

Exam 1 Topics Review

1. Vectors in \mathbb{R}^2
 - (a) Vectors and scalars. The magnitude and direction of a vector.
 - (b) Graphical vector operations: addition, subtraction, scalar multiplication.
 - (c) Vectors in component form. Vectors in polar form.
 - (d) Vector algebra with components: addition, subtraction, scalar multiplication.
 - (e) The zero vector. The standard basis vectors \vec{i}, \vec{j} . Vector as a linear combination of the standard basis vectors.
2. Vectors in \mathbb{R}^3
 - (a) Graphical vector operations: addition, subtraction, scalar multiplication.
 - (b) The standard basis vectors $\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k}$. Vector as a linear combination of the standard basis vectors.
 - (c) Magnitude, length of a vector.
 - (d) Parallel vectors. Unit vectors.
 - (e) Vector algebra with components: addition, subtraction, scalar multiplication.
3. The dot product of vectors.
 - (a) Definition of the dot product in component form.
 - (b) The cosine formula for the dot product.
 - (c) Basic properties of the dot product in terms of algebraic operations.
 - (d) Angle between two vectors. Orthogonal vectors.
 - (e) Dot product condition for orthogonal vectors.
 - (f) Component of a vector in another. Projection of a vector in another.
4. The cross product of vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 .
 - (a) $2 \times 2, 3 \times 3$ determinants.
 - (b) Definition of the cross product in component form.
 - (c) The right-hand rule for the direction of the cross product.
 - (d) Magnitude of the cross product. The area of a parallelogram, triangle. The volume of a parallelepiped.
 - (e) Basic properties of the cross product in terms of algebraic operations.
5. Lines \mathbb{R}^3 .
 - (a) Direction of a line. Parametric equations of lines. Symmetrical equations of lines.
 - (b) Equation of a line through two points.
 - (c) Find intersection of two lines.
 - (d) Distance from a point to a line. Distance between two lines.
6. Planes \mathbb{R}^3 .
 - (a) Normal direction of of a plane.
 - (b) Equation of a plane through a point with a normal vector.
 - (c) Equation of a plane through 3 points.
 - (d) Determine normal vectors for a plane using cross product.
 - (e) Condition of two parallel planes.
 - (f) Distance from a point to a plane. Distance between a line and a plane. Distance between 2 planes.
7. Vector-valued functions.
 - (a) Functions from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 .

- (b) Equations of curves. Parameterized equations of curves. Orientation of a curve by its parameterization.
- (c) Parameterizations of simple curves: lines, circles, ellipses, parabolas, helices.
- (d) Calculus of vector-valued functions: differentiation and integration.
- (e) Tangent vector of a curve.
- (f) Arc length of a curve.

8. Motion in space.

- (a) Position vector, velocity vector, and acceleration vector.
- (b) Unit tangent vector. The principal unit normal vector.
- (c) Arc length parameterization. Speed. Curvature of a curve.
- (d) Tangential component of acceleration, normal component of acceleration.
- (e) Acceleration vector decomposed in its tangential and principal normal components.
- (f) Newton's second law of motion. Newton's law of gravity. Projectile motion.

9. Function of several variables.

- (a) Real valued functions taking \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 to \mathbb{R} . Domain and range of a function.
- (b) Graph of a 2 variable function. Level curves, contours, traces of a function of 2 variables.
- (c) Level surfaces of functions of 3 variables.

10. Limits of functions of several variables.

- (a) Evaluation of limits with singularities.
- (b) Non-existence of limit by 2-path rule.
- (c) Continuity of functions.