

Math 1172

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Sample Midterm 3

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### Instructions

- You have **55 minutes** to complete this exam. It consists of 6 problems on 8 pages including this cover sheet.
- If you wish to have any work on the extra workspace pages considered for credit, indicate in the problem that there is additional work on the extra workspace pages and **clearly label** to which problem the work belongs on the extra pages.
- The value for each question is both listed below and indicated in each problem.
- Please **write clearly** and make sure to **justify your answers** and **show all work!** Correct answers with no supporting work may receive no credit.
- You may not use any books or notes during this exam
- Calculators are **NOT** permitted. In addition, neither PDAs, laptops, nor cell phones are permitted.
- Make sure to read each question carefully.
- Please **CIRCLE** your final answers in each problem.
- A random sample of graded exams will be copied prior to being returned.

Problem	Point Value	Score
1	12	
2	18	
3	15	
4	20	
5	15	
6	10	
Total	100	

1. Multiple Choice [12 pts]

Circle the response that best answers each question. Each question is worth 4 points. There is no penalty for guessing and no partial credit.

I. The polar form of a curve in the  $xy$  plane is given by  $r = \cos(2\theta)$ .

Which of the following is the Cartesian description of the curve?

A.  $x^2 + y^2 = x$

B.  $x^2 + y^2 = 2x$

C.  $(x^2 + y^2)^3 = (x^2 - y^2)^2$

D. None of the above

$r = \cos(2\theta) = \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$

Mult by  $r^2$  on both sides to get  $\cos\theta, \sin\theta$  factors:

$r^3 = r^2 \cos^2\theta - r^2 \sin^2\theta = (r \cos\theta)^2 - (r \sin\theta)^2$

$(x^3 + y^3)^{3/2} = x^2 - y^2$

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

II. A curve is described parametrically by:

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = 2 \cos t \\ y(t) = 3 \sin t \end{cases}, \quad -\infty \leq t \leq \infty$$

How many *distinct* vertical tangent lines does the curve have?

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. More than 2

$\left. \begin{matrix} dx/dt = -2 \sin t \\ dy/dt = 3 \cos t \end{matrix} \right\} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{3 \cos t}{-2 \sin t}$

We have vert asymp when  $-2 \sin t = 0$  but  $3 \cos t$  does not  $\Rightarrow \sin t = 0 \rightarrow t = n\pi$  for integers  $n$ . However, no matter what  $n$  is, the vert. asymp are

$x = \cos n\pi \Rightarrow x = 1$  or  $x = -1$ !

III. Suppose that  $\vec{u}$  is a nonzero vector, and  $\hat{u}$  is a unit vector in the direction of  $\vec{u}$ . Then,

A.  $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{u} = 0$ .

B.  $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{u} = \vec{u}$

C.  $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{u} = \hat{u}$

D. It depends on what the vector  $\vec{u}$  is.

This should make sense intuitively if you understand what orthogonal projections are! It is also captured in the formula:

$\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \left( \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}} \right) \vec{v}$

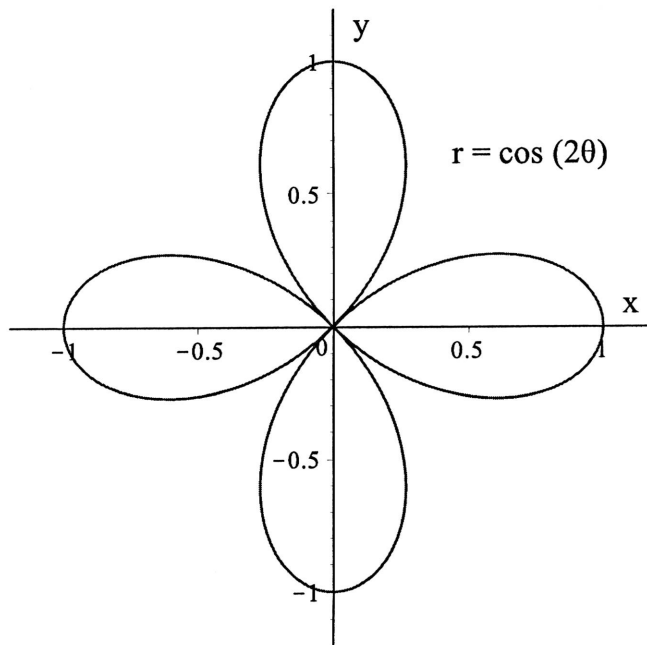
So:  $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{u} = \left( \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} \right) \vec{u} = 1 \vec{u}$ !

