



**III Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, December 2014**  
**(RNS) (Y2K11 Scheme)**  
**MATHEMATICS**  
**M303 : Differential Geometry**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- Instructions :** 1) Answer **any five** questions choosing at least **two** from **each** Part.  
2) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

## PART – A

1. a) Define directional derivative of a differentiable function on  $E^3$ .

If  $V_p = (v_1, v_2, v_3)_p$  in any tangent vector to  $E^3$  at  $P \in E^3$ , then prove that for any real valued differentiable function  $f$  on  $E^3$ , directional derivative of  $f$  by  $V_p$

$$\text{in } V_p[f] = \sum_{i=1}^3 v_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(p).$$

Use the above the formula to compute  $V_p[f]$

for  $f = e^x \cos y$ ,  $V_p : P = (2, 0, -1)$ ,  $V = (2, -1, 3)$ .

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- b) Let  $h(s) = \log s$  on  $J : s > 0$ . Reparametrize the curve  $\alpha(t) = (e^t, e^{-t}, \sqrt{2} t)$

using  $h$ . Verify the formula  $B'(s) = \alpha'(h(s)) \frac{dh}{ds}(s)$ , where  $B$  in a

reparametrisation of  $\alpha$  by  $h$ .

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2. a) Let  $f(x, y, z) = (x^2 - 1) dy + (y^2 + 2) z$ . Find the 1 – form  $df$  and evaluate it on  $V_p : V = (1, 2, -3)$ ,  $P = (0, -2, 1)$ .

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- b) Let  $\phi = yz dx + dz$ ,  $\psi = \sin z dz + \cos z dy$  be two 1 – forms on  $E^3$ . Then compute  $\phi \wedge \psi$  and  $d(\phi \wedge \psi)$ . Verify the formula  $d(\phi \wedge \psi) = d\phi \wedge \psi - \phi \wedge d\psi$ .

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- c) Let  $F : E^3 \rightarrow E^3$  be a mapping defined by  $F(x, y, z) = (x \cos y, x \sin y, z)$ . Then compute  $F_{*p} V_p$  for  $V_p : V = (2, -1, 3)$ ,  $P = (0, 0, 1)$ .

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3. a) Derive Frenet formulae for a unit speed curve. 5
- b) Compute the Frenet apparatus  $T, N, B, K, \tau$  for a unit speed curve  $\beta(s) = \left( \frac{4}{5} \cos s, 1 - \sin s, \frac{-3}{5} \cos s \right)$  and show that it is a circle. 5
- c) With usual notations derive the formula  $\nabla_{v_p} W = \sum V_p[w_i] U_i(p)$ , where  $W = (w_1, w_2, w_3)$  is a vector field on  $E^3$ . Use it to compute  $\nabla_{v_p} W$  for  $W = x^2V_1 + yV_2$  and  $V_p : V = (1, -1, 2)$  and  $P = (1, 3, -1)$ . 6
4. a) Let  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  be a frame field on  $E^3$  with the attitude matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$ . Then show that the matrix of connection forms  $W = (W_{ij})$  of  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  is given by  $W = (dA) A^t$ , where  $dA$  is the differential and  $A^t$  is the transpose of  $A$ . Use the formula to compute connection forms of a cylindrical frame field. 9
- b) Prove the following :
- i) an orthogonal transformation on  $E^3$  is an isometry.
- ii) an isometry  $F : E^3 \rightarrow E^3$  with  $F(0) = 0$  is an orthogonal transformation. 7

PART – B

5. a) Define :
- i) Proper patch
- ii) Simple surface.

If  $X : E^2 \rightarrow E^3$  is defined by  $X(u, v) = (u + v, u - v, uv)$ , then prove that  $X$  is a proper patch in  $E^3$  and its image is the surface  $z = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{4}$ . 6

- b) Let  $g$  be a real valued differentiable function on  $E^3$  and 'c' be a real number. Show that the subset  $M = \{(x, y, z) \in E^3 / g(x, y, z) = c\}$  is a surface in  $E^3$  if  $dg \neq 0$  at any point of  $M$ . Hence deduce that a sphere is a surface in  $E^3$ . (6+4)



- 6. a) Obtain parametrization of a cylinder. 4
- b) Let P be any point in a surface M and X be a patch in M with  $P = X(u_0, v_0)$ . Show that a tangent vector  $V_p$  to  $E^3$  at P is tangent to M at P if and only if  $V_p$  is a linear combination of  $X_u(u_0, v_0)$  and  $X_v(u_0, v_0)$ . 6
- c) With usual notations, prove
  - i)  $F^*(\xi \wedge \eta) = F^*(\xi) \wedge F^*(\eta)$
  - ii)  $F^*(d\xi) = d(F^*\xi)$ . 6
- 7. a) Define shape operator of a surface at a point. Find the shape operator of the saddle surface at (0, 0, 0). 6
- b) Show that every point on a sphere is a umbilic point. 6
- c) With usual notations prove  $K = k_1 k_2$ ,  $H = \frac{1}{2}(k_1 + k_2)$ . 4
- 8. a) Prove that the Gaussian and mean curvatures of a surface are given by 4

$$K = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} sv.v & sv.w \\ sw.v & sw.w \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} v.v & v.w \\ w.v & w.w \end{vmatrix}}, \quad H = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} sv.v & sv.w \\ w.v & w.w \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} v.v & v.w \\ sw.v & sw.w \end{vmatrix}}{2 \begin{vmatrix} v.v & v.w \\ w.v & w.w \end{vmatrix}}$$

- b) If X is a patch in a surface M in  $E^3$ , then prove that the fundamental magnitudes  $l, m, n$  are given by  $l = U \cdot X_{uu}$ ,  $m = U \cdot X_{uv}$ ,  $n = U \cdot X_{vv}$ , where U is a unit normal vector field on M. Hence compute the Gaussian and mean curvatures of  $X(u, v) = (u \cos v, u \sin v, bv)$ ,  $b \neq 0$ . 7
- c) Determine the geodesics in 5
  - i) plane
  - ii) sphere.

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