

University of Ruhuna

B.Sc. General Degree Level I (Semester I) Examination – July 2015

Subject: Mathematics

Course Unit: MAT 111β/MAM1113 (Vector Analysis)

Time : Two (02) Hours

Answer 04 (Four) questions only

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(01) (a) Prove that the lines

$$\frac{x-5}{-3} = \frac{y+2}{1} = \frac{z-3}{-1} \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{x-10}{4} = \frac{y+3}{-1} = \frac{z-6}{2} \text{ intersect.}$$

Find their point of intersection and the equation of the plane through them.

(b) Find the shortest distance between the two skew lines

$$\underline{r} = \underline{a} + \lambda \underline{b} \text{ and } \underline{r} = \underline{c} + \mu \underline{d}; \text{ where } \lambda \text{ and } \mu \text{ are parameters.}$$

Hence find the shortest distance between the lines

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{-3} = \frac{z-3}{1} \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y-5}{2} = \frac{z+1}{-5}$$

(02) (a) Write down an expression for  $\text{grad } \phi$ , the gradient of a scalar field  $\phi(x,y,z)$  in cartesian co-ordinates.

Show that  $\text{grad } \phi$  is normal to the surface  $\phi(x,y,z)=\text{constant}$  at  $p(x,y,z)$  on the surface.

(b) Find the equations of the tangent plane and the normal line to the surface  $xz^2+x^2y=z+1$  at the point  $(1,-3,2)$ .

(c) Find the values of the constants  $a,b,c$  so that the directional derivatives of  $\phi=ax^2+by^2+cz^2$  at  $(1,1,2)$  has a maximum magnitude 4 in the direction parallel to y axis.

(d) Show that  $\underline{F} = (2x + yz)\underline{i} + (4y + zx)\underline{j} - (6z - xy)\underline{k}$  is solenoidal as well as irrotational.

Find a scalar potential  $\phi$  such that  $\underline{F} = \nabla\phi$ .

(03) (a) For a scalar field  $\phi(x, y, z)$  and a vector field  $\underline{A}(x, y, z)$ , obtain the following results:

$$(i) \quad \nabla \cdot (\phi \underline{A}) = \phi \nabla \cdot \underline{A} + \nabla \phi \cdot \underline{A};$$

$$(ii) \quad \nabla \wedge (\phi \underline{A}) = \phi \nabla \wedge \underline{A} + \nabla \phi \wedge \underline{A};$$

$$\text{where } \nabla \equiv \underline{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \underline{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \underline{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}.$$

(b) If  $\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ ,  $|\underline{r}| = r$  and  $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$  are constant vectors, show that

$$(i) \quad \nabla \cdot (r^n \underline{r}) = (n+3)r^n$$

$$(ii) \quad \nabla \cdot (\nabla r^n) = n(n+1)r^{n-2}$$

$$(iii) \quad \nabla \wedge (\nabla r^n) = \underline{0}$$

$$(iv) \quad \nabla[\underline{r} \cdot \underline{a}, \underline{b}] = \underline{a} \wedge \underline{b}$$

$$(v) \quad \nabla \wedge \left( \frac{\underline{a} \wedge \underline{r}}{r^3} \right) = -\frac{\underline{a}}{r^3} + \frac{3\underline{r}(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{r})}{r^5}.$$

(04) (a) State the Stoke's theorem. Hence deduce in the usual notation that,

$$\oint_c (\phi dx + \psi dy) = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right) dx dy;$$

the Green's theorem in the plane.

(b) Show that the area bounded by a simple closed curve C is given by

$$\frac{1}{2} \oint_c (x dy - y dx).$$

Hence find the area enclosed by the curves  $y=x$  and  $y^2=4x$ .

(c) Verify Green's theorem in the plane for

$$\oint_c [(x^2 + y^2) dx - 2xy dy]; \text{ where } C \text{ is the rectangle in the } xy \text{ plane}$$

bounded by  $y=0$ ,  $y=b$ ,  $x=0$  and  $x=a$ .

(05) (a) State the divergence theorem.

Apply the divergence theorem to show that

$$(i) \quad \int_S (\nabla r^2) \cdot d\underline{S} = 6V$$

$$(ii) \quad \int_S \left(\frac{\underline{r}}{r^2}\right) \cdot d\underline{S} = \int_V \frac{1}{r^2} dV$$

$$(iii) \quad \int_S (r^m \underline{r}) \cdot d\underline{S} = (m+3) \int_V r^m dV.$$

(b) Verify divergence theorem for  $\underline{F} = 4x\underline{i} - 2y^2\underline{j} + z^2\underline{k}$  taken over the closed region bounded by  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ ,  $z=0$  and  $z=3$ .

(06) Let  $\psi$  be a scalar field and  $\underline{A}$  be a vector field. In the usual notation, obtain the expressions for  $\nabla\psi$  and  $\text{div } \underline{A}$  in orthogonal curvilinear co-ordinates  $(u_1, u_2, u_3)$ .

Show that the system of co-ordinates  $(u, v, \phi)$  defined by  $x=uv \cos\phi$ ,  $y=uv \sin\phi$ ,  $z = \frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2)$  form an orthogonal system.

Find  $\nabla\psi$  and  $\text{div } \underline{A}$  in terms of the co-ordinates  $(u, v, \phi)$ .