

AMAT 309 FINAL EXAMINATION  
2003

1. Answer (a) to (e) either vector, scalar, or meaningless and (f) to (j) [10]  
either True or False (do not abbreviate). Here  $v, w, x$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(a)  $(v \cdot x) \cdot w$  \_\_\_\_\_

(b)  $(v \cdot x) \times w$  \_\_\_\_\_

(c)  $(v \times x) \cdot w$  \_\_\_\_\_

(d)  $(v \times x) \times w$  \_\_\_\_\_

(e)  $v \times x \times w$

(f) On any smooth curve  $c(t)$  with velocity  $v \neq 0$ , normal  $N$ , acceleration  $a$ , curvature  $\kappa$  and speed  $v$ ,  $N \cdot a = \kappa v^2$ . \_\_\_\_\_

(g) For any smooth function  $f(x, y)$ ,  $f_{xy}f_y = f_x f_{yy}$ . \_\_\_\_\_

(h) If  $f(x, y, z)$  has an absolute minimum at  $(0, 0, 0)$ , and  $S$  is the surface  $z = x^2 + y^2$ , then  $f$  constrained to  $S$  also has an absolute minimum at the origin. \_\_\_\_\_

(i) For any smooth planar vector field  $F$ , with  $\text{curl}(F) = 0$ , there exists a scalar function  $\phi(x, y)$  with

$$F = \text{grad}(\phi).$$

(j) For any smooth vector field  $F(x, y, z)$ ,

$$\text{grad}(\text{div}(F)) = 0.$$

2. For the curve  $c(t) = \langle t, \sqrt{6}t^2/2, t^3 \rangle$  find [10]

(a) The arc length between  $t = 1$  and  $t = 2$ .

(b) The curvature  $\kappa$ .

3. The hyperboloid of one sheet  $x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 1$  is called a ruled surface, [10]  
which is to say that it is made up of straight lines. Prove this by showing that for any  $\theta$ , the line

$$\frac{x - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{y - \sin \theta}{-\cos \theta} = \frac{z}{1}$$

lies entirely in the surface.

4. Show that any smooth function  $z$  of the form [10]

$$z = f(x - ct) + g(x + ct)$$

satisfies the wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2}.$$

5. Show that the product of the  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  intercepts of any tangent [10]  
plane to the surface  $xyz = 1$  in the first octant is a constant.

6. A rectangular box without a lid is to be made from  $12m^2$  of cardboard. [10]  
Find the maximum volume of such a box.

7. Sketch the solid whose volume is given by the iterated integral [10]

$$\int_0^2 \int_0^{2-y} \int_0^{4-y^2} 1 \, dx \, dy \, dz.$$

8. Find the centre of mass of the planar lamina which lies in the region [10]  
defined by the inequalities  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$  and  $y \geq 0$ , with constant density  
 $\delta = 1$ .

9. Let  $R$  be the region between the circles  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$  [10]  
that also lies in the upper half plane  $y \geq 0$ . Hence  $R$  is a semi-annular  
region. Let  $c$  be the boundary of  $R$ , oriented in the positive sense.  
Evaluate

$$\int_c y^2 \, dx + 3xy \, dy.$$

Hint: Think Green and then polar.

10. Let  $c$  be the curve of intersection of the plane  $x + y + z = 1$  and the [10]  
cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 9$  oriented counterclockwise as viewed from above,  
and  $\mathbf{F}$  the vector field

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = x^2 z \mathbf{i} + xy^2 \mathbf{j} + z^2 \mathbf{k} = \langle x^2 z, xy^2, z^2 \rangle$$

Compute

$$\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}.$$