2. **Multiselect** [18 pts]

**Directions:** Each problem below is worth 9 points. Circle *all* of the responses that MUST be true for each problem below. Note that there may be more than one correct response or even no correct responses!

A perfect answer for each part is worth 9 points. If you circle an incorrect choice, you will be penalized 3 points. If you do not circle a correct choice, you will be penalized 3 points. However, you cannot score below a 0 for either part of this problem. Thus, the possible scores for each part are 0, 3, 6, or 9 points.

I. The polar form of a curve in the  $xy$  plane is given by  $r = \cos^2(\theta)$ , which is shown below:



CIRCLE *all* of the following statements that MUST be true.

A.  $\frac{dy}{dx} \geq 0$  for all  $\theta$  in  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

B.  $\frac{dy}{dx} \geq 0$  <sup>for all points where</sup> ~~at~~  $x = \frac{1}{4}$ .

C.  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$  is on the curve.

D. There is an angle  $\theta$  where  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6$ .

E. There are 4 points on the curve where there are horizontal tangent lines.

F. There are 4 points on the curve where there are vertical tangent lines.

} There are 6!

II. [9 pts] Suppose that  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are nonzero three dimensional vectors.

CIRCLE all of the following statements that *MUST* be true.

A. If  $|\vec{u}| = |\vec{v}|$ , then  $\vec{u} = \vec{v}$ .

B.  $proj_{\vec{u}} \vec{v} = proj_{\vec{v}} \vec{u}$ .

C. If  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are parallel, then  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ .

D.  $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) = 0$

E. If  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are orthogonal, then  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = 0$ .

F.  $\vec{v} \cdot (\vec{u} - proj_{\vec{v}} \vec{u}) = 0$

A: FALSE; A counterexample is  $\vec{u} = \hat{i}$ ,  $\vec{v} = \hat{j}$ .

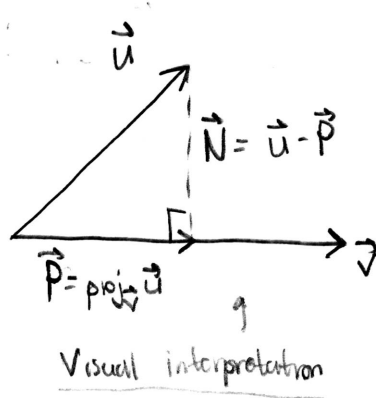
B: FALSE; this is only the case if  $\vec{u} \perp \vec{v}$  or  $\vec{u} \parallel \vec{v}$ .  
(in the former, both are  $\vec{0}$ ), since  $proj_{\vec{u}} \vec{v}$  must be in the direction of  $\vec{u}$ ,  $proj_{\vec{v}} \vec{u}$  must be in the direction of  $\vec{v}$ .

C: FALSE; Take  $\vec{u} = \hat{i}$ ,  $\vec{v} = 2\hat{i}$ . It is true that if  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are parallel, then  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \vec{0}$ . since  $|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}| = |\vec{u}||\vec{v}| \sin \theta$  and  $\theta = 0$  if  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are parallel.

D: TRUE;  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$  is orthogonal to both  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$ , so  $(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{u} = 0$ .

E: FALSE; Take  $\vec{u} = \hat{i}$ ,  $\vec{v} = \hat{j}$ . It is true that if  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  are orthogonal, then  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$

F: TRUE:



algebraically:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \vec{v} \cdot (\vec{u} - proj_{\vec{v}} \vec{u}) \\
 &= \vec{v} \cdot \left( \vec{u} - \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}} \vec{v} \right) \\
 &= \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} - \frac{(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v})}{(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})} (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}) \\
 &= \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} - (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}) \left( \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}}{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}} \right) \\
 &= 0 \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

3. [15 pts] Suppose that we define a new set of coordinates  $(u, v)$  by requiring that the usual Cartesian coordinates  $(x, y)$  are related to  $(u, v)$  as follows:

$$\begin{cases} x = uv \\ y = u^2 + v^2 \end{cases}$$

Now, suppose that a curve  $C$  is defined using these coordinates by the equation  $u = v^2$ .

