

1. (15) (Short Answer) Compute the following, if they exist. If not, explain why.

- (i) Find the area of the parallelogram whose vertices are $(0, 0, 0)$, $(1, 3, 1)$, $(3, 1, 1)$, and $(4, 4, 2)$.

Answer: Area = $|\langle 1, 3, 1 \rangle \times \langle 3, 1, 1 \rangle| = |\langle 2, 2, -8 \rangle| = \sqrt{4 + 4 + 64} = \sqrt{72}$

- (ii) Let $\vec{r}(t)$ be the vector-valued function $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t^2, e^t, \cos(t) \rangle$.

Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\vec{r}(h) - \vec{r}(0)}{h} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

Answer: $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 2t, e^t, -\sin(t) \rangle$.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\vec{r}(h) - \vec{r}(0)}{h} = \vec{r}'(0) = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle.$$

- (iii) Find the distance between the point $(4, -3, 2)$ and the plane $x + y + z = 0$.

Answer:

$$D = \frac{|4 - 3 + 2|}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{3}$$

- (iv) The arc length L of the curve defined parametrically by

$$\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle 13 \cos(t), 5 \sin(t), 12 \sin(t) \rangle, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi,$$

is given by $L = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

Answer: $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle -13 \sin(t), 5 \cos(t), 12 \cos(t) \rangle$. $|\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{169} = 13$.

$$L = \int_0^{2\pi} |\vec{r}'(t)| dt = \int_0^{2\pi} 13 dt = 26\pi$$

- (v) If $z = \ln(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})$ then $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

Answer: $z = \ln(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

2. (10) (True or False) Circle the correct answer for each of the following statements. Let \vec{u} , \vec{v} and \vec{w} denote arbitrary non-zero vectors.

- False (i) The cross product of two unit vectors is also a unit vector.
- True (ii) Two distinct planes in \mathbb{R}^3 that do not intersect in a line must be parallel.
- False (iii) If line L_1 is skew to line L_2 and L_2 is skew to line L_3 then L_1 must be skew to L_3 .
- True (iv) The vectors $\vec{v} \times \vec{u}$ and $\vec{u} \times 3\vec{v}$ are parallel.
- True (v) If $\vec{u} \bullet \vec{v} = -1$ and $\vec{u} \bullet \vec{w} = 3$ then \vec{u} is perpendicular to the vector $6\vec{v} + 2\vec{w}$.
- False (vi) The normal vector to the plane $z = 3x - 7y + 2$ is the vector $\vec{n} = \langle 3, -7, 2 \rangle$.
- True (vii) The direction vector of the line

$$\frac{3-x}{2} = \frac{y-5}{1} = \frac{z-2}{3}$$

is the vector $\vec{v} = -2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$.

- True (viii) The planes $x - y + z = 0$ and $x + 2y + 3z = 6$ intersect.
- True (ix) If a force \vec{F} is applied to a vector \vec{v} then the magnitude of the torque is $|\vec{F}||\vec{v}|\sin(\theta)$, where θ is the angle between \vec{v} and \vec{F} .
- False (x) The mixed partial derivatives f_{xy} and f_{yx} , if they exist, of a function $f(x, y)$ are equal: $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$.

3. (20) (Multiple Choice) Circle the correct answer for each of the following. No work need be shown for credit.

(i) The plane passing through the points $(0, 0, 0)$, $(2, -4, 6)$, and $(5, 1, 3)$ is given by

A. $\langle x, y, z \rangle \times \langle 3, 5, -3 \rangle = 0$

B. $\langle x, y, z \rangle \bullet \langle 3, 5, -3 \rangle = 0$

(C.) $\langle x, y, z \rangle \bullet [\langle 5, 1, 3 \rangle \times \langle 2, -4, 6 \rangle] = 0$

D. $\langle x, y, z \rangle \times [\langle 5, 1, 3 \rangle \bullet \langle 2, -4, 6 \rangle] = 0$

(ii) Which one of the following expressions does NOT describe a line passing through the origin?

A. $\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle 2t, t, -6t \rangle$ (B.) $x + y + z = 0$

C. $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{4} = \frac{z+1}{-2}$

D. $x = 5t, y = \frac{3}{2}t, z = -\frac{3}{2}t$

(iii) A drug manufacturer needs to purchase 4 kg of aluminum phosphate, 2 kg of benzalkonium chloride, and 1 kg of cromolyn sodium. These chemicals cost \$250/kg, \$86/kg, and \$3061/kg respectively. Let $\vec{v} = \langle 4, 2, 1 \rangle$ and $\vec{w} = \langle 250, 86, 3061 \rangle$. Which of the following is the total cost of this purchase?

