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Question No. 1 is compulsory and answer any two from the rest

1. Answer any **ten** questions from the following:

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- Prove that the contraction of tensors A_q^p is an invariant.
- If $\varphi = a_{jk} A^j A^k$ then show that one can write $\varphi = b_{jk} A^j A^k$, where b_{jk} is symmetric.
- Show that the Kronecker delta is a mixed tensor of order two.
- For an orthogonal basis prove that norm of a nonzero vector is positive definite.
- Why is Laplace transformation a linear operation?
- Show that the Laplace transform of the integral of $f(x)$, i.e.

$$L\left[\int_0^x f(x) dx\right] = \frac{1}{p} \bar{f}(p), \text{ where } L[f(x)] = \bar{f}(p).$$

- Prove that every vector in a finite-dimensional vector space V over the field F can be uniquely expressed as a linear combination of the vectors of its basis.
- Show that the vectors $(2, -5, 3)$ cannot be expressed as a linear combination of the vectors $\alpha_1 = (1, -3, 2)$, $\alpha_2 = (2, -4, -1)$ and $\alpha_3 = (1, -5, 7)$.

- Show that the four matrices $E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ form a group under matrix multiplication.}$$

- Find Laplace transform of $f(x)$, where $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < a \\ 1, & x > a \end{cases}$.

- Find Laplace transform of $e^{4x} \sin(2x) \cos(x)$.

- Examine if the following operator is linear:

$$Af(x) = x^2 f(x)$$

- Evaluate $L^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{s-2} + \frac{2}{s+5} + \frac{6}{s^4}\right]$.

2. (a) Show that the velocity at any point of a fluid $\frac{dx^k}{dt} = v^k$ is a tensor but acceleration $\frac{dv^k}{dt}$ is not a tensor. 2+1
- (b) Using Levi-Civita symbol establish the relation $\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \vec{B}(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C}) - \vec{C}(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})$. 4
- (c) What are stress and strain tensors? Write down the tensorial form of Hooke's law in Elasticity. 3
3. (a) Distinguish between isomorphism and homomorphism in connection with two groups. 2
- (b) Define basis and dimension of a vector space. 2
- (c) Define orthogonal and orthonormal set of vectors. 2
- (d) Show that the sets $S\{(1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1), (0, 1, 0)\}$ spans a vector space R^3 but is not a basis set. 4
4. (a) For the set of basis vectors, $(0, 2, 0, 0)$, $(3, -4, 0, 0)$ and $(1, 2, 3, 4)$ use Gram-Schmidt process to construct an orthonormal set. 4
- (b) A linear transformation T is defined as $T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ x_2 - x_3 \end{pmatrix}$ that transforms a vector a 3-D real space to 2-D real space. Show that the transformation matrix is $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. 2
- (c) Use the convolution theorem to find the inverse Laplace transform of $\frac{1}{(s^2 + 4)^2}$. 4
5. (a) If $LT[f(x)] = \bar{f}(s)$, then prove that $LT[f''(x)] = s^2 \bar{f}(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$. 3
- (b) Find inverse Laplace transform of $\frac{s+2}{s^2(s+1)(s-2)}$. 4
- (c) Using Laplace transform solve the differential equation $2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 5 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = e^{-2x}$ with $y(0) = 1$, $\frac{dy}{dx}(0) = 1$ 3

