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MSc DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH/APRIL 2019

SEMESTER 4 : MATHEMATICS

COURSE : 16P4MATT16EL : DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY

(For Regular - 2017 Admission and Supplementary 2016 Admission)

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

Section A

Answer any 10 (1.5 marks each)

1. Describe the level sets of $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 - x_2^2 + x_3$, for $n = 0, 1, 2$.
2. Sketch the level sets $f^{-1}(c)$ for $n = 0, 1, 2$, where $f(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) = x_{n+1}$ and $c = -1, 0, 1, 2$
3. Sketch the vector field on $\mathbb{R}^2 : \mathbb{X}(p) = (p, X(p))$ where $X(x_1, x_2) = (-2x_2, \frac{1}{2}x_1)$.
4. Find the velocity, the acceleration, and the speed of parametrized curve $\alpha(t) = (\cos 3t, \sin 3t)$.
5. Find the velocity, the acceleration, and the speed of parametrized curve $\alpha(t) = (\cos t, \sin t, 2 \cos t, 2 \sin t)$.
6. Show that if \mathbb{X} is parallel along α , then \mathbb{X} has constant length.
7. Define parametrization of a segment of the plane curve C containing p .
8. Define the circle of curvature of a plane curve.
9. Give Frenet formula for a plane curve.
10. Let S be an oriented n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} , let $p \in S$, and let $\{k_1(p), \dots, k_n(p)\}$ be the principal curvatures of S at p with corresponding orthogonal principal curvature directions $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$. Prove that the normal curvature $k(\mathbf{v})$ in the direction $\mathbf{v} \in S_p$ is given by $k(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i(p)(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i(p) \cos^2 \theta_i$ where $\theta_i = \cos^{-1}(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}_i)$.

(1.5 x 10 = 15)

Section B

Answer any 4 (5 marks each)

11. Find the integral curve through $p = (x_1, x_2) = (1, 1)$ of the vector field $\mathbb{X}(p) = (p, x_2, x_1)$.
12. Let U be an open set in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} . \mathbb{X} be a smooth vector field on U . Suppose $\alpha : I \rightarrow U$ is an integral curve of \mathbb{X} with $\alpha(0) = \alpha(t_0)$ for some $t_0 \in I$, $t_0 \neq 0$. Show that α is periodic.

13. Let S be a 2-surface in \mathbb{R}^3 and let $\alpha : I \rightarrow S$ be a geodesic in S with $\dot{\alpha} \neq 0$. Prove that a vector field \mathbb{X} tangent to S along α is parallel along α if and only if both $\|\mathbb{X}\|$ and the angle between \mathbb{X} and α are constant along α .
14. Compute $\nabla_v f$ where $f(x_1, x_2) = 2x_1^2 + 3x_2^2$, $v = (1, 0, 2, 1)$.
15. Describe the geometric meaning of Weingarten map.
16. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space with dot product and let $L : V \rightarrow V$ be a self-adjoint linear transformation on V . Let $S = \{v \in V : v \cdot v = 1\}$ and define $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(v) = L(v) \cdot v$. Suppose f is stationary at $v_0 \in S$. Prove that $L(v_0) = f(v_0)v_0$.

(5 x 4 = 20)

Section C

Answer any 4 (10 marks each)

- 17.1. Let U be an open set in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} and let $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be smooth. Let $p \in U$ be a regular point of f , and let $c = f(p)$. Prove that the set of all vectors tangent to $f^{-1}(c)$ at p is equal to $[\nabla f(p)]^\perp$.
OR
2. Consider the vector field $\mathbb{X}(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, x_2, x_2, x_1)$ on \mathbb{R}^2 . For $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$, let $\varphi_t(p) = \alpha_p(t)$ where α_p is the maximal integral curve of \mathbb{X} through p . Prove that $t \mapsto \varphi_t$ is a homomorphism from the additive group of real numbers into the group of one to one transformations of the plane.
- 18.1. Let S be an n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} , let $p, q \in S$, and let α be a piecewise smooth parametrized curve from p to q . Prove that the parallel transport $P_\alpha : S_p \rightarrow S_q$ along α is a vector space isomorphism which preserves dot products.
OR
2. Let S be a compact connected oriented n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} exhibited as a level set $f^{-1}(c)$ of a smooth function $f : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $\nabla f(p) \neq 0 \quad \forall p \in S$. Prove that the Gauss map maps S onto the unit sphere S^n .
- 19.1. Prove that the Weingarten map L_p is self-adjoint.
OR
2. Let C be a connected oriented plane curve and let $\beta : I \rightarrow C$ be a unit speed global parametrization of C . Then prove that
 - (i) β is either one to one or periodic.
 - (ii) β is periodic if and only if C is compact.
- 20.1. (i) Find the Gaussian curvature of $\phi(t, \theta) = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta, t)$
(ii) Prove that on each compact oriented n -surface S in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} there exists a point p such that the second fundamental form at p is definite.
OR
2. Let S be an oriented n -surface in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} and let \mathbf{v} be a unit vector in S_p , $p \in S$. Then prove that
 - (i) There exists an open set $V \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ containing p such that $S \cap \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{v}) \cap V$ is a plane curve.
 - (ii) The curvature at p of this curve is equal to the normal curvature $k(v)$.

(10 x 4 = 40)