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Semester - III

Class: II PG

Time: 2 Hours

Branch: Mathematics

Max. Marks: 60

23MMAC15 - Differential Geometry

Course Outcomes:

- CO1: Calculate the curvature and torsion of a curve.
CO2: Find the osculating surface and osculating curve at any point of a given curve.
CO3: Calculate the first and the second fundamental forms of surface.
CO4: Solve the problems related to Gaussian curvature, the mean curvature, the curvature lines, the asymptotic lines.
CO5: Identify the appropriate approach to solve the problems on geodesics of a surface.

PART-A

Choose the correct answer

6x1=6

- What is a space curve? CO1K1
A) A curve that exists only in a two-dimensional plane
B) A curve that can be represented by a single equation in Cartesian coordinates
C) A curve that exists in three-dimensional space and is represented parametrically
D) A curve that cannot be represented parametrically
- What is the arc-length of a space curve? CO1K2
A) The distance between two points on the curve measured along the curve
B) The distance between two points on the curve measured in a straight line
C) The length of the curve as seen from a fixed point
D) The area under the curve
- What is the osculating plane of a space curve? CO2K1
A) The plane that contains the normal vector and the binormal vector
B) The plane that contains the tangent vector and the normal vector
C) The plane that is perpendicular to the curve at the point
D) The plane that is parallel to the curve
- The arc rate at which the tangent changes direction as the point P moves along the curve is called _____. CO2K2
A) normal vector of the curve
B) perpendicular vector of the curve
C) curvature vector of the curve
D) tangent vector of the curve
- A necessary and sufficient condition that a curve is a plane is _____. CO2K1
A) $[\dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \ddot{\ddot{r}}] = \kappa$ B) $[\dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \ddot{\ddot{r}}] = \tau$ C) $[\dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \ddot{\ddot{r}}] = 0$ D) $[\dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \ddot{\ddot{r}}] = \kappa^2 \tau$
- The osculating plane at any point P has _____ point contact with the curve at P CO2K1
A) one B) zero C) three D) two

PART-B
Answer ALL questions

3x6=18

7. a. Prove that the following are the two equivalent representations of a circular helix. CO1K3
- (i) $R_1(u) = (a \cos u, a \sin u, bu), u \in I_1 = [0, \pi)$
- (ii) $R_2(v) = \left(a \frac{1-v^2}{1+v^2}, \frac{2av}{1+v^2} \right), v \in I_2 = [0, \infty)$
- (or)
7. b. Find the arc length of one complete turn of the circular helix CO1K1
 $r = (a \cos u, a \sin u, bu), -\infty < u < \infty$
 where $a > 0$ and obtain the equation of the helix with s as parameter.
8. a. Find the equation of the osculating plane at a point u of the circular helix CO2K3
 $r = (a \cos u, a \sin u, bu)$
- (or)
8. b. Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition for a curve to be a straight line is that CO2K3
 $\kappa = 0$ at all points of the curve.
9. a. Let the curve be of class $m \geq 4$. At a point P on the curve, let the coordinate axes, ox, oy, oz be taken along t, n, b . If X, Y, Z are the coordinates of the neighbouring point Q on the curve, then prove that CO2K1
- $$X = s - \frac{\kappa^2 s^3}{6} - \frac{\kappa \kappa'}{8} s^4 + o(s^4)$$
- $$Y = \frac{\kappa}{2} s^2 + \frac{\kappa'}{6} s^3 + \frac{\kappa'' - \kappa \tau^2 - \kappa^3}{24} s^4 + o(s^4)$$
- $$Z = \frac{\kappa \tau}{6} s^3 + \frac{2\kappa' \tau + \kappa \tau'}{24} s^4 + o(s^4) \text{ as } s \rightarrow 0$$
- (or)
9. b. Prove that the radius of the osculating circle at P is the reciprocal of curvature of the curve CO2K4
 at P and the position vector of its centre of the osculating circle is $c = r + \rho n$ where $\rho = \frac{1}{\kappa}$.

PART-C
Answer ALL questions

3x12=36

10. a. If $R = R(u)$ is the parametric representation of a curve where $u \in [a, b]$, then show that the length of the curve CO1K2
- $$s = S(u) = \int_a^u |\dot{R}(u)| du$$
- (or)
10. b. If γ is a curve of class $m \geq 2$ with arc length s as parameter. Prove the following: CO1K3
 If the point P on γ has parameter zero, then equation of the osculating plane is
 $[R - r(0), r'(0), r''(0)] = 0$ where $r'' \neq 0$
 If $r''(0) = 0$, and if it is assumed that the curve γ is analytic, then the equation of the plane at an inflexion point is $[R - r(0), r'(0), r^{(k)}(0)] = 0$. Prove it.
11. a. If (t, n, b) is the moving orthogonal triad of unit vectors at a point P on a space curve γ , then derive CO2K3
- (i) $\frac{dt}{ds} = \kappa n$ (ii) $\frac{dn}{ds} = \tau b - \kappa t$ (iii) $\frac{db}{ds} = -\tau n$.

(or)

11. b. If $r = r(u)$ is the equation of the curve with parameter u , then prove that

CO2K3

$$(i) \kappa = \frac{|\dot{r} \times \ddot{r}|}{|\dot{r}|^3} \quad (ii) \tau = \frac{[\dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \ddot{\ddot{r}}]}{|\dot{r} \times \ddot{r}|^2}$$

12. a. Find the curvature and torsion of the curve of intersection of the quadratic surfaces

$$ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 = 1, \quad a'x^2 + b'y^2 + c'z^2 = 1$$

CO2K4

(or)

12. b. If $r = r(s)$ is the given curve γ , then show that the centre C and radius R of spherical curvature at a point P on γ are given by

CO3K4

$$C = r + \rho n + \sigma \rho' b, \quad R = \sqrt{\rho^2 + \sigma^2 \rho'^2}$$

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