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**ANSWERS ANY FIVE QUESTIONS**

1. ANSWER ANY FIVE OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS      2x5=10

(a) Define polar and axial vectors. Give one example of each.

b) If  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$  are each irrotational, prove that  $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$  is solenoidal.

c) Prove that

$$\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) + \vec{B} \times (\vec{C} \times \vec{A}) + \vec{C} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = 0$$

d) Given two vectors  $\vec{A} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{B} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$ . Find the condition that the two vectors are parallel.

e) When a differential equation is called linear?

f) Find the order and degree of the differential equation

$$\frac{\left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\right]^4}{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}} = C, \quad C = \text{Constant.}$$

g) A particle moves so that its position vector is  $\vec{r} = \cos\omega t\hat{i} + \sin\omega t\hat{j}$ , where  $\omega$  is a constant. Show that the velocity of the particle is perpendicular to its position vector.

2. Answer any **five** questions : 2×5=10

a) Find the volume of the parallelepiped with sides

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}, \vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} \quad \& \quad \vec{c} = 7\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}.$$

b) Find the unit vector normal to the surface of the

ellipsoid  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$  at the point

$$\left( \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{3}} \right).$$

c) Prove the following  $\vec{\nabla} r^n = nr^{n-2}\vec{r}$ .

d) Evaluate  $\int \vec{A} \times \frac{d^2\vec{A}}{dt^2} dt$ .

e) Express the velocity  $\vec{v}$  in cylindrical coordinate.

f) Solve  $e^x \sin y dx + (e^x + 1) \cos y dy = 0$ .

3. Answer any **two** questions : 5×2=10

a) Verify Stoke's theorem for the vector

$\vec{A} = (x^2 - y^2)\hat{i} + 2xy\hat{j}$  over the rectangle in the  
(x,y) plane bounded by the lines  $x = 0$ ,  $x = a$ ,  
 $y = 0$  &  $y = b$ . 5

b) Solve  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 5\frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = xe^x$ .

Show that the two functions  $\sin 2x$ ,  $\cos 2x$  are  
independent solutions of  $y'' + 4y = 0$ . 4+1

c) Find the expression of Laplacian of a function  
in spherical co-ordinate system. Hence find  $\nabla^2\Psi$

for  $\Psi(x, y, z) = \frac{xz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ . 3+2

4.

Answer any **two** questions :

$5 \times 2 = 10$

a) Verify Divergence theorem for

$\vec{F} = (x^2 - yz)\hat{i} + (y^2 - zx)\hat{j} + (z^2 - xy)\hat{k}$  taken over the rectangular parallelepiped  $0 \leq x \leq a, 0 \leq y \leq b, 0 \leq z \leq c$ .

b) Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = (4x + y + 1)^2$  if  $y(0) = 1$ .

c) Evaluate the expression of divergence  $(\vec{\nabla} \cdot)$  and curl  $(\vec{\nabla} \times)$  in general orthogonal curvilinear coordinate system.  $2\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{1}{2}$

5.

Answer any **five** questions :

$2 \times 5 = 10$

a) Find the directional derivative of  $F = 2xy + z^2$  at point  $(1, -1, 3)$  in the direction of  $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ .

b) Prove that  $(\vec{A} \times \vec{B})^2 = A^2 B^2 - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})^2$ .

c) State Green's theorem of vector calculus.

d) If linear velocity  $\vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$ , prove that  $\vec{\omega} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{v}$ , where  $\vec{\omega}$  is a constant vector (angular velocity). Interpret the result.

e) Find the elementary volume element in spherical polar coordinate system.

f) Find the Wronskian of the solutions of the differential equation  $y'' + 4y = 0$ .

g) Find the Particular Integral of

$$\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} + y = \cos(2x - 1).$$

6. Answer any five questions :  $[2 \times 5 = 10]$

- a) Write down the Taylor's series expansion of a function  $f(x)$  about a point  $x = a$ .
- b) In which physical problems do you apply the method of Lagrange's undetermined multipliers?
- c) Find the value of  $p$  for which the following three vectors are coplanar:

$$\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}, \quad \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}, \quad \vec{c} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + p\hat{k}.$$

- d) What is the physical significance of gradient of a scalar?
- e) Find the order and degree of the following differential equation

$$\left[ 1 + \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right]^3 = c^2 \left( \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right)^2$$

- f) Find the Integrating Factor of the following differential equation:

$$(x + 1) \frac{dy}{dx} - y = e^{3x} (x + 1)^2.$$

- g) Find  $\vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{1}{r} \right)$ .

- h) Find the value of  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) e^{ikx} dx$ .

7.

- (a) State Stoke's theorem. Verify it for

$$\vec{A} = (2x - y)\hat{i} - yz^2\hat{j} - y^2z\hat{k}$$

considering the upper half surface of sphere

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1. \quad [ + 3 ]$$

- (b) Express  $f(x) = x$  as a half-range sine series in the interval  $0 < x < 2$ . 3

- (c) Evaluate

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left\{ r \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{1}{r^3} \right) \right\}.$$

where  $r = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}$