- I. Find the Cartesian coordinates  $(x, y)$  of the point on the curve when  $v = 2$ .

Since  $u = v^2$ ,  $x = uv = v^3$   
 $y = u^2 + v^2 = v^4 + v^2$

So  $x(2) = 2^3 = 8$   
 $y(2) = 2^4 + 2^2 = 20$   $\rightarrow$   $(x, y) = (8, 20)$

- II. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  when  $v = 2$ .

$\frac{dy}{dv} = 4v^3 + 2v$  so  $\frac{dy}{dv} \Big|_{v=2} = 4(2)^3 + 2(2) = 36$

$\frac{dx}{dv} = 3v^2$  so  $\frac{dx}{dv} \Big|_{v=2} = 3(2)^2 = 12$

So,  $\frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{v=2} = \frac{dy/dv}{dx/dv} \Big|_{v=2} = \frac{36}{12} = 3$

- III. Find the Cartesian description of the tangent line to the curve when  $v = 2$ .

Express your final answer in the form  $y = mx + b$ .

$y - y(2) = m_{\text{tangent}} (x - x(2))$

$y - 20 = 3(x - 8)$

$y = 3x - 4$

4. [20 pts] Suppose  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2t^3, t^3 - 2, 1 - 2t^3 \rangle$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq a$ .

I. Find the unit tangent vector  $\hat{T}(t)$  for this curve.

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 6t^2, 3t^2, -6t^2 \rangle$$

$$|\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{(6t^2)^2 + (3t^2)^2 + (-6t^2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{81t^4}$$

$$= 9t^2$$

$$\text{So, } \hat{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{|\vec{r}'(t)|} = \frac{\langle 6t^2, 3t^2, -6t^2 \rangle}{9t^2} \rightarrow \hat{T}(t) = \left\langle \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3} \right\rangle$$

II. Find a value for  $a$  so the length of this curve is 24.

$$\text{length} = \int_0^a |\vec{r}'(t)| dt$$

$$24 = \int_0^a 9t^2 dt$$

$$24 = 3t^3 \Big|_0^a$$

$$24 = 3a^3 - 0$$

$$8 = a^3$$

$$\boxed{a = 2}$$

- III. Explain why the curve is not parameterized by arclength. Then, find another description of the curve that uses arclength as a parameter.

The curve is not parameterized by arclength since  $|\vec{r}'(t)| \neq 1$  for all  $t$ .

To reparameterize:

Step 1: Find  $|\vec{r}'(t)|$ .

Done already;  $|\vec{r}'(t)| = 9t^2$

Step 2: Find  $s(t)$  from  $s(t) = \int_0^t |\vec{r}'(\tau)| d\tau$

$$s = \int_0^t 9\tau^2 d\tau$$

$$s = 3t^3$$

$$\vec{r}(s) = \left\langle \frac{2s}{3}, \frac{1}{2}s - 2, 1 - \frac{2s}{3} \right\rangle$$

Step 3: Find  $t$  as a function of  $s$

$$s = 3t^3 \rightarrow t = \left(\frac{s}{3}\right)^{1/3} \leftarrow \text{Here, you could solve for } t^3 \text{ since } \vec{r}(t) \text{ only has } t^3 \text{ terms!}$$

Step 4: Substitute into  $\vec{r}(t)$ .

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2t^3, t^3 - 2, 1 - 2t^3 \rangle \rightarrow \vec{r}(s) = \left\langle 2\left[\left(\frac{s}{3}\right)^{1/3}\right]^3, \left[\left(\frac{s}{3}\right)^{1/3}\right]^3 - 2, 1 - 2\left[\left(\frac{s}{3}\right)^{1/3}\right]^3 \right\rangle$$

- IV. Find the parametric equations of the tangent vector to this curve at  $t = 1$ .

