

Third Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, Dec. 2015  
(CBCS)

MATHEMATICS  
M 301 T : Differential Geometry

Max. Marks : 70

Time : 3 Hours

**Instructions :** 1) Answer **any five** questions.  
2) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

1. a) Define :
- Natural co-ordinate function
  - Tangent vector
  - Natural frame field.

With usual notations on  $E^3$ , prove that  $v = \sum_{i=1}^3 v_i U_i$ .

- b) Let  $V_1 = U_1 - x U_3$ ,  $V_2 = U_2$  and  $V_3 = x U_1 + U_3$ . Prove that the vectors  $V_1(P)$ ,  $V_2(P)$ ,  $V_3(P)$  are linearly independent at each point of  $E^3$ .

- c) Define :
- Curves in  $E^3$ .
  - Reparametrization on  $E^3$ .

Let  $\alpha$  be a curve in  $E^3$  and  $f$  be a differentiable function on  $E^3$ . Then prove

$$\text{that } \alpha'(t) [f] = \frac{d}{dt} (f \circ \alpha) (t).$$

(5+4+5)

2. a) If  $\phi$  is a 1-form on  $E^3$ , then show that  $\phi = \sum f_i dx_i$ , where  $f_i = \phi(u_i) = \phi \cdot u_i$ .

- b) Let  $f$  and  $g$  be functions,  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are 1-forms. Then show that

$$d(\phi \wedge \psi) = d\phi \wedge \psi - \phi \wedge d\psi.$$

- c) For any function  $f$ , show that  $d(df) = 0$ . Deduce that  $d(f dg) = df \wedge dg$ . (4+6+4)

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3. a) Define a derivative map. Let  $F = (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m)$  be a mapping from  $E^n$  to  $E^m$ . If  $v_p$  is a tangent vector to  $E^n$  at  $P$ , then show that  $F^*(v_p) = (v_p[f_1], v_p[f_2], \dots, v_p[f_m])$  at  $F(P)$ .

b) With usual notations, prove that

$$\begin{bmatrix} T^1 \\ N^1 \\ B^1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & K & 0 \\ -K & 0 & \tau \\ 0 & -\tau & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T \\ N \\ B \end{bmatrix}.$$

- c) Let  $\beta$  be a unit speed curve in  $E^3$  with  $k > 0$ . Then show that  $\beta$  is a plane curve if and only if  $\tau = 0$ . (5+5+4)

4. a) Define a covariant derivative. If  $W$  is a vector field with constant length  $\|W\|$ , prove that for any vector field  $V$ , the covariant derivative  $\nabla_V W$  is everywhere orthogonal to  $W$ .

- b) Define connection forms. Let  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  be a frame field on  $E^3$ . For each tangent vector  $v$  to  $E^3$  at  $P$ , let  $w_{ij}(v) = \nabla_v E_i \cdot E_j(P)$ ,  $(1 \leq i, j \leq 3)$ . Then show that each  $w_{ij}$  is a 1-form and  $w_{ij} = -w_{ji}$ .

- c) Define an isometry on  $E^3$ . If  $F$  and  $G$  are isometries of  $E^3$ , then show that the composite mapping  $G \circ F$  is also an isometry of  $E^3$ . (5+5+4)

5. a) Define a surface in  $E^3$ . Use the definition to show that a sphere of unit radius with centre origin is a surface.

- b) Show that the function  $\mathcal{K} : D \rightarrow E^3$  defined by  $\mathcal{K}(u, v) = (u^2, uv, v^2)$ ,  $u > 0, v > 0$  is a proper patch.

- c) Show that the ellipsoid  $M : \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$  is a simple surface. (4+5+5)

6. a) Show that a mapping  $\mathcal{K} : D \rightarrow E^3$  is regular if and only if the  $(u, v)$  partial derivatives  $\mathcal{K}_u(d)$  and  $\mathcal{K}_v(d)$  are linearly independent for all  $d \in D \subset E^2$ .

