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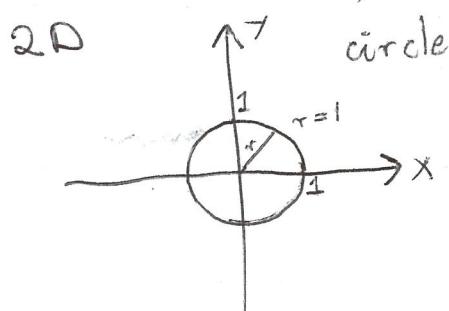
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Question	Points	Score
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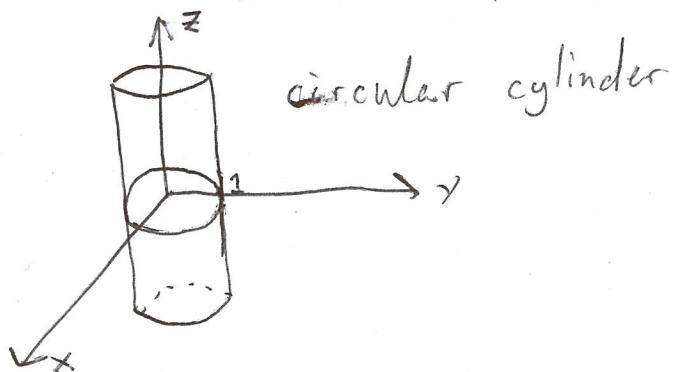
- No calculators or cell phones or other electronic devices allowed at any time.
- Show all your reasoning and work for full credit unless indicated otherwise. Use full mathematical or English sentences.
- You have 90 minutes and the exam is 100 points.
- You do not need to simplify numerical expressions. For example leave fractions like $100/7$ or expressions like $\ln(3)/2$ as is.
- For multiple choice questions, circle the correct answer.
- Notation: following the book, we use boldface to denote vectors, e.g., \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} are vectors.

1. (14 points) Short answer questions

- (a) (4 pts, 1+3) Sketch $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ first in 2D (in two dimensions), and then in 3D (in three dimensions).



3D



- (b) (3pts) Let $\mathbf{a} = \langle 1, 2, -1 \rangle$. Normalize \mathbf{a} (i.e., find a vector that points in the same direction as \mathbf{a} but has length 1).

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\langle 1, 2, -1 \rangle}{\sqrt{6}} = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}} \right\rangle$$

- (c) (correct 3 pts; blank 0 pts, incorrect - 3pts) True False (choose one, you do not have to justify it). The expression $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})$ is meaningful.

- (d) (4 pts) Consider the vector-valued function $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t, \sqrt{t-4}, \frac{1}{t-4} \rangle$. Find the domain of \mathbf{r} .

$$t: t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\sqrt{t-4}: t-4 \geq 0, t \geq 4$$

$$\frac{1}{t-4}: t-4 \neq 0, t \neq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{domain of } \mathbf{r} : \{ t \in \mathbb{R} : t > 4 \}$$

2. (12 points) Let $\mathbf{a} = \langle 1, 0, -1 \rangle$, $\mathbf{b} = \langle 2, -1, -3 \rangle$.

(a) Are \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} orthogonal? Justify.

$$\vec{a} \perp \vec{b} \Leftrightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$
$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1 \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot (-1) + (-1) \cdot (-3) = 2 + 0 + 3 = 5 \neq 0$$

So \vec{a} & \vec{b} are NOT orthogonal

(b) If the vectors are not orthogonal, find the angle between them (you do not have to simplify).

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{14}} \right)$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{14}} \right)$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{4+1+9} = \sqrt{14}$$

3. (12 points) Consider the three vectors $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, 1, 0 \rangle$, $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, -3, 0 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{w} = \langle 0, 0, 4 \rangle$.

(a) Calculate $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{u} \times \vec{v} &= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = |1| \vec{i} - |2| \vec{j} + |1| \vec{k} \\ &= ((1)(0) - (-3)(0)) \vec{i} - ((2)(0) - (0)(1)) \vec{j} + ((-3)(2) - (1)(1)) \vec{k} \\ &= 0\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} - 7\vec{k} \\ &= -7\vec{k}\end{aligned}$$

(b) What is the *magnitude* of your above answer? What is its geometric meaning?

$|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}| = 7$. This is the area of the parallelogram

formed by \vec{u} & \vec{v} .

(c) The vectors \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} form the edges of a parallelepiped. Use your answer in part (b) to find the volume of this parallelepiped.