A. The cross product of \vec{v} and \vec{w} . B. The triple product of \vec{v} and \vec{w} .

(C.) The dot product of \vec{v} and \vec{w} . D. The cross product of \vec{w} and \vec{v}

(iv) The level curves (at height k above the xy -plane) for the function $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ are

A. lines $y = (1 + k)x$ where $0 \leq k < \infty$. (B.) circles of radius k centered at the origin.

C. parabolas $y = kx^2$ through the origin. D. circles of radius k^2 centered at the origin.

(v) The domain of the function

$$f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 1} + \ln(4 - x^2 - y^2)$$

is equal to the set of all points (x, y) in the plane whose distance r to the origin satisfies:

(A.) $1 \leq r < 2$ B. $1 < r < 4$

C. $1 < r < 2$ D. $1 < r \leq 4$

4. (20) Consider the following two planes in space:

$$\mathcal{P}_1 : x + y - z = 0$$

$$\mathcal{P}_2 : x - 3y + z = 0$$

Please show your work and simplify answers, where possible, in order to receive full credit.

(i) What are the normal vectors $\vec{\mathbf{n}}_1$ and $\vec{\mathbf{n}}_2$ of planes \mathcal{P}_1 and \mathcal{P}_2 , respectively?

Answer: $\vec{\mathbf{n}}_1 = \langle 1, 1, -1 \rangle$ and $\vec{\mathbf{n}}_2 = \langle 1, -3, 1 \rangle$.

(ii) Find the cosine of the angle between the two planes.

Answer: $\cos(\theta) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{11}}$.

(iii) Find the cross product $\vec{\mathbf{n}}_1 \times \vec{\mathbf{n}}_2$.

Answer: $\vec{\mathbf{n}}_1 \times \vec{\mathbf{n}}_2 = \langle -2, -2, -4 \rangle$.

(iv) Find a point $P(a, b, c)$ on the line of intersection of these two planes whose z coordinate is $c = 4$.

Answer: $P(2, 2, 4)$.

(v) Find the parametric equations of the line of intersection of planes \mathcal{P}_1 and \mathcal{P}_2 .

Answer: $x = 2 - 2t, y = 2 - 2t, z = 4 - 4t$.

5. (15) An electron is spiralling in a magnetic field. It's velocity vector at time t is given by

$$\vec{v}(t) = \langle 2t, -3 \sin(t), -3 \cos(t) \rangle$$

where time t is in seconds and distance is in meters. It begins moving at time $t = 0$ from the point $P(-2, 3, 0)$. Please show your work and simplify answers, where possible, in order to receive full credit.

(i) At what time is the speed of the electron 5 meters/second?

Answer: Solve $|\vec{v}(t)| = \sqrt{4t^2 + 9} = 5 \implies t = 2$ seconds.

(ii) What is the acceleration vector $\vec{a}(t)$ of the electron?

Answer: $\vec{a}(t) = \langle 2, -3 \cos(t), 3 \sin(t) \rangle$

(iii) Find the position vector $\vec{r}(t)$ of the electron.

Answer: $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t^2 - 2, 3 \cos(t), -3 \sin(t) \rangle$

(iv) The magnetic field vector at time t is given by

$$\vec{F}(t) = \langle t - 2, 2 \sin(t), 2 \cos(t) \rangle.$$

At what time(s) t is the electron moving perpendicular to the magnetic field vector?

Answer: Solve $\vec{v} \bullet \vec{F} = 2t^2 - 4t - 6 = 2(t - 3)(t + 1) = 0$.

The electron is moving perpendicular to the magnetic field vector at time $t = 3$ seconds.

6. (20) Compute the following limits (if they exist) concerning the function

$$f(x, y) = \frac{xy^3}{x^2 + 4y^6}.$$

Where appropriate, write DNE if the limit “does not exist” (and explain why) or NEIG if “not enough information is given” to compute the limit.

(i) The limit of $f(x, y)$ as (x, y) approaches the origin along a line of slope m .

Answer: Along the line $y = mx$ we have $f(x, mx) = \frac{m^3 x^4}{x^2 + 4m^6 x^6}$.

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, mx) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{m^3 x^4}{x^2 + 4m^6 x^6} = 0$$

(ii) The limit of $f(x, y)$ as (x, y) approaches the origin along the curve $y = k\sqrt{x}$, where $k > 0$.

Answer: Along the curve $y = k\sqrt{x}$ we have $f(x, k\sqrt{x}) = \frac{k^3 x^{5/2}}{x^2 + 4k^6 x^3}$.

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, k\sqrt{x}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{k^3 x^{5/2}}{x^2 + 4k^6 x^3} = 0$$

(iii) The limit of $f(x, y)$ as (x, y) approaches the origin along the curve $y = C\sqrt[3]{x}$ where $C \neq 0$.

Answer: Along the curve $y = C\sqrt[3]{x}$ we have $f(x, C\sqrt[3]{x}) = \frac{C^3}{1 + 4C^6}$.

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, C\sqrt[3]{x}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{C^3}{1 + 4C^6} = \frac{C^3}{1 + 4C^6} \neq 0$$

(iv) What is $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y)$?

Answer: DNE. The limit does not exist because the limit in part (iii) differs from the limits in (i) and (ii).

(v) What is $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,-1)} f(x, y)$?

Answer: Since $f(x, y)$ is continuous at $(1, -1)$ we have

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,-1)} f(x, y) = f(1, -1) = -\frac{1}{5}$$