

FOURTH SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025**(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)****ECONOMICS & MATHEMATICS (DOUBLE MAIN)****GDMT4A02T: THEORY OF EQUATIONS AND COMPLEX NUMBERS****Time: 2 ½ Hours****Maximum Marks: 80****SECTION A: Answer the following questions. Each carries *two* marks.****(Ceiling 25 marks)**

1. If a and b are different and $f(x)$ is separately divisible by $x - a$ and $x - b$ show that $f(x)$ is divisible by $(x - a)(x - b)$.
2. Expand $x^3 - 1$ in powers of $x - 1$.
3. State the fundamental theorem of algebra.
4. What is the relation between p and q if the equation $x^3 + px + q = 0$ has a multiple root.
5. Factorize $x^4 + 4$ into linear factors.
6. Solve the cubic equation $2x^3 - x^2 - 18x + 9 = 0$ whose roots are a, b , and c and $a + b = 0$.
7. Find the upper limit of the positive roots of the equation $x^4 - 7x^3 + 10x^2 - 30 = 0$.
8. Show that the equation $x^3 - 7x + 7 = 0$ has a real roots within the interval $[-4, -3]$.
9. Separate the roots of the equation $3x^4 - 74 - 6x^2 + 12x - 1 = 0$.
10. State Descarte's rule of signs.
11. If α, β and γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 - 7x + 7 = 0$, find the equation whose roots are $\alpha^2 + \beta^2; \beta^2 + \gamma^2; \alpha^2 + \gamma^2$.
12. Describe the set of points z in the complex plane that satisfy $|z| = |z - i|$.
13. Use De Moivre's formula find trigonometric identities for $\cos 2\theta$ and $\sin 2\theta$.
14. Find all solutions of the equation $z^4 + 1 = 0$.
15. Find the image of the square S with vertices at $1 + i, 2 + i, 2 + 2i$, and $1 + 2i$ under the linear mapping $T(z) = z + 2 - i$.

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SECTION B: Answer the following questions. Each carries five marks.

(Ceiling 35 marks)

16. Without actual division show that $2x^4 - 7x^3 - 2x^2 + 13x + 16$ is divisible by $x^2 - 5x + 6$.
17. Using Horner's method expand $x^4 - 6x^3 + x^2 - 1$ in powers of $x + 1$.
18. Find the rational roots of the polynomial equation $3x^3 - 7x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$.
19. Prove that the rational roots of the equation $x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + \dots + a_n = 0$; with integer coefficients can be only integers.
20. Verify that the function $(x_1 + x_2)(x_1 + x_3)(x_2 + x_3)$ is symmetric and break them up into sigma functions.
21. Prove that between two consecutive roots c and d of $f'(x)$ lies at most one root of $f(x)$.
22. Find the natural domain and the range of the complex functions $f(z) = \frac{z+\bar{z}}{z-\bar{z}}$.
23. Find the image of the circle $|z - z_0| = R$ under the mapping $f(z) = iz - 2$ using parametrizations.

SECTION C: Answer any two questions. Each carries ten marks.

24. Explain the synthetic division procedure to find the quotient and remainder when dividing $f(x)$ by $(x - c)$.
25. a) Find the highest common divisor of $x^4 - 6x^2 - 8x - 3$ and $x^3 - 3x - 2$.
- b) Find an upper limit of the moduli of roots for the equation $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 = 0$.
26. For what values of A has the equation $(x + 3)^3 - A(x - 1) = 0$ three real roots.
27. a) Find the image of the set S defined by $|z| \leq 2$, $0 \leq \arg(z) \leq \pi/2$, under the mapping $w = z^3$.
- b) Prove that for any two complex numbers z_1 and z_2 ,

$$\arg(z_1 z_2) = \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2) \text{ and } \arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \arg(z_1) - \arg(z_2).$$

(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)