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 Applied Mathematics – Level 04
 AFU 2143/APE4143 – Vector Calculus
 Duration :- Two Hours.

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Time:- 1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.

Answer Four Questions Only.

1. (a) State and sketch the domain of the function $f(x, y) = \ln(y - x)$.

(b) Sketch the level curves of the function $f(x, y) = \ln(y - x)$.

(c) Let $f_1(x, y) = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$ and $f_2(x, y) = \frac{x}{1 + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$. Find the following limits, if they exist:

$$(i) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_1(x, y), \quad (ii) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_2(x, y).$$

(d) Discuss the continuity at the origin of the functions $f_1(x, y)$ and $f_2(x, y)$.

2. (a) If $u = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x^2 + y^2}{x + y}\right)$ then show that

$$(i) x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \tan u,$$

$$(ii) x^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \tan^3 u.$$

(b) Define a stationary point of a single valued function $f(x, y)$ defined over a domain D . Explain briefly how you could determine the nature of the stationary point.

(c) Find the maximum and minimum values of the function $f(x, y) = x^4 + y^4 - x^2 - y^2 + 1$ and determine their nature.

3. (a) Prove that $\text{grad } \phi$ is a vector normal to the contour surface $\phi(x, y, z) = c$, where c is a constant.

(b) (i) Show that the equation of the tangent plane to the surface $F(x, y, z) = 0$ at the point

$$P(x_0, y_0, z_0) \text{ is given by } (x-x_0)\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)_P + (y-y_0)\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right)_P + (z-z_0)\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}\right)_P = 0.$$

(ii) Using the above result, find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface

$$F(x, y, z) = 2xyz + x^2y \text{ at the point } (2, 3, 4).$$

(c) Find the angle of intersection of the spheres $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 29$ and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 6y - 8z = 47$ at $(4, -3, 2)$.

4. (a) State Gauss' Divergence theorem.

(b) Verify the above theorem considering the vector field $\underline{F} = (x^3 - yz)\underline{i} - 2x^2y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ taken over the entire surface of the cube given by $0 \leq x \leq a$, $0 \leq y \leq a$ and $0 \leq z \leq a$.

(c) Let $\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ and $r = |\underline{r}|$ then prove that

$$(i) \nabla \cdot \underline{r} = 3, \quad (ii) \nabla \cdot r\underline{r} = 4r, \quad (iii) \text{curl}(\underline{a} \times \underline{r}) = 2\underline{a}.$$

5. (a) State Stokes' Theorem.

(b) Verify Stokes' Theorem considering the vector field $\underline{F} = (x+y)\underline{i} + (y-x)\underline{j} + z^3\underline{k}$ defined over the hemispherical region bounded by $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ and $z \geq 0$.

(c) Prove that the vector field $\underline{F} = (x^2 - yz)\underline{i} + (y^2 - zx)\underline{j} + (z^2 - xy)\underline{k}$ is irrotational and find a corresponding scalar potential function ϕ such that $\underline{F} = \nabla\phi$.

6. (a) Suppose that S is a plane surface lying in the xy -plane, bounded by a closed curve C .

$$\text{If } \underline{F} = P(x, y)\underline{i} + Q(x, y)\underline{j} \text{ then show that } \oint_C (Pdx + Qdy) = \iint_S \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dx dy.$$

(b) Verify the above result for the integral $\oint_C (3x^2 - 8y^2)dx + (4y - 6xy)dy$, where C is the closed curve of the region in the first quadrant bounded by $y=0$, $x+y=1$ and $x=0$.