

Math 11 Midterm 1 Fall 2010

Answer & grading key.
(not model solutions, particularly)

1. [10 points] Points $A(0, 0, 0)$, $B(2, 0, 0)$, $C(2, 2, 0)$, $D(0, 2, 0)$, $E(0, 0, 2)$, $F(2, 0, 2)$, $G(2, 2, 2)$, $H(0, 2, 2)$ are the eight vertices of a cube.

- 4 (a) Find an equation for the plane through points A , C and H .

1 for vectors
2 for crossing
1 for plugging in algebra

Find two vectors in plane
cross them
plug in a point, solve for d

$$\vec{AC} = 2, 2, 0$$

$$\vec{AH} = 0, 2, 2$$

$$\vec{AH} \times \vec{AC} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

-1 for putting in wrong vector,
-1 for forgetting $-1(j)$
-2 for dotting instead of plugging in points

$$4i - 4j + 4k$$

$$\boxed{4x - 4y + 4z = 0}$$

- 2 (b) Calculate the surface area of the triangle $\triangle ACH$. (Hint: a triangle is one half of a parallelogram.)

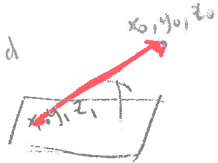
know formula for surface area
find magnitude of cross product from (a)
mult by $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{1}{2} |A \times B| = \frac{1}{2} (4\sqrt{3}) = \boxed{2\sqrt{3}}$$

1 for knowing formula
1 for plugging in.

4 (c) Calculate the distance from point D to the plane ACH .

know/derive formula
 plug in \vec{n} and D , and d
 reduce properly
 absolute value



$$(0, 2, 0)$$

$$\frac{|b \cdot n|}{|n|} = \frac{a(x-x_0) + b(y-y_0) + c(z-z_0)}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}} = \frac{ax+by+cz-d}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$$

2 for method (memorize/derive) $= \frac{4(0) + (4)(2) + 0}{\sqrt{4^2+4^2+4^2}} = \frac{-8}{\sqrt{48}} = \frac{-8}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{3}}$ because distance

1 for choosing correct values (\vec{n} , P_0)

1 for algebra - absolute value!

~~2 for plugging in~~

if use point D rather than vector from plane to D , -1

if make up some vector \vec{b} , -2

if do method correctly, but do a different method as well for wrong answer \Rightarrow 2 pts

memorized formula wrong, but plugged in correctly: 2/4 - even if use wrong vector in denom.

done correctly w/ wrong answer from a \rightarrow don't take off

2. [12 points]

[4 pts]

(a) Calculate the arc length of the curve

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2t\sqrt{t}, \cos t + \sin t, \cos t - \sin t \rangle$$

for the piece of the curve with $-2/9 \leq t \leq 2/9$.

Notice we meant $|t|^{3/2}$ here: we apologize (it didn't affect your answers).

[2 pts for method & 2 for accuracy]

velocity $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 2 \cdot \frac{3}{2} t^{1/2}, -\sin t + \cos t, -\sin t - \cos t \rangle$

speed $|\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{3^2(t^{1/2})^2 + (\cos t - \sin t)^2 + (-\cos t - \sin t)^2}$

$$= \sqrt{9t + 2\cos^2 t + 2\sin^2 t + 2\cos t \sin t - 2\cos t \sin t}$$

$$= \sqrt{9t + 2}$$

$$L = \int_{-2/9}^{2/9} \sqrt{9t+2} dt = \frac{1}{9} \int_0^4 \sqrt{u} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \cdot \left[\frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right]_0^4 = \frac{16}{27}$$

via substitution $\begin{cases} u = 9t+2 \\ du = 9dt \end{cases}$

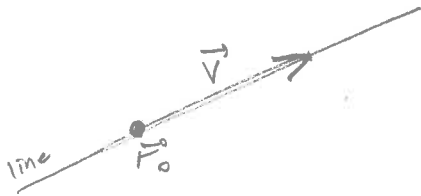
- (b) Find a parametric equation for the tangent line to the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle e^t, e^{2t}, e^{3t} \rangle$ at the point $(2, 4, 8)$. (2 pts)

is \vec{r}_0 , a point on the line:

