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SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR
THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AND
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION SCIENCE
WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

MAIN CAMPUS

MMA 202: VECTOR ANALYSIS

Date: 13th March, 2018

Time: 3.30 - 6.30pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Attempt Question ONE and any other TWO.
- Observe further instructions from the examination answer book



Question 1: Compulsory (30 marks)

a. Distinguish between a scalar and a vector (2mks)

b. Show that the addition of any two vectors is commutative (3mks)

c. If $\vec{A} = 4i - 5j + 2k$, $\vec{B} = 6i + 3j - 2k$ and $\vec{C} = 4i + 3j - 5k$ find the scalar product $(\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{C}$ (3mks)

d. Find a unit vector perpendicular to both $\vec{A} = i - 2j + k$ and $\vec{B} = 3i + j - 2k$ (3mks)

e. If $\vec{r} = (t^3 + 2t)i - 3e^{-2t}j + 2\sin 5tk$, find

i). $\left| \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right|$ ii). $\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2}$ at $t = 0$.

Give a possible physical significance (5mks)

f. Prove that the dot product of two vectors $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = |u||v| \cos \theta$ where θ is the angle between the vectors (4mks)

g. If $\vec{A} = (x^2y^3 - z^4)i + 4x^5y^2zj - y^4z^6k$ find

i). curl A

ii). div A (3mks)

h. The position of a moving particle is given by

$$r(t) = 2 \cos t i + 2 \sin t j + 3tk.$$

Find the vectors T, N, B and the curvature (7mks)

Question 2

a. If $f = x \sin yz$, find the gradient of f and the directional derivative of f at $(1, 3, 0)$ in the direction of $v = i + 2j - k$ (5mks)

b. Find scalars a, b, c such that the vector \vec{F} is given by

$$\vec{F} = (x + 2y + az)i + (bx - 3y - z)j + (4x + cy + 2z)k$$

is irrotational. Hence express \vec{F} as a gradient of a scalar function (8mks)

c. An object starts from rest at the point $P = (1, 2, 0)$ and moves with an acceleration of $a(t) = j + 2k$ where $|a(t)|$ is measured in feet per second. Find the location of the object after $t = 2$ seconds (7mks)

Question 3

- a. Define the term 'line integral' of a continuous vector field (3mks)
- b. Find the work done by $\vec{F} = (y - x^2)\mathbf{i} + (z - y^2)\mathbf{j} + (x - z^2)\mathbf{k}$ over the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = t\mathbf{i} + t^2\mathbf{j} + t^3\mathbf{k}$ from $(0, 0, 0)$ to $(1, 1, 1)$ (7mks)
- c. Let $\vec{F} = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$. Evaluate $\iiint_v F dv$ where v is the region bounded by $x + y + z = a$ ($a > 0$), $x = 0$, $y = 0$, $z = 0$ (10mks)

Question 4

- a. Evaluate $\int_c A \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ where $\vec{A} = 3xy\mathbf{i} - y^2\mathbf{j}$ along $y = 2x^2$ in the $x - y$ plane from $(0, 0)$ to $(1, 2)$ (5mks)
- b. State the divergence theorem hence evaluate $\iint_s \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds$ where the vector $\mathbf{F} = 4xz\mathbf{i} - y^2\mathbf{j} + yz\mathbf{k}$ and s is the surface of a cube bounded by $x = 0, x = 1, y = 0, y = 1, z = 0, z = 1$ (10mks)
- c. State and prove the Frenet Serret formulas (5mks)

Question 5

- a. Verify Greens theorem for $\oint_c (xy + y^2)dx + x^2dy$ where c is the region bounded by the curves $y = x$ and $y = x^2$ (8mks)
- b. Verify the Stokes' theorem for the vector field $\vec{F} = 2z\mathbf{i} + 3x\mathbf{j} + 5y\mathbf{k}$ taking s to be the portion of the paraboloid $z = 4 - x^2 - y^2$ for which $z \geq 0$ with upward orientation and the curve to be positively oriented circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ that forms the boundary of s in the xy plane (12mks)

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ALL THE BEST