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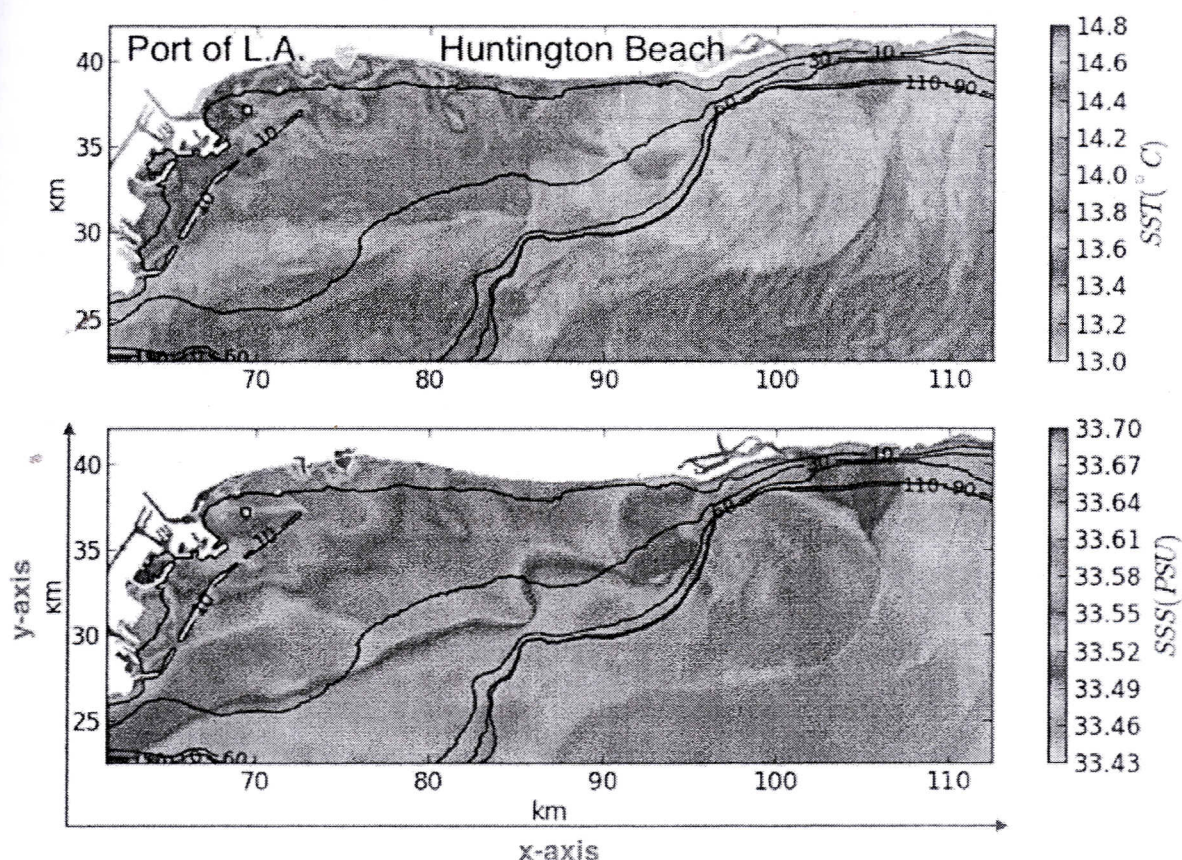
OCG 3172: Mathematics II

Time: 02 (Two) hours

Answer any four (04) questions. Each question carries equal marks.

Q1

The following figure shows the sea surface temperature and salinity of the coast of Southern California from a ROMS (Regional Oceanic Modeling System) simulation. The top panel shows sea surface temperature (SST) and the bottom panel shows sea surface salinity (SSS).



- (a) What do you mean by “a scalar field”? Explain giving examples except the temperature field. [15 marks]
- (b) The temperature field at the surface of the ocean is represented as a function of x by $T(x) = 3x^4 + e^{-2x} + \sin(3x + 1)$. Find the derivative of $T(x)$ and explain the meaning of it. [25 marks]

- (c) Now, the temperature is written as a function of x and y by
 $G(x, y) = \cos^2(2x + 5) + \sin(3y + 2)$. Find
- (i) the first partial derivatives of $G(x, y)$. [15 marks]
 - (ii) the second partial derivatives of $G(x, y)$. [20 marks]
 - (iii) the total differential of $G(x, y)$ at the point $\left(\frac{\pi-15}{6}, \frac{3\pi-4}{6}\right)$. [15 marks]
- (d) Is $G(x, y)$ in part (c) homogeneous? Justify your answer. [10 marks]

