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# **Mathematics-Optional**

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## UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2013 Questions

1. Evaluate  $\int_0^1 \left( 2x \sin \frac{1}{x} - \cos \frac{1}{x} \right) dx$ . [10M]
2. Using Lagrange's multiplier method, find the shortest distance between the line  $y = 10 - 2x$  and ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ . [20M]
3. Compute  $f_{xy}(0, 0)$  and  $f_{yx}(0, 0)$  for the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy^3}{x+y^2}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

Also, discuss the continuity of  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  at  $(0, 0)$ . [15M]

4. Evaluate  $\iint_D xy \, dA$ , where  $D$  is the region bounded by the line  $y = x - 1$  and the parabola  $y^2 = 2x + 6$ . [15M]

## UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2014 Questions

1. Prove that between two real roots of  $e^x \cos x + 1 = 0$ , a real root of  $e^x \sin x + 1 = 0$  lies. [10M]
3. Evaluate  $\int_0^1 \frac{\log_e(1+x)}{1+x^2} dx$  [10M]
4. By using the transformation  $x + y = u$ ,  $y = uv$ , evaluate the integral  $\iint \{xy(1 - x - y)\}^{1/2} dx dy$  taken over the area enclosed by the straight lines  $x = 0, y = 0$  and  $x + y = 1$ . [15M]
5. Find the height of the cylinder of maximum volume that can be inscribed in a sphere of radius  $a$ . [15M]
6. Find the maximum or minimum values of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  subject to the conditions  $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1$  and  $lx + my + nz = 0$ . Interpret the result geometrically. [20M]

## UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2015 Questions

1. Evaluate the following limit:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[ 2 - \frac{x}{a} \right]^{\tan\left(\frac{\pi x}{2a}\right)}$  [10M]
2. Evaluate the following integral:  $\int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{\sqrt[3]{\sin x}}{\sqrt[3]{\sin x} + \sqrt[3]{\cos x}} dx$ . [10M]
3. A conical tent is of given capacity. For the least amount of Canvas required, for it, find the ratio of its height to the radius of its base. [13M]

4. Evaluate the integral  $\iint_R (x - y)^2 \cos^2(x + y) dx dy$  where R is the rhombus with successive vertices as  $(\pi, 0)(2\pi, \pi)(\pi, 2\pi)(0, \pi)$ . [12M]

5. Evaluate  $\iint_R \sqrt{|y - x^2|} dx dy$  where  $R = \{-1, 1; 0, 2\}$ . [13M]

6. For the function  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - x\sqrt{y}}{x^2 + y}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$

Examine the continuity and differentiability. [12M]

## UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2016 Questions

1. Evaluate  $I = \int_0^1 \sqrt[3]{x \log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)} dx$  [10M]

2. Find the maximum and minimum values of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  subject to the conditions  $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{5} + \frac{z^2}{25} = 1$  and  $x + y - z = 0$ . [20M]

3. Let  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2x^4y - 5x^2y^2 + y^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$

Find a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| < .01$ , whenever  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta$ . [15M]

4. Find the surface area of the plane  $x + 2y + 2z = 12$  cut off by  $x = 0, y = 0$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ . [15M]

5. Evaluate  $\iint_R f(x, y) dx dy$  over the rectangle  $R = [0, 1; 0, 1]$  where

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x + y, & \text{if } x^2 < y < 2x^2 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases} \quad [15M]$$

## UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2017 Questions

1. Integrate the function  $f(x, y) = xy(x^2 + y^2)$  over the domain  $R: \{-3 \leq x^2 - y^2 \leq 3, 1 \leq xy \leq 4\}$  [10M]

2. Find the volume of the solid above the  $xy$ -plane and directly below the portion of the elliptic paraboloid  $x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} = z$  which is cut off by the plane  $z = 9$ . [15M]

3. If  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy(x^2 - y^2)}{x^2 + y^2}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$

Calculate  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$  at  $(0, 0)$ . [15M]

4. Examine if the improper integral  $\int_0^3 \frac{2x dx}{(1-x^2)^{2/3}}$  exists. [10M]

5. Prove that  $\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \iint_D \frac{dx dy}{\sqrt{x^2 + (y-2)^2}} \leq \pi$  where D is the unit disc. [10M]

### UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2018 Questions

1. Determine if  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (1-z) \tan \frac{\pi z}{2}$  exists or not. If the limit exists, then find its value. [10M]

2. Find the limit [10M]

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \sqrt{n^2 - r^2}.$$

3. Find the shortest distance from the point (1, 0) to the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$ . [13M]

4. The ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  revolves about the x-axis. Find the volume of the solid of revolution. [13M]

