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**18MAB101T - Calculus And Linear Algebra**

**Year/Sem: I/I**

**Branch: Common to ALL B.Tech. except B.Tech. (Business Systems)**

**Unit – II**

**FUNCTIONS OF SEVERAL VARIABLES**

**Part – B**

1. If  $u = (x - y)(y - z)(z - x)$ , then find  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$ .  
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3

**Solution:**

Given  $u = (x - y)(y - z)(z - x)$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= (y - z)[(x - y)(-1) + (z - x)(1)] \\ &= -(x - y)(y - z) + (y - z)(z - x)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= (z - x)[(x - y)(1) + (y - z)(-1)] \\ &= (x - y)(z - x) - (y - z)(z - x)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} &= (x - y)[(y - z)(1) + (z - x)(-1)] \\ &= (x - y)(y - z) - (x - y)(z - x)\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \text{(Option A)}$$

2. If  $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$  find  $\frac{\partial x}{\partial r}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta}$ .

(A)  $\cos \theta, \sin \theta$  (B)  $\cos \theta, r \cos \theta$  (C)  $r \cos \theta, \sin \theta$  (D)  $r, \theta$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial r} = \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} = r \cos \theta \quad \text{(Option B)}$$

3. If  $f(x, y) = \sin\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ , then find  $x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ .  
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3

**Solution:**

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \cos\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \frac{1}{y}, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \cos\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \left(-\frac{x}{y^2}\right)$$

$$x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0 \text{ (Option A)}$$

4. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  when  $x^3 + y^3 = 3axy$ .

(A)  $-\frac{x^2-ay}{y^2-ax}$  (B)  $\frac{x^2-ay}{y^2-ax}$  (C)  $\frac{y^2-ax}{x^2-ay}$  (D)  $-\frac{y^2-ax}{x^2-ay}$

**Solution:**

$$\text{Let } f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3axy$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}} = -\frac{3x^2 - 3ay}{3y^2 - 3ax}$$

$$= -\frac{x^2 - ay}{y^2 - ax} \text{ (Option A)}$$

5. If  $x = uv$ ,  $y = \frac{u}{v}$ , find  $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)}$ .

(A)  $-\frac{2u}{v}$  (B)  $\frac{2u}{v}$  (C)  $-\frac{2v}{u}$  (D)  $\frac{2v}{u}$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} v & u \\ \frac{1}{v} & -\frac{u}{v^2} \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{2u}{v} \text{ (Option A)}$$

6. If  $f(x, y) = e^x \sin y$ , then find  $f_{yy}(0, 0)$ .

(A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3

**Solution:**

$$f_y = e^x \cos y$$

$$f_{yy}(x, y) = e^x (-\sin y)$$

$$f_{yy}(0, 0) = 0 \text{ (Option A)}$$

7. If  $x^y = y^x$ , then find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

(A)  $\frac{yx^{y-1} - y^x \log y}{xy^{x-1} - x^y \log x}$

(B)  $\frac{yx^{y-1} + y^x \log y}{xy^{x-1} - x^y \log x}$

(C)  $\frac{yx^{y-1} + y^x \log y}{xy^{x-1} + x^y \log x}$

(D)  $\frac{yx^{y-1} - y^x \log y}{xy^{x-1} + x^y \log x}$

**Solution:**

$$f(x, y) = x^y - y^x = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-f_x}{f_y} = \frac{yx^{y-1} - y^x \log y}{xy^{x-1} - x^y \log x} \quad \text{(Option A)}$$

8. If  $f(x, y) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$ , then find  $f_x(x, y)$  at the point (1, 1).

(A) -1/2

(B) 1

(C) 1/2

(D) 3

**Solution:**

$$f_x(x, y) = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$f_x(1, 1) = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{(Option A)}$$

9. If  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$ , then find  $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)}$ .

(A)  $r$

(B)  $1/r$

(C)  $1/2$

(D) 1

**Solution:**

$$\text{Now } \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & -r \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & r \cos \theta \end{vmatrix} = r(\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) = r(1) = r$$

**(Option A)**

10. If  $u = 2xy$ ,  $v = x^2 - y^2$ , then find  $\frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)}$ .

(A)  $-4y^2 - 4x^2$

(B)  $-4y^2 + 4x^2$

(C)  $4y^2 - 4x^2$

(D)  $4y^2 + 4x^2$

$$\frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)} = \begin{vmatrix} 2y & 2x \\ 2x & -2y \end{vmatrix} = -4y^2 - 4x^2 \quad \text{(Option A)}$$

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