

**Fourth Semester FYUGP Degree (Reg) Examination April
2026
KU4VACCMT202 - COMPLEX NUMBERS AND THEORY
OF EQUATIONS
2024 Admission onwards**

Time : 1.5 hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Section A

Answer any 6 questions. Each carry 2 marks.

- Find $z\bar{z}$ if $z = 1 - 2i$.
- Write the real part of $\frac{-2-i}{2i}$.
- Write the steps for identifying negative real roots of an equation using Strum's theorem.
- Define Strum's functions.
- Define reciprocal equation.
- Find the number of real roots of the equation $x^4 - 8x^3 + 3x - 6 = 0$.
- Find the remainder obtained when $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 5x + 8$ is divided by $x - 3$.
- Write an expression for the sum of the r^{th} powers of the roots of an n^{th} degree equation.

Section B

Answer any 4 questions. Each carry 6 marks.

- Transform the equation $x^n + p_1x^{n-1} + p_2x^{n-2} + \dots + p_n = 0$ into another whose roots are m times that of the given equation.
- If $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ are the roots of the equation $x^n + p_1x^{n-1} + p_2x^{n-2} + \dots + p_n = 0$ transform the equation whose roots are $\frac{1}{\alpha_1}, \frac{1}{\alpha_2}, \dots, \frac{1}{\alpha_n}$.
- Prove that the equation $x^4 + 3x - 1 = 0$ has two real and two imaginary roots.
- Frame an equation with rational coefficients, one of whose roots is $\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}$.
- Find the sum of the cubes of the roots of the equation $x^5 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 = 0$.
- If α, β, γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ form the equation whose roots are $\alpha\beta, \beta\gamma$, and $\gamma\alpha$.

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Section C

Answer any 1 questions. Each carry 14 marks.

- (a) If $z_1 = 3 - 9i$ and $z_2 = 3 + 2i$ verify that $\overline{z_1 z_2} = \overline{z_1} \overline{z_2}$ and $\overline{\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)} = \frac{\overline{z_1}}{\overline{z_2}}$
(b) Prove that $\arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \arg(z_1) - \arg(z_2)$
- Find the value of a for which $ax^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 5 = 0$ has equal roots and solve the equation in one case.