MATH 2130 Test 1 October 10, 2023 70 minutes

6 1. Find equations for the projection of the curve

$$z = x^2 + y^2, \quad 3x + 2y + z = 4$$

in the xy-plane. Describe the projection in detail.

Equations for the projection are

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4 - 3x - 2y, \qquad z = 0.$$

When we complete squares in the first equation,

$$(x+3/2)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 4 + 9/4 + 1 = 29/4.$$

This is the equation of a circle with centre (-3/2, -1) and radius $\sqrt{29}/2$.

6 2. Set up, but do NOT evaluate, a definite integral for the length of the curve

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

You need not simplify the integrand.

If we set $x = 2\cos t$ and $y = 2 + 2\sin t$, then

$$z = 4 - 2\cos t - 2 - 2\sin t = 2 - 2\cos t - 2\sin t, \quad 0 \le t \le 2\pi.$$

The length of the curve is given by

$$L = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2} dt$$

= $\int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{(-2\sin t)^2 + (2\cos t)^2 + (2\sin t - 2\cos t)^2} dt.$

12 3. Find, if possible, the equation for the plane that contains the lines

$$x = -1 + 2t,$$

 $L_1: \quad y = -5 + 3t,$ and $L_2: \quad x + y - z = -2,$
 $z = 2 - t;$

$$x + y - z = -2,$$

$$2x - 3y + 2z = 10.$$

A vector along L_1 is $\mathbf{v}_1 = (2, 3, -1)$. A vector along L_2 is

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1, -4, -5).$$

Since these vectors are not multiples, the lines are not parallel. To see whether they intersect, we set

$$(-1+2t) + (-5+3t) - (2-t) = -2 \implies 6t = 6 \implies t = 1.$$

This gives the point (1, -2, 1) as the point of intersection of L_1 and the plane x + y - z = 2. Since this point also satisfies 2x - 3y + 2z = 10, the lines intersect at (1, -2, 1). A normal vector to the required plane is

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (19, -11, 5).$$

The equation of the required plane is

$$19(x-1) - 11(y+2) + 5(z-1) = 0.$$

10 4. Find the distance between the lines

$$\begin{array}{ll} x = 1 + 2t, \\ L_1: & y = -2 + t, \\ & z = 3 - 4t; \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{ll} L_2: & 2x + y - z = -3, \\ & x - y + 2z = 9. \end{array}$$

Vectors along these lines are

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (2, 1, -4)$$
 and $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (1, -5, -3).$

Since these vectors are not multiples, the lines are not parallel. Points on these lines are R(1, -2, 3) and S(2, -7, 0). The distance between the lines is $d = |\mathbf{RS} \cdot \widehat{\mathbf{PQ}}|$, where \mathbf{PQ} is a vector normal to both lines, one such being

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ 2 & 1 & -4 \\ 1 & -5 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = (-23, 2, -11).$$

Thus,

$$d = \left| (1, -5, -3) \cdot \frac{(-23, 2, -11)}{\sqrt{654}} \right| = 0.$$

The lines therefore intersect.

6 5. Find all unit tangent vectors to the curve

$$x + y^2 = 1,$$
 $z + y^3 + 2x = 2$

at the point (0, 1, 1).

If we set y = t, then $x = 1 - t^2$, and $z = 2 - t^3 - 2(1 - t^2) = 2t^2 - t^3$. A tangent vector to the curve is $\mathbf{T} = (-2t, 1, 4t - 3t^2)$. At 0, 1, 1, t = 1, so that

$$\mathbf{T}(1) = (-2, 1, 1).$$

Unit tangent vectors are

$$\pm \hat{\mathbf{T}}(1) = \frac{\pm (-2, 1, 1)}{\sqrt{6}}.$$