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Course Code: MTH 311
Course Title: Calculus of Several Variables
Credit Unit: 3
Time allowed: 3 Hours
Instruction: Answer Question Number One and Any Other Four Questions

1. (a) Define each of the following:
 - (i) a real-valued function of two variables. **(1 mark)**
 - (ii) an odd function. **(1 mark)**
 - (iii) an even function. **(1 mark)**
 - (iv) an inflexion point **(1 mark)**
- (b) Find $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \left[\frac{3x^2y}{x^2 + y^2} \right]$ if it exists? **(8 marks)**
- (c) Suppose the function h is defined by $h(x) = 3x^2 - 7x - 5$, find $h(x-2)$ **(4 marks)**
- (d) If $z(x, y) = 2x^3 + 3xy + 2y^2$. Find (i) z_x (ii) z_y (iii) z_{xx} (iv) z_{yy}
(v) z_{xy} (vi) z_{yx} **(6 marks)**
2. (a) Define each of the following:
 - (i) a partial function. **(3 marks)**
 - (ii) an exact differential **(3 marks)**
- (b) If $u = (1 - 2xy + y^2)^{-1/2}$, prove that $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = y^2 u^3$ **(6 marks)**
3. (a) Suppose $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. **(6 marks)**
- (b) If $y = \sin^{-1} x$, find the derivative of y . **(6 marks)**

4. (a) Define a function of two variables. **(3 marks)**
- (b) Find $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,2)} [x^2y^3 - x^3y^2 + 3x + 2y]$. **(3 marks)**
- (c) Find all the second order derivatives for
 $f(x, y) = \cos 2x - x^2e^{5y} + 3y^2$. **(6 marks)**
5. (a) Define the Taylor's Series of a real function $f(x, y)$ **(3 marks)**
- (b) (i) State the necessary condition for a function $f(x, y)$
to have a maxima or minima. **(1 mark)**
- (ii) State the condition for a function $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
to have maximum or minimum **(2 marks)**
- (c) Find the maximum and minimum of the function
 $z(x, y) = x^2 + xy + y^2 - y$ **(6 marks)**
6. (a) Find the maximum and minimum of $f(x, y) = 5x - 3y$
subject to the constraint $x^2 + y^2 = 136$. **(9 marks)**
- (b) Given the function $f(x, y, z, t) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + t^2 + xyz t^{-3}$,
find the partial derivative of f with respect to t . **(3 marks)**