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Second Semester

Mathematics – Core

DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer:

1. $[r', r'', r'''] =$ _____.
(a) k^2 (b) $k^2 r$
(c) $k r$ (d) $k^3 r$
2. The line of intersection of the normal plane and the osculating plane at P is the
(a) Normal plane (b) Tangent plane
(c) Principal plane (d) Principal normal

3. The pitch of the helix is _____.
(a) $2\pi a$ (b) $2\pi b$
(c) ab (d) πb

4. If a curve lies on a sphere, then $\frac{d}{ds}(\sigma p') + \frac{p}{\sigma} =$ _____.
(a) 1 (b) σ
(c) p (d) 0

5. _____ point is defined as one for which $r_1 \times r_2 \neq 0$.
(a) Ordinary (b) Singular
(c) Osculating (d) Non-ordinary

6. The normal component of a is given by $a_n =$ _____.
(a) $a \cdot b$ (b) $a \times b$
(c) $a \cdot N$ (d) $a \times N$

7. The two families are orthogonal if and only if _____.
(a) $ER - FQ + GP = 0$
(b) $ER - 2FQ + GP = 0$
(c) $EP - 2FQ + GR = 0$
(d) $ER + 2FQ + GP = 0$

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8. A necessary and sufficient condition for a Geodesic is _____.

(a) $U \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{v}} - V \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{u}} = 0$ (b) $U \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{v}} - V \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{u}} \neq 0$

(c) $U \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{v}} + V \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{u}} = 0$ (d) $U \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{v}} + V \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{u}} \neq 0$

9. The geodesic curvature of a Geodesic is _____.

- (a) 1 (b) 0
(c) H (d) E

10. A point where $\frac{L}{E} = \frac{M}{F} = \frac{N}{G}$ is called _____.

- (a) An ordinary (b) An essential
(c) An umbilic (d) A singularity

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Calculate the curvature and torsion of the cubic curve given by $r = (u, u^2, u_3)$.

Or

(b) State and prove Serret – Frenet formulae.

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12. (a) Explain the oscillating circle.

Or

(b) Explain the oscillating sphere.

13. (a) For the paraboloid, $x = u$, $y = v$, $z = u^2 - v^2$, compute the values of E, F, G and H .

Or

(b) Discuss about the general helicoids.

14. (a) On the paraboloid $x^2 - y^2 = z$, find the orthogonal trajectories of the sections by the planes $z = \text{constant}$.

Or

(b) A helicoids generated by the screw motion of a straight line which meets the axis at an angle α . Find the orthogonal trajectories of the generators.

15. (a) Prove that if the orthogonal trajectories of the curve $v = \text{constant}$ are geodesics, then H^2/E is independent of u .

Or

(b) Derive the formula

$$K_s = \frac{1}{H_s} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{u}} V(t) - \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{v}} U(t) \right).$$

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PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

16. (a) For the two quadratic surfaces,
 $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1$ and $a'x^2 + b'y^2 + c'z^2 = 1$,
 Obtain the curvature and torsion of the curve
 of intersection.

Or

- (b) Define (i) a curve at class in E_3 . (ii) Binormal
 line at P . (iii) Change of parameter.
 (iv) Principal normal.

17. (a) Discuss the cylindrical helix.

Or

- (b) Discuss about the circular helix.

18. (a) Find the coefficient of the direction which
 makes an angle $\frac{\pi}{2}$ with the direction whose
 coefficients are (l, m) .

Or

- (b) Define (i) anchor ring (ii) representation
 (iii) Circular helix. (iv) Singularity.

19. (a) Prove that on the curves of the family $v/u^2 =$
 constant are geodesics on a surface
 with metric $v^2 du^2 = 2uv du dv + 2u^2 dv^2$,
 $(u > 0, v > 0)$.

Or

- (b) Prove that on the general surface a necessary
 and sufficient condition that the curve $v = c$
 be a geodesic is $EE_2 + FE_1 - 2EF_1 = 0$.

20. (a) State and prove Liouville's formula for K_g .

Or

- (b) Derive the Rodrigue's formula for the lines of
 curvature.

