

**MSc DEGREE EXAMINATION OCTOBER 2015**  
**SEMESTER - 3, MATHEMATICS**  
**COURSE CODE: P3MATT13- DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY**

Time: 3 Hours

Max.Marks:75

## Part A

(Answer any 5 questions. Each carries 2 marks)

1. Define the terms Graph and Level set of a function  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; U \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$
2. Find the Integral curve through  $(a, b)$  for the vector field  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{p}) = (p, X(p))$  where  $X(p) = -p$
3. Define the Gauss map
4. Prove that the Covariant derivative is independent of the choice of orientation
5. Find  $\nabla_v f$  where  $f = 2x_1^2 + 3x_2^2; v = (1, 0, 2, 1)$
6. What do you mean by Curvature of a plane curve
7. Define Normal section of an  $n$ - surface at  $p$  determined by a unit vector  $\mathbf{v}$
8. State Inverse function theorem for an  $n$ -surface

## Part B

(Answer any 5 questions .Each carries 5 marks)

9. Let  $U$  be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .  $\mathbf{X}$  be a smooth vector field on  $U$ . Suppose  $\alpha: I \rightarrow U$  is an integral curve of  $\mathbf{X}$  with  $\alpha(0) = \alpha(t_0)$  for some  $t_0 \in I; t_0 \neq 0$ , show that  $\alpha$  is periodic
10. Let  $S$  be an  $n$  surface in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}, S = f^{-1}(c)$  where  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is such that  $\nabla f(q) \neq 0$  for all  $q \in S$ . Suppose  $g: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a smooth function and  $p \in S$  is an extreme point of  $g$  on  $S$ , then prove that there exists a real number  $\lambda$  such that  $\nabla g(p) = \lambda \nabla f(p)$
11. Prove that Geodesics have constant speed
12. Let  $S$  be an  $n$ - surface in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , let  $p, q \in S$  and let  $\alpha$  be a piecewise smooth parameterized curve from  $p$  to  $q$ . Prove that  $P\alpha: S_p \rightarrow S_q$  along  $\alpha$  is linear and one to one
13. Compute the Weingarten map for the sphere  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_{n+1}^2 = r^2; r > 0$  oriented by  $\mathbf{N} = -\frac{\nabla f}{\|\nabla f\|}$
14. Prove that length of a parameterized curve is invariant under re parameterization