



SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

UNIT CODE/NAME: MAT 413: DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY

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Instructions: Answer Question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

QUESTION ONE

- a) Give the definition of triple scalar product then find the volume of the parallel piped having adjacent edges $u = \langle 1, 3, 1 \rangle$, $v = \langle 0, 5, 5 \rangle$, $w = \langle 4, 0, 4 \rangle$. (4 Marks)
- b) Find the domain of the vector valued function $r(t) = \sqrt{4-t^2}i + t^2j - 6k$. (3 Marks)
- c) Evaluate the limit $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} e^t i + \frac{\sin t}{t} j + e^{-t} k$. (3 Marks)
- d) Find the intervals on which the epicycloid C given by $r(t) = (5 \cos t - \cos 5t)i + (5 \sin t - \sin 5t)j$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ is smooth and sketch it. (4 Marks)
- e) Find the equation of the line to the curve generated by $y(t) = ti + t^2j + t^3k$ at $t=1$. (4 Marks)
- f) Let $f(t) = (1+t^3)i + (2t-t^2)j + tk$, $g(t) = (1+t^2)i + t^3k$, Find:
i) $f(a) \cdot f(b)$ (4 Marks)
ii) $f(a) \times f(b)$ (4 Marks)
- g) Evaluate the definite integral:
$$\int_0^1 (\sqrt[3]{t}i + \frac{1}{t+1}j + e^{-t}k) dt$$
 (4 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Find the velocity vector, speed, and the acceleration vector of a particle that moves along the plane curve C described by:

$$r(t) = 2 \cos \frac{t}{2} i + 2 \cos \frac{t}{2} j. \quad (3 \text{ Marks})$$

b) Find the tangential and normal components of acceleration for the position function given

$$\text{by : } r(t) = 3t i - t j + t^2 k \quad (5 \text{ Marks})$$

c) Find the curvature K of the curve given by: $r(t) = 2t i + t^2 j - \frac{1}{3}t^3 k$ (7 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

a) Let $f(t) = (\sin t) i + t k$, $g(t) = (1+t^2) i + e^t j$, Find:

i) $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (f(t) \cdot g(t))$. (3 Marks)

ii) $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (f(t) \times g(t))$. (3 Marks)

b) Evaluate $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} [(1+3t^2) i - t^3 j + k]$

(3 Marks)

c) Find the equation of the tangent and normal to the curve

$$y(t) = (1+t) i - t^2 j + (1+t^3) k \text{ at } t=1. \quad (6 \text{ Marks})$$

QUESTION FOUR

a) If $u(t) = (3t^2+1) i + \sin t j$ and $v(t) = (\cos t) i + e^t k$, Find

i) $\frac{d}{dt}(u \cdot v)$. (3 Marks)

ii) $\frac{d}{dt}(u \times v)$. (4 Marks)

b) Let $u(t) = a i$. Determine,

i) $\|u\|$ (2 Marks)

ii) $\frac{d^2 u}{dt^2}$ (3 Marks)

iii) $\left| \frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} \right|$ (3 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE

a) Evaluate $\int_{-1}^1 (t i + t^3 j + e^{-4t} k) dt$. (4 Marks)

b) Find the antiderivative of $r'(t) = \cos 2t i - 2 \sin t j + \frac{1}{1+t^2} k$ that satisfies the initial

condition $r(0) = 3i - 2j + k$. (5 Marks)

- c) Given the curve $y(t) = (3t - t^3)i + 3t^2j + t^3k$ find its curvature and the torsion.
(6 Marks)