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Math 225: Exam the First October 13, 2017

You have two hours to take this closed-book, closed-note, and closed-colleague exam. You may use a basic calculator for arithmetic, trig functions, logarithms and exponentials, but no graphing or calculus functions.

1. Consider the parametric curve given by

$$x(t) = t^2 - 2t \quad y(t) = t + 1$$

- (a) Where (what points) does the curve cross the  $x$ - and  $y$ -axis?

$y$ -axis,  $x=0 = t^2 - 2t$   $t=0, 2$   $y=1, 3$  points  $(0,1)$   $(0,3)$   
 $x$ -axis  $y=0 = t+1$   $t=-1$   $x = (-1)^2 - 2(-1) = 3$  point  $(3,0)$

- (b) Where (if anywhere) does the curve have a horizontal or vertical tangent line?

H-Tan  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0 = 1$ , none.

V-Tan  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0 = 2t - 2$ ,  $t=1$  point:  $(-1, 2)$

- (c) Eliminate the parameter to give  $x$  as a function of  $y$ , and give a general description of the curve.

$$x = t^2 - 2t$$

$$t = y - 1$$

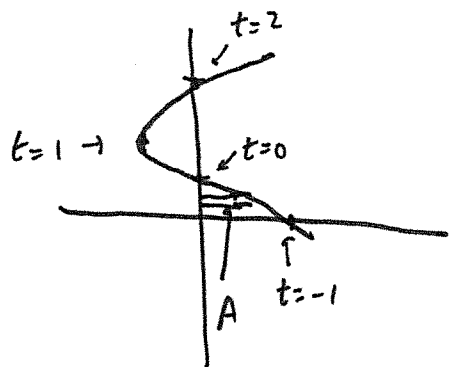
$$y = t + 1$$

parabola opening right

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$$x = (y-1)^2 - 2(y-1) = y^2 - 2y + 1 - 2y + 2 = y^2 - 4y + 3$$

- (d) Find the area in the first quadrant bound by the curve and the coordinate axes.



$$A = \int_{-1}^0 x \, dy$$

$$= \int_{-1}^0 (t^2 - 2t)(1) \, dt$$

$$= \left[ \frac{t^3}{3} - t^2 \right]_{-1}^0 = 0 - \left[ \frac{-1}{3} - 1 \right]$$

$$= 4/3$$

2. (a) Find the equation of the line perpendicular to the plane  $4x + y - 2z = 6$  and through the point  $(8, 2, 6)$ .

line needs  $\vec{v} = \langle 4, 1, -2 \rangle$

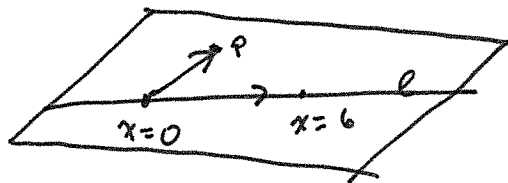
point:  $(8, 2, 6)$

$$\text{line: } \langle 8, 2, 6 \rangle + t \langle 4, 1, -2 \rangle = \vec{r}(t)$$

- (b) Find the points at which this line intersects each of the coordinate planes.

$$\begin{aligned} (yz) \quad x &= 8 + 4t = 0 & t &= -2 \rightarrow (0, 0, 10) \\ (xz) \quad y &= 2 + t = 0 & t &= -2 \rightarrow (0, 0, 10) \\ (xy) \quad z &= 6 - 2t = 0 & t &= 3 \rightarrow (20, 5, 0) \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the equation of the plane through the point  $(2, -2, 0)$  which contains the line  $x = 3y = 2z$  (Hint: you can find three points on this plane and go from there).



points  $(2, -2, 0)$

$(0, 0, 0)$

$(6, 2, 3)$

$$\vec{v}_1 = \langle 2, -2, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \langle 6, 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{n} = \langle -6, -6, 16 \rangle$$

$$\text{plane: } -6(x-2) - 6(y+2) + 16z = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 16z = 6x + 6y$$

4. Suppose that  $|a| = 3$  and  $|b| = 5$ . (Give geometric answers for the second part of each of these).

- (a) The maximum value of  $a \cdot b$  is 15 and occurs when  $a$  and  $b$  are parallel.  
 (b) The maximum value of  $|a \times b|$  is 15 and occurs when  $a$  and  $b$  are orthogonal.  
 (c) The maximum value of  $|a + b|$  is 8 and occurs when  $a$  and  $b$  are parallel.  
~~(or anti-parallel)~~

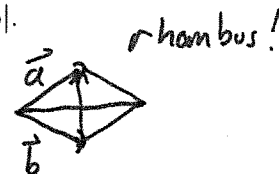
5. Suppose that  $a + b$  and  $a - b$  are orthogonal vectors. Prove that  $|a| = |b|$ .

