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Subject : Geometric Geodetic Surveying  
Code: CVE535  
Year : Diploma level course, Public Works  
Time Allowed : Three hours  
Total Marks : 100 marks

**Answer all Questions** (Use complete equations & clear sketches) [Marks]  
**Question ( 1 )** [17]

- Explain the difference between the 2D- angular and 2D-Mapping coordinate systems,
- Compare between the 3D- Cartesian and 3D-curvilinear coordinates,
- Explain the essential elements for the transformation between any two 3D- Cartesian coordinate systems.

**Question ( 2 )** [23]

- What are the possible applications of the radius of curvature along a given line?
- Compute the mean radius of curvature along the line CD, given that:

$$\varphi_C = 46^\circ 00' 57'' \text{ N} , \quad \varphi_D = 46^\circ 28' 22'' \text{ N},$$

$$\alpha_{CD} = 178^\circ 05' 13'' , \quad \alpha_{DC} = 358^\circ 17' 52'' , \quad a = 6378137.054 \text{ m} , \quad \frac{1}{f} = 298.1798$$

**Question ( 3 )** [20]

- Mention the main applications of geometric geodesy,
- Define the 2D- and 3D-direct and inverse geodetic problems,
- If a reference ellipsoid is used, show the advantages of the 3D-approach over the 2D one.

**Question ( 4 )** [23]

- Explain the benefits from computing the mean radius of curvature at a specific point,
- Given a reference ellipsoid with the following parameters:

$$a = 6378136.976 \text{ m} , \quad \frac{1}{f} = 297.5972$$

- Calculate the mean radius of curvature at point B, if:

$$\varphi_B = 33^\circ 19' 48'' \text{ S} \quad \& \quad \lambda_B = 29^\circ 00' 37'' \text{ W} ,$$

- Compute the mean radius of curvature for a point at the equator,
- Determine the radius of curvature at the poles.

**Question ( 5 )** [17]

- Compare the local geodetic system with both the geodetic and geocentric systems,
- Explain how to transform the coordinate components from a geocentric coordinate system into a local geodetic one and vice versa.

**Best Wishes**