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

What is t ? $(2, 4, 8) = \langle e^t, e^{2t}, e^{3t} \rangle$ so $t = \ln 2$

$\Rightarrow \vec{v}$ ('velocity' vector for line) = $\vec{r}'(\ln 2) = \langle 2, 8, 24 \rangle$



Write parametric eqn for line using a new parameter s , ideally (not confuse w/ t):

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + \vec{v}s$$

ie
$$\begin{cases} x = 2 + 2s \\ y = 4 + 8s \\ z = 8 + 24s \end{cases}$$

[If didn't introduce a new parameter, -2 pts.]

fine if called s t here, too

- (c) Calculate the curvature $\kappa(t)$ of the curve

(2 pts)

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \cos(2t), t, \sin(2t) \rangle$$

Note: for this particular curve, the curvature does **not** depend on the value of t .

Simplest given no other info is $\kappa(t) = \frac{|\vec{r}' \times \vec{r}''|}{|\vec{r}'|^3}$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle -2\sin 2t, 1, 2\cos 2t \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}''(t) = \langle -4\cos 2t, 0, -4\sin 2t \rangle \quad \rightarrow -8 \text{ by trig.}$$

so $\vec{r}' \times \vec{r}'' = \langle -4\sin 2t, -8\cos^2 2t - 8\sin^2 2t, +4\cos 2t \rangle$

$$|\vec{r}' \times \vec{r}''| = \sqrt{16\sin^2 2t + 64 + 16\cos^2 2t} = \sqrt{80} = 4\sqrt{5}$$

$$|\vec{r}'| = \sqrt{4\sin^2 2t + 1 + 4\cos^2 2t} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{5^{3/2}} = \frac{4}{5} \quad \text{as warned, is indep of } t.$$

Full points if evaluated at any fixed t , eg. $t=0$.

1 point each.

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3. [10 points] Mark each of the following statements as 'True' or 'False'. If a statement is meaningless, you should mark it as 'False'. (For this question, and for this question only, you do not have to justify your answers.)

(a) **True** / False. The dot product is distributive, i.e., $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}$ for all vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(b) **True** / False. The dot product is commutative, i.e., $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a}$ for all vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(c) **True** / **False**. The dot product is associative, i.e., $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{c}$ for all vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(d) **True** / False. The cross product is distributive, i.e., $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}$ for all vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(e) **True** / **False**. The cross product is commutative, i.e., $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$ for all vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(f) **True** / **False**. The cross product is associative, i.e., $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{c}$ for all vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(g) **True** / False. The equation $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ holds for all vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(h) **True** / **False**. The equation $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \times (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{b}$ holds for all vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

(i) **True** / False. The equation $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) \cdot \mathbf{a}$ holds for all vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$$

(j) **True** / **False**. The equation $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{a}$ holds for all vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} in \mathbb{R}^3 .

4. [10 points]

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(a) Either find the limit and prove that it is what you claim, or prove that it does not exist:

$x=0$ gives $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \dots = 0$
 $y=0$ " " " " " "

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^4}$$

but, $y = kx$, $\frac{xy}{x^2 + y^4} = \frac{kx^2}{x^2 + k^4 x^4} = \frac{k}{1 + k^4 x^2}$ ← ①

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \dots = k$, depends on k . ①

⇒ limit does not exist ← ①

① point

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(b) Either find the limit and prove that it is what you claim, or prove that it does not exist:

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = 0$$

proof ∴ polar coordinates ①

$$\frac{x^2 y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{r^3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta}{\sqrt{r^2 \cos^2 \theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta}} = r^2 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r^2 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta = 0$$

① point.

fixing θ over all θ , have:

$$|r^2 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta| \leq r^2$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r^2 = 0. \quad ①$$

since this is equiv. to coming in on $y=kx$.

so this is the max over θ (and $-r^2$ is the min)

$$\frac{y = kx}{\sqrt{1+k^2}} \xrightarrow{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0}} 0$$

①

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(c) Find all points (x, y) where the function f below is continuous. Explain your reasoning. ①

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + 2y^2}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ -1, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

• f continuous if $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ bc. elem. fun
 ③ • f NOT cont at $(0, 0)$

① → $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = f(0,0) = -1$?

