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M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2017

THIRD SEMESTER

Branch - Mathematics / Applied Mathematics

Paper III — DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY

(New Regulation)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART - A

Answer any FOUR of the following questions.

Each question carries 5 marks.

(Marks : 4 × 5 marks = 20 marks)

1. Find the length of the curve given as the intersection of the surfaces $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, $x = a \cos(z/a)$, from the point $(a, 0, 0)$ to the point (x, y, z) .
2. Show that the involutes of a circular helix are plane curves.
3. Find the surface of revolution which is isometric with a region of the right helicoid.
4. Prove that the curves of the family $v^3/u^3 = \text{constant}$ are geodesics on a surface with metric $v^2 du^2 - 2uv du dv + 2u^2 dv^2$ ($u > 0, v > 0$).
5. State and prove Liouville's formula for Kg.
6. Show that every point on a surface has a neighbourhood which can be mapped conformally on a region of the plane.
7. Write about Rodrigue's formula.
8. Show that asymptotic lines are self conjugate.

PART - B

Answer ONE question from each Unit. Each question carries 15 marks.

(Marks : 4 × 15 marks = 60 marks)

UNIT - I

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

Or

10. (a) If a curve lies on a sphere show that p and σ are related by $\frac{d}{ds}(\sigma \rho^1) + \frac{\rho}{\sigma} = 0$.
- (b) Show that the torsion of an involute of a curve is equal to $\frac{\rho(\sigma \rho^1 - \sigma^1 \rho)}{(\rho^2 + \sigma^2)(c - S)}$.

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UNIT - II

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

Or

12. (a) On the paraboloid $x^2 - y^2 = Z$, find the orthogonal trajectories of the sections by the planes $Z = \text{constant}$.
- (b) A helicoid is generated by the screw motion of a straight line which meets the axis at an angle α . Find the orthogonal trajectories of the generators.

UNIT - III

13. State and prove the necessary and sufficient condition for the curve $V=C$ be a geodesic on the general surface then H^2/E is independent of u .

Or

14. State and prove Tissot's theorem.

UNIT - IV

15. State and prove Mainardi-Codazzi equations.

Or

16. Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition that a curve on a surface be a line of curvature is that the surface normals along the curve form a developable.