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**PH 7220/ 7221 – MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS**

Time- 2 ½ hrs

Max Marks-70

This question paper contains Two printed pages and Two parts

**Part A**

**Answer any FIVE questions. Each question carries 10 marks**

**[5 x 10 = 50]**

1. Let C be the contour  $z = 3e^{i\theta}, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ . Show that  $\left| \int_C \frac{z^{1/2}}{(z^2+1)} dz \right| \leq 3\sqrt{3}\pi/8$ . Assume that  $\left| \int f(z) dz \right| \leq |f(z)| \cdot L$  where L is the length of the contour. **[10]**
2. (a). Find the residues of  $f(z) = (z^2 - 2z)/[(z + 1)^2(z^2 + 4)]$   
(b). Let C be the boundary of the square whose sides lie along the lines  $x=\pm 2, y = \pm 2$  where C is described in the positive sense. Evaluate: (i).  $\oint e^{-z} dz/(z - \pi i/2)$  and (ii).  $\oint \cos z dz/[z(z^2 + 8)]$ . **[5+5]**
3. (a) Find the Fourier Transform of Exponential decay ( $e^{-x/a}$ ). Show that the power spectrum of it has a Lorentzian profile. What is the physical significance?  
(b) Find the Fourier Transform of two delta functions spaced equally on either side of the origin. **[5+5]**
4. A covariant tensor has components  $xy, 2y - z^2, xz$  in rectangular co-ordinates. Find its covariant components in spherical co-ordinates. **[10]**
5. (a). Starting from the generating function for Bessel's Function  $J_n(x)$ , find the Jacobi series and hence show that,  
(i).  $\cos x = J_0 - 2J_2 + 2J_4 - \dots$ , (ii).  $\sin x = 2J_1 - 2J_3 + 2J_5 - \dots$   
(b). Using Rodrigue's Formula:  $P(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n$ . Find the following Legendre polynomial and plot the functions.  
(i).  $P_0(x)$ , (ii).  $P_1(x)$ , (iii).  $P_2(x)$ , (iv).  $P_3(x)$ . **[5+5]**
6. (a). With a suitable example, explain the properties of SU(2) group.  
(b). Derive an expression for the one-dimensional heat flow. **[5+5]**
7. Using the method of separation of variables, obtain the solution of the wave equation for (i).  $k = 0$ , (ii).  $k > 0$ , (iii).  $k < 0$ .

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}. \quad \mathbf{[10]}$$

**Part B**

**Answer any Four questions. Each question carries 5 marks**

**[4 x 5 = 20]**

8. Prove that,  $J_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n J_n(x)$  using Bessel Polynomials.
9. Express the function  $H(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 3$  in terms of Hermite Polynomial.  
[ $H_0(x) = 1, H_1(x) = 2x, H_2(x) = 4x^2 - 2, H_3(x) = 8x^3 - 12x, H_4(x) = 16x^4 - 48x^2 + 12$ ]
10. State and prove convolution theorem.
11. Prove Parseval's identity.
12. Find the Fourier Series decomposition of a rectangular wave form having a width a.  
What do you understand by Gibb's phenomenon?
13. (a). Form a partial differential equation by eliminating arbitrary function:

$$Z = f(x^2 - y^2)$$

- (b). Solve the partial differential equation using Lagrange's method ( $Pp + Qq = R$ ):  
 $y^2p - xyq = x(z - 2y)$

**[2+3]**