
Math 208 Quiz 2 Solution Key

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Instructions: You must show supporting work to receive full and partial credits. No text book, notes, formula sheets allowed.

1. (4) Find the distance between the point $(1, 1, 1)$ and the plane $x + 2y + z = 0$.

$$4/\sqrt{6}$$

2. (4) Sketch the surface of the equation $4x^2 - y + z^2 = 1$, showing a few appropriate traces.

y -traces: ellipses for $y = k > -1$. Trace with $x = 0$: parabola. Trace with $z = 0$: parabola. Surface: elliptical paraboloid, open to the y -axis, with vertex at $(0, -1, 0)$.

3. (4) Find the position function of a moving objection whose acceleration is $\vec{a}(t) = \langle t, 1, \sin 2t \rangle$, and whose initial velocity and position are $\vec{v}(0) = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$, $\vec{r}(0) = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$, respectively.

$$\vec{r}(t) = \left(\frac{t^3}{6} + 1, \frac{t^2}{2} + t + 1, -\frac{\sin 2t}{4} + \frac{t}{2} + 1 \right)$$

4. (4) Find the unit tangent vector, \vec{T} , of $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t, 2 \cos t, \sin t \rangle$ at the point $t = 0$.

$$\frac{\langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

5. (4) Find the curvature, κ , of the curve $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t, 2 \cos t, \sin t \rangle$ at the point $t = 0$.

$$\text{At } t = 0, \kappa = \frac{\|\vec{r}'(t) \times \vec{r}''(t)\|}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|^3} = 1$$