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MATH 220/222: VECTOR ANALYSIS**STREAMS: BSC MATHS, B.ED SC/ARTS, BA ECOM MATH Y2S2****TIME: 2 HOURS****DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 10/08/2021****11.30 A.M - 1.30 P.M.****INSTRUCTIONS**

Answer ALL questions

Write your answers legibly and use your time wisely

QUESTION ONE: (30 MARKS)

- (a) Distinguish the following terms as used in vector analysis:
- (i) Linearly dependent vectors and Linearly independence vectors (2 marks)
 - (ii) The dot product and cross product of two vectors \vec{A} and \vec{B} (2 marks)
 - (iii) The gradient of a scalar function ϕ and the divergence of the vector \vec{V} (2 marks)
 - (iv) An irrotational vector and a solenoidal vector \vec{V} (2 marks)
- (b) (i) Show that addition of two vectors is commutative (4 marks)
(ii) Prove that if \vec{a} and \vec{b} are non-collinear vectors then $x\vec{a} + y\vec{b} = 0$ implies $x = y = 0$ (4 marks)
- (c) Given $\vec{A} = A_1\hat{i} + A_2\hat{j} + A_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{B} = B_1\hat{i} + B_2\hat{j} + B_3\hat{k}$, show that
- $$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \end{vmatrix} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$
- (d) Using vector method find the area of the triangle having vertices $P(2,3,5)$, $Q(4,2,-1)$, $R(3,6,4)$ (5 marks)
- (e) If $\vec{A} = (2x^2y - x^4)\hat{i} + (e^{xy} - y\sin x)\hat{j} + (x^2\cos y)\hat{k}$, find $\frac{\delta^2 A}{\delta x \delta y}$ (3 marks)
- (f) State without proof the Green's theorem in a plane (2 marks)

QUESTION TWO: (20 MARKS)

(a) Find the equation for the plane perpendicular to the vector $\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ and passing through the terminal point of the vector $B = \hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ (5 marks)

(b) Find the work done in moving a particle in a force field given by $\vec{F} = (2xy)\hat{i} - (5z)\hat{j} + (10x)\hat{k}$ along $x = t^2 + 1, y = 2t^2, z = t^3$ from $t = 1$ to $t = 2$ (5 marks)

(c) Show that $\nabla \cdot \nabla\phi = \nabla^2\phi$, where $\nabla^2 = \frac{\delta^2}{\delta x^2} + \frac{\delta^2}{\delta y^2} + \frac{\delta^2}{\delta z^2}$ denotes the laplacian operator. (5 marks)

(d) Given that $\vec{A} = (3x^2 + 6y)\hat{i} - 14yz\hat{j} + 20xz^2\hat{k}$. Evaluate $\int_C \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{r}$ between the points $(0,0,0)$ and $(1,1,0)$ (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE: (20 MARKS)

(a) (i) Given that $\vec{A} = (x + 2y + az)\hat{i} + (bx - 3y - z)\hat{j} + (4x + cy + 2z)\hat{k}$. Find the constants a, b and c such that the vector \vec{A} is irrotational. (3 marks)

(ii) Hence show that the vector \vec{A} in (c,(i)) can be expressed in as a gradient of a scalar function ϕ (7 marks)

(b) State without proof the Frenet-Serret formulas (3 marks)

Hence given the space curve defined by $x = 3\cos t, y = 3\sin t, z = 4t$. Find

(i) The tangent vector \vec{T} (3 marks)

(ii) The principal normal \vec{N} (4 marks)

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