- b) Obtain parametrization of surface of revolution.



c) Let  $F : M \rightarrow N$  be a mapping of surfaces and  $F^*$  be its pull back function. Prove the following for  $p$ -forms ( $p = 0, 1, 2$ )  $\xi$  and  $\eta$

i)  $F^*(\xi + \eta) = F^*\xi + F^*\eta$

ii)  $F^*(\xi \wedge \eta) = F^*\xi \wedge F^*\eta$  (5+5+4)

7. a) Define shape operator of a surface in  $E^3$ . Find the shape operator of the following surfaces :

- i) Sphere of radius  $r$
- ii) A cylinder.

b) Define normal curvature of a surface. If 'P' is an umbilic point of a surface  $M$  in  $E^3$ , then prove that the shape operator  $S$  at  $P$  is just a scalar multiplication by  $K = K_1 = K_2$ . (8+6)

8. a) If  $\mathcal{X}$  is a patch in a surface  $M$  in  $E^3$ , then prove that the Gaussian and mean

curvatures of  $M$  are given by  $K = \frac{In - m^2}{EG - F^2}$ ,  $H = \frac{Gl + En - 2Fm}{2(EG - F^2)}$  where  $l = U \cdot \mathcal{X}_{uu}$ ,  $m = U \cdot \mathcal{X}_{uv}$ ,  $n = U \cdot \mathcal{X}_{vv}$ ,  $U$  is a unit vector field on  $M$  and  $E = \mathcal{X}_u \cdot \mathcal{X}_u$ ,  $F = \mathcal{X}_u \cdot \mathcal{X}_v$ ,  $G = \mathcal{X}_v \cdot \mathcal{X}_v$ .

b) Find the Gaussian curvature of the ellipsoid  $g: \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$ .

c) Find the geodesics in a cylinder. (6+4+4)



III Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, December 2016  
(CBCS)

MATHEMATICS

M 301T : Differential Geometry

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

**Instructions :** 1) Answer any five questions.

2) All questions carry equal marks.

1. a) Define directional derivative of a differentiable function by a tangent vector.  
If  $V_P = (v_1, v_2, v_3)_P$  is a tangent vector to  $E^3$  at  $p$  and  $f$  is a real valued differentiable function on  $E^3$  then show that the directional derivative  

$$V_P[f] = \sum_{i=1}^3 v_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(p)$$
. Use it to prove  $U_1[f] = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}$  for a natural frame field  $(U_1, U_2, U_3)$  on  $E^3$ . 7
- b) If  $V = xU_1 - y^2U_3$ ,  $f = x^2y + z^3$ , and  $g = xy$  then compute  $V[f]$ ,  $V[g]$  and  $V[fg]$ . 7
2. a) Define reparametrisation of a curve. Show that every regular curve has a unit speed reparametrisation. 6
- b) Reparametrise the curve  $\alpha(t) = (a \cos t, a \sin t, bt)$  by its arc length, where  $b > 0$ . 5
- c) Evaluate the 1-form  $\phi = x^2 dx - y^2 dz$  on the vector field  $V = xU_1 + yU_2 + zU_3$ . 3
3. a) If  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are any two 1-forms on  $E^3$  then prove that  

$$d(\phi \wedge \psi) = (d\phi \wedge \psi - \phi \wedge d\psi)$$
. 6
- b) If  $\beta$  is a unit speed curve with constant curvature  $k > 0$  and torsion zero then prove that  $\beta$  is part of a circle of radius  $\frac{1}{k}$ . 4
- c) Show that the curve  $\beta(s) = \left(\frac{4}{5} \cos s, 1 - \sin s, \frac{3}{5} \cos s\right)$  is a circle. 4
4. a) Let  $V = (1, -1, 2)$ ,  $P = (1, 3, -1)$  and  $W = x^2U_1 + yU_2$ . Then compute  $\nabla_V W$ . 4
- b) Obtain the connection forms for a cylindrical frame field. 5
- c) Prove that a translation, a rotation and an orthogonal transformation are isometries. 5