• Try $y = kx$, $f(x,y) = \frac{k^3 x^3}{x^2 + 2k^2 x^2} = \frac{k^3 x}{1 + 2k^2} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 0} 0$

It follows that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) \neq -1$.

for correct proof

Alt. $\left| \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + 2y^2} \right| = \left| \frac{r^3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta}{r^2 \cos^2 \theta + 2r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \right| = \left| r \cdot \frac{\cos^2 \theta \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta + 2 \sin^2 \theta} \right| \leq r$
 $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r = 0$

5. [9 points]

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(a) Use a linear approximation of $f(x, y) = e^{xy-y^2}$ at the point $(1, 1)$ to estimate $f(1.02, 1.01)$.

(+1)
$$L(x, y) = f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x-a) + f_y(a, b)(y-b)$$

Sub up

(+1)
$$\begin{cases} f_x(x, y) = e^{xy-y^2} \cdot y = y e^{xy-y^2} \\ f_y(x, y) = e^{xy-y^2} \cdot (x-2y) = (x-2y) e^{xy-y^2} \end{cases}$$

Derivatives

(+1)
$$\begin{cases} f_x(1, 1) = 1 \cdot e^{1-1} = 1 \cdot e^0 = 1 \\ f_y(1, 1) = (1-2) e^0 = -1 \end{cases}$$

Plug into f_x, f_y

(+1)
$$\begin{aligned} L(1.02, 1.01) &= f(1, 1) + (1.02-1) - (1.01-1) \\ \text{Final answer} &= 1 + 0.02 - 0.01 = \boxed{1.01} \end{aligned}$$

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(b) What is the directional derivative of f at the point $(1, 1)$ in the direction of the unit vector $(3/5, 4/5)$?

(+1)
$$D_{\vec{u}} f(a, b) = \nabla f(a, b) \cdot \vec{u}$$

Sub up

$$\nabla f = (f_x, f_y) = (1, -1)$$

(+1)
$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} &= (1, -1) \cdot (3/5, 4/5) \\ &= 3/5 - 4/5 = \boxed{-1/5} \end{aligned}$$

Compute dot product

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(c) Find an equation for the tangent plane to the surface $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 = 18$ at the point $(1, 1, 2)$.

$$F(x, y, z) = x^4 + y^4 + z^4 - 18$$

(+1)
$$\begin{cases} F_x = 4x^3 \\ F_y = 4y^3 \\ F_z = 4z^3 \end{cases}$$

Derivatives

(+1)
$$\vec{n} = \langle F_x(1, 1, 2), F_y(1, 1, 2), F_z(1, 1, 2) \rangle$$

$$= \langle 4, 4, 32 \rangle$$

$$4(x-1) + 4(y-1) + 32(z-2) = 0$$

$$4x + 4y + 32z - 4 - 4 - 64 = 0$$

$$\boxed{4x + 4y + 32z = 72}$$

$$\text{or} \\ \boxed{x + y + 8z = 18}$$

(+1)

Final equation

6. [6 points] As the in-house mathematician at a landscape gardening firm the following problem arrives on your desk: A manure storage pile is a huge cone of radius 10 feet and height 9 feet. As it is used up, the height decreases by 0.3 feet per day, but due to slippage the radius *increases* by 0.1 feet per day. What is the (initial) rate of manure usage in cubic feet per day?

Useful fact: the volume of a cone = $\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$, where r is the radius and h is the height.

grading
scheme

3 = use of chain
2 = partials ~~compute~~
1 = plug in



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV}{dt} &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \frac{dr}{dt} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \frac{dh}{dt} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{3} rh \cdot (0.1) + \frac{\pi}{3} r^2 \cdot (-0.3) \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{3} 10(9) 0.1 + \frac{\pi}{3} 10^2 (-0.3) \\ &= 6\pi - 10\pi \\ &= -4\pi \end{aligned}$$

Rate of usage is 4π ft^3/day .