

Indian Statistical Institute  
Mid-Semestral Examination  
Differential Geometry II - BMath III

Max Marks: 40

Time: 180 minutes.

Answer all questions. You may use Theorems stated/proved in the class after correctly stating them. You may use results not discussed in the class only after proving them.

- (1) Decide whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. Justify.
- (a) Given a smooth manifold  $M$ ,  $p \in M$  and  $v \in T_p(M)$ , there exists  $X \in \Gamma(M)$  with  $X_p = v$ .
  - (b) Every 1 – 1 immersion is an embedding.
  - (c) Every smooth map  $f : \mathbb{RP}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  has a critical point.
  - (d) Every bijective submersion is a diffeomorphism.
  - (e) The set of critical values of any smooth map  $f : S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is closed.
  - (f) No proper subset of  $S^2$  is diffeomorphic to  $S^2$ . [2 × 6 = 12]

- (2) (a) Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a (non constant) smooth map with support contained in  $(-1/2, 1/2)$ . List the rationals in a sequence:  $q_1, q_2, \dots$ . Consider the function  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$g(x) = \sum_n q_n f(x - n).$$

Show that  $g$  is smooth. Further, if  $C$  denotes the set of critical points of  $g$ , show that  $g(C)$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ . [2 + 2 = 4]

- (b) Show that  $O(n) = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : AA^t = -I\}$  is a smooth manifold. Determine its dimension. For  $A \in O(n)$  describe the tangent space to  $O(n)$  at  $A$ . [2 + 1 + 2]
  - (c) Let  $f : M \rightarrow N$  be a surjective submersion. Show that for each  $p \in M$  there is a neighbourhood  $U$  of  $f(p)$  and a smooth map  $g : U \rightarrow M$  such that  $f \circ g = id$ . [3]
- (3) (a) Give an example each of a vector field  $X$  on  $S^1$  having exactly one zero and a vector field  $Y$  on  $S^2$  having exactly two zeros. Give complete proofs of your assertions. [2 + 2 = 4]
- (b) Decide whether the following vector fields are complete. (a)  $X = x^2(d/dx)$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ . (b)  $Y = y^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and (c)  $Z = \sum r_i \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Justify your answers. [2+2+2=6]
- (c) A critical point  $p$  of a smooth function  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be non-degenerate if the  $n \times n$  matrix

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r_i \partial r_j} \right)$$

is invertible (at  $p$ ). Show that 0 is a non-degenerate critical point of  $\det : M_n(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}^{n^2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  when  $n = 2$  and not a non-degenerate critical point when  $n > 2$ . [3+3=6]