

Math 241, Exam 2, Spring, 2023

You should KEEP this piece of paper. Write everything on the **blank paper provided**. Return the problems **in order** (use as much paper as necessary), use **only one side** of each piece of paper. Number your pages and write your name on each page. Take a picture of your exam (for your records) just before you turn the exam in. I will e-mail your grade and my comments to you. I will keep your exam. **Fold your exam in half** before you turn it in.

The exam is worth 50 points. Problem 2 is worth 8 points; each of the other problems is worth 7 points. **Make your work coherent, complete, and correct.** Please CIRCLE your answer. Please **CHECK** your answer whenever possible.

The solutions will be posted later today.

No Calculators, Cell phones, computers, notes, etc.

(1) **Find the point on the line**

$$x = -t + 2, \quad y = t + 1, \quad z = 2t - 1$$

which is closest to the point $(2, 3, 1)$. DEMONSTRATE that your answer is correct.

Let \mathcal{P} be the plane through $(2, 3, 1)$ which is perpendicular to the line

$$\ell: \quad x = -t + 2, \quad y = t + 1, \quad z = 2t - 1.$$

The answer is the intersection of ℓ and \mathcal{P} . Of course, the answer is on ℓ and the vector which connects the answer to $(2, 3, 1)$ is perpendicular to ℓ .

The plane \mathcal{P} passes through $(2, 3, 1)$ and is perpendicular to

$$\vec{v} = -\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 2\vec{k}.$$

This plane is $-(x - 2) + (y - 3) + 2(z - 1) = 0$. In other words, \mathcal{P} is $-x + y + 2z = 3$.

The plane \mathcal{P} and the line ℓ intersect when

$$-(-t + 2) + (t + 1) + 2(2t - 1) = 3 \quad \text{or} \quad t + t + 4t = 3 + 2 - 1 + 2.$$

Thus, $6t = 6$ and $t = 1$. When $t = 1$, the line touches $(1, 2, 1)$.

Check. The proposed answer is on ℓ and the vector which goes from the proposed answer to $(2, 3, 1)$ is $\vec{i} + \vec{j}$, which is perpendicular to ℓ .

- (2) Find an equation for the plane through the points $P_1 = (2, -1, 3)$, $P_2 = (2, 4, 1)$, and $P_3 = (1, 2, 3)$. DEMONSTRATE that your answer is correct.

Observe that $\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} = 5\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$ and $\overrightarrow{P_1P_3} = -\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} \times \overrightarrow{P_1P_3} &= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \vec{i} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - \vec{j} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \vec{k} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 6\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}.\end{aligned}$$

The plane through $(2, -1, 3)$ perpendicular to $6\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}$ is

$$6(x - 2) + 2(y + 1) + 5(z - 3) = 0.$$

We rewrite this equation as

$$\boxed{6x + 2y + 5z = 25}$$

Check.

The point $(2, -1, 3)$ satisfies our answer:

$$6(2) + 2(-1) + 5(3) = 25.$$

The point $(2, 4, 1)$ satisfies our answer:

$$6(2) + 2(4) + 5(1) = 25.$$

The point $(1, 2, 3)$ satisfies our answer:

$$6(1) + 2(2) + 5(3) = 25.$$

- (3) Express $\vec{v} = 2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$ as the sum of a vector parallel to $\vec{w} = -\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$ and a vector orthogonal to \vec{w} . DEMONSTRATE that your answer is correct.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{proj}_{\vec{w}} \vec{v} &= \frac{\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}}{\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w}} \vec{w} = \frac{-2+12}{1+16} \vec{w} \\ &= \frac{10}{17}(-\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} - \text{proj}_{\vec{w}} \vec{v} &= \left(\frac{34}{17}\vec{i} + \frac{51}{17}\vec{j}\right) - \left(-\frac{10}{17}\vec{i} + \frac{40}{17}\vec{j}\right) = \frac{44}{17}\vec{i} + \frac{11}{17}\vec{j} \\ &= \frac{11}{17}(4\vec{i} + \vec{j}).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} &= \frac{10}{17}(-\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}) + \frac{11}{17}(4\vec{i} + \vec{j}), \\ \text{with } \frac{10}{17}(-\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}) &\text{ parallel to } \vec{w} \text{ and} \\ \frac{11}{17}(4\vec{i} + \vec{j}) &\text{ perpendicular to } \vec{w}.\end{aligned}$$

Check. We see that

$$\frac{10}{17}(-\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}) + \frac{11}{17}(4\vec{i} + \vec{j}) = \frac{34}{17}\vec{i} + \frac{51}{17}\vec{j} = 2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} = \vec{v}.$$

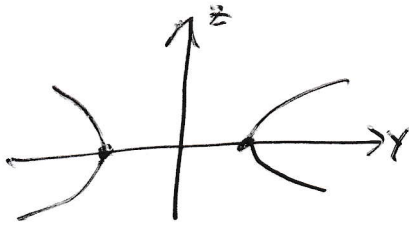
We see that $\frac{10}{17}(-\vec{i} + 4\vec{j})$ is parallel to $\vec{v} = (-\vec{i} + 4\vec{j})$.

