

B. Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2010  
BRANCH I - MATHEMATICS  
FIRST SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR – CORE

PAPER : DIFFERENTIAL CALCULUS

TIME : 2½ HOURS

MAX. MARKS : 100

SECTION – A

(10 X 2 = 20)

ANSWER ANY TEN QUESTIONS

1. Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  differential coefficient of  $y = e^{ax}$ .
2. Find  $y_n$  if  $y = \sin(ax + b)$ .
3. Find  $y_n$  if  $y = \frac{1}{x^2+a^2}$ .
4. Find  $y_n$  if  $y = \cos^3 x$ .
5. If  $u = \sin(ax + by + cz)$ , find  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$ .
6. If  $u = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}$ , show that  $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z}\right)^2 = 1$ .
7. Find  $\frac{du}{dx}$  when  $u = x^2 + y^2$  where  $y = \frac{1-x}{x}$ .
8. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $x^3 + y^3 = 3axy$ .
9. Find the radius of curvature at the given point  $(x, y)$  for the curve  $xy = c^2$ .
10. Write down the formula for the coordinates of centre of curvature.
11. Define an evolute.
12. Show that for the curve  $s = ae^{x/c}, \rho = \frac{s}{c}\sqrt{s^2 - c^2}$ .

SECTION – B

(4X20=80)

ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

13. a) (i) Find  $y_n$  if  $y = \sin^3 x \cos^2 x$ .  
(ii) Find  $y_n$  if  $y = \frac{1}{x^2+5x+6}$ .  
b) If  $y = \sin(m \sin^{-1} x)$  prove that  $(1 - x^2)y_{n+2} = (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2)y_n$
14. a) If  $y = e^{m \cos^{-1} x}$ , show that  $(1 - x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} - (n^2 + m^2)y_n = 0$   
b) If  $y = a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)$ , show that  
$$x^2 y_{n+2} + (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 + 1)y_n = 0.$$

15. a) If  $u = x^2(y - z) + y^2(z - x) + z^2(x - y)$ , prove that  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0$
- b) If  $u = e^x(x \cos y - y \sin y)$ , prove that  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$ .
- c) If  $u = \log(\tan x + \tan y)$ , prove that  $\sin 2x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \sin 2y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2$ .
16. a) Find the maximum and minimum of  $x^2 e^x$ .
- b) Discuss the maxima and minima of the function  $x^3 y^2 (6 - x - y)$ .
17. a) Find the radius of curvature for the curve  $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 1$  at the point  $(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$ .
- b) Show that for the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ ,  $\rho^2$  varies as  $(SP)^3$ , where  $\rho$  is the radius of curvature at any point  $P$  of the parabola and  $S$  is the focus of the parabola.
- c) Find points on the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$ , at which the radius of curvature is  $7\frac{13}{16}$ .
18. a) Find the coordinates of the centre of curvature for any point  $(x, y)$  on the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$ . Also find the equation of the evolute of the parabola.
- b) In the curve  $y = a \log \sec\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$ , prove that the chord of curvature parallel to the axis of  $y$  is of constant length.