5. Find the shortest distance between the lines

$$\begin{aligned} a_1x + b_1y + c_1z + d_1 &= 0 \\ a_2x + b_2y + c_2z + d_2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{and the z-axis.} \quad [12M]$$

6. Let  $f(x, y) = xy^2$ , if  $y > 0$

$$= -xy^2, \text{ if } y \leq 0$$

Determine which of  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 1)$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, 1)$  exists and which does not exist. [12M]

7. Find the maximum and the minimum values of  $x^4 - 5x^2 + 4$  on the interval [2, 3]. [13M]

8. Evaluate the integral  $\int_0^a \int_{x/a}^x \frac{x dy dx}{x^2 + y^2}$ . [12M]

### UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2019 Questions

1. Let  $f: \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \rightarrow R$  be a continuous function such that  $f(x) = \frac{\cos^2 x}{4x^2 - \pi^2}$ ,  $0 \leq x < \frac{\pi}{2}$   
Find the value of  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  [10M]

2. Let  $f: D(\subseteq R^2) \rightarrow R$  be a function and  $(a, b) \in D$ . If  $f(x, y)$  is continuous at  $(a, b)$ , then show that the functions  $f(x, b)$  and  $f(a, y)$  are continuous at  $x = a$  and at  $y = b$  respectively. [10M]

3. Is  $f(x) = |\cos x| + |\sin x|$  differentiable at  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ? If yes, then find its derivative at  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . If no, then give a proof of it. [10M]
4. Find the maximum and the minimum value of the function  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x + 6$  on the interval  $[2, 3]$ . [15M]
5. If  $u = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{x^{1/3} + y^{1/3}}{x^{1/2} + y^{1/2}}}$  then show that  $\sin^2 u$  is a homogeneous function of  $x$  and  $y$  of degree  $-\frac{1}{6}$ . Hence show that  $x^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\tan u}{12} \left( \frac{13}{12} + \frac{\tan^2 u}{12} \right)$  [12M]
6. Using the Jacobian method, show that if  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$  and  $f(0) = 0$ , then  $f(x) + f(y) = f\left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy}\right)$  [08M]

### UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2020 Questions

1. Evaluate  $\sum_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} (\tan x)^{\tan 2x}$ . [10M]
2. Find all the asymptotes of the curve  $(2x + 3)y = (x - 1)^2$ . [10M]
3. Evaluate  $\int_0^1 \tan^{-1} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{x} \right] dx$ . [15M]
4. Consider the function  $f(x) = \int_0^x (t^2 - 5t + 4)(t^2 - 5t + 6) dt$ .
- Find the critical points of the function  $f(x)$ .
  - Find the points at which local minimum occurs.
  - Find the points at which local maximum occurs.
  - Find the number of zeros of the function  $f(x)$  in  $[0, 5]$ . [20M]
5. Find an extreme value of the function  $u = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ , subject to the condition  $2x + 3y + 5z = 30$ , by using Lagrange's method of undetermined multiplier. [20M]

### UPSC – MATHEMATICS optional – 2021 Questions

1. Given:  $\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f(x + \alpha) & f(x + 2\alpha) & f(x + 3\alpha) \\ f(\alpha) & f(2\alpha) & f(3\alpha) \\ f'(\alpha) & f'(2\alpha) & f'(3\alpha) \end{vmatrix}$  [10M]

Where  $f$  is a real valued differentiable function and  $\alpha$  is a constant. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta(x)}{x}$ .

2. Show that between any two roots of  $e^x \cos x = 1$ , there exists at least one root of  $e^x \sin x - 1 = 0$ . [10M]
3. Given that  $f(x, y) = |x^2 - y^2|$ . Find  $f_{xy}(0, 0)$  and  $f_{yx}(0, 0)$ . Hence show that  $f_{xy}(0, 0) = f_{yx}(0, 0)$ . [15M]
4. If  $u = x^2 + y^2$ ,  $v = x^2 - y^2$ , where  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$ , then find  $\frac{\partial(u,v)}{\partial(r,\theta)}$ . [07M]
5. If  $\int_0^x f(t)dt = x + \int_x^1 t f(t)dt$ , then find the value of  $f(1)$ . [05M]
6. Express  $\int_a^b (x-a)^m (b-x)^n dx$  in terms of Beta function. [08M]
7. Show that the entire area of the Astroid :  $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = a^{2/3}$  is  $\frac{3}{8}\pi a^2$ . [15M]