

Midterm I: Some problems for review

The exam is two and a half hours long and taken at the Testing Center between May 19 and May 21. It is a closed book exam, covering Sections 12.1 - 14.6. No calculators or notes are allowed. You will be provided the following formula on the exam:

$$\kappa = \frac{|r' \times r''|}{|r'|^3}, \quad \tau = \frac{(r' \times r'') \cdot r'''}{|r' \times r''|^2}, \quad N = \frac{T'}{|T'|}, \quad a_T = \frac{r' \cdot r''}{|r'|}, \quad a_N = \frac{|r' \times r''|}{|r'|}.$$

You should review the homework problems, especially the odd problems (solution in the back of the textbook), and the examples given in class. Also, take a look at the practice exam posted on Learning Suite. It is always a good idea to study with someone. You should know how to solve following problems:

- Do basic operations on vectors: addition, scaling, dot product, cross product.
- Find equations of lines and planes.
- Parametrize a curve. Find length, curvature, torsion.
- Find velocity, speed, acceleration, tangential and normal components of acceleration.
- Find limit of a function.
- Find partial derivatives of a function.
- Write equation of a tangent plane to a surface at a given point.

In Problems 1-10, u, v, w are vectors in 3D. Determine whether the statement is true or false. Give reason for your answers.

- 1) $|u + v| = |u| + |v|$
- 2) $|-2u| = 2|u|$
- 3) $|u \times v| \leq |u||v|$
- 4) $|u \cdot v| \leq |u||v|$
- 5) $|u \times v| \leq |u \cdot v|$
- 6) $u \cdot v = v \cdot u$
- 7) $u \times v = v \times u$
- 8) $(u \times v) \times w = u \times (v \times w)$
- 9) $(u \times v) \cdot u = 0$
- 10) The vector $(3, -1, 2)$ is parallel to the plane $6x - 2y + 4z = 1$.

In Problems 11-15, $r(t)$ is a vector function of single variable. Determine whether the statement is true or false. Give reason for your answers.

- 11) The curve $r(t) = (0, t^2, 4t)$ is a parabola.
- 12) The curve $r(t) = (2t, 3 - t, 0)$ is a curve passing through the origin.
- 13) $\frac{d}{dt}|r(t)| = |r'(t)|$
- 14) The projection of the curve $r(t) = (\cos 2t, t, \sin 2t)$ onto the xz -plane is a circle.

15) If the curvature is equal to 0 everywhere on the curve then the curve must be a straight line.

In Problems 16-20, classify the given surfaces (cylinder/ ellipsoid/ elliptic paraboloid/ hyperbolic paraboloid/ etc).

16) In \mathbb{R}^3 , the graph of $y = x^2$ is a/an _____.

17) The set of points $\{(x, y, z) | x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$ is a/an _____.

18) In \mathbb{R}^3 , $x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 = 1$ is the equation of a/an _____.

19) The set of points $\{(x, y, z) | x^2 + 4y^2 - z = 0\}$ is a/an _____.

20) The set of points $\{(x, y, z) | x^2 - 4y^2 - z = 0\}$ is a/an _____.

Write solutions to the following problems.

21) Write the equation of the plane passing through $(2, 1, 0)$ and parallel to $x + 4y - 3z = 1$.

22) Write the equation of the plane passing through $(3, -1, 1)$, $(4, 0, 2)$, $(6, 3, 1)$.

23) Find the area of the triangle with vertices at $(3, -1, 1)$, $(4, 0, 2)$, $(6, 3, 1)$.

24) Write the equation of the plane passing through $(1, 2, -2)$ and containing the line $x = 2t, y = 3 - t, z = 1 + 3t$.

25) Find a vector function that represents the curve of intersection of the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ and the plane $x + z = 5$.

26) Find the curvature of the parabola $y = x^2$ at the point $(1, 1)$.

27) Write the equation of the tangent plane to the surface $z = 3x^2 - y^2 + 2x$ at point $(1, -2, 1)$.

28) The rate of change of function $f(x, y) = xy + y^2$ in the direction of vector $\langle 0, 1 \rangle$ at point $(2, 1)$ is _____. At this point, the function increases the fastest in the direction of (unit) vector _____.

29) A function $f(x, y)$ satisfying $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} f(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0)$ is said to be _____ at (x_0, y_0) .

30) Where is the function $f(x, y) = \frac{e^x + e^y}{e^{xy} - 1}$ continuous?

31) Along a level set of a function, the rate of change of the function is _____.

32) The graph of $f(x, y)$ is _____ of $g(x, y, z) = z - f(x, y)$.

33) Let $u = \ln(1 + se^t)$. Express the total differential du in terms of ds and dt .

34) By Clairaut's Theorem, a smooth function $f(x, y)$ has at most _____ different partial derivatives of third order.

35) Let $f(x, y) = ax(1 + y) + by$. If $\nabla f(1, 1) = \langle 2, 1 \rangle$ then $a =$ _____ and $b =$ _____.

36) Find linear approximation of $f(x, y) = x^3 - 2xy^2$ around $(1, 1)$.

37) If $f(x, y) \rightarrow L$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (a, b)$ along every straight line through (a, b) , then $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x, y) = L$. True or false?

38) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{2xy^2}{x^2 + y^2} =$ _____ (or write DNE if the limit doesn't exist.)

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

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

Solution keys:

- 1) False
- 2) True
- 3) True
- 4) True
- 5) False
- 6) True
- 7) False
- 8) False
- 9) True
- 10) False
- 11) True
- 12) False
- 13) False
- 14) True
- 15) True
- 16) parabolic cylinder
- 17) circular cylinder
- 18) ellipsoid
- 19) elliptic paraboloid
- 20) hyperbolic paraboloid
- 21) $x + 4y - 3z = 6$
- 22) $-4x + 3y + z + 14 = 0$
- 23) $\frac{\sqrt{26}}{2}$
- 24) $6x + 9y - z = 26$
- 25) $r(t) = \langle 4 \cos t, 4 \sin t, 5 - 4 \cos t \rangle$
- 26) $\frac{2}{5^{3/2}}$
- 27) $z = 8x + 4y + 1$
- 28) 4 and $\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}} \rangle$
- 29) continuous
- 30) Everywhere in \mathbb{R}^2 except for the x -axis and the y -axis
- 31) zero
- 32) the 0-level set
- 33) $du = \frac{e^t}{1+se^t} ds + \frac{se^t}{1+se^t} dt$
- 34) 4
- 35) $a = 1$ and $b = 0$
- 36) $f(x, y) \approx -1 + f_x(1, 1)(x - 1) + f_y(1, 1)(y - 1) = x - 4y + 2$
- 37) False. Can you give an example?
- 38) 1
- 39) 0
- 40) DNE