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MA 261

EXAM 1

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Solution

1. Find the equation of the plane containing  $(0, 1, 2)$  and whose normal is perpendicular to both  $\bar{a} = \bar{i} + \bar{j}$ ,  $\bar{b} = \bar{j} - \bar{k}$ .

$$\vec{N} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -\bar{i} + \bar{j} + \bar{k} = (-1, 1, 1)$$

Equation of the plane with  
the normal  $\vec{N}$  containing  $(0, 1, 2)$ :

$$(-1) \cdot x + 1 \cdot (y-1) + 1 \cdot (z-2) = 0$$

$$-x + y + z = 3$$

- A.  $x + y + z = 3$   
 B.  $-x + y + z = 3$   
 C.  $x - y - z = 3$   
 D.  $x + y + z = -3$   
 E. None of the above

2. The distance between the plane

$$2x + y + 2z = 4$$

and the point  $(1, 7, 2)$  is

Let  $P = (1, 7, 2)$ .

Choose a point  $P_0$  in the plane,  
e.g.,  $P_0 = (1, 0, 1)$ .

$\vec{N} = (2, 1, 2)$  is a normal vector  
to the plane

$$\text{The distance } D = \|\text{pr}_N \vec{P_0 P}\| = \frac{|\vec{N} \cdot \vec{P_0 P}|}{\|\vec{N}\|} = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

- A. 1  
 B. 2  
 C. 3  
 D. 4  
 E. None of the above

3. A unit tangent vector to the graph of  $y = 2x^3$  at  $(1, 2)$  is given by

Parametric equations :

$$\begin{cases} x = t \\ y = 2t^3 \end{cases}$$

A.  $\frac{\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}}{\sqrt{37}}$

B.  $\frac{\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}}{\sqrt{17}}$

C.  $\frac{\vec{i} - \vec{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$

D.  $\frac{2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}}{\sqrt{13}}$

E.  $\frac{\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}}{\sqrt{5}}$

The point  $(1, 2)$  corresponds to  $t=1$ .

Tangent vector  $\vec{T} = (x', y') = (1, 6t^2)$

At  $t=1$ ,  $\vec{T} = (1, 6)$ ,  $\|\vec{T}\| = \sqrt{37}$

Unit tangent vector  $\vec{T}/\|\vec{T}\|$

equals  $\frac{\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}}{\sqrt{37}}$

4. A particle is moving with acceleration  $4\vec{j} + 6t\vec{k}$ . If the position at time  $t = 1$  is  $\vec{r}(1) = \vec{i} + 3\vec{j} + \vec{k}$  and the velocity at time  $t = 0$  is  $\vec{v}(0) = \vec{i} + \vec{j}$ , then the position at time  $t = 2$  is

$$\vec{a}(t) = 4\vec{j} + 6t\vec{k}$$

A.  $4\vec{i} + 10\vec{j} + 10\vec{k}$

B.  $\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 10\vec{k}$

C.  $\vec{i} + \frac{8}{3}\vec{j} + 4\vec{k}$

D.  $2\vec{i} + 10\vec{j} + 8\vec{k}$

E.  $2\vec{i} + 8\vec{j} + 8\vec{k}$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \int \vec{a}(t) dt + \vec{C} =$$

$$4t\vec{j} + 3t^2\vec{k} + \vec{C}$$

$$\text{Since } \vec{v}(0) = \vec{i} + \vec{j}, \quad \vec{C} = \vec{i} + \vec{j}, \quad \vec{v}(t) = \vec{i} + (4t+1)\vec{j} + 3t^2\vec{k}$$

