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Course Code: MTH 303

Course Title: Vectors and Tensors Analysis

Credit Unit: 3

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Instruction: Answer Question Number One and Any Other Four Questions

1. (a) (i) Show that the angle between two vectors $\underline{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$ and $\underline{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$ can be expressed as $\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3}{|\underline{a}||\underline{b}|}$ **(4 marks)**
(ii) Give the definition of the magnitude of a vector product in terms of the area of a parallelogram. **(2 marks)**
(iii) Show that if $\underline{a} \wedge \underline{b} = 0$ and neither $\underline{a} = 0$ nor $\underline{b} = 0$, then \underline{a} and \underline{b} are parallel. **(3 marks)**
(b) Define the followings: **(3 marks)**
 - (i) Derivative of a vector function $\underline{A}(u)$ **(2 marks)**
 - (ii) Gradient of the function $\phi(x, y, z)$ **(2 marks)**
 - (iii) the curl of a vector function \underline{A} **(3 marks)**
 - (c) (i) State the Divergence Theorem **(3 marks)**
(ii) State Stoke's Theorem **(3 marks)**
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2. (a) If $\underline{A}, \underline{B}, \underline{C}$ are differentiable vector functions of a scalar u , give the expressions for the following derivatives. I. $\frac{d}{du}(\underline{A} \cdot (\underline{B} \wedge \underline{C}))$ II. $\frac{d}{du}(\underline{A} \wedge (\underline{B} \wedge \underline{C}))$ **(4 marks)**
(b) Given a vector $\underline{Q} = \cos 3ti + \sin 3tj$, obtain $\left| \frac{d\underline{Q}}{dt} \right|$ **(4 marks)**
(c) Show that $\text{Grad } \phi \cdot d\mathbf{r} = d\phi$ **(4 marks)**

3. (a) Show that $\frac{d\phi}{ds} = \frac{dr}{ds} \cdot \text{Grad } \phi$ **(4 marks)**
- (b) If $\phi(n, y, z) = 2n^2yz^2$, find $\nabla\phi$ **(4 marks)**
- (c) If $\phi = n^2yz$ a scalar function and $\underline{A} = 2nzi + yzj - ny^2k$, find $\nabla \cdot (\phi\underline{A})$ at the point (1, -1, 1). **(4 marks)**
4. (a) What is summation convention? **(3 marks)**
- (b) Define the contravariant component of a tensor of the second rank. **(3 marks)**
- (c) Explain the terms ‘Outer product of tensors’ and ‘Contraction’ **(6 marks)**
5. (a) Evaluate $\int_c (x + 3y)dx$ from A(0, 1) to B(2, 5) along the curve $y = 1+x^2$. **(6 marks)**
- (b) Evaluate $I = \int_c \{(x^2 + 2y)dx + xydy\}$ from O(0, 0) to B(1, 4) along the curve $y = 4x^2$. **(6 marks)**
6. (a) Evaluate the double integral $\iint_R (x^2 - y^3)dxdy$, $1 \leq x \leq 2$, $2 \leq y \leq 4$ **(6 marks)**
- (b) A solid is enclosed by the planes $z = 0$, $y = 1$, $y = 2$, $x = 0$, $x = 3$ and the surface $z = x + y^2$. Determine the volume of the solid so formed **(6 marks)**