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Math 2950- Midterm Exam #1 - September 27, 2004

1. (10 points) Find the equation of the plane perpendicular to the line

$$(x, y, z) = (1, -2, 3) + t(1, -2, 1)$$

and passing through the point $(2, 4, -1)$.

2. (15 points) Let $\vec{u} = (1, -1, 3)$, $\vec{v} = (1, 1, 2)$. Calculate $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ and $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$. Then find the angle between \vec{u} and \vec{v} .

3. (10 points). Let \vec{u} be a differentiable vector function and f a real valued function. Then the chain rule says:

$$\frac{d}{dt}[\vec{u}(f(t))] = ?$$

4. (10 points) Sketch the space curve

$$\vec{r}(t) = (t, 2t, \cos(t))$$

for the interval $0 \leq t \leq 3\pi$, indicating with an arrow the direction of increasing t .

5. (10 points) Sketch the region given by the spherical coordinate inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \phi \leq \pi/2 \\ -\pi/2 &\leq \theta \leq \pi/2 \\ 0 &\leq \rho \leq 2. \end{aligned}$$

6. (20 points)

a. Sketch the surface given by $z = x^2 + y^2$.

b. Verify that the two space curves below both lie on the surface:

$$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t), 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{x}(s) = (s, 0, s^2)$$

c. Verify that the point $(1, 0, 1)$ lies on both curves. (i.e. find a t_0 such that $(1, 0, 1) = \vec{r}(t_0)$ and a s_0 such that $(1, 0, 1) = \vec{x}(s_0)$.)

d. Find the equation for the tangent line to the curve $\vec{r}(t)$ at the point $(1, 0, 1)$.

e. Find the equation for the tangent line to the curve $\vec{x}(s)$ at the point $(1, 0, 1)$.

f. Find the equation of the plane passing through the point $(1, 0, 1)$ and containing both tangent lines above. This is called the *tangent plane* to the surface at the point $(1, 0, 1)$.

7. **(15 points)** a. Find the velocity, acceleration, and speed of a particle with position function given by:

$$r(t) = (t^2 + 1, \cos(t), t)$$

b. Express the arc length of the curve above from $t = 1$ to $t = 2$ as a definite integral (do not try to evaluate the integral!).

8. **(10 points)** Find the work by a force $\vec{F} = (1, -1, 1)$ moving an object from the point $(1, 1, 1)$ to the point $(4, 2, 1)$.