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1. Answer any **ten** questions from the following:
 - (a) Show that Laplace transformation is a linear transformation.
 - (b) Find the Laplace transform $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ of the function $f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } t \geq t_0 \\ 0 & \text{for } t \leq t_0 \end{cases}$, t_0 being a constant.
 - (c) If $\tilde{f}(s)$ is the Laplace transform of $f(t)$, show that multiplying $f(t)$ by e^{at} moves the origin of s by and amount a .
 - (d) Find the Laplace transform of $f'(t)$ in terms of that of $f(t)$.
 - (e) From the definition of Laplace transform, show that $\mathcal{L}\{f(\omega t)\} = \frac{1}{\omega} \tilde{f}\left(\frac{s}{\omega}\right)$, for $\omega > 0$, where $\tilde{f}(s)$ is the Laplace transform of $f(t)$.
 - (f) Show that the vectors $|a\rangle = (2, 1, 1)$; $|b\rangle = (-2, 1, 2)$; $|c\rangle = (0, 0, 1)$ are linearly independent.
 - (g) What is the significance of a non-singular transformation in a vector space?
 - (h) If a vector $|a\rangle \in \mathbb{R}^3$ in standard basis is $|a\rangle = (3, 2, -1)$, find its components in the new basis $(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)$.
 - (i) When are two finite dimensional vector spaces V and V' isomorphic?
 - (j) Show that members of an orthogonal set of vectors are linearly independent of each other.
 - (k) In the relation $L = I\omega$, show using quotient law that I is a tensor of rank two if L and ω are tensors of rank one.
 - (l) Prove the vector identity $\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C})\vec{B} - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})\vec{C}$ using properties of Levi-Civita symbol ε_{ijk} .
 - (m) Show that in three dimensions any anti-symmetric second rank tensor A_{ij} can be expressed in terms of a dual vector.
 - (n) If v_i are the components of a first rank tensor, show that $\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_i}$ is a tensor of rank zero.

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2. (a) Find the Laplace transform of the periodic saw-tooth function with period T defined by

$$V(t) = V_0 \frac{t}{T}, \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq T.$$

- (b) In a two-dimensional complex linear vector space, $\{|a\rangle, |b\rangle\}$ form a non-orthogonal normalized basis where inner product of $|a\rangle$ and $|b\rangle$ is given by k . Form another orthonormal basis where $|c\rangle = \alpha|a\rangle + \beta|b\rangle$ is a basis element.
- (c) From the defining properties of Krönecker delta, show that it is an invariant second-rank Cartesian tensor.

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3. (a) Using tensorial symbols, establish the following vector identity:

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = (\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla})\vec{A} - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla})\vec{B} + A(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}) - B(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}).$$

- (b) For a 3-dimensional vector space with an orthonormal basis formed by $|1\rangle, |2\rangle$ and $|3\rangle$, An operator $\hat{A}$ is defined by the relations: $\hat{A}|1\rangle = |2\rangle$, $\hat{A}|2\rangle = |1\rangle$ and $\hat{A}|3\rangle = |3\rangle$.

Find the matrix representation of A , using this basis. Is this operator unitary?

- (c) Prove that the negative gradient of a scalar field is a first rank tensor.

4. (a) Show that $\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2 f}{dt^2}\right\} = s^2 \tilde{f}(s) - sf(0+) - \frac{df}{dt}(0+)$, where $\tilde{f}(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$.

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- (b) Using techniques of linear transformation, decouple the following coupled first order differential equations: $\frac{dx}{dt} = -ay$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = ax$.

- (c) Consider a collection of rigidly connected N particles, rotating about an axis through the origin with angular velocity $\vec{\omega}$. If the particles, positioned at $\vec{r}_\alpha$, have mass m_α (where $\alpha = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$), find the component I_{ij} of the inertia tensor. Find the number of independent components of this tensor.

5. (a) From Newton's law for impulsive force acting on a particle of mass m , initially resting at the origin, the governing equation of its displacement $x(t)$ is written as

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$$m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = P \delta(t), \text{ where } P \text{ is a constant denoting the strength of the impulsive}$$

force. Show that the Laplace transform of $x(t)$ may be written as $\tilde{x}(s) = \frac{P}{ms^2}$.

- (b) Apply Gram-Schmidt process to obtain an orthonormal set for the given vectors

$$\vec{A} = (-1, 0, 1); \vec{B} = (1, -1, 0); \vec{C} = (0, 0, 1) \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3.$$

- (c) Find the value of $\varepsilon_{ijk} \varepsilon_{ijk}$, where ε_{ijk} is the antisymmetric Cartesian tensor in three dimensions.

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