

# EXAM I

Math 103, Fall 2004, Clark Bray.

You have 50 minutes.

No notes, no books, no calculators.

YOU MUST SHOW ALL WORK AND EXPLAIN ALL REASONING  
TO RECEIVE CREDIT

Good luck!

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1. Consider the following three vectors:

$$\vec{u} = \langle 3, 4, 12 \rangle \quad \vec{v} = \langle 2, 3, 6 \rangle \quad \vec{w} = \langle 3, 6, 6 \rangle$$

(a) Find the magnitude of each of these vectors.

$$\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 12^2} = \sqrt{169} = 13$$

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$\|\vec{w}\| = \sqrt{3^2 + 6^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{81} = 9$$

(b) Find the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ .

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

$$3 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot 3 + 12 \cdot 6 = 13 \cdot 7 \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{90}{91}$$

$$\theta = \arccos\left(\frac{90}{91}\right)$$

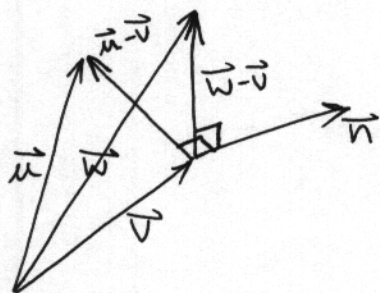
(c) Find the volume of the unique parallelepiped that is defined by  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$ , and  $\vec{w}$ .

$$V = \left| \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 & 12 \\ 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \right| = \left| 3 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - 4 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 \end{vmatrix} + 12 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \right|$$

$$= \left| 3(-18) - 4(-6) + 12(3) \right| = \left| 6 \right| = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow V = 6$$

(d) Find the equation of the unique plane that passes through the points  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$ , and  $\vec{w}$ .



$$\vec{u} - \vec{v} = \langle 1, 1, 6 \rangle \quad \vec{w} - \vec{v} = \langle 1, 3, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{n} = (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \times (\vec{w} - \vec{v}) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\vec{n} = \langle -18, 6, 2 \rangle$$

Egn:  $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{v}$

$$-18x + 6y + 2z = \langle -18, 6, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle 2, 3, 6 \rangle$$

$$= -6$$

$$\boxed{-18x + 6y + 2z = -6}$$

$$\boxed{9x - 3y - z = 3}$$



2. Consider the curve parametrized by

$$\langle t, t^3 - t \rangle \quad t \in [-2, 2]$$

(a) Show the process of rewriting the expression

$$s = \int ds$$

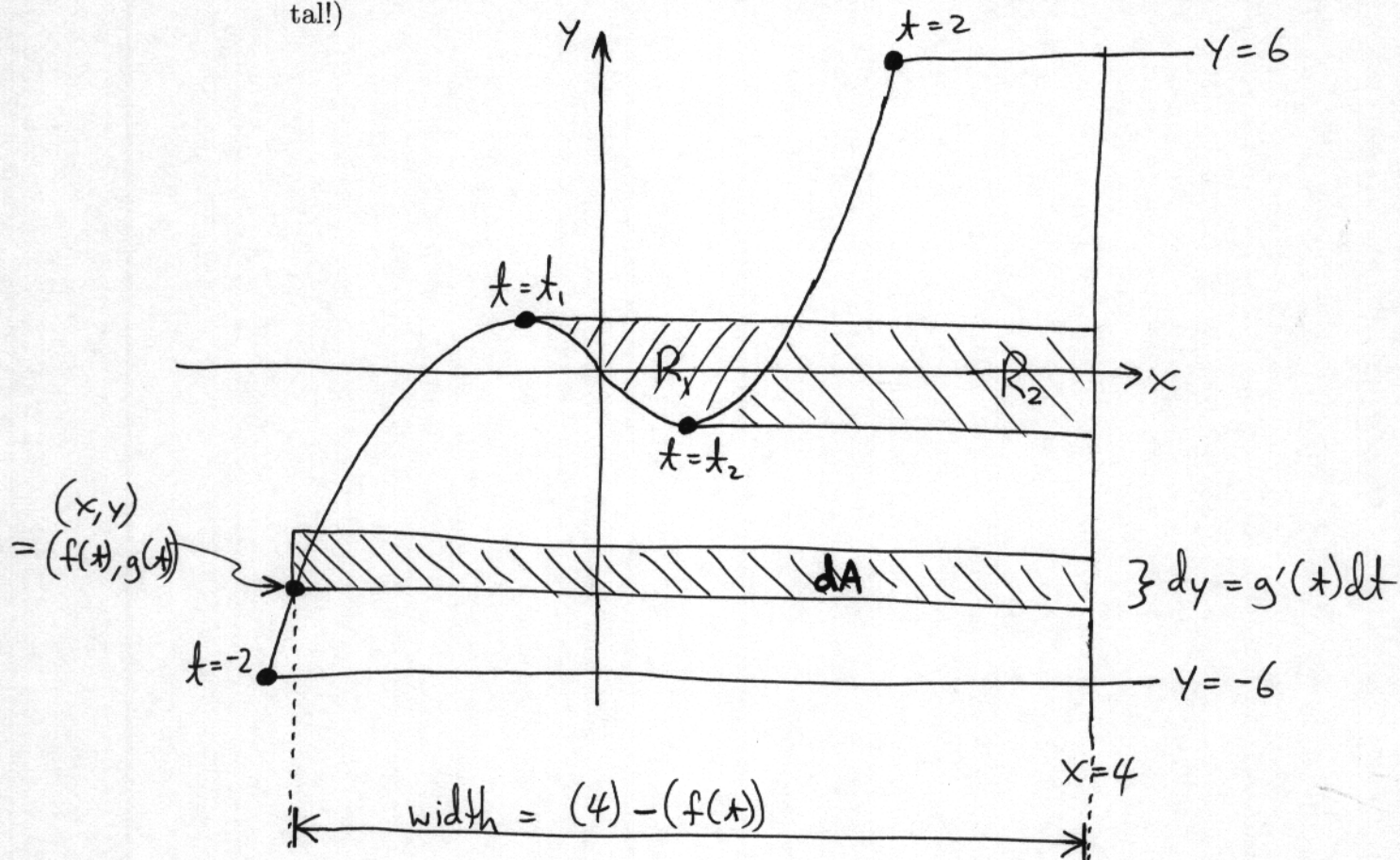
to arrive at an integral, in terms of  $t$ , that represents the length of this curve.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \int ds = \int \sqrt{dx^2 + dy^2} = \int_{-2}^2 \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt \\ &= \int_{-2}^2 \sqrt{(x')^2 + (y')^2} dt = \int_{-2}^2 \sqrt{(1)^2 + (3t^2 - 1)^2} dt \\ &= \boxed{\int_{-2}^2 \sqrt{9t^4 - 6t^2 + 2} dt} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Write down a single integral, in terms of  $t$ , that represents the area between this curve and the lines