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5. a) Define a proper patch. If  $f$  is a real valued differentiable function on  $E^3$  then prove that the map  $X : D \subset E^2 \rightarrow E^3 : X(u, v) = (u, v, f(u, v)) \forall (u, v) \in D$  is a proper patch. 6
- b) Is cylinder in  $E^3$ , a surface? Justify. 4
- c) If  $M : g(x, y, z) = C$  is a surface in  $E^3$  then show that the gradient vector field  $\nabla g = \sum \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} U_i$  is a non vanishing normal vector field on  $E^3$ . 4
6. a) Obtain parametrisation of the following : 6
- i) A cylinder in  $E^3$ .
- ii) Entire surface obtained by revolving the curve  $C : y = \cosh x$  around  $x -$  axis.
- b) With usual notations prove
- i)  $d(F^*\xi) = F^*(d\xi)$ , for any 1-form  $\xi$
- ii)  $X^*(\phi) = \phi(X_u)du + \phi(X_v)dv$  for any 1-form  $\phi$ .
- iii)  $X^*(d\phi) = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial u}(\phi(X_v)) - \frac{\partial}{\partial v}(\phi(X_u)) \right) dudv$ . 8
7. a) Define shape operator of a surface at a point. Show that it is a linear operator. 5
- b) With usual notations prove  $K = k_1 k_2, H = \frac{1}{2}(k_1 + k_2)$ . 4
- c) If  $V$  and  $W$  are linearly independent tangent vectors at a point  $P$  of  $M \subset E^3$  then prove that
- i)  $S(V) \times S(W) = K(P) V \times W$ .
- ii)  $SV \times W + V \times SW = 2H(P) V \times W$ . 5
8. a) Compute the Gaussian, the mean curvatures and hence the principal curvatures  $k_1, k_2$  for the surface  $X(u, v) = (u \cos v, u \sin v, bv)$ ,  $b \neq 0$ . 4
- b) Let  $\alpha$  be a regular curve in a surface  $M$  in  $E^3$  and let  $U$  be a unit normal vector field restricted to  $\alpha$ . Then prove that the curve  $\alpha$  is principal if and only if  $U'$  and  $\alpha'$  are collinear at each point. 6
- c) Determine the geodesics in
- i) a plane ii) a sphere 4



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 **atleast 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 an  $V_p : V = (1, 2, -3)$ ,  $P = (0, -2, 1)$ .

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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  
 $W = x^2 V_1 + y V_2$  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 : 7
- an orthogonal transformation on  $E^3$  is an isometry.
  - an isometry  $F : E^3 \rightarrow E^3$  with  $F(0) = 0$  is an orthogonal transformation.

## PART - B

5. a) Define :
- Proper patch
  - 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.





III Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, January 2013  
(R.N.S.) (Y2K11 Scheme)

MATHEMATICS

M 303 : Differential Geometry

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

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

PART – A

1. a) If  $V_1 = U_1 - xU_3$ ,  $V_2 = U_2$  and  $V_3 = xU_1 + U_3$  then prove that :
  - i)  $V_1(P)$ ,  $V_2(P)$  and  $V_3(P)$  are linearly independent at each  $P \in E^3$ .
  - ii) The vector field  $xU_1 + yU_2 + zU_3$  can be expressible as a linear combination of  $V_1, V_2, V_3$ . 8
- b) Compute  $V_p[f]$  for  $V_p : V = (2, 1, -3)$ ,  $P = (2, 0, -1)$  and  $f = y^2z$ . 4
- c) Prove the identity  $V = \sum V[x_i] U_i$  for any vector field  $V$ , where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  are natural coordinate functions. 4
2. a) Let  $\alpha$  be a curve in  $E^3$  and let  $f$  be a differentiable function on  $E^3$ . Then prove that  $\alpha'(t)[f] = \frac{d}{dt}(f \circ \alpha)(t)$ . 6
- b) Let  $h(s) = \log s$  on  $J$  and  $S > 0$ . Reparametrize  $\alpha(t) = (e^t, e^{-t}, \sqrt{2}t)$  using  $h$ . 4
- c) Evaluate the 1-form  $(z^2 - 1) dx - dy + x^2 dz$  on the tangent vector  $V_p : V = (1, 2, -3)$ ,  $P = (0, -2, 1)$ . 6
3. a) If  $F : E^n \rightarrow E^m$  is a mapping with  $F = (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m)$ , then prove that for any tangent vector  $V_p$ ,  $F_{*p} V_p = (V_p[f_1], V_p[f_2], \dots, V_p[f_m])_{F(p)}$ . Hence deduce that  $F_{*p}(U_j(P)) = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(P) U_i(F(P))$ ,  $J = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . 8
- b) Compute the Frenet apparatus  $T, N, B, K, \tau$  for a curve  $\beta(s) = (a \cos \frac{s}{C}, b \sin \frac{s}{C}, b \frac{s}{C})$ , where  $C = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ . 8

