

**CALCULUS III SPRING 2008**  
**MIDTERM I**

(1) Consider the four vectors  $\vec{u} = \langle 2, -6, 4 \rangle$ ,  $\vec{v} = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$ ,  $\vec{w} = \langle -1, -2, 3 \rangle$  and  $\vec{t} = \langle -1, 3, -2 \rangle$ .

- (i) Which of them is the shortest, the longest? Find their lengths.
- (ii) Which of the four vectors are parallel to each other?

(2) Let  $\vec{u}$  be a vector in the space.

(i) Suppose that for each vector  $\vec{v}$  in the space, the dot product  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ . Show that  $\vec{u} = \vec{0}$  in two different ways: one using coordinates and one without.

(ii) Suppose that for each vector  $\vec{v}$  in the space, the cross product  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \vec{0}$ . Show that  $\vec{u} = \vec{0}$  in two different ways: one using coordinates and one without.

(3) Consider the three points  $A = (1, 2, 3)$ ,  $B = (2, 4, 3)$  and  $C = (0, -1, -5)$ .

- (i) Find an equation of the plane  $\Pi$  that contains  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ .
- (ii) Find parametric equations for the line  $L$  through  $A$  and  $D = (0, 0, 1)$ .
- (iii) Find an equation of the sphere  $S$  whose a diameter is  $[AB]$ .
- (iv) Find the intersection of  $L$  and  $\Pi$ . Find the intersection of  $L$  and  $S$ .

(4) Show that the surface with equation in spherical coordinates  $(\rho, \theta, \phi)$ :

$$\rho = 4 \sin \phi \cos\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

is a sphere. Give its radius and the rectangular coordinates of its center.

(5) A surface consists of all points  $P$  such that the distance from  $P$  to the plane  $x = 1$  is half the distance from  $P$  to the point  $(0, -1, 1)$ . Find an equation for this surface and identify it.

(6) Let  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$ ,  $\vec{w}$  and  $\vec{t}$  be four vectors in the space. Prove using coordinates that:

$$(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{w} \times \vec{t}) = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} & \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} \\ \vec{u} \cdot \vec{t} & \vec{v} \cdot \vec{t} \end{vmatrix}$$

where the right hand side is the determinant of order 2.