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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) [25]

a) Compute the mean radius of curvature along the line ED , given that:

$$\varphi_E = 46^\circ 00' 57'' N \quad , \quad \varphi_D = 46^\circ 28' 22'' N ,$$

$$\alpha_{ED} = 178^\circ 05' 13'' \quad , \quad \alpha_{DE} = 358^\circ 17' 52'' \quad , \quad a = 6378136.512 \text{ m} \quad , \quad \frac{1}{f} = 298.2603$$

b) Given that the Earth's radius is 6376.207 km , use two methods to compute the spheroidal excess of the triangle ABC , if : $AB = 19.312 \text{ km}$, $AC = 31.115 \text{ km}$, $BC = 39.714 \text{ km}$

Question (2) [25]

a) Calculate the mean radius of curvature at point C , if $\varphi_C = 27^\circ 08' 43'' S$ and:

$$a = 6378136.920 \text{ m} \quad , \quad \frac{1}{f} = 297.8795$$

Then, using two methods, compute the global mean radius of curvature for the ellipsoid.

b) If the difference in geodetic longitude between A , B is $23' 17''$, compute the convergence of meridians between the two points, given that:

$$\varphi_A = 29^\circ 00' 47'' N \quad , \quad \varphi_B = 29^\circ 15' 26'' N$$

Question (3) [20]

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

Question (4) [15]

- Define the direct and inverse geodetic problems,
- Discuss both the 2D- and 3D-approches in geodetic position computations. State the merits of the 3D-approach.
- Compare among the local geodetic, geodetic and geocentric coordinate systems.

Question (5) [15]

- Discuss the direct coordinate transformation between the local geodetic and geodetic coordinate systems,
- Explain the relation between the 3D-curvilinear coordinates of a given point and the corresponding 3D-Cartesian coordinates; within a given geodetic system.

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