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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

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SMA 230: VECTOR ANALYSIS I

DATE: 27/9/2019

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

## INSTRUCTIONS:

Attempt question *one (compulsory)* and any other *two questions*.

### Question 1(30mks)

- a.) Given that  $A = 5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ ,  $B = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $C = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ . Determine ;

$$\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) \quad (4\text{mks})$$

- b.) If  $\vec{A} = t^2 \hat{i} - t \hat{j} + (2t - 1)\hat{k}$ , and  $\vec{B} = (2t - 3)\hat{i} + \hat{j} - t \hat{k}$ , evaluate  $\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \vec{A} \times \frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right]$

(4mks)

- c.) Given that  $\vec{F}(t)$  has a constant magnitude, show that  $\vec{F}(t)$  and  $\frac{d\vec{F}}{dt}$  are perpendicular provided

$$\text{that } \left| \frac{d\vec{F}}{dt} \right| \neq 0 \quad (5\text{mks})$$

- d.) Determine the value of the constant  $a$  such that the vectors

$$2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}, \text{ and } 3\hat{i} + a\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} \text{ are coplanar} \quad (3\text{mks})$$

- e.) Evaluate the direction from the point  $(1, 1, 0)$  which gives the greatest rate of increase of the function  $\phi = (x + 3y)^2 + (2y - z)^2$  (4mks)
- f.) Express the heat equation  $u_t = k\nabla^2 u$  in spherical coordinates. (5mks)
- g.) Evaluate  $\iint_S (\nabla \times \vec{F}) \cdot \hat{n} ds$ , where  $\vec{F} = (x^2 + y - 4)\hat{i} + 3xy\hat{j} + (2xz + z^2)\hat{k}$  and S is the surface hemisphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 16$  above the  $x - y$  plane. (5mks)

**Question 2(20mks)**

- a.) Given that  $\vec{F} = x^2\hat{i} - xy\hat{j}$ . Evaluate  $\int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{R}$  from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(1, 1)$  along.
- The straight line  $(0, 0)$  to  $(1, 1)$  (5mks)
  - The parabola  $y^2 = x$  (3mks)
- b.) Determine the surface integral  $\iint_S A \cdot \hat{n} ds$  where  $A = (x + y^2)\hat{i} - 2x\hat{j} + 2yz\hat{k}$  and S is the surface of the plane  $2x + y + 2z = 6$  in the first quadrant (7mks)
- c.) Evaluate  $\nabla^2(\ln r)$  (5mks)

**Question 3 (20mks)**

- a.) Evaluate  $\iiint_V \vec{F} dv$  where  $\vec{F} = 2xz\hat{i} - x\hat{j} + y\hat{k}$  and  $v$  is the region bounded by the surfaces  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 6$ ,  $z = x^2$  and  $z = 4$  (7mks)
- b.) Consider the force field  $\vec{F} = (2xy + z^3)\hat{i} + x^2\hat{j} + 3xz^2\hat{k}$ ;
- Show that the force field is conservative (4mks)
  - Calculate the scalar potential (5mks)
  - Determine work done in moving an object in the field from  $(1, -2, 1)$  and  $(3, 1, 4)$  (4mks)

**Question 4(20mks)**

- a.) Prove that  $\vec{r} = e^{-t} [c_1 \cos 2t + c_2 \sin 2t]$  satisfies the differential equation  $\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} + 5\vec{r} = 0$  where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are constants. (6mks)
- b.) Given the space curve  $x = t$ ,  $y = t^2$ ,  $z = \frac{2}{3}t^3$ . Calculate ;
- The curvature K (7mks)
  - The torsion  $\tau$  (7mks)

iii.)

***Question 5(20mks)***

- a.) Calculate the volume of the parallelepiped whose edges are represented by

$$\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}, \vec{B} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{C} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \quad (5\text{mks})$$

- b.) Using Greens theorem, calculate the area enclosed by the

$$\text{ellipse } x = a \cos \theta, y = b \sin \theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

(5mks)

- c.) A surface consists of that part of the cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 9$  between  $z = 0$  and  $z = 4$  for  $y \geq 0$  and the two semicircles of radius 3 units in the planes  $z = 0$  and  $z = 4$ . Given that

$$\vec{F} = z\hat{i} + xy\hat{j} + xz\hat{k}, \text{ evaluate } \iint_S \text{curl } \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} \text{ over the surface} \quad (10\text{mks})$$