

**Difficulty guide for worksheet:**

C-level or B-level exam problem: 1, 2, 4, 6

A-level exam problem or challenge for extra study: 5

beyond the scope and/or removed from syllabus: 3

1. Which of the following does *not* parametrize a line or some portion of a line? Explain your answer.

(a)  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 + 3t, 9 - t, 12 + 7t \rangle$

(c)  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 \cos(2t), 5 + 3 \cos(2t), \sin(2t) \rangle$

(b)  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 1 - t^2, 3 + 3t^2, t^3 \rangle$

(d)  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t^3, 4 - 8t^3, 8 + 3t^3 \rangle$

2. Find a parametrization of each described curve.

(a) A circle of radius 3 with center  $(-2, 3, 1)$ , lying in a plane parallel to the  $xz$ -plane.(b) The ellipse  $4y^2 + 9z^2 = 36$  translated to have center  $(-1, 10, -5)$ .(c) The intersection of the surfaces  $y^2 - z^2 = x - 2$  and  $y^2 + z^2 = 9$ .(d) The intersection of the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$  and the paraboloid  $z = x^2 + y^2$ .

3. We will show that the curve with the following parametrization lies in a plane.

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t^2 - 1, t - 2t^2, 4 - 6t \rangle$$

(a) Show that the points on the curve at  $t = 0$ ,  $t = 1$ , and  $t = 2$  do not lie on a line. Then find an equation of the plane that they determine.(b) Show that for all  $t$ , the points on  $\mathcal{C}$  satisfy the equation of the plane from part (a).

4. Find a parametrization of the line tangent to the curve at the indicated value of  $t$ .

(a)  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 1 - t^2, 5t, 2t^3 \rangle$  at  $t = 2$

(b)  $\mathbf{r}(t) = 4t^{-1}\mathbf{i} - 6t^{-3}\mathbf{k}$  at  $t = 1$

5. For  $0 \leq t \leq 4\pi$ , the path of a particle is parametrized by

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \cos(t) \sin(t), \sin(t)^2, \sin(t) \rangle$$

(a) Show that the path of the particle is a closed loop.

(b) Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the *curve* on which the particle travels. How many times does the particle traverse  $\mathcal{C}$  from  $t = 0$  to  $t = 4\pi$ ? Justify your answer.(c) Find an integral whose value is the length of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

(d) Find an integral whose value is the distance traveled by the particle.

6. Calculate the length of the described curve.

(a)  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 4t, \sqrt{3}t^{3/2}, t^{3/2} \rangle, 0 \leq t \leq 1$

(b)  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2t, \ln(t), t^2 \rangle, 1 \leq t \leq 4$

## Solutions:

① (a) Yes. (b) No. (c) No. (d) Yes.

② (a)  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle -2 + 3\cos(t), 3, 1 + 3\sin(t) \rangle$

$$0 \leq t < 2\pi$$

(b)  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle -1, 10 + 3\cos(t), -5 + 2\sin(t) \rangle$

$$0 \leq t < 2\pi$$

(c)  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2 + 9\cos(2t), 3\cos(t), 3\sin(t) \rangle$

$$0 \leq t < 2\pi$$

(d) Let  $R = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$ .

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle \sqrt{1-R^2}\cos(t), \sqrt{1-R^2}\sin(t), R \rangle$$

$$0 \leq t < 2\pi$$

③ (a)  $\vec{u} = \vec{r}_1(1) - \vec{r}_1(0) = \langle 1, -1, -6 \rangle$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{r}_1(2) - \vec{r}_1(0) = \langle 4, -6, -12 \rangle$$

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \langle -24, -12, -2 \rangle$$

Since  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} \neq 0$ , the three points are not collinear.

$$\vec{n} = \langle -24, -12, -2 \rangle$$

$$P = \vec{r}_1(0) = (-1, 0, 4)$$

$$\text{eq. of plane: } -24(x+1) - 12y - 2(z-4) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad & -24(t^2-1+1) - 12(t-2t^2) - 2(4-6t-4) = \\ & = -24t^2 - 12t + 24t^2 + 12t = 0 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{4} (a) \quad \vec{v} = \vec{r}'(2) &= \langle -2t, 5, 6t^2 \rangle \Big|_{t=2} \\ &= \langle -4, 5, 24 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{r}(2) = \langle -3, 10, 16 \rangle$$

$$\vec{L}(t) = \langle -3 - 4t, 10 + 5t, 16 + 24t \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad \vec{v} = \vec{r}'(1) &= \langle -4t^{-2}, 0, 18t^{-4} \rangle \Big|_{t=1} \\ &= \langle -4, 0, 18 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{r}(1) = \langle 4, 0, -6 \rangle$$

$$\vec{L}(t) = \langle 4 - 4t, 0, -6 + 18t \rangle$$

$$\textcircled{5} (a) \quad \vec{r}(t) \text{ is continuous and } \vec{r}(0) = \vec{r}(4\pi).$$

(b) twice

$$(c) \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(3 + \cos(2t))} dt$$

$$(d) \int_0^{4\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(3 + \cos(2t))} dt$$

$$\textcircled{6} (a) \int_0^1 \sqrt{16 + 9t} dt = \frac{2}{27} (16 + 9t)^{3/2} \Big|_0^1$$
$$= \frac{2}{27} (125 - 64) = \frac{122}{27}$$

$$(b) \int_1^4 \sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{t^2} + 4t^2} dt =$$

$$\int_1^4 \sqrt{\left(2t + \frac{1}{t}\right)^2} dt = \int_1^4 \left(2t + \frac{1}{t}\right) dt$$

$$= \left(t^2 + \ln(t)\right) \Big|_1^4 = (16 + \ln(4)) - (1 + 0)$$

$$= 15 + \ln(4)$$