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MTMHGEC01T/MTMGCOR01T-MATHEMATICS (GE1/DSC1)

DIFFERENTIAL CALCULUS

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
All symbols are of usual significance.*

Answer Question No. 1 and any five from the rest

Answer any *five* questions from the following:

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(a) Evaluate the right hand and left hand limits of the function $f(x) = \frac{|x|}{x}$ at the point $x = 0$. Examine whether the function has a limit at 0.

(b) Find the points of discontinuity of the function $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{(x^2-1)(x-1)x}$.

(c) Verify Rolle's theorem for the function $f(x) = x^2 - 5x + 10$ on $[2, 3]$.

(d) Investigate the extremum for the function $f(x) = 2x^3 - 15x^2 + 42x + 10$.

(e) Show that $\frac{\sin \alpha - \sin \beta}{\cos \alpha - \cos \beta} = \cot \theta$, where $0 < \alpha < \theta < \beta < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(f) Show that the function $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x^{1/3} + y^{1/3}}{x^{1/4} + y^{1/4}}}$ is homogeneous and find its degree.

(g) Find the points on the curve $y = x^2 + 3x + 4$, where the tangents pass through the origin.

(h) If $y = \sin(m \sin^{-1} x)$, show that $(1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 + m^2y = 0$.

2. (a) Show that the limit that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin \frac{1}{x}$ does not exist.

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(b) If two functions f and g are continuous at a point c , then show that $f + g$ is also continuous at c .

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(c) Discuss the continuity of the function $f(x) = |x-3|$ at $x = 3$ and find $f'(3)$, if exists.

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3. (a) If a function f is differentiable at some point c in its domain, then prove that it is also continuous at c . Give a suitable example to show that the converse of the above result is not true.

(b) If $u = \tan^{-1} \frac{x^3 + y^3}{x - y}$, then prove that $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \sin 2u$.

(c) Find the equation of the normal to the curve $x^2 - y^2 = a^2$ at the point $(a\sqrt{2}, a)$.

4. (a) If $y^{1/m} + y^{-1/m} = 2x$, prove that $(x^2 - 1)y_{n+2} + (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2)y_n = 0$.

(b) State and prove Euler's theorem on homogeneous functions.

5. (a) Find the radius of curvature at $(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$ of the curve $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 1$.

(b) State and prove Lagrange's mean value theorem. Write the geometrical interpretation of this theorem.

6. (a) Find the Taylor's series expansion of the function $f(x) = \sin x$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

(b) Determine the asymptotes of the curve $x = \frac{2t}{t^2 - 1}$, $y = \frac{(1+t)^2}{t^2}$.

7. (a) Verify Rolle's theorem for the function $f(x) = x(x+3)e^{-x/2}$ in $[-3, 0]$.

(b) If $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a differentiable function such that $f'(x) = 0$ everywhere then show that $f(x)$ is a constant function on \mathbb{R} .

8. (a) If $f(h) = f(0) + hf'(0) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''(\theta h)$, $0 < \theta < 1$, find θ when $h = 1$ and $f(x) = (1-x)^{3/2}$.

(b) Discuss maxima and minima of the function $f(x) = (\frac{1}{x})^x$, $x > 0$, if there be any.

9. (a) If $u = f(x, y)$, $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$, then prove that

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}\right)^2$$

(b) If $f(x, y) = \frac{xy(x^2 - y^2)}{x^2 + y^2}$ for $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ and $f(0, 0) = 0$ then find $f_x(0, 0)$ and $f_y(0, 0)$.