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0$$

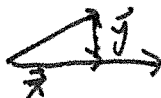
$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} - \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} - \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$|\vec{a}|^2 - |\vec{b}|^2 = 0 \rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 = |\vec{b}|^2$$

$$\rightarrow |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}|$$



6. Write the vector  $\langle -1, 5, 3 \rangle$  as a sum of a vector *parallel* to  $\langle 4, 2, 4 \rangle$  and a vector *perpendicular* to  $\langle 4, 2, 4 \rangle$



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x} &= \text{proj}_{\langle 4, 2, 4 \rangle} \langle -1, 5, 3 \rangle \\ &= \frac{\langle 4, 2, 4 \rangle \cdot \langle -1, 5, 3 \rangle}{|\langle 4, 2, 4 \rangle|^2} \langle 4, 2, 4 \rangle \\ &= \frac{-4 + 10 + 12}{4^2 + 2^2 + 4^2} \langle 4, 2, 4 \rangle = \langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{y} = \langle -1, 5, 3 \rangle - \vec{x} = \langle -1, 5, 3 \rangle - \langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle = \langle -3, 4, 1 \rangle$$

$$\langle -1, 5, 3 \rangle = \langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle + \langle -3, 4, 1 \rangle$$

7. Consider  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2\cos(t), 2\sin(t), 3 - 4\cos(t) \rangle$

(a) This curve is the intersection of which *cylinder* and which *plane*?

$$(2\cos(t))^2 + (2\sin(t))^2 = 4$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4 \leftarrow \text{cylinder}$$

$$z = 3 - 2x \leftarrow \text{plane}$$

(b) What are maximum and minimum allowable values for each of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ ?

$$-2 \leq x \leq 2$$

$$-2 \leq y \leq 2$$

$$-1 \leq z \leq 7$$

(c) Find  $\mathbf{T}(\frac{\pi}{2})$  for this curve.

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle -2\sin(t), 2\cos(t), 4\sin(t) \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'(\pi/2) = \langle -2, 0, 4 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}(\pi/2) &= \frac{\vec{r}'(\pi/2)}{|\vec{r}'(\pi/2)|} = \left\langle \frac{-2}{\sqrt{20}}, 0, \frac{4}{\sqrt{20}} \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}}, 0, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

(d) Find the equation of the tangent line to this curve at  $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

$$\vec{\ell}(t) = \vec{r}(\pi/2) + t \vec{r}'(\pi/2)$$

$$= \langle 0, 2, 3 \rangle + t \langle -2, 0, 4 \rangle.$$

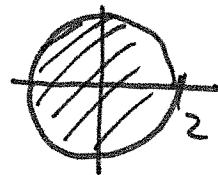
8. Suppose that  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2}$ .

(a) Find and sketch the domain of  $f$ .

$$16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 \geq 4x^2 + 4y^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$$

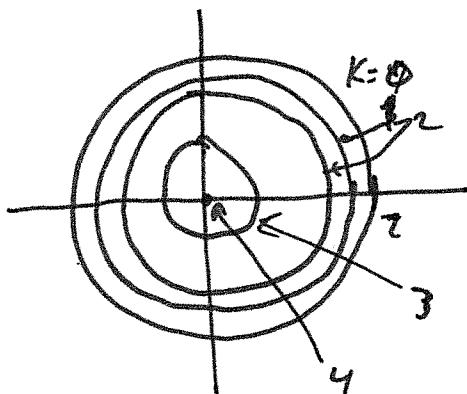


(b) For which values  $k$  can we draw level curves for  $f$ ?

$$0 \leq \sqrt{16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2} \leq 4$$

Max when  $x = y = 0$

(c) Sketch level curves for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ , with attention to spacing.



(d) Find  $f_x(x, y)$  and  $f_y(x, y)$ .

$$f_x = \frac{1}{2}(16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2)^{-1/2} \cdot (-8x) = \frac{-4x}{\sqrt{16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2}}$$

$$f_y = \frac{1}{2}(16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2)^{-1/2} \cdot (-8y) = \frac{-4y}{\sqrt{16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2}}$$

(e) The graph of  $f$  is the top half of which of our quadratic surfaces?

$$z = \sqrt{16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2} \Rightarrow z^2 = 16 - 4x^2 - 4y^2$$

$$4x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 = 16$$

$$\text{ellipsoid} \rightarrow \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{z^2}{16} = 1$$

9. Explain why a straight line has zero curvature. (Your argument should give a formula for curvature at some point).

$$K = \frac{|\vec{r}'(t) \times \vec{r}''(t)|}{|\vec{r}'(t)|^3}$$

But for a line  $\vec{r}''(t) = 0$

$$\text{So } K = 0$$

10. Describe the motion of a particle that has  $a_T$  nonzero, but  $a_N$  zero.

$$a_T = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} \quad a_N = \frac{|\vec{v} \times \vec{a}|}{|\vec{a}|}$$

$$\text{So } \vec{v} \times \vec{a} = 0 \text{ when } \vec{v} \parallel \vec{a}$$

or when our motion is in a straight line

11. Describe the motion of a particle that has  $a_T$  zero, but  $a_N$  nonzero.

Here,  $\vec{v} \perp \vec{a}$ , so the motion is along a circle of a fixed radius

