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## Attempt five questions in all. Question No. 1 is compulsory.

## Q 1.

- a) Explain the physical significance of the curl of a vector field. (3)
- b) Differentiate between systematic and random errors. (3)
- c) A point has cartesian coordinates as (4, 3, 12). Write an expression for the position vector in cylindrical and spherical coordinates. (3)
- d) Prove that  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$  are orthogonal in the interval  $(0, 2\pi)$ .
- e) Evaluate the integral  $\int_{0}^{1} \left( \log \frac{1}{x} \right)^{n-1} dx$ , n > 0. (3)

## Q 2.

- a) Prove that a spherical coordinate system is orthogonal. (4)
- b) Derive the expression for the divergence of a vector field in curvilinear coordinates and express it in spherical coordinates. (4+3)
- c) Evaluate  $\iiint \sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)} dx dy dz$ , where V is the region bounded by  $z = x^2 + y^2$  and  $z = 8 x^2 y^2$ . (4)

## Q 3.

a) Verify Green theorem in the plane for  $\iint_{C} (3x^2 - 8y^2) dx + (4y - 6xy) dy$ , where C is the

boundary of the region defined by x = 0, y = 0, x + y = 1. (3+2)

- b) State and prove Stokes' theorem. (2+5)
- c) Let  $f = x^2yz 4xyz^2$  be a scalar field. Find the directional derivative of f at P (1, 3, 1) in the direction of  $2\hat{i} \hat{j} 2\hat{k}$ . Also find the magnitude of maximum directional derivative. (2+1)

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04.

a) Prove the identity 
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = \vec{B} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) - \vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})$$
. (5)

b) Evaluate 
$$\nabla^2 \left[ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r^2} \right]$$
, where  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$ . (6)

c) Assuming that f(r) is differentiable, prove that  $f(r)\vec{r}$  is irrotational. (4)

Q 5.

- a) Find the Fourier series expansion of the output of a half wave rectifier. Draw the rectified wave function between 0 to T, where T is the time period. (7+2)
- b) Obtain a cosine series expansion of the function f(x) = 1 + x valid in the interval  $0 \le x \le 2$  and hence sum the series  $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \cdots$  (3+1)
- c) State the Dirichlet theorem so that a function can be expressed as a Fourier series.
  (2)

Q 6.

- a) Prove the identity  $\frac{\lceil m \rceil n}{\lceil (m+n) \rceil} = B(m,n)$ , where all the symbols have usual meaning. (8)
- b) State the law of propagation of errors. The resistances of two resistors were determined several times giving the results  $R_1 = (3.52 \pm 0.01)\Omega$  and  $R_2 = (5.12 \pm 0.01)\Omega$ . Calculate standard error in the total resistance R in series and in parallel. (1+2+4)

Q 7.

a) Prove that 
$$\vec{\nabla} \left[ \vec{M} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{1}{r} \right) \right] = \frac{3 \left[ \vec{M} \cdot \vec{r} \right] \vec{r}}{r^5} - \frac{\vec{M}}{r^3}$$
 (6)

b) Show that 
$$B(m,n) = 2 \int_{0}^{\pi/2} (\sin \theta)^{2m-1} (\cos \theta)^{2n-1} d\theta$$
 (4)

c) Express the position and the velocity vectors of a particle in cylindrical coordinates.
(2+3)