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**8<sup>th</sup> Semester Regular Examination 2017-18**  
**MATHEMATICAL METHODS IN PHYSICS-II**  
**BRANCH: M.Sc.I(AP)**  
**Time: 3 Hours**  
**Max Marks: 70**  
**Q CODE:C307**

**Answer Part-A which is compulsory and any five from Part-B.**  
**The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.**

**Part – A (Answer all the questions)**

- Q1 Answer the following questions: (2 x 10)**
- a) Write the transformation equation for the tensors  $A^{\mu\nu}$  and  $A_{\mu\nu}$ .
  - b) Express the tensor  $A^{\mu\nu}$  as the sum of a symmetric and anti-symmetric tensor.
  - c) Contract the mixed tensor  $A^{\mu\nu}_{\sigma\lambda}$ .
  - d) Write the length element in Riemann space using metric tensor.
  - e) Write the generating function for Laguerre polynomial.
  - f) Write the Bessel's differential equation.
  - g) Define Laguerre Function.
  - h) Write the Sturm-Liouville Operator and equation.
  - i) Define Green's function  $G(x, \xi)$  and explain that it is symmetric with respect to  $x$  and  $\xi$ .
  - j) Define a Hermitian operator. What is the nature of its eigenvalues?

**Part – B (Answer any five questions)**

- Q2 a) Deduce Fernet's equations for a curve in three-space. (5)**
- b) A covariant tensor has components  $xy, 2y - z^2, xz$  in Cartesian coordinates. Find the covariant components in spherical polar coordinates. (5)**
- Q3 a) Transform  $(ds)^2 = (dx)^2 + (dy)^2 + (dz)^2$  into spherical coordinates using metric tensor. (5)**

- b)** Define Christoffel's symbols. Show that  $[\mu\nu, \sigma] + [\sigma\nu, \mu] = \frac{\partial g_{\sigma\nu}}{\partial x^\mu}$  (5)
- Q4 a)** (i) Show that the product  $A^\mu$  and  $B_\nu$  is a mixed tensor of rank two. (5)
- (ii) Prove that  $L^2 = g^{\mu\nu} A_\mu A_\nu$  is an invariant.
- b)** Prove that  $A^\mu B_\mu$  and  $A_{\mu\nu} B^\mu C^\nu$  are invariants. (5)
- Q5 a)** Starting from the relation  $\exp\left[\frac{x(t-\frac{1}{t})}{2}\right] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n(x) t^n$ , prove that (5)
- $$J_n(x+y) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} J_k(x) J_{n-k}(y)$$
- b)** Prove that  $J_{m-1}(x) + J_{m+1}(x) = \frac{2m}{x} J_m(x)$  (5)
- Q6 a)** Deduce the differential equation satisfied by the Laguerre function. (5)
- b)** Prove that (5)
- $$\int_0^\infty e^{-x} L_m(x) L_n(x) dx = \delta_{mn}$$
- Q7 a)** Show that Sturm-Liouville operator is Hermitian. (5)
- b)** Show that any differential equation can be reduced to Sturm-Liouville form. (5)
- Q8 a)** Write in Sturm-Liouville form and identify  $p(x), q(x),$  and  $w(x)$  in the following equation: (5)
- $$(1-x^2)y'' - xy' + \lambda y(x) = 0$$
- b)** Show that the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenfunction of the Sturm-Liouville differential equation (5)
- $$x^2 u'' + xu' + \lambda u(x) = 0 \text{ with } 1 \leq x \leq e^2; u(1) = 0; \text{ and } u(e^2) = 0$$