$$x = 4 \quad y = -6 \quad y = 6$$

Make sure to explain how you know that your integral represents the desired area.  
(Note: In order to get a single integral, your "slices" of area will have to be horizontal!!)



We naively write  $A = \int dA = \int (4 - f(t)) dy = \int_{-2}^2 (4 - f(t)) g'(t) dt$

Of course, these slices of area overlap, and protrude outside of the desired area... But we get cancellations!

$\int_{-2}^{t_1}$  includes  $R_1$ , positively (since  $g' > 0$ )  
 $\int_{t_1}^{t_2}$  includes  $R_1$ , negatively (since  $g' < 0$ )

} these cancel; so in total,  $R_1$  is not counted.

Similarly,  $R_2$  is counted in  $\int_{-2}^{t_1}$ ,  $\int_{t_1}^{t_2}$ ,  $\int_{t_2}^2$  — pos'y, neg'y, pos'y (resp.)  
so in total,  $R_2$  is counted pos'y<sup>5</sup> once.



3. The Enterprise is damaged, and its position sensors are not working; however, the computer still has complete control over the amount of force the engines put out.

- (a) Spock proposes firing the engines in order to realize a (time-dependent) acceleration vector of

$$a(t) = \langle 6t, 6t - 24t^2, 4 \rangle$$

over the time interval  $[0, 10]$ .

Assuming that the ship's initial position and velocity are the zero vectors, find an expression for the ship's position as a function of time.

$$\vec{v}' = \langle 6t, 6t - 24t^2, 4 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v} = \langle 3t^2, 3t^2 - 8t^3, 4t \rangle + \vec{c}_1$$

$$\vec{0} = \vec{v}(0) = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle + \vec{c}_1 \Rightarrow \vec{c}_1 = \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{r}' = \vec{v} = \langle 3t^2, 3t^2 - 8t^3, 4t \rangle$$

$$\vec{r} = \langle t^3, t^3 - 2t^4, 2t^2 \rangle + \vec{c}_2$$

$$\vec{0} = \vec{r}(0) = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle + \vec{c}_2 \Rightarrow \vec{c}_2 = \vec{0}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{r} = \langle t^3, t^3 - 2t^4, 2t^2 \rangle}$$

- (b) Following this path over the given time interval, will the ship cross the boundary of the Neutral Zone, with equation defined by

$$f(\vec{r}) = -10x - y + 10z = 5000$$

(Hint: What are the starting and ending values for  $-10x - y + 10z$  as the ship moves from  $t = 0$  to  $t = 10$ ?)

$$f(\vec{r}(0)) = f(\vec{0}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(\vec{r}(10)) &= f(\langle 1,000, -19,000, 200 \rangle) = -10,000 + 19,000 + 2,000 \\ &= 11,000 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(\vec{r}(t))$  is continuous and  $0 < 5,000 < 11,000$ , the Enterprise must have crossed the boundary of the neutral zone.

- (c) At the time  $t = 1$ , what are the normal and tangential components of the acceleration? What is the curvature of the path at that point?

$$a_T(1) = \frac{\vec{v}(1) \cdot \vec{a}(1)}{v(1)} = \frac{\langle 3, -5, 4 \rangle \cdot \langle 6, -18, 4 \rangle}{5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{124}{5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$a_N(1) = \frac{\|\vec{v}(1) \times \vec{a}(1)\|}{v(1)} = \frac{\|\langle 52, 12, -24 \rangle\|}{5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{52^2 + 12^2 + 24^2}}{5\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2704 + 144 + 576}}{5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{1712}}{5}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{a_N}{v^2} = \frac{\sqrt{1712}/5}{50} = \frac{\sqrt{856}}{125}$$