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Ma 116**Quiz 2****October 31, 2006**

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1. [20 pts] Let $\mathbf{a} = \langle 2, -1, 3 \rangle$, $\mathbf{b} = \langle -1, 0, 3 \rangle$. Find the equation of the plane, which passes through point $A(2, -1, -4)$ and is parallel to both \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .

Solution.

$$\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -3\mathbf{i} - 9\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$$

Then, the equation of the plane is $-3(x - 2) - 9(y + 1) - (z + 4) = 0$, or
 $3x + 9y + z = -7$.

Answer: $3x + 9y + z = -7$.

2. [20 pts] Find parametric equation of the line through $A(-2, 2, 4)$ and perpendicular to the plane $2x - y + 5z = 12$.

Solution.

$\mathbf{n} = \langle 2, -1, 5 \rangle$ = directional vector of the line.

Answer:

$$\begin{cases} x = -2 + 2t \\ y = 2 - t \\ z = 4 + 5t \end{cases}$$

3. [30 pts] Find the length of the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2t^{3/2}, \cos(4t), \sin(4t) \rangle$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

Solution.

$$L = \int_0^1 |\mathbf{r}'(t)| dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{9t + 16} dt = \frac{2}{27} (9t + 16)^{3/2} \Big|_{t=0}^{t=1} = \frac{2}{27} (125 - 64) = \frac{122}{27}.$$

4. [30 pts] (a) Find the equation of the tangent line at point $A(1, 1, 2)$ to the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = t\mathbf{i} + t\mathbf{j} + (1 + t^2)\mathbf{k}$;

Solution.

Points A corresponds to $t = 1$.

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle 1, 1, 2t \rangle$$

Hence, $\mathbf{r}'(1) = \langle 1, 1, 2 \rangle$ is the directional vector of the tangent line passing through $A(1, 1, 2)$. Consequently, the answer is

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 1, 1, 2 \rangle + t\langle 1, 1, 2 \rangle$$

or

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

- (b) Find the magnitude of the projection of vector $\mathbf{a} = \langle 5, -3, 7 \rangle$ onto the above tangent line.

Solution.

$$|\text{proj}_{\mathbf{r}'(1)} \mathbf{a}| = \frac{|\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{r}'(1)|}{|\mathbf{r}'(1)|} = \frac{|5 - 3 + 14|}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{16}{\sqrt{6}}.$$