Notice that $V = A \cdot h$, where $A = |\vec{u} \times \vec{v}|$ &

$h = 4$ (since \vec{w} is perp. to \vec{u} & \vec{v} , the height is simply $|\vec{w}|$. This is not true in general if \vec{w} is not perp. to \vec{u} & \vec{v})

So $V = 28$

Alternatively $V = |\vec{w} \cdot (\vec{u} \times \vec{v})| = |\langle 0, 0, 4 \rangle \cdot \langle 0, 0, -7 \rangle| = |-28| = 28$

(or $V = |\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{w} \times \vec{v})|$ or $|\vec{v} \cdot (\vec{u} \times \vec{w})|$)

4. (12 points) (a) Find the parametric equation of a line that passes through the points $P(6, -2, -1)$ and $Q(3, 0, -4)$. Answers to (a) and (b) may

$$\vec{v} = \vec{PQ} = \vec{Q} - \vec{P} = \langle -3, 2, -3 \rangle.$$

Common
solutions
vary.
(even.)

Solution 1: $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 6, -2, -1 \rangle + \langle -3, 2, -3 \rangle t$

$$= \langle 6 - 3t, -2 + 2t, -1 - 3t \rangle$$

Solution 2: $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 3, 0, -4 \rangle + \langle -3, 2, -3 \rangle t$

$$= \langle 3 - 3t, 2t, -4 - 3t \rangle$$

- (b) What are the symmetric equations for the given line?

Solution 1:

$$\frac{x-6}{-3} = \frac{y+2}{2} = \frac{z+1}{-3}$$

Solution 2:

$$\frac{x-3}{-3} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z+4}{-3}$$

- (c) At what point does this line intersect the yz -plane?

yz -plane: $x = 0$

Solution 1:

$$6 - 3t = 0$$

$$t = 2$$

$$y = -2 + 2(2) = 2$$

$$z = -1 - 3(2) = -7$$

Solution 2:

$$3 - 3t = 0$$

$$t = 1$$

$$y = 2(1) = 2$$

$$z = -4 - 3(1) = -7$$

$$(0, 2, -7)$$

$$(0, 2, -7)$$

5. (8 points) (2 pts each) Given the quadric surface $16x = 4y^2 + z^2$ find the specific traces and identify the surface (you do not need to justify).

(a) For $x = k$ identify the trace.

- A. circle
- B. ellipse
- C. hyperbola
- D. parabola

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

(b) For $y = k$ identify the trace.

- A. circle
- B. ellipse
- C. hyperbola
- D. parabola

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

(c) For $z = k$ identify the trace.

- A. circle
- B. ellipse
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$$16x = 4y^2 + k^2$$

(d) Describe the quadric surface.

- A. ellipsoid
- B. elliptic paraboloid
- C. hyperbolic paraboloid
- D. cone
- E. hyperboloid of one sheet
- F. hyperboloid of two sheets

6. (8 points) In this question, you do not need to justify your answer.

(a) Describe in words or sketch the curve of the intersection of

$$C = \{ (r, \theta, z) \mid r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, z \geq 0 \}$$

with

$$D = \{ (r, \theta, z) \mid 2r^2 + z^2 = 1 \}.$$

Either try to picture it or plug in.

If plug in, then:

$$r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ from } C \text{ into } D: 2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + z^2 = 1$$

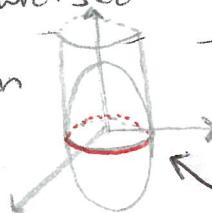
$$1 + z^2 = 1$$

$$z^2 = 0$$

so intersection when $z=0$ & $r=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

\Rightarrow circle of radius $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

If picturing it, then



red curve:
curve of intersection: circle

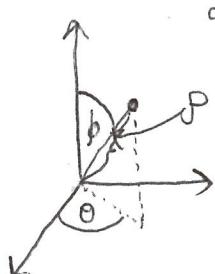
(b) Determine, and then either sketch or describe in words, the type of the solid given by the following inequalities

$$0 \leq \rho \leq 4, 0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

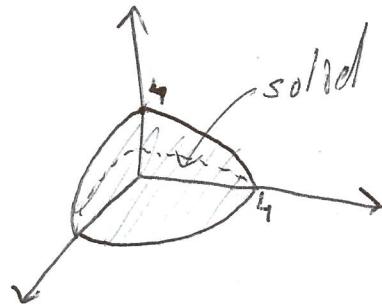
ρ anything from 0 to 4 & ϕ anything from 0 to $\frac{\pi}{2}$,

so a solid sphere: top part, of radius 4, i.e.

a solid top hemisphere of radius 4.



sketch:



7. (12 points) Let $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 \cos t, 3, \sin t \rangle$.

(a) Find $\mathbf{r}'(t)$.