We see that $\frac{11}{17}(4\vec{i} + \vec{j}) \cdot \vec{w} = \frac{11}{17}(4\vec{i} + \vec{j}) \cdot (-\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}) = \frac{11}{17}(4 - 4) = 0$.

- (4) **Name, describe, and graph the set of all points in three-space which satisfy the equation $y^2 - x^2 - z^2 = 1$. Is the graph a curve, a surface, or a solid?**

$$y^2 - x^2 - z^2 = 1$$

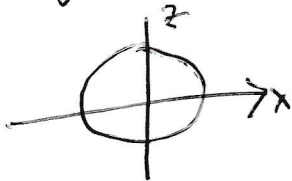
When $x=0$, the equation is $y^2 - z^2 = 1$. The graph of this equation is a hyperbola



When $y=0$, there is no graph because $-x^2 - z^2 = 1$ has no solutions

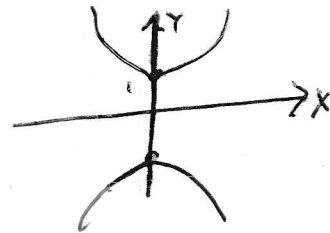
When $y=1$ or -1 , then the graph is just one point

When $y > 1$ or $y < -1$, then the graph is a circle $\text{Pos} = x^2 + z^2$

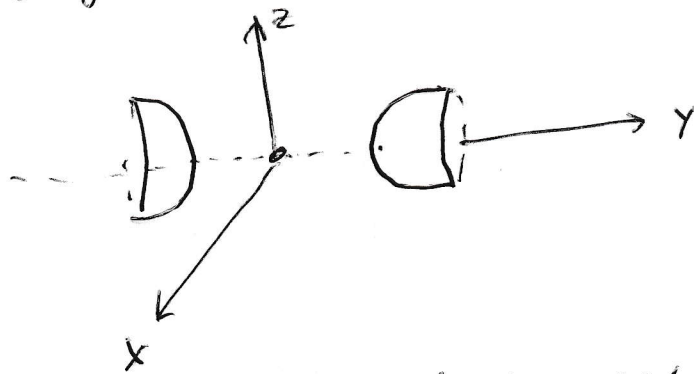


When $z=0$, the graph is a hyperbola

$$y^2 - x^2 = 1$$



The graph of $y^2 - x^2 - z^2 = 1$ is a hyperboloid of two sheets



The graph is a surface. Take the hyperbola, $y^2 - z^2 = 1$ in the yz -plane and rotate it about the y -axis

(5) The position vector of an object at time t is

$$\vec{r}(t) = \cos 2t \vec{i} + \sin 2t \vec{j} + t \vec{k}.$$

How far does the object travel between $t = 0$ and $t = \pi$?

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi |\vec{r}'(t)| dt &= \int_0^\pi |(-2 \sin 2t) \vec{i} + (2 \cos 2t) \vec{j} + \vec{k}| dt = \int_0^\pi \sqrt{5} dt \\ &= \boxed{\sqrt{5}\pi}. \end{aligned}$$

(6) If $z = 2x^2y^4e^{3x^3y^2} + x^2y^3 \sin(xy)$, then find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$.

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x^2y^4e^{3x^3y^2}9x^2y^2 + 4xy^4e^{3x^3y^2} + x^2y^4 \cos(xy) + 2xy^3 \sin(xy).}$$

(7) Find the directional derivative of $f(x, y) = x^2y^3$ in the direction $\vec{v} = 2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$ at the point $P = (2, -2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} (D_{\vec{v}}f)|_P &= (\vec{\nabla} f)|_P \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} = (2xy^3 \vec{i} + 3x^2y^2 \vec{j})|_{(2,-2)} \cdot \frac{2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}}{\sqrt{13}} \\ &= (-32 \vec{i} + 48 \vec{j}) \cdot \frac{2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}}{\sqrt{13}} = \boxed{\frac{-64 + 144}{\sqrt{13}}}. \end{aligned}$$