

Math 2400 Exam 1 Review Solutions

1. Complete the square:

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 6x + 4y - 2z = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 + 4y + 4 + z^2 - 2z + 1 = 8 + 9 + 4 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)^2 + (y+2)^2 + (z-1)^2 = 22.$$

The center of the sphere is $(3, -2, 1)$ and the radius is $\sqrt{22}$.

2. (a) $2\vec{a} - \vec{b} = 8\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - (\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + 3\vec{k})$
 $= 7\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} - 3\vec{k}$

(b) $\|\vec{a}\| = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{17}$

(c) $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 4 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot (-2) + 0 \cdot 3$
 $= 2$

(d) Let θ be the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} .

Then $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\|} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{17} \sqrt{14}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{238}}$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \arccos\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{238}}\right).$$

3. Let $\vec{F} = 1\vec{i} - 4\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$ be the displacement vector. Then the work done is

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r} = 1 \cdot 1 + (-6)(-4) + 2 \cdot 2 \\ &= 29 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \end{aligned}$$

4. (a) The distance from P to Q is

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{(4-3)^2 + (0-(-2))^2 + (1-0)^2} &= \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} \\ &= \sqrt{6}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) The area of the triangle with vertices P, Q, and R is $\frac{1}{2} \|\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}\|$.

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} &= \langle 1, 2, 1 \rangle \times \langle -2, 4, 1 \rangle \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \langle -2, -3, 8 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{The area is } \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-3)^2 + 8^2} = \frac{\sqrt{77}}{2}.$$

(c) The vector $\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} = \langle -2, -3, 8 \rangle$ is normal to the plane containing P, Q, and R. So the equation of the plane is

$$-2x - 3y + 8z = d,$$

for some constant d . Plug in the coordinates of P to find d :

$$d = -2(3) - 3(-2) + 8(0) = 0.$$

5. Let $\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$, $\vec{b} = \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle$ and $\vec{c} = \langle c_1, c_2, c_3 \rangle$. Then

$$\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \times \langle b_2c_3 - b_3c_2, b_3c_1 - b_1c_3, b_1c_2 - b_2c_1 \rangle$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2c_3 - b_3c_2 & b_3c_1 - b_1c_3 & b_1c_2 - b_2c_1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (a_2(b_1c_2 - b_2c_1) - a_3(b_3c_1 - b_1c_3)) \vec{i}$$

$$+ (a_3(b_2c_3 - b_3c_2) - a_1(b_1c_2 - b_2c_1)) \vec{j}$$

$$+ (a_1(b_3c_1 - b_1c_3) - a_2(b_2c_3 - b_3c_2)) \vec{k}.$$

Consider the first component of this vector.

Rearranging gives:

$$a_2(b_1c_2 - b_2c_1) - a_3(b_3c_1 - b_1c_3)$$

$$= b_1(a_2c_2 + a_3c_3) - c_1(a_2b_2 + a_3b_3)$$

$$= b_1(a_2c_2 + a_3c_3) + a_1b_1c_1 - a_1b_1c_1 - c_1(a_2b_2 + a_3b_3)$$

$$= b_1(a_1c_1 + a_2c_2 + a_3c_3) - c_1(a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3)$$

$$= b_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) - c_1(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}).$$

By a similar argument, the second and third components of $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$ are $b_2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) - c_2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$ and $b_3(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) - c_3(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$, respectively. Therefore,

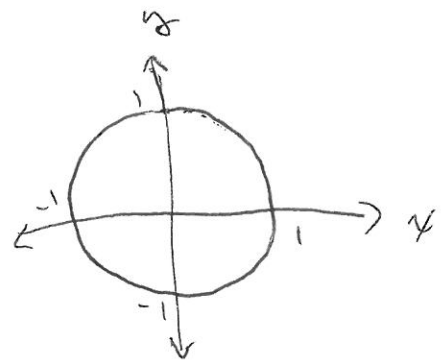
$$\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{c}.$$

6. (a) The domain of f is \mathbb{R}^2 . The range of f is $(-\infty, 2]$.

$$(b) \quad 1 = 2 - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$z = 1 : \quad \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 1$$

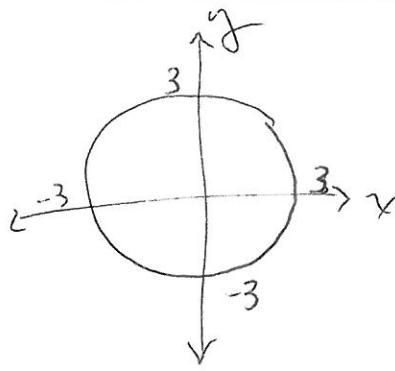
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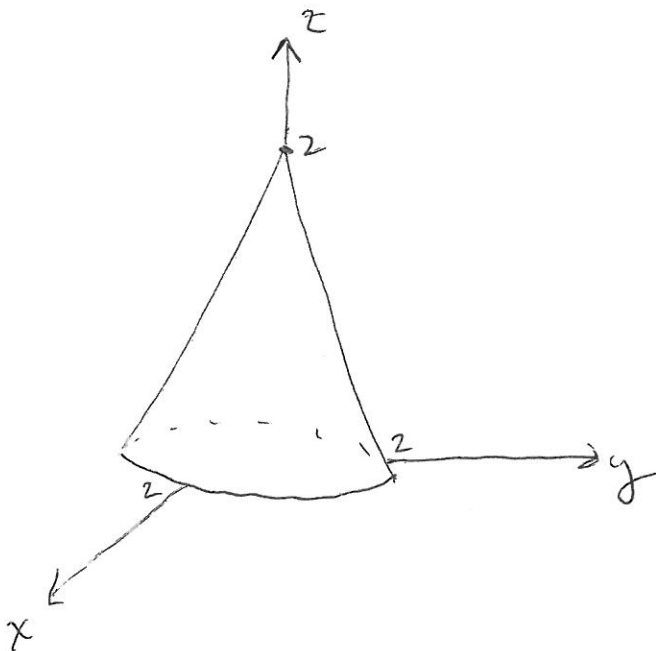
$$z = -1 : -1 = 2 - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 9$$



(c)



$$(d) \quad 2 - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 2 - \sqrt{r^2} = 2 - |r|$$

7. The line we're looking for is perpendicular to both $\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$ (~~cross~~ normal vector for the plane $x+y+z=2$) and $\langle 1, -1, 2 \rangle$ (direction vector for the line $x=1+t, y=1-t, z=2t$). So

$$\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \times \langle 1, -1, 2 \rangle = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 3, -1, -2 \rangle$$

points in the direction of the line. Since

$(0, 1, 2)$ is a point on the line, parametric equations for the line are

$$x = 3t$$

$$y = 1 + t$$

$$z = 2 - 2t.$$

8. (a) ellipsoid
(b) hyperboloid of one sheet
(c) hyperbolic paraboloid
(d) cone

9. (a) $x = \rho \sin \varphi \cos \theta$
 $= 2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cos(\pi)$
 $= -2$

$$y = \rho \sin \varphi \sin \theta$$
$$= 2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \sin(\pi)$$
$$= 0$$

$$z = \rho \cos \varphi$$
$$= 2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$
$$= 0.$$

$$(b) \quad x = 3 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) \cos(0) \\ = -3$$

$$y = 3 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) \sin(0) \\ = 0$$

$$z = 3 \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) \\ = 0$$

10. (a) cylinder of radius 3 centered on the z -axis

(b) vertical half-plane making an angle of $\frac{\pi}{3}$ with the positive x -axis

(c) half-cone making an angle of $\frac{\pi}{3}$ with the positive z -axis