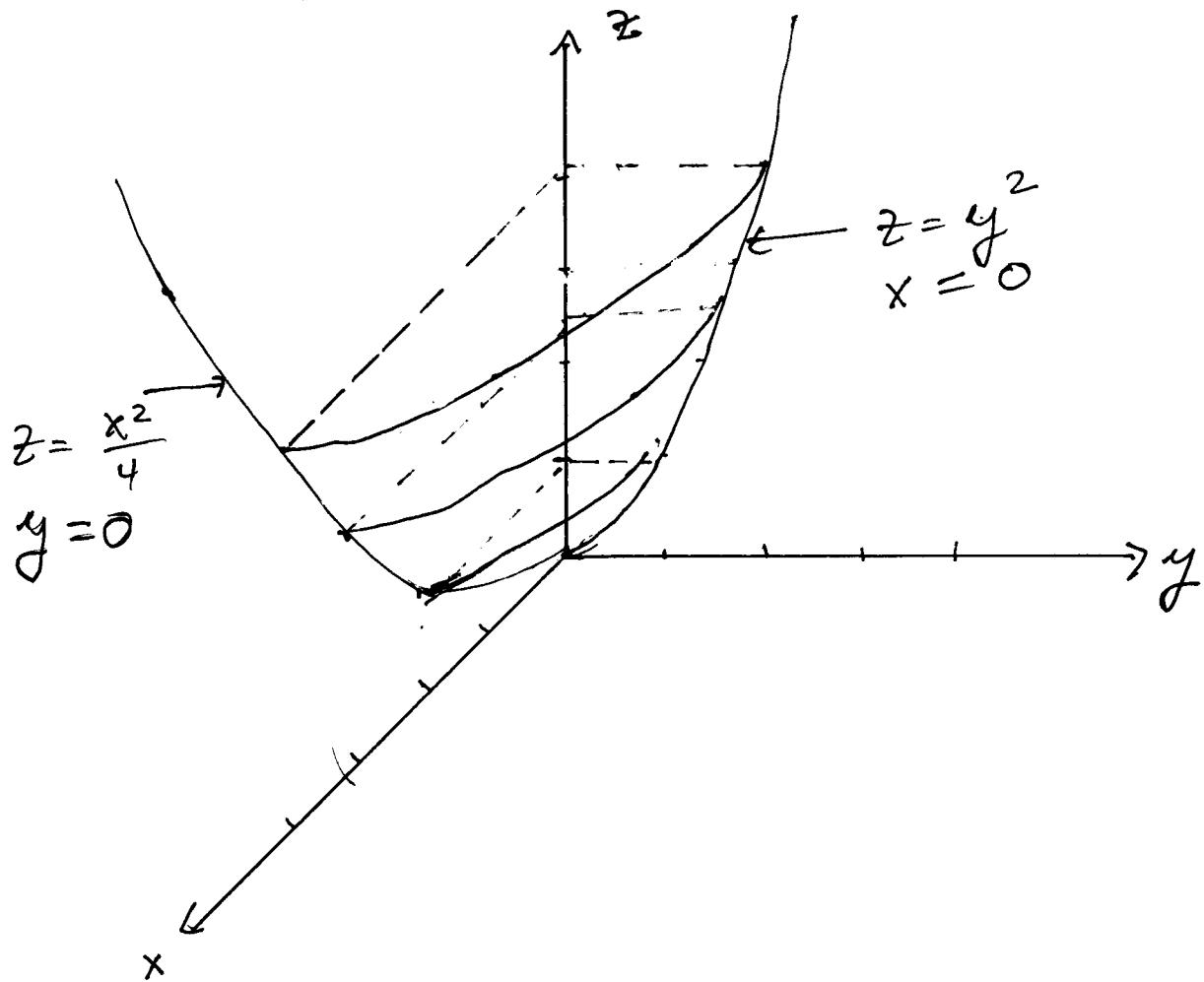
$$\vec{r}(t) = \int \vec{v}(t) dt + \vec{C}_1 = t\vec{i} + (2t^2+t)\vec{j} + t^3\vec{k} + \vec{C}_1$$

$$\text{Since } \vec{r}(1) = \vec{i} + 3\vec{j} + \vec{k}, \quad \vec{C}_1 = 0.$$

$$\text{Hence } \vec{r}(2) = 2\vec{i} + 10\vec{j} + 8\vec{k}$$

5. Which of the following surfaces represents the graph of  $z = \frac{x^2}{4} + y^2$  in the 1st octant.

Elliptic Paraboloid.



