

# MATH2203 MULTIVARIATE CALCULUS

## Test 1

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### Instructions

Every problem in the test consists of two parts: **Easier** and **Harder**. **Easier** carries 12 points while **Harder** carries 20 points. You can submit only one of the two for each problem.

#### 1. PROBLEM

**Easier:**

Let  $T$  be a triangle in 3D with vertices at  $P = (1, 2, 1)$ ,  $Q = (2, 5, 1)$  and  $R = (7, 2, 2)$ . Find the area of the triangle.

**Harder:**

Let  $S$  be a sphere in 3D with the center at origin and radius  $\sqrt{14}$ . Check that the point  $(1, 2, 3)$  is on  $S$  and find the equation of the plane tangential to  $S$ .

#### 2. PROBLEM

**Easier:**

Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove

$$\|u - v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|.$$

**Hint:** Use Schwartz-Cauchy- Bunjakovsky inequality

$$|u \cdot v| \leq \|u\| \|v\| \quad \text{for all } u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

**Harder:**

Let  $u_j$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^N$  for some  $N \geq n$ . Prove

**The General Pythagorean Theorem:**

Let vectors  $u_j$  be mutually orthogonal, i.e.,  $u_i \cdot u_j = 0$  for all choices of  $i$  and  $j$ , and  $i \neq j$ . Then

$$\|u_1 + u_2 + u_3 + \dots + u_n\|^2 = \|u_1\|^2 + \|u_2\|^2 + \|u_3\|^2 + \dots + \|u_n\|^2$$

## 3. PROBLEM

**Easier:**

Let  $a$  and  $b$  be vectors in 3D. Show that

$$(a - b) \times (a + b) = 2(a \times b)$$

**Harder:**

Let  $a, b, c$  be three 3D vectors such that  $a \times b = a \times c$ . Prove that

$$(a - b + c) \times (a + b - c) = 0$$

## 4. PROBLEM

**Easier:**

Let  $Z_F$  be a set of all zeros of a function  $F$ . Let  $P(x, y) = x^2 - y + 1$ . Describe and sketch the  $Z_P$ .

**Harder:**

Let  $Z_F$  be a set of all zeros of a function  $F$ . Let  $P(x, y) = (x^2 + y^2 - 1)((x - 5)^2 + (y - 12)^2 - 144)$ . Describe and sketch the  $Z_P$ .

## 5. PROBLEM

**Easier:**

Let  $Z_F$  be a set of all zeros of a function  $F$ . Let  $P$  be a two variable polynomial. Show that  $Z_{P^n} = Z_P$  for any positive integer  $n$ .

**Harder:**

Let  $Z_F$  be a set of all zeros of a function  $F$ . Let  $g(t)$  be univariate function and  $P(x, y)$  a polynomial in two variables. Further let  $Z_g = \{0\}$ . Show that

$$Z_{g(P)} = Z_P.$$

If the condition on  $Z_g$  is relaxed so that  $Z_g \supset \{0\}$  which one of the two is right  $Z_{g(P)} \subset Z_P$  or  $Z_{g(P)} \supset Z_P$ . Justify your answer.