

Exam Review Solutions

1. (a) $\sqrt{57}$

(b) Does not exist—can't cross a scalar with a vector.

(c) $\left\langle -\frac{3}{17}, \frac{2}{17}, -\frac{2}{17} \right\rangle$

(d) $\langle -8, -11, 1 \rangle$

(e) $\sqrt{186}$

(f) Does not exist—can't dot a scalar with a vector.

(g) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

2. **Note:** There was a typo in this problem that led to the tangent vector $\mathbf{r}'(t)$ being the zero vector at $t = 0$. For that reason, I told some people to do $t = \pi/4$ for practice. I'm including solutions of both here!

Throughout, note that:

- $\sin(\pi/2 - t) = \cos t$ and $\cos(\pi/2 - t) = \sin t$. This isn't necessary to notice, but it makes the derivatives easier and these solutions make use of it.
- In light of the above, $\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle -\sin t, -\sin t \cos(\cos t), 2t \rangle$.

$t=0$:

$\mathbf{r}'(0) = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$ is parallel to the tangent line and $P = \mathbf{r}(0) = (1, \sin 1, 0)$ is on it, so the line is "point plus vector t ," i.e.

$$x = 1 + 0t \quad y = \sin 1 + 0t \quad z = 0 + 0t \implies \boxed{x = 1 \quad y = \sin 1 \quad z = 0}.$$

$t = \pi/4$:

$\mathbf{r}'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \left\langle -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{\cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right\rangle$ is parallel to the tangent line and $P = \mathbf{r}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \frac{\pi^2}{16}\right)$ is on it, so the line (after simplifying) is:

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{t-1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad y = -\frac{\cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{\sqrt{2}}t + \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \quad z = \frac{1}{16}\pi(\pi + 8t)}.$$

3. (a) The plane containing P , Q , and R necessarily contains the vectors $\vec{PQ} = \langle -2, -4, 2 \rangle$ and $\vec{PR} = \langle -1, -5, -4 \rangle$, so the vector $\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}$ is perpendicular to it. Therefore,

$$\mathbf{n} = \vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} = \langle 26, -10, 6 \rangle$$

is normal to the plane. Using \mathbf{n} and $P(1, 3, 5)$, we have the equation of the plane being

$$\boxed{26(x - 1) - 10(y - 3) + 6(z - 5) = 0}. \quad (1)$$

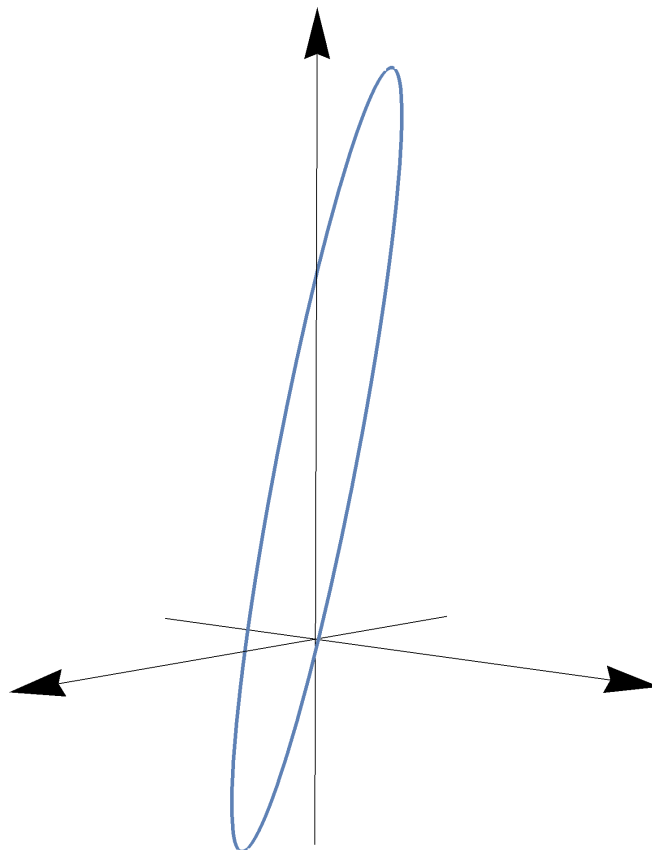
- (b) As in class, we note that we can parametrize the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ using $x = 2 \cos t$ and $y = 2 \sin t$. Plugging these into (1) and solving for z yields

$$z = \frac{1}{3}(10 \sin t - 26 \cos t + 13),$$

and so the parametrization of this curve is

$$\boxed{\mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle 2 \cos t, 2 \sin t, \frac{1}{3}(10 \sin t - 26 \cos t + 13) \right\rangle}.$$

This curve can be seen below.



4. Note that after simplification,

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle e^t \cos t - e^t \sin t, e^t, e^t \sin t + e^t \cos t \rangle$$

and

$$\mathbf{r}''(t) = \langle -2e^t \sin t, e^t, 2e^t \cos t \rangle.$$

(a) \mathbb{R}

(b) Velocity is $\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle e^t \cos t - e^t \sin t, e^t, e^t \sin t + e^t \cos t \rangle$

Speed is $|\text{velocity}| = |\mathbf{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{3}e^t$

Acceleration is $\mathbf{r}''(t) = \langle -2e^t \sin t, e^t, 2e^t \cos t \rangle$.

$$(c) \mathbf{T}(t) = \left\langle \frac{\cos t - \sin t}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{\sin t + \cos t}{\sqrt{3}} \right\rangle$$

$$(d) \mathbf{N}(t) = \left\langle -\frac{\sin t + \cos t}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{\cos t - \sin t}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$$

$$(e) \mathbf{B}(t) = \mathbf{T}(t) \times \mathbf{N}(t) = \left\langle \frac{\cos t - \sin t}{\sqrt{6}}, \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, \frac{\sin t + \cos t}{\sqrt{6}} \right\rangle$$

$$(f) \kappa(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}e^{-t}$$

$$(g) a_T = \sqrt{3}e^t$$

$$(h) a_N = \sqrt{2}e^t$$

Note: Simplifying $a_T \mathbf{T} + a_N \mathbf{N}$ yields

$$a_T \mathbf{T} + a_N \mathbf{N} = \langle -2e^t \sin t, e^t, 2e^t \cos t \rangle = \mathbf{a}(t),$$

as expected (because, remember: $\mathbf{a}(t)$ *should* equal $a_T \mathbf{T} + a_N \mathbf{N}$ for all t ...).