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EXAMINATIONS

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**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
ECONOMICS AND MATHEMATICS**

COURSE CODE: MATH 222

COURSE TITLE: VECTOR ANALYSIS

STREAM: Y2S2

DAY: TUESDAY

TIME: 9.00 – 11.00 A.M.

DATE: 24/03/2009

INSTRUCTIONS:

- (i) Attempt **QUESTION ONE** and **ANY OTHER TWO** questions.
- (ii) Show all your working and be neat

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Question One (30 Marks)

- a) (i) Define the terms scalar, vector and unit vector. (3 marks)
- (ii) Find the unit vector in the direction of the vector $\vec{r} - 2\hat{z}$ where $\vec{r} = 2\hat{x} + 2\hat{y} - \hat{z}$ and $\vec{s} = 3\hat{x} + \hat{y} - 5\hat{z}$. (3 marks)
- b) If $\vec{r} = \frac{\hat{x} + \hat{y}}{r}$, find $\nabla \cdot \vec{r}$. (4 Mark)
- c) If the three sides of a triangle are of length \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} and if the angle opposite the side of length \vec{a} is θ , show that $\vec{a} = \vec{b} + \vec{c} - 2\vec{b}\vec{c} \cos \theta$. (5 marks)
- d) If \vec{A} and \vec{B} are two nonzero, non-parallel vectors and \vec{r} any vector in the plane of \vec{A} and \vec{B} , then show that \vec{r} can be expressed as a linear combination of \vec{A} and \vec{B} i.e. $\vec{r} = \sigma\vec{A} + \alpha\vec{B}$ where σ and α are uniquely determined scalars. (6 marks)
- e) If $\vec{u} = 3\hat{x}$, $\vec{v} = -2\hat{y}$ then evaluate $\nabla(\nabla u \cdot \nabla v)$. (6 Marks)
- f) If $\vec{r} = (3 - y - z)\hat{x} + (x - \sin y)\hat{y} + \sin z\hat{z}$, find $\nabla \cdot \vec{r}$. (3 marks)

Question Two (20 Marks)

- a) (i) Find the normal and binormal vectors for the curve $(x) = t$, $(y) = 3 \sin t$, $(z) = 3 \cos t$. (9 Marks)
- (ii) Determine the curvature for the curve in (i) above. (2 Marks)
- b) Evaluate $\iint_S \vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS$ where $\vec{r} = 4\hat{x} - \hat{y} + \hat{z}$ and S is the surface of the cube bounded by $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$. (6 Marks)
- c) State Gauss Divergence theorem in word and give its mathematical equivalence. (3 marks)

Question Three (20 Marks)

- a) Prove that $(3x + 2y + 4z)\hat{x} + (2x + 5y + 4z)\hat{y} + (4x + 4y - 8z)\hat{z}$ is both solenoidal and irrotational. (6 Marks)
- b) Evaluate $\vec{r} \times \vec{s}$ at the point (1,1,0) if $\vec{r} = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} - z\hat{z}$ and $\vec{s} = x\hat{x} - y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}$. (4 Marks)

- c) Derive the scale factors for a cylindrical coordinate system; hence prove that this coordinate system is orthogonal. (10 Marks)

Question Four (20 Marks)

- a) Prove that $\nabla \times (\phi \vec{r}) = \nabla\phi \times \vec{r} + \phi \nabla \times \vec{r}$. (6 Marks)

- b) Show that the limit of the sum of two vector functions is the sum of their limits, i.e. if

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \vec{r}_1(t) = \vec{r}_1 \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \vec{r}_2(t) = \vec{r}_2$$

$$\text{then } \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} (\vec{r}_1(t) + \vec{r}_2(t)) = \vec{r}_1 + \vec{r}_2 \quad (6 \text{ Marks})$$

- c) If $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ and $\phi = 2x^2 - y^2 - z^2$ find: (8 Marks)

(i) $\nabla(\phi)$

(ii) $\nabla(\phi)$ at the point $(1,0,-2)$.

Question Five (20 Marks)

- a) Use Stoke's theorem to evaluate $\int_C (\vec{r} \cdot d\vec{r})$ when C is the square on the xy -plane with vertices $(1,0), (-1,0), (0,1), (0,-1)$. (7 Marks)

- b) A particle moves along the curve $x = 2t, y = -4t, z = 5 - 3t$ where t is the time. Find the components of its velocity and acceleration at time $t = 1$ in the direction $\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$.

(3 Marks)

- c) (a) Show that $\vec{r} = (2x^2 + y^2)\hat{i} + x^2\hat{j} + 3z^2\hat{k}$ is a conservative field. (3 Marks)

- (b) Find the work done in moving an object from $(1,-2,1)$ to $(3,1,4)$. (4 Marks)