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4. a) If  $\alpha$  is a regular curve with speed function  $v$ , then prove that the velocity and acceleration of  $\alpha$  are given by  $\alpha' = v T, \alpha'' = \frac{dv}{dt} T + kv^2 N$ . 4
- b) Let  $V = (y - x) U_1 + xyU_3,$   
 $W = x^2 U_1 + yzU_3.$  Compute  $\nabla_v W$ . 5
- c) Prove that for an isometry  $F$  of  $E^3$  there exist a unique translation  $T$  and a unique orthogonal transformation  $C$  such that  $F = TC$ . 7

PART - B

5. a) Define a patch in  $E^3$ . Show that for a real valued differentiable function on a non empty open set  $D$  of  $E^2$ , the function  $X : D \rightarrow E^3$  defines by  $X(u, v) = (u, v, f(u, v))$  is a proper patch in  $E^3$ . 7
- b) Verify whether the function  $X(u, v) = (u, uv, v)$  is a patch or not. 4
- c) Show that surface of revolution is a surface. 5
6. a) Let  $g$  be a real valued differentiable function on  $E^3$  and  $M = \{(x, y, z) \in E^3 \mid g(x, y, z) = C\}$  is a surface in  $E^3$ . Prove that the gradient vector field  $\nabla g = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} U_i$  is a non-vanishing normal vector field on  $M$ . 7
- b) Parametrize the surface obtained by revolving the curve  $C : (z - 2)^2 + y^2 = 1$  around  $y$ -axis. 3
- c) Let  $X : D \rightarrow M$  be a patch in a surface  $M$  and let  $\phi$  and  $\gamma$  be 1-form and 2-forms respectively on  $M$ . Prove that :
- i)  $X^*(\phi) = \phi(X_u) du + \phi(X_v) dv$
- ii)  $X^*(\gamma) = \gamma(X_u, X_v) du dv$ . 6
7. a) Define shape operator of a surface. Find the shape operator of :
- i) a sphere of radius  $r$
- ii) a cylinder in  $E^3$ . 6



b) With usual notations prove :

$$K = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} SV \cdot V & SV \cdot W \\ SW \cdot V & SW \cdot W \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} V \cdot V & V \cdot W \\ W \cdot V & W \cdot W \end{vmatrix}}, H = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} SV \cdot V & SV \cdot W \\ V \cdot V & W \cdot W \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} V \cdot V & V \cdot W \\ SW \cdot V & SV \cdot W \end{vmatrix}}{2 \begin{vmatrix} V \cdot V & V \cdot W \\ W \cdot V & W \cdot W \end{vmatrix}}$$

c) Show that :

- i) a plane in  $E^3$ .
- ii) a cylinder in  $E^3$  are flat surfaces.

8. a) Compute  $K$  and  $H$  hence  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  for the surface  $M : Z = xy$ , where  $K, H, K_1$  and  $K_2$  have their usual meaning.

b) Determine the geodesics in a cylinder.

c) Prove that the tangent vector  $V = v_1 X_u + v_2 X_v$  is a principal vector if and

only if  $\begin{vmatrix} v_2^2 & -v_1 v_2 & v_1^2 \\ E & F & G \\ e & m & n \end{vmatrix} = 0$ .

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