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**MA121 - Vector Calculus and Differential Equations**

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Time: 9.30 am to 12.30 pm

Max. Marks: 100

**SECTION A ( Answer all 10 questions - 10x5= 50 marks.)**

1. Verify whether the following sequences converge uniformly.

(a)  $f_n(x) = x^n + 2x^{n+1} + 3 \cos(\pi x)x^{n+2}, x \in [0, 1]$ .

(b)  $f_n(x) = x^{n+3} + 3x^{n+2} - 2x^{n+1} + 100x^n, x \in [0, 1]$ .

2. Show that the sequence  $f_n(x) = nxe^{-nx^2}$  converges pointwise on  $[0, 1]$ . Examine whether the relation  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f_n(x) dx = \int_0^1 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) dx$  holds. Also verify whether the convergence is uniform.

3. Let a surface  $S$  be given by  $\vec{r}(u, v) = (2 \cos u, 2 \sin u, v)$  where  $u \in [0, 2\pi]$  and  $v \in [-1, 1]$ . Represent the surface  $S$  pictorially. Using surface integral find the surface area of  $S$ .

4. Let  $D$  be a elliptical region on  $xy$ -plane given by  $D = \left\{ (x, y) \mid \frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} \leq 1 \right\}$ . Using **Green's theorem** find the area of the region  $D$ .

5. Using **Stoke's theorem** find the surface integral  $\int_S \text{Curl}(\vec{F}) \cdot d\vec{S}$  where  $\vec{F} = (x, 0, 3y^2)$  and  $S$  is the upper hemisphere " $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1, z \geq 0$ ".

6. Verify **Gauss divergence theorem** for the vector field  $\vec{F} = (0, 0, z)$  over the volume  $V : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$ .

7. Find the path of steepest ascent up the mountain  $z = \alpha^2 - \sqrt{(x^2 - \beta^2)^3} + \sqrt{(y^2 - \gamma^2)^3}$  starting from the point  $P = (\beta, \gamma, \alpha)$ , using **orthogonal trajectory**. Here  $\beta, \gamma, \alpha$  are all non-zero constants.

8. Verify whether the pair of functions  $\{f(x) = x^3, g(x) = |x|^3\}$  are linearly independent on  $\mathbb{R}$  and also compute their Wronskian. Determine whether they can be solutions of the differential equation  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$  with  $p$  and  $q$  continuous on  $[-a, a]$ ,  $a > 0$ .

9. Find the power series expansions of  $\frac{1}{1-x+\pi}$  and  $\frac{1}{9(x-\pi)^2+4}$  about the point  $x = \pi$ . Also determine the interval of convergence of the corresponding series solution of

$$(x - \pi)y'' + \frac{1}{2\pi - 2\pi x + 2\pi^2}y' + \frac{1}{\frac{3}{2}(x - \pi)^2 + \frac{2}{3}}y = 0,$$

about that point. (Hint: Use the power series expansion:  $1 + x + x^2 + \dots$  of  $\frac{1}{1-x}$  about  $x = 0$ .)

10. Find the general solution of  $xy'' + (1 + 2\lambda)y' + xy = 0$ ,  $x > 0$  in terms of Bessel's functions, using the substitution  $y = \frac{u(x)}{x^\lambda}$ . Here  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  is not an integer.

SECTION B ( Answer any 5 questions -  $5 \times 10 = 50$  marks.)

- Is the function  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{[nx]}{n^3}$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ , when  $[x] = \text{greatest integer} < x$ , integrable over  $[0, 1]$ ? Justify your answer.
- Let  $C$  be a curve in  $xyz$ -space satisfying  $y^2 = 4x$ ,  $z = \frac{4}{3}\sqrt{xy}$ ,  $y \geq 0$ . Parameterize the curve  $C$ . Find the "arc length function" of  $C$  with initial point  $(0, 0, 0)$  and hence calculate the length of the curve from  $(0, 0, 0)$  to  $(4, 4, 16/3)$ .
  - Find the directional derivative of  $xy^2 + yx^2 + e^z$  at the point  $(1, 1, 1)$  along the unit vector  $\vec{v} = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$ .
- State the Fundamental Theorem of Line integral.
  - Let  $\vec{F} = \left( \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}, e^z \right)$ . Calculate  $\text{Curl}(\vec{F})$ . Find the domain of  $\vec{F}$ . Is the domain of  $\vec{F}$  simply connected? Is  $\vec{F}$  a conservative vector field? Evaluate  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  and explain whether the integral is path dependent where  $C := \{(\cos t, \sin t, t) \mid t \in [0, \pi]\}$ .
- Does the **Picard's theorem** guarantee the existence of a unique solution of the following initial value problems
    - $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + y^{2/3}$ ,  $y(2012) = 0$ , on some interval about  $x = 2012$ ?
    - $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy^2$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ , on the entire interval  $|x| \leq 2$ ?
Justify your answers.
  - Solve  $x^3 p^2 + x^2 y p + a^3 = 0$ ,  $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$ , by reducing to Clairaut's form using the substitution  $Y = y$ ,  $X = \frac{1}{x}$ . Here  $a$  is a non-zero constant. What does the singular solution of the given differential equation represent pictorially?
- Compute the indicial equation, its roots and hence find the first three terms of each of two linearly independent series solutions of
$$x^2 y'' + (x^2 - 2x)y' + 2y = 0,$$
about the point  $x = 0$  for  $x > 0$ .
  - Find the general solution of  $y'' + 6y' + 9y = e^{-3x}/x$ , using method of variation of parameters.
- Using the identity  $\frac{d}{dx}[x^p J_p(x)] = x^p J_{p-1}(x)$ , satisfied by the Bessel function  $J_p(x)$  of first kind of order  $p$  and Rolle's theorem, show that between any two positive roots of  $J_{p+1}(x) = 0$ , there is a root of  $J_p(x) = 0$ .  
Also using Rodrigues' formula  $P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n$ , for the Legendre polynomial  $P_n(x)$  of degree  $n$ , find first three terms of the Legendre series of  $f(x) = |x|$ ,  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ .
  - Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of the boundary value problem
$$(xy')' + (\lambda/x)y = 0, \quad 1 < x < l, \quad y(1) = 0, y(l) = 0, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$