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(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2004-05 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE : MT/MC/LS44

B. Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2009  
BRANCH I – MATHEMATICS  
FOURTH SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR CORE  
PAPER : LAPLACE TRANSFORMS, SEQUENCES AND SERIES  
TIME : 3 HOURS  
MAX. MARKS : 100

SECTION – A

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS:

(10 X 2 = 20)

1. Prove that  $L(t^n) = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{s^{n+1}}$ .
2. Find  $L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s(s+a)}\right)$ .
3. Find  $L^{-1}\left(\frac{s}{(s-b)^2 + a^2}\right)$ .
4. Find the Laplace transform of  $f(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-t} & \text{when } 1 < t < 4 \\ 0 & \text{when } t > 4 \end{cases}$
5. Find  $a_0$  of the Fourier series for  $f(x) = c$  in the range 0 to  $2\pi$ .
6. State the least upper bound axiom.
7. Give an example of bounded set  $A$  of  $R$  whose glb and lub are both in  $R - A$ .
8. If the sequence of real numbers  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is convergent then prove that  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded.
9. If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is a convergent series then prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .
10. State the ratio test for a series of real numbers.

SECTION – B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS:

(5 X 8 = 40)

11. Find  $L\left(\frac{\sin at}{t}\right)$
12. Find  $L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{(s+1)(s^2+1)}\right)$
13. Show that in the range  $-\pi$  to  $\pi$ ,  $e^x$  as a Fourier series is 
$$e^x = \frac{\sinh \pi}{\pi} \left\{ 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 + 1} (\cos nx - \sin nx) \right\}$$

14. Prove that every Cauchy sequence is convergent.
15. Prove that if  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges it cannot have more than one limit.
16. (i) If  $0 < x < 1$  then prove that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$  converges to  $\frac{1}{1-x}$ .
- (ii) If  $x \geq 1$  then prove that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$  diverges.
17. Test the convergence of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$

## SECTION – C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS:

(2 X 20= 40)

18. a) If  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of positive numbers such that
- (i)  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_n \geq a_{n+1} \geq \dots$  and
- (ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$  then prove that the alternating series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n$  is convergent.
- b) State and prove nested-interval theorem.
19. a) Solve the differential equation  $\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} - 4 \frac{dy}{dt} + 4y = t$  with the conditions  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 1$ .
- b) Evaluate  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-t} - e^{-2t}}{t} dt$  (12+8)
20. A function  $f(x)$  is defined within the range  $(0, 2\pi)$  by the relations
- $$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{in the range } (0, \pi) \\ 2\pi - x & \text{in the range } (\pi, 2\pi) \end{cases}$$
- Express  $f(x)$  as a Fourier series in the range  $(0, 2\pi)$ . Deduce that
- $$1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$$

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