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle -2 \sin t, 0, \cos t \rangle$$

(b) Find $\int_0^\pi \mathbf{r}(t) dt$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^\pi \mathbf{r}(t) dt &= \left\langle 2 \int_0^\pi \cos t dt, \int_0^\pi 3 dt, \int_0^\pi \sin t dt \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle 2 \sin t \Big|_0^\pi, 3 \cdot \pi, -\cos t \Big|_0^\pi \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle 0, 3\pi, -(\cos \pi - \cos 0) \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle 0, 3\pi, -(-1 - 1) \right\rangle \\ &= \boxed{\left\langle 0, 3\pi, 2 \right\rangle}\end{aligned}$$

8. (12 points) Suppose two particles have positions with respect to time given by the vector functions

$$\mathbf{r}_1(t) = 2t\mathbf{i} + (t^2 - 6)\mathbf{j} + \left(-\frac{1}{3}t^3\right)\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_2(s) = (2 + 2s)\mathbf{i} + (5 - s)\mathbf{j} + (1 - 5s)\mathbf{k}$$

for $t \geq 0$ and $s \geq 0$.

- (a) Show that the space curves given by $\mathbf{r}_1(t)$ and $\mathbf{r}_2(s)$ intersect at a common point.

Need $\vec{r}_1(t) = \vec{r}_2(s)$ for some value of $s \neq t$.

So need $\textcircled{1} 2t = 2 + 2s \quad \textcircled{2} t^2 - 6 = 5 - s \quad \textcircled{3} -\frac{1}{3}t^3 = 1 - 5s$

solving $\textcircled{4}$ for s & plugging into $\textcircled{2}$ we get: $t = 1 + s, s = t - 1$ (*)

$$t^2 - 6 = 5 - (t - 1)$$

$$t^2 - 6 = 5 - t + 1$$

$$t^2 + t - 12 = 0$$

$$(t+4)(t-3) = 0$$

$$t = -4, \boxed{t = 3}$$

(Note, we're given $t \geq 0$)

Plug in $t = 3$ into (*): $s = 3 - 1 = 2$

(check in 3rd eqn: $-\frac{1}{3}3^3 = 1 - 5(2)$)

$$-\frac{1}{3}27 = 1 - 10 \quad \checkmark$$

So Yes, the curves intersect
at $(2 + 4, 5 - 2, 1 - 10)$
 $= (6, 3, -9)$

- (b) If $t = s$, will the two particles ever collide? Justify your answer.

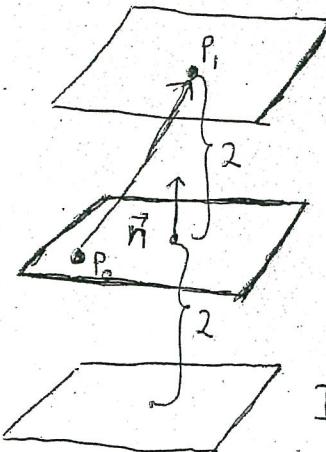
The space curves intersect at $(6, 3, -9)$.

In order for the collision to occur we need

$\vec{r}_1(t) = \vec{r}_2(t)$, but from part a) \vec{r}_1 goes through $(6, 3, -9)$ at $t = 3$, and \vec{r}_2 at $t = 2$, so no,

the particles do NOT collide.

9. (10 points) Find equations of the planes that are parallel to the plane $x + 2y - 2z = 1$ and two units away from it.



① Using the distance between planes formula

The Planes must have parallel normal vectors so we can assume the plane is of the form

$$x + 2y - 2z = d$$

If $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$ and $P_1 = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$ then the distance between the planes is given by

$$2 = D = \frac{|\vec{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{P_0 P_1}|}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{|(x_1 + 2y_1 - 2z_1) - (x_0 + 2y_0 - 2z_0)|}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2}} = \frac{|d - 1|}{3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 6 = |d - 1| \Leftrightarrow d = 7, -5$$

$$x + 2y - 2z = 7 \quad \text{and} \quad x + 2y - 2z = -5$$

② Pick a point P on the plane and travel 2 units along the unit normal vector to get a point on the desired plane

$$P + 2 \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = (1, 0, 0) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 2, -2) = \left(\frac{5}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, -\frac{4}{3}\right)$$

$$P - 2 \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = (1, 0, 0) - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 2, -2) = \left(\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{4}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right)$$

Plugging these points into the equations of a plane:

$$\underbrace{(x - \frac{5}{3}) + 2(y - \frac{4}{3}) - 2(z - \frac{4}{3}) = 0}_{x + 2y - 2z = 7} \quad \underbrace{(x - \frac{1}{3}) + 2(y + \frac{4}{3}) - 2(z - \frac{4}{3}) = 0}_{x + 2y - 2z = -5}$$