

THIRD SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)  
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024  
(CBCSS)

Mathematics

MTH3C11—MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS AND GEOMETRY

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Part A (Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer all questions.

Each question carries a weightage 1.

1. Define linearly independent set of vectors. Illustrate with an example.
2. Give an example of a linear transformation between two vector spaces and find its derivative.
3. Let  $E$  be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ . When we say that  $f$  is continuously differentiable in  $E$ .
4. Define parametrized curve in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Give a parametrization of the astroid  $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 1$ .
5. Compute the curvature of the curve :  
$$\gamma(t) = \left( \frac{4}{5} \cos t, 1 - \sin t, -\frac{3}{5} \cos t \right).$$
6. Describe briefly : Stereographic projection from  $S^2$  to the plane.
7. Let  $\sigma(u, v)$  be a surface patch with standard unit normal  $N(u, v)$ . Then prove that  $N_u \cdot \sigma_v = -L$ .
8. Prove that the second fundamental form of a plane is zero.

(8 × 1 = 8 weightage)

Turn over

Part II (Paragraph Type Questions)

Answer any two questions from each module.  
Each question carries a weightage 2.

Module I

10. Let  $r$  be a positive integer. If a vector space  $X$  is spanned by a set of  $r$  vectors, then prove that  $\dim X \leq r$ .
11. If  $X$  is a complete metric space, and if  $\varphi$  is a contraction of  $X$  into  $X$ , then prove that there exists one and only one  $x \in X$  such that  $\varphi(x) = x$ .
12. If  $A \in L(\mathbb{R}^{n+m}, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and if  $A_x$  is invertible, then prove that there corresponds to every  $k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  a unique  $h \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $A(h, k) = 0$ .

Module II

13. If the tangent vector of a parametrized curve is constant, then prove that the image of the curve is a part of a straight line.
14. Let  $\gamma: (\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a unit-speed curve, let  $s_0 \in (\alpha, \beta)$  and let  $\varphi_0$  be such that  $\dot{\gamma}(s_0) = (\cos \varphi_0, \sin \varphi_0)$ .

Then prove that there is a unique smooth function  $\varphi: (\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\varphi(s_0) = \varphi_0$  and  $\dot{\gamma}(s) = (\cos \varphi(s), \sin \varphi(s))$  the equation

$$\dot{\gamma}(s) = (\cos \varphi(s), \sin \varphi(s)).$$

holds for all  $s \in (\alpha, \beta)$ .

15. Let  $f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2$  be a diffeomorphism. If  $\sigma_1$  is an allowable surface patch on  $S_1$ , then prove that  $f \circ \sigma_1$  is an allowable surface patch on  $S_2$ .

Module III

16. Prove that

$$\|\sigma_u \times \sigma_v\| = (EG - F^2)^{1/2}.$$

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