When  $t=1$ :  $\vec{r}(1) = \langle 2(1)^3, (1)^3 - 2, 1 - 2(1)^3 \rangle$   
 $= \langle 2, -1, -1 \rangle$

From I:  $\vec{r}'(1) = \langle 6(1)^2, 3(1)^2, -6(1)^2 \rangle = \langle 6, 3, -6 \rangle$

So, the tan line is given by:

$$\vec{R}(t) = [\vec{r}'(1)]t + \vec{r}(1)$$

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

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

5. [10 pts] Suppose  $f(x, y) = \frac{2x^4 - x^2y^2}{x^2y^2 + 2y^4}$ .

Determine whether  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y)$  exists or does not exist. Explain your answer!

Along  $x=0$ ,  $f(0, y) = \frac{0}{2y^4} = 0$ .

Along  $y=2x$ :  $f(x, 2x) = \frac{2x^4 - x^2(2x)^2}{x^2(2x)^2 + 2(2x)^4} = \frac{2x^4 - 4x^4}{4x^4 + 32x^4} = \frac{-2x^4}{36x^4} = -\frac{1}{18}$ .

The function tends to different values along different paths as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$   
so the limit DNE!



5. [10 pts] Suppose  $f(x, y) = \frac{2x^4 - x^2y^2}{x^2y^2 + 2y^4}$ .

Determine whether  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y)$  exists or does not exist. Explain your answer!

Try the Two Path Test with lines of the form  $y=mx$   
(since the degrees of numerator, denom are the same!).

$x=0$ :  $f(0, y) = \frac{0}{2y^4} = 0$  for all  $y \neq 0$ .

So, along  $x=0$ ,  $f(x, y) \rightarrow 0$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$

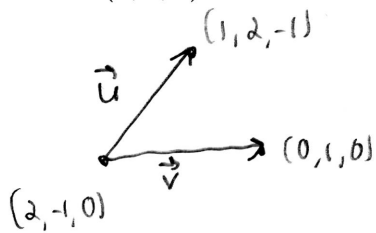
$y=x$ :  $f(x, x) = \frac{2x^4 - x^2(x^2)}{x^2(x^2) + 2x^4} = \frac{x^4}{3x^4} = \frac{1}{3}$  for all  $x \neq 0$ .

So, along  $y=x$ ,  $f(x, y) \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$

Since  $f(x, y)$  approaches different values as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  along different paths, the limit DNE.

6. [15 pts]

- I. Find the equation of the plane that passes through the points  $(2, -1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 2, -1)$ , and  $(0, 1, 0)$ .



$$\vec{u} = \langle 1-2, 2-(-1), -1-0 \rangle = \langle -1, 3, -1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v} = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle - \langle 2, -1, 0 \rangle = \langle -2, 2, 0 \rangle.$$

$\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$  is a vector  $\perp$  the plane:

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

The equation of the plane is:

$$a(x-x_0) + b(y-y_0) + c(z-z_0) = 0.$$

Here,  $a=2$ ,  $b=2$ ,  $c=4$ .

For  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ , use any point on the plane; say  $(0, 1, 0)$ :

$$2(x-0) + 2(y-1) + 4(z-0) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x + y + 2z = 1}$$

- II. Show that the curve  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t^2 + 3, 2t^3 - t^2 - 2, -t^3 \rangle$  lies on the plane  $x + y + 2z = 1$ .

If a point lies on the curve:  $x = t^2 + 3$ ,  $y = 2t^3 - t^2 - 2$ ,  $z = -t^3$ .

If a point lies on the plane:  $x + y + 2z = 1$ .

Thus, for the curve to lie on the plane; we check that for any  $t$ :  
if  $x(t) + y(t) + 2z(t) = 1$ :

$$x + y + 2z = [t^2 + 3] + [2t^3 - t^2 - 2] + 2[-t^3]$$

$$= t^2 + 3 + 2t^3 - t^2 - 2 - 2t^3$$

$$= 1 \quad \checkmark$$

Thus,  $\vec{r}(t)$  lies on the plane!