

AMAT 309 L01

Winter 2004

MIDTERM 50 Minutes

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1. Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(t)$ be vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 . For each of the following, answer with one of the words “vector, scalar, meaningless.” [10]

(a) $2\mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$ _____

(b) $2\mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{w})$ _____

(c) $2\mathbf{u} \bullet (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$ _____

(d) $(\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{w}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w})$ _____

(e) $\mathbf{r} \times (\mathbf{r}' \bullet \mathbf{r}'')$ _____

2. For each of the following answer True or False. In (a), (b), \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} denote any vectors in \mathbb{R}^n . [20]

(a) $\|c \cdot \mathbf{v}\| = c \cdot \|\mathbf{v}\|$. _____

(b) $\|\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}\| = \|\mathbf{v}\| + \|\mathbf{w}\|$. _____

(c) At a point where $\kappa = 0$, $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{T} = \mathbf{0}$. _____

(d) At a point where $\kappa = 0$, $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{N} = \mathbf{0}$. _____

(e) If $a_T = 3$ and $a_N = 4$, then $a = 5$. _____

(f) If $\mathbf{r}'''(t) = \mathbf{0}$, then $\tau = 0$. _____

(g) For $z = f(x, y)$, ∇f will be orthogonal to the level curves. _____

(h) If _____

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x,y) = L$$

for every straight line path approaching (a, b) , then this limit exists and equals L . _____

(i) If the level curves of $z = f(x, y)$ are all circles, then the corresponding surface is a surface of revolution. _____

(j) For any surface of revolution, the level curves are circles. _____

3. Let $z = f(w, x, y)$ and $w = s^2 - t^2$, $x = s + t$, $y = 3s - t$.
Determine $z_s(-3, 3, 1)$, given
 $f_1(-3, 3, 1) = 1$, $f_2(-3, 3, 1) = 5$, $f_3(-3, 3, 1) = -1$, and
 $f_1(0, 1, 2) = 3$, $f_2(0, 1, 2) = 4$, $f_3(0, 1, 2) = -2$. [20]

4. Determine, if it exists, [10]

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,0)} \frac{x^2y - 2xy + y}{x^2 + 9y^2 - 2x + 1} .$$

5. (a) Identify and make a rough sketch of the surface [10]
 $x^2/4 + y^2 = z^2/4 + 1.$

- (b) Find the equation of the tangent plane to this surface at [10]
 $P = (-2, 1, 2).$

6. (a) Determine κ and τ for the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t^3, -t^2, t^4 \rangle$. [15]

(b) Determine κ, τ for this curve at the point $P = (-1, -1, 1)$. [5]

SOLUTIONS

Question 1: vector, meaningless, scalar, vector, meaningless

Question 2: False, False, True, False, True, True, True, False, False, False

Question 3: First note that $w = -3, x = 3, y = 1$ implies $s = 1, t = 2$.

$$z_s = \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial w} \frac{\partial w}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$

$$z_s = \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} \cdot 2s + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot 1 + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot 3$$

Now evaluating we get $z_s = 1 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 3 = 4$.

Question 4: First use a little algebra to write in a little simpler form:

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,0)} \frac{y(x-1)^2}{(x-1)^2 + 9y^2} .$$

Now make the substitution $x - 1 = r \cos \theta$, $3y = r \sin \theta$. It reduces to

$$\frac{1}{3} \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} (r \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta) = 0 .$$

Question 5: (a) It's a hyperboloid of 1 sheet. The sketch is best made by first drawing the "waist" of the hyperboloid, which is the ellipse $x^2/4 + y^2 = 1$ in the xy -plane, then roughly filling the rest.

(b) $x - 2y + z + 2 = 0$

Question 6: (a) Find first \mathbf{v} , \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{a}' , and then v , $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a}$, $\|\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a}\|$. Then the standard formulas give

$$\kappa = \frac{2\sqrt{36t^4 + 64t^2 + 9}}{|t|(16t^4 + 9t^2 + 4)^{3/2}}, \quad \tau = \frac{12}{t(36t^4 + 64t^2 + 9)} .$$

(b) Substituting $t = -1$ gives $\kappa = 2\sqrt{109}/29^{3/2}$, $\tau = -12/109$.