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**M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – MATHEMATICS**

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2015

**MT 1818 - DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY**

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Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time : 01:00-04:00

**Answer ALL the Questions:**

1. a) Find the curvature and torsion of the curve  $\vec{x} = (u, u^2, u^3)$ . (5)

**OR**

b) For the curve  $\vec{x} = (e^{-u}\sin u, e^{-u}\cos u, e^{-u})$ . Find at any point  $u$  of the curve (i) unit tangent (ii) equation of the tangent (iii) equation of the normal plane. (5)

c) (i) Find the equation of the osculating plane at a point on the curve of the intersection of the cylinders  $x^2 + z^2 = a^2, y^2 + z^2 = b^2$ .

(ii) Show that the tangent at a point of the curve of the intersection of the ellipsoid  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} +$

$\frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$  and the confocal whose parameter is  $\lambda$  is given by

$$\frac{x(X-x)}{a^2(b^2-c^2)(a^2-\lambda)} = \frac{y(Y-y)}{b^2(c^2-a^2)(b^2-\lambda)} = \frac{z(Z-z)}{c^2(a^2-b^2)(c^2-\lambda)}. \quad (9+6)$$

**OR**

d) (i) State and prove Serret-Frenet formula.

(ii) Use Serret-Frenet formula, to find an expression for curvature. (10 + 5)

2. a) Find the lines that have four point contact at  $(0, 0, 1)$  with the surface

$$x^4 + 3xyz + x^2 - y^2 - z^2 + 2yz - 3xy - 2y + 2z = 1. \quad (5)$$

**OR**

b) Find the necessary and sufficient condition that a curve to be a helix. (5)

c) Find the equations of the curve whose curvature and torsion are constants. (15)

**OR**

d) Derive the equation of evolute of a curve. Also find the curvature and torsion of an evolute. (15)

3. a) Show that the envelope of the plane that forms with the coordinate planes a tetrahedron of constant volume. (5)

**OR**

- b) Give the quadratic form of first fundamental form. Also calculate the fundamental magnitudes for the surface of revolution. (5)

- c) Prove that the necessary and sufficient condition for the surface may be developable is that its Gaussian surface is zero. (15)

**OR**

- d) Find the edge of regression of the developable surface that passes through the parabolas  $z^2 = 4ay, x = 0; y^2 = 4az, x = a$ . (15)

4. a) State and prove Meusnier's theorem. (5)

**OR**

- b) Prove that the ratio of the second fundamental form to the first fundamental form is the normal curvature of the surface. (5)

- c) (i) Show that the Dupin indicatrix at every point of the right helicoids is a rectangular hyperbola.

- (ii) Find the principal curvature of the coinoid  $x = u\cos\theta, y = u\sin\theta, z = f(\theta)$ .

(6 + 9)

**OR**

- d) (i) Define geodesic on a surface. Prove that the curves  $u + v = \text{constant}$  are geodesic on a surface with metric  $(1 + u^2)du^2 - 2uvdudv + (1 + v^2)dv^2$ .

- (ii) Find the differential equation of lines of curvature through a point on the surface

$$z = f(x, y).$$

(9 + 6)

5. a) Prove that the Gaussian curvature of a surface is a bending invariant. (5)

**OR**

- b) Derive Weingarten's equations. (5)

- c) Derive the equations of Gauss. (15)

**OR**

- d) (i) Prove that the sphere is the only surface in which all points are umbilics.

- (ii) If  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$  are the principal normal curvatures, derive Codazzi equations.

(8 + 7)

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