Q2

- (a) Let $\underline{a}$ and $\underline{b}$ be any two non-zero vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3$. Define, in usual notation,
- (i) the scalar product $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}$,
 - (ii) the vector product $\underline{a} \times \underline{b}$. [20 marks]
- (b)
- (i) Find the value of m , such that the points $(-1, -1, 2)$, $(2, m, 5)$ and $(3, 11, 6)$ are collinear. [15 marks]
 - (ii) Let $\underline{a} = 2\underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k}$, $\underline{b} = \underline{i} + \underline{j} - 2\underline{k}$ and $\underline{c} = \underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k}$. Find λ such that $\underline{a}$ is perpendicular to $\lambda\underline{b} + \underline{c}$. [15 marks]
 - (iii) Find all vectors of magnitude $10\sqrt{3}$ that are perpendicular to the plane containing the two vectors $\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + \underline{k}$ and $-\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 4\underline{k}$. [20 marks]
 - (iv) Find parametric equations of the line passing through the point $(4, -1, 3)$ and parallel to the vector $(1, 4, -3)$. [20 marks]
 - (v) Find the vector equation of a plane passing through a point $(3, 4, 2)$, and is perpendicular to a line with direction cosines $(2, -3, 1)$. [10 marks]

Q3

- (a) Let $\underline{a}$, $\underline{b}$ and $\underline{c}$ be any three non-zero vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3$. Define, in the usual notation,
- (i) the scalar triple product,
 - (ii) the vector triple product. [10 marks]
- (b) Find the volume of the tetrahedron having vertices
 $(-\underline{j} - \underline{k})$, $(4\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} + q\underline{k})$, $(3\underline{i} + 9\underline{j} + 4\underline{k})$ and $4(-\underline{i} + \underline{j} + \underline{k})$.
 Find the value of q for which these four points are coplanar. [30 marks]
- (c) A particle moves along the curve $\underline{r} = (t^3 - 4t, t^2 + 4t, 8t^2 - 3t^3)$, where t is time.
- (i) Find the velocity ($\underline{v}$) and the acceleration ($\underline{a}$) of the particle when $t = 2$. [20 marks]
 - (ii) Find the velocity in the direction of the tangent to the curve when $t = 2$. [10 marks]
 - (iii) Find the magnitude of the tangential component of its acceleration when $t = 2$. [10 marks]
- (d) Verify that $\underline{i} \times (\underline{a} \times \underline{i}) + \underline{j} (\underline{a} \times \underline{j}) + \underline{k} \times (\underline{a} \times \underline{k}) = 2\underline{a}$, where $\underline{a} = a_1\underline{i} + a_2\underline{j} + a_3\underline{k}$. [20 marks]

Q4

- (a) Use reduced row echelon form and solve the system of linear equations given by

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 &= 8 \\ -x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 &= 1 \\ 3x_1 - 7x_2 + 4x_3 &= 10\end{aligned}$$

[15 marks]

- (b) Let $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ be given n vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n$. Explain what is meant by

- (i) a vector $\underline{v}$ in $\mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear combination of $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3, \dots, \underline{v}_n$.
(ii) $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ are linearly dependent.

[20 marks]

- (c) Examine the following vectors for linear dependence.

$$\underline{v}_1 = (1, 2, 4), \underline{v}_2 = (2, -1, 3), \underline{v}_3 = (0, 1, 2), \underline{v}_4 = (-3, 7, 2)$$

[35 marks]

- (d) For any real vector spaces V and W , define the linear transformation $L : V \rightarrow W$.

[10 marks]

Let $L: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by $L \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2a_1 - 1 \\ 3a_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Determine whether L is a linear transformation or not.

[20 marks]

Q5

- (a) Briefly explain the following:

[15 marks]

- (i) Cartesian coordinate system,
(ii) Cylindrical coordinate system,
(iii) Spherical coordinate system.

- (b) Express the point $(2, \frac{4\pi}{3}, 8)$ given by cylindrical coordinates in both cartesian and spherical coordinates.

[20 marks]

- (c) Let

$$\begin{aligned}u &= x + y + z, \\ v &= x^2 + y^2 + z^2, \\ w &= yz + zx + xy.\end{aligned}$$

In the usual notation prove that $\text{grad } u, \text{grad } v$ and $\text{grad } w$, are coplanar. [25 marks]

- (d) Find the divergence and curl of $\underline{V} = xyz \underline{i} + 3xy^2 \underline{j} + (xz^2 - y^2z) \underline{k}$ at $(2, -1, 1)$.

[40 marks]

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