6. If  $f(x, y) = \frac{3x^2 + yx}{x^2 + y^2}$ ,  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ , let  $\ell$  be the limit of  $f(x, y)$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  along the  $y$ -axis, and let  $m$  be the limit of  $f(x, y)$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  along the line  $y = x$ . Then

$$\ell = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} f(0, y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{y^2} = 0$$

A.  $\ell = 3, m = 2$

B.  $\ell = 0, m = 2$

C.  $\ell = 0, m = \frac{3}{2}$

D.  $\ell = 3, m = 3$

E.  $\ell = \frac{1}{2}, m = \frac{1}{2}$

$$m = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4x^2}{2x^2} = 2$$

7. Find a value of  $a$  for which the function  $z = 4 \cos(x + ay)$  satisfies

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 9 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}.$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -4 \sin(x + ay)$$

A.  $a = 2$

B.  $a = 0$

C.  $a = \frac{1}{2}$

D.  $a = 1$

E.  $a = 3$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = -4 \cos(x + ay)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -4a \sin(x + ay)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = -4a^2 \cos(x + ay)$$

$$a^2 = 9, a = \pm 3$$

8. Find the maximal directional derivative of

$$f(x, y, z) = e^x + e^y + e^{2z}$$

at  $(1, 1, -1)$ .

$$\|\nabla f\| = \left\| e^x \vec{i} + e^y \vec{j} + 2e^{2z} \vec{k} \right\| = \sqrt{e^{2x} + e^{2y} + 4e^{4z}}$$

$$\text{At } (1, 1, -1), \quad \|\nabla f\| = \sqrt{e^2 + e^2 + 4e^{-4}}$$

- A.  $e\sqrt{3-2e}$   
 B.  $\sqrt{2e^2 + 4e^{-4}}$   
 C.  $\frac{1}{e}\sqrt{2-4e^{-3}}$   
 D.  $\sqrt{2e^2 + e^{-4}}$   
 E.  $\sqrt{e^2 + 2e^{-4}}$

9. Find symmetric equations of the line containing  $(1, 2, 3)$  and perpendicular to the plane  $2x + 3y - z = 8$ .

Normal vector to the plane  $\vec{N} = (2, 3, -1)$

Symmetric equations of the line containing  $(1, 2, 3)$  and parallel to  $(2, 3, -1)$  are

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

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

10. Find the length of the curve

$$\bar{r}(t) = \frac{t^2}{2} \bar{i} + 7\bar{j} + \frac{t^3}{3} \bar{k}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2.$$

$$\bar{r}'(t) = t \bar{i} + t^2 \bar{k}$$

$$\|\bar{r}'(t)\| = \sqrt{t^2 + t^4}$$

$$L = \int_0^2 \|\bar{r}'(t)\| dt = \int_0^2 t \sqrt{1+t^2} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^5 \sqrt{u} du = \frac{1}{3} u^{3/2} \Big|_1^5$$

$$1+t^2=u, \quad 2t dt=du$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{3} (5^{3/2} - 1)}$$

11. (a) Complete the following definition of
- $f_y$
- at
- $(0,0)$
- :

$$f_y(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0,h) - f(0,0)}{h}$$

- (b) If  $f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+y^3}{3x^2+4y^2}, & (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0, & (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$ , compute  $f_y(0,0)$  by evaluating the above limit.

$$f_y(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^3/4h^2}{h} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\boxed{f_y(0,0) = \frac{1}{4}}$$

12. A right circular cylinder has a radius and altitude that vary with time. At a certain instant the altitude is increasing at 0.5 ft/sec and the radius is decreasing at 0.2 ft/sec. How fast is the volume changing if at this time the radius is 20 feet and the altitude is 60 feet.

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV}{dt} &= 2\pi r \cdot r' \cdot h + \pi r^2 h' = \\ &2\pi \cdot 20 \cdot (-0.2) \cdot 60 + \pi \cdot 20^2 \cdot 0.5 = \\ &\pi (-480 + 200) = -280\pi \text{ ft}^3/\text{sec} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = -280\pi \text{ ft}^3/\text{sec}$$