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(2017 Admission Onwards)
MATHEMATICS



MAT4C16 : Differential Geometry

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART – A

Answer any four questions. Each question carries 4 marks :

1. Sketch the level sets and graph of the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1 - x_2$.
2. Show that the set of all unit vectors at all points of \mathbb{R}^2 forms a 3-surface in \mathbb{R}^4 .
3. Show that if $\alpha : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ is a parametrized curve with constant speed then $\ddot{\alpha}(t) \perp \dot{\alpha}(t)$ for all t in I .
4. If X and Y are smooth vector fields tangent to an n -surface S in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} along a parametrized curve $\alpha : I \rightarrow S$, verify that $(X \cdot Y)' = X' \cdot Y + X \cdot Y'$, where X' denote the covariant derivative of X .
5. Find the length of the parametrized curve $\alpha : [0, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by $\alpha(t) = (t^2, t^3)$.
6. Define the differential $d\phi$ of a smooth map $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ where U is open in \mathbb{R}^n . Also with usual notations, show that the value of $d\phi(\nabla)$ does not depend on the choice of the parametrized curve. (4x4=16)



PART - B

Answer **any four** questions without omitting any Unit. Each question carries 16 marks :

Unit - I

7. a) Show that for a smooth vector field \mathbb{X} on an open set U of \mathbb{R}^{n+1} there exists a maximal integral curve of \mathbb{X} through each point p of U .
- b) Consider the vector field $\mathbb{X}(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, x_2, 1, 0)$ on \mathbb{R}^2 . For $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$, let $\varphi_t(p) = \alpha_p(t)$ where α_p is the maximal integral curve of \mathbb{X} through p .
- Show that for, each t , φ_t is a one to one transformation from \mathbb{R}^2 onto itself.
 - Show that $\varphi_0 = \text{identity}$, $\varphi_{t_1+t_2} = \varphi_{t_1} \circ \varphi_{t_2}$ for all $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\varphi_{-t} = \varphi_t^{-1}$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.
8. a) Let U be an open set in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} and let $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be smooth. Let $p \in U$ be a regular point of f and let $c = f(p)$. Prove that the set of all vectors tangent to $f^{-1}(c)$ at p is $[\nabla f(p)]^\perp$.
- b) Define an n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} . Let $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be smooth where U is open in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} . Show that graph (f) is an n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} .
9. a) State and prove Lagrange multiplier theorem.
- b) Let S be an n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} , let \mathbb{X} be a smooth tangent vector field on S and $p \in S$. Prove the existence of the maximal integral curve of \mathbb{X} through p .
- c) Find two orientations on the n -sphere $x_1^2 + \dots + x_{n+1}^2 = 1$.

Unit - II

10. a) Define spherical image of an oriented n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} and illustrate with an example.
- b) Let S be an n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} , let $p \in S$ and let $\mathbb{V} \in S_p$. Prove the existence of the maximal geodesic in S passing through p with initial velocity \mathbb{V} .



11. a) What is meant by Levi-Civita parallelism? State any four properties of Levi-Civita parallelism.
- b) Let S be an n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} , let $p, q \in S$. Let α be a piecewise smooth parametrized curve from p to q . Prove that the parallel transport $P_\alpha: S_p \rightarrow S_q$ along α is a vector space isomorphism which preserves dot products.
12. a) Prove that the Weingarten map is self-adjoint.
- b) Prove that local parametrizations of plane curves are unique up to reparametrization.
- c) Let $\alpha(t) = (x(t), y(t))$, $t \in I$ be a local parametrization of an oriented plane curve C . Show that $k \circ \alpha = (x'y'' - y'x'') / (x'^2 + y'^2)^{3/2}$, $k(p)$ denotes the curvature of C at $p \in C$.

Unit - III

13. a) Let C be a connected oriented plane curve and let $\beta: I \rightarrow C$ be a unit speed global parametrization of C . Prove that β is either one to one or periodic.
- b) Let η be the 1-form on $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$ defined by $\eta = \left(-x_2 / (x_1^2 + x_2^2) \right) dx_1 + \left(x_1 / (x_1^2 + x_2^2) \right) dx_2$. Prove that for $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$ any closed piecewise parametrized curve in $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$, $\int_\alpha \eta = 2\pi k$ for some integer k .
14. a) On each compact oriented n -surface S in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} , prove that there exists a point p such that the second fundamental form at p is definite.
- b) Find the Gaussian curvature of the ellipsoid $x_1^2 + (x_2^2/4) + (x_3^2/9) = 1$, oriented by its outward normal.
15. a) Find the Gaussian curvature of the parametrized torus Ψ in \mathbb{R}^3 defined by $\Psi(\theta, \phi) = ((a + b \cos \phi) \cos \theta, (a + b \cos \phi) \sin \theta, b \sin \phi)$.
- b) Let S be an n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} and let $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$. If $f \circ \varphi$ is smooth for each local parametrization $\varphi: U \rightarrow S$, then prove that f is smooth. **(4×16=64)**