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# M. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - APRIL 2021 <br> SEMESTER 4 : MATHEMATICS 

COURSE : 16P4MATT16EL : DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY
(For Regular - 2019 Admission \& Supplementary - 2018/2017/2016 Admissions)
Time : Three Hours
Max. Marks: 75

## PART A

Answer any 10 (1.5 marks each)

1. Describe the graphs and level sets(level curves) of $f\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=x_{1}$.
2. Define Smooth Vector Field.
3. Sketch the vector field on $\mathbb{R}^{2}: \mathbb{X}(p)=(p, X(p))$ where $X\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=\left(x_{2},-x_{1}\right)$.
4. Find the velocity, the acceleration, and the speed of parametrized curve $\alpha(t)=\left(t, t^{2}\right)$
5. Define covariant derivative of a parallel vector field.
6. Define Gauss map
7. Define parametrization of a segment of the plane curve $C$ containing $p$.
8. Define the length of a parameterised curve.
9. Let $f$ and $g$ be two smooth functions on the open set $J \subset R^{n+1}$ show that $d(f+g)=d f+d g$.
10. State inverse function theorem for $n$-surface.
$(1.5 \times 10=15)$

## PART B

Answer any 4 (5 marks each)
11. Find the integral curve through $p=\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=(1,1)$ of the vector field $\mathbb{X}(p)=\left(p, x_{2},-x_{1}\right)$.
12. State and prove the existence of Lagrange multiplier.
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 $\alpha$ is parallel along $\alpha$ if and only if both $\|\mathbb{X}\|$ and the angle between $\mathbb{X}$ and $\alpha$ are constant along $\alpha$.
14. Let $U$ be an open set in $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ and let $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a smooth function. Show that $\nabla_{e_{i}} f=\left(\partial f / \partial x_{i}\right)(p)$ where $p \in U$ and $e_{i}=(p, 0 \ldots, 1, \ldots, 0)$.
15. Find the curvature $\kappa$ of the plane curve $f^{-1}(c)$, oriented by $\nabla f /\|\nabla f\|$ where $f\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=a x_{1}+b x_{2}, \quad(a, b) \neq(0,0)$.
16. Let $V$ be a finite dimensional vector space with dot product and let $L: V \rightarrow V$ be a selfadjoint 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 staionary at $v_{0} \in S$. Prove that $L\left(v_{0}\right)=f\left(v_{0}\right) v_{0}$.
(5 x $4=20$ )

## PART 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 $\mathbb{X}\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{2}, x_{1}\right)$ on $\mathbb{R}^{2}$. For $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p \in \mathbb{R}^{2}$, let $\varphi_{t}(p)=\alpha_{p}(t)$ where $\alpha_{p}$ 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 $\alpha$ be a piecewise smooth parametrized curve from $p$ to $q$. Prove that the parallel transport $P_{\alpha}: S_{p} \rightarrow S_{q}$ along $\alpha$ 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 $\nabla f(p) \neq 0 \forall p \in S$. Prove that the Gauss map maps $S$ onto the unit sphere $S^{n}$.
19.1. Prove that the Weingarten map Lp is self-adjoint.

## OR

2. Let $\eta$ be the 1 -form on $\mathbb{R}^{2}-\{0\}$ defined by $\eta=-\frac{x_{2}}{x_{1}^{2}+x_{2}^{2}} d x_{1}+\frac{x_{1}}{x_{1}^{2}+x_{2}^{2}} d x_{2}$. Prove that for $\alpha:[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2}-\{0\}$ any closed piecewise smooth parameterized curve in $\mathbb{R}^{2}-\{0\}, \int_{\alpha} \eta=2 \pi k$ for some integer $k$.
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 $k(v)$.
