

**GSE/M-20****1450****MATHEMATICS****(Vector Calculus)****Paper : BM-123**

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 27

**Note :** Attempt *five* questions in all. Question No. 1 is compulsory. Select *one* question from each section.

**Compulsory Question**

1. (a) Find the volume of a parallelopiped whose edges are represented by  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ . 1

- (b) If the vectors  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{c}$  and  $\vec{d}$  are coplanar, then show that  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times (\vec{c} \times \vec{d}) = 0$ . 1

- (c) Find  $a$  so that the vector

$$\vec{f} = (axy - z^3)\hat{i} + (a - 2)x^2\hat{j} + (1 - a)xz^2\hat{k}$$

is irrotational. 1

- (d) Show that  $\text{div}(\text{curl } \vec{f}) = 0$ . 1

- (e) Determine the transformation from cylindrical to rectangular co-ordinates. 1

## SECTION-I

2. (a) Show that the vectors  $\vec{a} - 2\vec{b} + 3\vec{c}$ ,  $-2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b} - 4\vec{c}$  and  $\vec{a} - 3\vec{b} + 5\vec{c}$  are coplanar. 2½
- (b) The necessary and sufficient condition for the vector function  $\vec{f}$  of a scalar variable  $t$  to have a constant magnitude is  $\vec{f} \cdot \frac{d\vec{f}}{dt} = 0$ . 3
3. (a) Show that  $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$ ,  $\vec{b} \times (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})$  and  $\vec{c} \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$  are coplanar. 2½
- (b) The necessary and sufficient condition for the vector function  $\vec{f}$  of a scalar variable  $t$  to have constant direction is  $\vec{f} \times \frac{d\vec{f}}{dt} = 0$ . 3

## SECTION-II

4. (a) For any vector  $\vec{a}$ , show that  $\nabla(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{r}) = \vec{a}$ , where  $\vec{r}$  is the position vector of a point. Hence show that  $\text{grad} [\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}] = \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ . 2½
- (b) Prove that  $\nabla^2 [r \vec{r}] = \left(\frac{4}{r}\right) \vec{r}$ , where  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ ,  
and  $|\vec{r}| = r$ . 3

5. (a) If  $\text{div} (\phi(r) \vec{r}) = 0$  where  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ , and  $|\vec{r}| = r$ ,  
then prove that  $\phi(r) = \frac{c}{r^3}$ . 2½

(b) Prove that  $\nabla^2 \left[ \frac{x}{r^2} \right] = -\frac{2x}{r^4}$ . 3

### SECTION-III

6. (a) Express the vector  $\vec{A} = z\hat{i} - 2x\hat{j} + y\hat{k}$  in cylindrical coordinates. Hence determine  $A_\rho$ ,  $A_\theta$  and  $A_z$ . 2½
- (b) If  $(r, \theta, \phi)$  are spherical co-ordinates, show that

$$\nabla \left( \frac{1}{r} \right) = \nabla \times (\cos \theta \nabla \phi). \quad 3$$

7. (a) Transform the function  $\vec{f} = P\hat{e}_\rho + P\hat{e}_\phi$  from cylindrical to cartesian co-ordinates. 2½
- (b) Express the velocity  $\vec{v}$  and acceleration  $\vec{a}$  of a particle in cylindrical co-ordinates. 3

### SECTION-IV

8. (a) Evaluate the line integral  $\int_C \vec{f} \cdot d\vec{r}$  about the triangle whose vertices are  $(1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1)$  and  $(-1, 0)$  where  
 $\vec{f} = y^2\hat{i} - x^2\hat{j}$ . 2½

(b) Verify Green's theorem in the plane for

$$\oint_C (xy + y^2) dx + x^2 dy, \text{ where } C \text{ is the closed curve of}$$

the region bounded by  $y = x$  and  $y = x^2$ . 3

9. (a) Evaluate  $\iint_S \vec{f} \cdot \hat{n} dS$ , where  $\vec{f} = (x + y^2)\hat{i} - 2x\hat{j} + 2yz\hat{k}$

and  $S$  is the surface of the plane  $2x + y + 2z = 6$  in the first octant. 2½

(b) Evaluate  $\oint_C \vec{f} \cdot d\vec{r}$  by Stoke's theorem, where

$\vec{f} = y^2\hat{i} + x^2\hat{j} - (x + z)\hat{k}$  and  $C$  is the boundary of triangle with vertices at  $(0, 0, 0)$   $(1, 0, 0)$  and  $(1, 1, 0)$ . 3

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