



**MAR IVANIOS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)**  
**THIRUVANANTHAPURAM**

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**Second Semester B.A. Degree Examination, June 2016**

**First Degree Programme under CBCSS**

**Complementary Course: Mathematics – II (for Economics)**

**AUMM231.1a: Mathematics for Economics – II**

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

**SECTION – A**

*Answer ALL questions / problems in one or two sentences.*

1. Find the two first order partial derivatives of  $y = xt^3 + 3t^2 + x^2t$ .
2. State Euler's theorem for homogeneous function.
3. If the demand is given by the linear function  $p = a - bx$ , find the total revenue and the marginal revenue functions.
4. Define optimum feasible solution to an LPP.
5. Determine whether  $y = x(x - 2)$  is decreasing at  $x = 2$ .
6. Find the minimum point of  $y = x^2$ .
7. Define a convex set.
8. Find the slope of the tangent at (3, 3) to the curve  $xy = 1000$ .
9. If  $x = 3t^2$ ,  $y = 2t$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at  $t = 1$ .
10. Find the points of inflexion of the curve  $y = x^4 - 4x^3 + 16x$ .

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

**SECTION – B**

*Answer any EIGHT questions / problems, not exceeding a paragraph.*

11. Find  $\frac{du}{dt}$  where  $u = x^2 + y^2$ ,  $x = at^2$ ,  $y = 2at$ ,  $a$  is an arbitrary constant.

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12. Define monotonic decreasing function. Also determine whether  $y = x^2$  is monotonic decreasing or not.
13. Define inflexion point. Check whether  $x = 0$  is an inflexion point of  $x^4$
14. Suppose a firm sells 20,000 units when the price is \$16, but sells 30,000 units when the price falls to \$14. Find the price elasticity of demand over this range of prices. State whether demand is elastic or inelastic over this range.
15. State Young's theorem for partial derivatives and verify it for  $u = e^{(x^2 + y^2)}$
16. Find the relative minimum and relative maximum value of the function,  
 $z = x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 12$
17. If  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ ,  $x^3 + y^3 + 3axy = 25$ , find the value of  $\frac{dz}{dx}$  at  $x = y = a$ .
18. If  $u = \frac{x^{1/4} + y^{1/4}}{x^{1/5} + y^{1/5}}$ , find the value of  $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ .
19. If  $u = \frac{x}{y}$ , find the value of  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$ .
20. Write the general format of an LPP with  $n$  decision variables and  $m$  constraints.
21. Define vertex of a convex set. Write the importance of vertices in Linear Programming Problems containing two decision variables.
22. Show that the tangent at the point (1, 1) on the rectangular hyperbola  $xy = 1$ , cuts equal lengths of the axes.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

**SECTION – C***Short essay type problems : Answer any SIX questions.*

23. Obtain the extreme values of  $x^3 + 3xy^2 - 15x^2 - 15y^2 + 72x$ .
24. Find the minimum value of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  when  $x + y + z = a$ .
25. If  $z = \log(u^2 + v)$ ,  $u = e^{(x^2 + y^2)}$ ,  $v = x^2 + y$ , find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ .
26. Verify Young's theorem for the function,  $u = \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}}$ .
27. If  $u = e^{xyz}$ , show that  $\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x \partial y \partial z} = (1 + 3xyz + x^2 y^2 z^2) e^{xyz}$ .

