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DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

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MAT 230: VECTOR ANALYSIS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO TIME:2 HRS

**QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)**

a) State which of the following are scalars and which are vectors giving reasons.

- i. Momentum
- ii. Energy
- iii. Speed
- iv. Weight

(4mks)

b) Find the projection of the vector  $\hat{A} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  on the vector  $\hat{B} = 4\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$  (5mks)

c) Find the angle between  $\hat{A} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  and  $\hat{B} = 6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  (5mks)

d) If  $\hat{A} = 5t^2\hat{i} + t\hat{j} - t^3\hat{k}$  and  $\hat{B} = \sin t\hat{i} - \cos t\hat{j}$  find  $\frac{d}{dt}(\hat{A} \times \hat{B})$  (6mks)

e) Given  $\phi = 2x^3y^2z^4$  find  $\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi$  (5mks)

f) If  $\hat{A} = (3x + 6y)\hat{i} - 14yt\hat{j} + 20xz^2\hat{k}$ , evaluate  $\int \hat{A} \cdot d\vec{r}$  from  $(0,0,0)$  to  $(1,1,1)$  along the path  $x = t, y = t^2, z = t^3$  (5mks)

**QUESTION TWO 20MKS**

a) Prove

i.  $\nabla \times (\nabla \phi) = 0; \text{Curl grad } \phi = 0$  (7mks)

ii.  $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times A) = 0; (\text{div curl } A = 0)$  (7mks)

b) Find the unit tangent vector to any point on the curve  $x = t^2 + 1, y = 4t - 3, z = 2t^2 - 6t$ , hence or otherwise determine the unit tangent at the point where  $t = 2$  (6mks)

**QUESTION THREE 20MKS**

- a) Find the directional derivative of  $\phi = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$  at the point  $p(3,1,2)$  in the direction of the vector  $yz\hat{i} + xz\hat{j} + xy\hat{k}$  (10mks)
- b) A fluid motion is given by  $\hat{V} = (y + z)\hat{i} + (z + x)\hat{j} + (x + y)\hat{k}$ , show that the motion is irrotational and hence find the velocity potential. (10mks)

**QUESTION FOUR 20 MKS**

- a) If  $\hat{F} = 2z\hat{i} - x\hat{j} + y\hat{k}$ , evaluate  $\iiint \hat{F}dv$  where  $v$  is the region bounded by the surfaces  $x = 0, y = 0, x = 2, y = 4, z = x^2, z = 2$  (10mks)
- b) Use Greens theorem to evaluate  $\int_c xydx + x^2dy$  where  $c$  is the boundary described counter clockwise of the triangle with vertices  $(0,1), (1,0), (1,1)$  (10mks)

**QUESTION FIVE 20MKS**

Show that  $\iint_s \hat{F} \cdot \hat{n} ds = \frac{3}{2}$  where  $\hat{F} = 4xz\hat{i} - y^2\hat{j} + yz\hat{k}$  and  $s$  is the surface of the cube bounded by the planes  $x = 0, x = 1, y = 0, y = 1, z = 0, z = 1$  (20mks)

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