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MARCH/APRIL 2014 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: MTH 311
COURSE TITLE: CALCULUS OF SEVERAL VARIABLES
TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS
INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY 5 QUESTIONS

1. (A) Find all the first order partial derivatives for the following functions

$$h(a, b) = b^2 \ln(a^2) + \frac{6}{b^3} - \sqrt[7]{a^4}$$

-7marks

- (B) Differentiate the following with respect to a ;

$$Y = a^4 \cdot \cos a$$

-7marks

2. (A) Differentiate with respect to x ; $Y = \cos h^{-1}\{5-4x\}$

7marks

- (B) Find all the first order partial derivatives for the following function

7marks

3. (A) If $z = \frac{4x-y}{x-y}$, find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$

7marks

(B) If $z = \tan(5x + 2y)$, find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$

-7marks

4. A Cylinder has dimensions $r = 5\text{cm}$, $h = 10\text{cm}$. Find the appropriate increase in volume by 0.2mcm and h decreases by 0.1cm .

-14marks

5. If $f(x,y) = \frac{xy^2}{x^2+y^2}$, does $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y)$ exist? -14marks

6. Solve the equation. Begin with $(a-b)^2 = a + b - 1$ -14marks

7. (A) State the Taylors series. - 7marks

(B) Show that, if h is small, then;

$\tan^{-1}(x+h) \approx \tan^{-1}x + \frac{h}{1+x^2} - \frac{xh^2}{(1+x^2)^2}$ approximately -7marks