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FACULTY OF SCIENCES
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Course Code: MTH311
Course Title: Calculus of Several Variables
Credit Unit: 3
Time Allowed: 3 Hours
Total: 70 Marks
Instruction: Answer Question One and Any Other 4 Questions

- 1a) Let f be a function defined by $f(x, y) = (x^2 + y, xy)$
Find i) $f(2, -3)$ ii) $f(3, 2)$ iii) $f(-2, 3)$ iv) $f(-2, -3)$ (8 marks)
- b) Evaluate i) $\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ y \rightarrow 2}} \frac{3x^2y}{x^2+y^2+5}$ (3 1/2 marks)
- ii) $\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow \infty \\ y \rightarrow 3}} \frac{2x-3}{x^3+4y^3}$ (3 1/2 marks)
- c) If $u = (1 - 2xy + y^2)^{-1/2}$ prove that $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = y^2 u^3$ (7 marks)
- 2 a) If $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$, then evaluate $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)}$ (6 marks)
- b) i) State the Clairaut's Theorem (2 marks)
ii) Hence, verify the theorem with $F(x, y) = y^2 e^{2x} + \cos 2y$ (4 marks)
- 3) a) Define total derivative of the function $F(x, y, z, \dots, u)$ (3 marks)
b) Find the value of the Jacobian $\frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(r, \theta)}$, where $u = x^2 - y^2$, $v = 2x$ and $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$. (9 marks)

4a) Find $f_{xx}, f_{xy}, f_{yx}, f_{yy}$ of the following:

i) $f = 2x^3 - xy^2 - y^4$ **3marks**

ii) $f = 3e^{-xy} - y \cos x$ **3marks**

b) Let $z = f(x, y)$ where $x = e^u \cos v, y = e^u \sin v$ show that

$$y \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + x \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = e^{2u} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \quad \text{6marks}$$

5) Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ for each of the following implicit functions:

i) $z^2 - 2x^4yz^3 = 3x^3 - y^2$ **6 marks**

ii) $y \cos(4xz) = 2z^3 - x^2 \sin(2xy)$ **6 marks**

6 a) Compute a second order Taylor Series expansion around the origin of the function

$$f(x, y) = e^x \log(1 + y) \quad \text{3 marks}$$

(b) State the (i) necessary and (ii) sufficient conditions for a maxima or minima of the function $z = f(x, y)$

5marks

c) Hence find the maxima and minima of the function $z = 2x^2 + xy - y^2 + y$

4 marks