

Math 241, Exam 1, Spring, 2022

You should KEEP this piece of paper. Write everything on the **blank paper provided**. Return the problems **in order** (use as much paper as necessary), use **only one side** of each piece of paper. Number your pages and write your name on each page. Take a picture of your exam (for your records) just before you turn the exam in. I will e-mail your grade and my comments to you. I will keep your exam. **Fold your exam in half** before you turn it in.

The exam is worth 50 points. Each problem is worth 10 points. **Make your work coherent, complete, and correct.** Please **CIRCLE** your answer. Please **CHECK** your answer whenever possible.

The solutions will be posted later today.

No Calculators, Cell phones, computers, notes, etc.

(1) **Find a system of parametric equations for the line through the points $P_1 = (1, 2, 3)$ and $P_2 = (-1, 4, 9)$. Check your answer. Make sure it is correct.**

The vector $\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} = -2\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 6\vec{k}$. The line through $P_1 = (1, 2, 3)$ and parallel to $\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} = -2\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 6\vec{k}$ is

$$\begin{cases} x = 1 - 2t \\ y = 2 + 2t \\ z = 3 + 6t \end{cases}$$

Check: When $t = 0$, our proposed answer gives $(1, 2, 3)$. ✓ When $t = 1$, our proposed answer gives $(-1, 4, 9)$. ✓

(2) **Find an equation for the plane through the points $P_1 = (1, 2, 3)$, $P_2 = (6, 5, 4)$, and $P_3 = (-1, 0, 1)$. Check your answer. Make sure it is correct.**

We calculate $\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} = 5\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} + \vec{k}$, $\overrightarrow{P_1P_3} = -2\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$, and

$$\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} \times \overrightarrow{P_1P_3} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \vec{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \vec{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \vec{k} \\ &= -4\vec{i} + 8\vec{j} - 4\vec{k}. \end{aligned}$$

The plane through $(1, 2, 3)$ perpendicular to $-4\vec{i} + 8\vec{j} - 4\vec{k}$ is

$$-4(x - 1) + 8(y - 2) - 4(z - 3) = 0.$$

Divide by -4 : $(x - 1) - 2(y - 2) + (z - 3) = 0$. Expand to get

$$x - 1 - 2y + 4 + z - 3 = 0$$

or $x - 2y + z = 0$.

Check: The point P_1 satisfies our proposed answer because $1 - 4 + 3 = 0$.
 The point $(6, 5, 4)$ satisfies our proposed answer because $6 - 10 + 4 = 0$.
 The point $(-1, 0, 1)$ satisfies our proposed answer because $-1 - 1 = 0$.

(3) Express $\vec{v} = 3\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}$ as the sum of a vector parallel to $\vec{b} = 2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$ and a vector orthogonal to \vec{b} . Check your answer. Make sure it is correct.

We compute

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{b}} \vec{v} = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{b}}{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}} \vec{b} = \frac{6 + 15}{4 + 9} (2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}) = \frac{42}{13}\vec{i} + \frac{63}{13}\vec{j}.$$

We also compute

$$\vec{v} - \text{proj}_{\vec{b}} \vec{v} = -\frac{3}{13}\vec{i} + \frac{2}{13}\vec{j}.$$

We see that

$$\boxed{\vec{v} = \left(\frac{42}{13}\vec{i} + \frac{63}{13}\vec{j}\right) + \left(-\frac{3}{13}\vec{i} + \frac{2}{13}\vec{j}\right), \\ \text{with } \left(\frac{42}{13}\vec{i} + \frac{63}{13}\vec{j}\right) \text{ parallel to } \vec{b} \\ \text{and } \left(-\frac{3}{13}\vec{i} + \frac{2}{13}\vec{j}\right) \text{ perpendicular to } \vec{b}.}$$

(4) Put $2x^2 + 3y^2 + 4z^2 - 12x - 24y - 40z + 158 = 0$ in the form

$$A(x - x_0)^2 + B(y - y_0)^2 + C(z - z_0)^2 = D,$$

where x_0, y_0, z_0, A, B, C , and D are numbers.

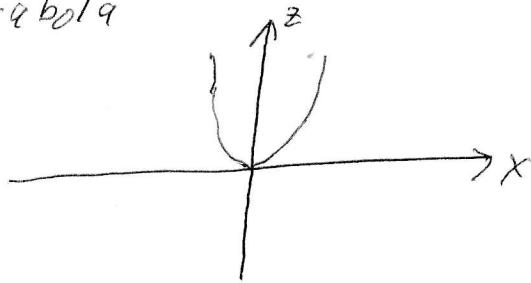
The original equation has the same solution set as

$$2(x^2 - 6x + 9) + 3(y^2 - 8y + 16) + 4(z^2 - 10z + 25) = -158 + 18 + 48 + 100$$

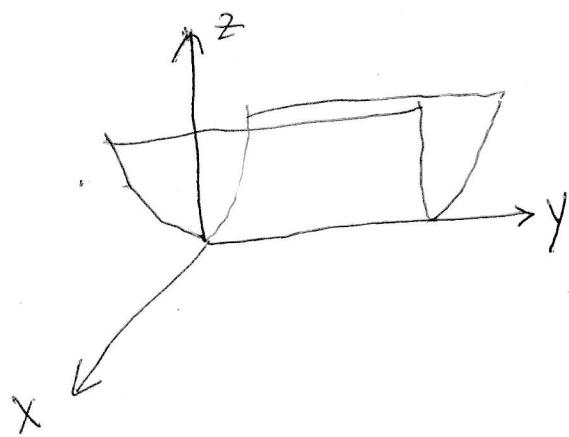
$$\boxed{2(x - 3)^2 + 3(y - 4)^2 + 4(z - 5)^2 = 8.}$$

(5) Name, describe, and graph the set of all points in three-space which satisfy the equation $z = x^2$.

5. In the XZ -plane the set of points which satisfy $z = x^2$ is a parabola



In 3-space, one gets the same picture for each y is 0 the set of points which satisfy $z = x^2$ is a parabolic cylinder



This is the surface one would obtain by taking a large piece of sheet metal and folding one edge into a parabola.