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exercise	possible	score
1	14	
2	12	
3	12	
4	12	
total	50	

- Check that this booklet has all the exercises indicated above.
- TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE.
- Write your name and your student ID.
- This is a 50 minute test.
- You may use a scientific calculator and one 8.5×11 inch sheet of (two-sided) handwritten notes. All other electronic devices (including graphing calculators) are forbidden.
- Unless otherwise indicated, your answers should be exact instead of decimal approximations. For example $\frac{\pi}{4}$ is an exact answer and is preferable to its decimal approximation 0.78.
- Unless otherwise indicated, show your work and justify all your answers. Box your final answer.

Sample solution

Exercise 1 (5+2+2+5=14 points).

Consider the curve $\vec{r}(t) = ((t^2 - 2)^2, t^4, t^2)$.

a) Compute $\vec{T}(t)$ for general t .

Solution: We have

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}'(t) &= (4(t^2 - 2)t, 4t^3, 2t) = (4t^3 - 8t, 4t^3, 2t) \\ |\vec{r}'(t)| &= \sqrt{32t^6 - 64t^4 + 68t^2} = 2t\sqrt{8t^4 - 16t^2 + 17} \\ \vec{T}(t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{32t^6 - 64t^4 + 68t^2}}(4t^3 - 8t, 4t^3, 2t)\end{aligned}$$

b) Show that the curve lies in the plane $x - y + 4z = 4$.

Solution: Simply check that

$$(t^2 - 2)^2 - t^4 + 4t^2 = (t^4 - 4t^2 + 4) - t^4 + 4t^2 = 4$$

c) Find one (non-zero) vector that is parallel to $\vec{B}(1)$.

Hint: Think about what b) means for the osculating plane and for the position of the vectors $\vec{T}(t), \vec{N}(t), \vec{B}(t)$. You can use those insights to solve c) and d) with very little calculations.

Solution: The whole curve lies in the plane $x - y + 4z = 4$. Hence this must be the osculating plane for any t . Hence $\vec{B}(t)$ is parallel to $(1, -1, 4)$ at any time t .

d) Find one (non-zero) vector that is parallel to $\vec{N}(1)$.

Solution: We know that $\vec{T}(1), \vec{N}(1), \vec{B}(1)$ are pairwise orthogonal unit vectors. Hence any non-zero vector that is orthogonal to both $\vec{T}(1)$ and $\vec{B}(1)$ is parallel to $\vec{N}(1)$. Note that

$$\vec{r}'(1) = (4 - 8, 4, 2) = (-4, 4, 2)$$

(or $\vec{T}(1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{36}}(-4, 4, 2) = \frac{1}{3}(-2, 2, 1)$). Hence, we can simply compute

$$\vec{r}'(1) \times (1, -1, 4) = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -4 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = (16 + 2, 16 + 2, 0) = (18, 18, 0)$$

Hence $\boxed{(1, 1, 0)}$ is parallel to $\vec{N}(1)$.

Alternative solution: one can also compute $\vec{r}''(t) = (12t^2 - 8, 12t^2, 2)$. Then $r'(1) = (-4, 4, 2)$ and $r''(1) = (4, 12, 2)$. Then $B(1)$ is $r'(1) \times r''(1) = (-16, 16, -64)$ normalized.

Exercise 2 (8+4=12 points).

Consider the surface in \mathbb{R}^3 that is defined by equation $2x^2 + yz + y^3 + xz^2 = 28$.

a) Use implicit differentiation to compute $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$.

Solution: We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2x^2 + yz + y^3 + xz^2) &= 4x + yz_x + z^2 + 2x \cdot z \cdot z_x \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \\ \Rightarrow z_x \cdot [y + 2xz] &= -4x - z^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{z_x = -\frac{4x+z^2}{y+2xz}} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (2x^2 + yz + y^3 + xz^2) &= z + y \cdot z_y + 3y^2 + 2x \cdot z \cdot z_y \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \\ \Rightarrow z_y \cdot [y + 2xz] &= -z - 3y^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{z_y = -\frac{z+3y^2}{y+2xz}} \end{aligned}$$

b) Compute the tangent plane of the surface at $(2, 2, 2)$.

Solution: For $(2, 2, 2)$

$$z_x = -\frac{8+4}{2+8} = -\frac{6}{5} \quad \text{and} \quad z_y = -\frac{2+12}{2+8} = -\frac{7}{5}$$

and the equation of the tangent plane is

$$\boxed{T(x, y) = 2 - \frac{6}{5}(x-2) - \frac{7}{5}(y-2)}$$

Exercise 3 (12 points).

The equation $z^2 = 2x^2 + xy + y^2$ describes a surface in \mathbb{R}^3 . Find all points on this surface that are closest to $(x_0, y_0, z_0) = (1, 2, 0)$?

Use the 2nd derivative test to show that the points you found are indeed the closest ones.

Solution: The squared distance of a point (x, y, z) to $(1, 2, 0)$ is

$$(x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z-0)^2$$

which we want to minimize over the surface. We know that each point on surface satisfies $z^2 = 2x^2 + xy + y^2$. Hence we need to minimize the function

$$h(x, y) = (x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2 + 2x^2 + xy + y^2 = 3x^2 + xy + 2y^2 - 2x - 4y + 5$$

Then

$$h_x(x, y) = 6x + y - 2 \quad h_y(x, y) = x + 4y - 4$$

Both are 0 if

$$\begin{cases} 6x + y - 2 = 0 \\ x + 4y - 4 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 6(4 - 4y) + y - 2 = 0 \\ x = 4 - 4y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 22 - 23y = 0 \\ x = 4(1 - y) \end{cases} \Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{23}, y = \frac{22}{23}$$

Moreover

$$h_{xx} = 6 \quad h_{xy} = 1 \quad h_{yy} = 4$$

and

$$\begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 23 > 0$$

Hence this is indeed a minimum. The points are

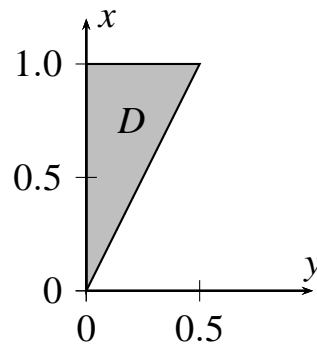
$$\boxed{\left(\frac{4}{23}, \frac{22}{23}, \sqrt{\frac{604}{529}}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\frac{4}{23}, \frac{22}{23}, -\sqrt{\frac{604}{529}}\right)}$$

Exercise 4 (12 points).

Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^{1/2} \int_{2y}^1 y \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x^3\right) dx dy$$

Solution: The region of integration looks as follows



Hence we can switch the order of integration as

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{1/2} \int_{2y}^1 y \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x^3\right) dx dy &= \int_0^1 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x^3\right) \left(\int_0^{x/2} y dy\right) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{8}x^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x^3\right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{3\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x^3\right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{12\pi} \end{aligned}$$

using integration by substitution.