

HG(1) — M (2) Sc. & Arts – New

2018

Time : 3 hours

Full Marks : 90

Pass Marks : 28

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

The questions are of equal value.

Answer any six questions.

- (a) Prove that every Cartesian equation of second degree represents a conic.

(b) Prove that in general a straight line cuts a conic in two points real or imaginary.
- (a) Define a confocal system of conics. Prove that two conics of a confocal system pass through any given point. Further prove that one of these conics is an ellipse and the other a hyperbola.

(b) Prove that the locus of the pole of a given straight line with respect to a series of confocal conics is a straight line.

- (a) Obtain the polar equation of a conic in the standard form  $\frac{\ell}{r} = 1 + e \cos\theta$ , where  $\ell$  is the semi latus rectum,  $e$  the eccentricity of the conic and focus of the conic taken as the pole.

(b) Obtain the equation of the director circle of the conic  $\frac{\ell}{r} = 1 + e \cos\theta$ .
- (a) Prove that the polar equation of the circle circumscribing the triangle formed by the tangents to the conic  $\frac{\ell}{r} = 1 + \operatorname{cosec}\theta$  at the points whose vectorial angles are  $2\alpha, 2\beta, 2\gamma$  is :  
 $2r \cos\alpha \cos\beta \cos\gamma = \ell \cos(\theta - \alpha - \beta - \gamma)$ .

(b) Find those diameters of the conic  $S = x^2 + 4xy + y^2 - 2x - 2y - 6 = 0$  which touch the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$ .
- (a) Find the volume of the tetrahedron whose vertices are  $(x_r, y_r, z_r), r = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , the axes being rectangular.

(b) Find the volume of the tetrahedron formed by the planes  $\ell x + my + nz = p, \ell x + my = 0, my + nz = 0$  and  $\ell x + nz = 0$ .

6. (a) Find the condition that the line  $\frac{x-\alpha}{l} = \frac{y-\beta}{m} = \frac{z-\gamma}{n}$  may lie in the plane  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ .

(b) Prove that the lines  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$  and  $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z-4}{5}$  are coplanar.

7. (a) Define a cone and obtain the equation of tangent plane to a cone at a given point of the cone.

(b) Prove that the cone  $yz + zx + xy = 0$  is cut by the plane  $px + qy + rz = 0$  in perpendicular lines if  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r} = 0$ .

8. (a) Define a central conicoid. Find the condition that the plane  $lx + my + nz = p$  may touch the conicoid  $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1$ .

(b) A tangent plane to the ellipsoid  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$  meets the coordinate axes in points A, B and C. Prove that the centroid of the triangle ABC lies on the locus of  $\frac{a^2}{x^2} + \frac{b^2}{y^2} + \frac{c^2}{z^2} = 9$ .

9. (a) Expand  $\cos \theta$  in an infinite series of ascending power of  $\theta$ .

(b) Solve  $x^n = 1$ . Show that the sum of its roots is zero. Hence or otherwise deduce that it has two or one real roots according as  $n$  is even or odd.

10. (a) Prove that  $\log(\alpha + i\beta) = \frac{1}{2} \log(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) + i \tan^{-1} \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ .

(b) Express  $(\alpha + i\beta)^{x+iy}$  in the form  $A + iB$ .

11. (a) Prove that:

$$\frac{1}{2} \tan \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{1}{2^3} \tan^3 \frac{\theta}{2} + \dots = \frac{1}{\theta} - \cot \theta.$$

(b) Obtain the sum of the series:

$$1 + \frac{\cos \alpha}{\cos^2 \alpha} + \frac{\cos 2\alpha}{\cos^3 \alpha} + \frac{\cos 3\alpha}{\cos^4 \alpha} + \dots \text{ to } \infty.$$

12. (a) Express  $\cos \theta$  as an infinite product.

(b) If  $\cos hx = \sec \theta$ , prove that:

$$i\theta = \log_e \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{ix}{2} \right).$$