

BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI
(MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION MO/2025)

CLASS: IMSC
BRANCH: PHYSICS

SEMESTER : III
SESSION : MO/2025

TIME: 02 HOURS

SUBJECT: PH24205 MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS I

FULL MARKS: 25

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 5 marks and total 25 marks.
 2. Attempt all questions.
 3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
 4. Tables/Data handbook/Graph paper etc., if applicable, will be supplied to the candidates
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Q.1	Show that the eigenvalues, trace and determinant of a matrix are unchanged under a change of basis or a similarity transformation.	[5] 1	1,2
Q.2	Show how to diagonalise a matrix (assuming diagonalisability).	[5] 1	2,3
Q.3	Give physical interpretation of gradient, divergence and curl.	[5] 2	1,2
Q.4	Evaluate $\iint \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} ds$ where $\vec{F} = 2xy\hat{i} + yz^2\hat{j} + xz\hat{k}$ and integration is taken over the surface of the parallelepiped bounded by the six surfaces $-x = 0, y = 0, z = 0, x = 2, y = 1$ and $z = 3$.	[5] 2	2,3
Q.5	Write down the Fourier series expansion of a periodic function and also prove orthogonality of sine and cosine functions.	[5] 2	2,3

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