

Paper I —  $L_p$  SPACES AND BANACH ALGEBRAS  
(Held in November 2009)

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Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer any FIVE questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) Prove that a real differentiable function  $\phi$  is convex in  $(a, b)$  if and only if  $a < s < t < b \Rightarrow \phi'(s) < \phi'(t)$ .
- (b) If  $\phi$  is convex on  $(a, b)$  prove that  $\phi$  is continuous on  $(a, b)$ .
2. Let  $p$  and  $q$  be conjugate exponents,  $1 < p < \infty$ . Let  $X$  be a measure space with measure  $\mu$ . Let  $f$  and  $g$  be measurable functions on  $X$  with range in  $[0, \infty)$ . Prove that

$$(a) \quad \int_X fg d\mu \leq \left[ \int_X f^p d\mu \right]^{1/p} \left[ \int_X g^q d\mu \right]^{1/q}$$

$$(b) \quad \left[ \int_X (f + g)^p d\mu \right]^{1/p} \leq \left[ \int_X f^p d\mu \right]^{1/p} + \left[ \int_X g^q d\mu \right]^{1/q}$$

