

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

- The normal which is perpendicular to the osculating plane at a point is called———
  - principal normal
  - binormal
  - tangent line
  - curvature

- The necessary and sufficient condition that a curve be a straight line is that \_\_\_\_\_ at all points.
  - $t = 0$
  - $k = 1$
  - $k = 0$
  - $c = 0$
- The involute of a circular helix are plane curves, whose planes are \_\_\_\_\_ to the axis of the cylinder
  - normal
  - point
  - centre
  - length
- If two curves have the same intrinsic equations, then they are \_\_\_\_\_
  - equal
  - congruent
  - parallel
  - constant
- If the curvature and torsion are both constant, then the curve is \_\_\_\_\_
  - helix
  - circular helix
  - sphere
  - constant curve
- If  $(l, m)$  are direction coefficients of a direction on the surface, then the numbers  $\mu, \lambda$  which are \_\_\_\_\_ to  $(l, m)$  are called direction ratio
  - parallel
  - orthogonal
  - perpendicular
  - proportional

- If the parametric curves are \_\_\_\_\_ then the curve  $u = c$  will be geodesic iff  $G_1 = 0$ .
  - constant
  - orthogonal
  - parallel
  - equal
- If  $EE_2 + FE_1 - 2EF_1 = 0$  is satisfied for all values of  $u$  and  $v$  the parametric curves \_\_\_\_\_ are all geodesics.
  - $u = \text{constant}$
  - $v = \text{constant}$
  - $u + v = \text{constant}$
  - $u - v = \text{constant}$
- If the orthogonal trajectories of the curve  $v = \text{constant}$  are geodesics, then \_\_\_\_\_ is independent of  $u$ 
  - $H/E^2$
  - $H^2/E$
  - $H/\sqrt{E}$
  - $\sqrt{H}/E^2$
- The curvature of a geodesic relative to itself is \_\_\_\_\_
  - constant
  - parallel
  - zero
  - equal

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

- (a) Show that the curvature and torsion are equal for the curve  $x = a(3u - u^3), y = 3au^2, z = a(3u + u^3)$   
Or  
(b) Derive Serret Frenet formula.
- (a) Find the expression for the curvature and torsion if the curve is drawn on a parabolic cylinder so as to cut all the generators at the same angle.  
Or  
(b) Find curvature and torsion of an evolute.
- (a) Find the direction coefficient making an angle  $\pi/2$  with the direction coefficient  $(l, m)$ .  
Or  
(b) Prove that the metric is invariant.

14. (a) Prove that on the general surface, a necessary and sufficient condition that the curve  $v = c$  be a geodesic is  $EE_2 + FE_1 - 2EF_1 = 0$  when  $v = c$  for all values of  $u$ .

Or

- (b) Show that the curves  $u + v = \text{constant}$  are geodesics on a surface with metric  $(1 + u^2)du^2 - 2uvdudv + (1 + v^2)dv^2$ .
15. (a) Prove that the necessary and sufficient condition for a curve on a surface to be a line of curvature is  $k dr + dN = 0$  at each point of the line of curvature.

Or

- (b) Discuss the nature geodesic on a plane.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

16. (a) Discuss the curvature and torsion of curve in the three cases.
- Or
- (b) Calculate the curvature and torsion of the cubic curve given by  $r = (u, u^2, u^3)$ .

17. (a) State and prove Existence theorem for space curves.

Or

- (b) Derive the equation of an involute of a curve.

18. (a) Prove that the curves of family  $v^3/u^2 = c$  are geodesics on a surface with metric  $v^2 du^2 - 2uvdudv + 2u^2 dv^2$ .

Or

- (b) A helicoid is generated by the screw motion of a straight line skew to the axis. Find the curve coplanar with the axis which generates the same helicoids.

19. (a) Prove that metric is a positive definite quadratic form in  $du, dv$  Also discuss the invariance property.

Or

- (b) Prove that every helix on a cylinder is a geodesic.

20. (a) State and prove Liouville's formula.

Or

- (b) Prove that the geodesic curvature vector of any curve is orthogonal to the curves.