

## MAT 203

### PRACTICE PROBLEMS

1. Find a vector  $\vec{v}$  that has magnitude 7, and points in the same direction as the vector  $\vec{u} = \langle 3, 4 \rangle$ .
2. Consider the two vectors  $\vec{a} = \langle 2, -4 \rangle$  and  $\vec{b} = \langle -1, 2 \rangle$ . Find two scalars  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that  $\alpha\vec{a} + \beta\vec{b} = \vec{0}$ .
3. Let  $t$  be some scalar, and consider the two vectors  $\vec{u} = \langle 2 \cos t, -2 \sin t, 3 \rangle$  and  $\vec{v} = \langle 0, 0, 3 \rangle$ . Find the magnitude of the vectors  $\vec{u} - \vec{v}$ , and the vector  $-2\vec{u}$ .
4. Let  $P = (x, y, z)$  be a point in space that is an equal distance away from the point  $A = (1, -1, 0)$ , and  $B = (-1, 2, 1)$ . Show that the point  $P$  lies on the plane satisfying the equation  $-2x + 3y + z = 2$ .
5. Determine the scalar  $\alpha$  such that the vectors  $\vec{a} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$  and  $\vec{b} = \langle 9, \alpha \rangle$  are orthogonal.
6. Find all vectors in space that are orthogonal to the vector  $\vec{v} = \langle 1, -1, -1 \rangle$ .
7. Find a vector  $\vec{w}$  of magnitude 3 such that  $\vec{w} \times \langle 1, 0, -1 \rangle = \langle 3, 0, 3 \rangle$ .
8. Find a vector of magnitude 10 that is orthogonal to the plane passing through the  $x$ -axis and the point  $P = (1, 2, 4)$ .
9. Consider the following two parametrizations of two lines  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle -2 + 2t, -6, 2 + 6t \rangle$  and  $\vec{s}(t) = \langle -1 + t, 1 + t, t \rangle$ . Are the lines perpendicular to each other?
10. Consider the planes given by the equations  $-y + z - 2 = 0$  and  $x - y = 0$ .
  - (a) Show that the planes intersect in a line.
  - (b) Find a parametrization of the line passing through the point  $P = (-8, 0, 2)$  that is parallel to the line of intersection of the two planes.
11. Identify the quadratic surface  $5x^2 - 4y^2 + 20z^2 = 0$ .
12. Identify the quadratic surface  $x^2 + z^2 - 4y + 4 = 0$ .
13. Evaluate the limit  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \langle e^t, \frac{\sin t}{t}, e^{-t} \rangle$ .
14. Parametrize the curve in the plane described by the equation  $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36$ .
15. Let  $\vec{u}(t) = \langle t^2, -2t, 1 \rangle$ . Compute  $\frac{d}{dt}(\vec{u}(t) \times \vec{u}'(t))$ .
16. Find the arc length of the curve parametrized by  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle -t, 4t, 3t \rangle$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .
17. Compute the limit  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^3 - y^3}{(x-y)}$  or prove that it does not exist.
18. Compute the limit  $\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (1,2,3)} \frac{xz^2 - y^2 z}{xyz - 1}$  or prove that it does not exist.
19. Compute the limit  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 y}{x^4 + y^2}$  or prove that it does not exist.
20. Is the function
 
$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + y^2}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$
 continuous at  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ ?
21. Let  $f(x, y) = \arctan(\frac{y}{x})$ . Find  $f_x(2, -2)$  and  $f_y(2, -2)$ .
22. Given  $f(x, y, z) = e^{-2x} \sin(z^2 y)$ , show that  $f_{xyy} = f_{yxy}$ .
23. Show that  $f(x, t) = e^{-t} \cos(\frac{x}{c})$ , where  $c$  is a scalar, satisfies the so-called *heat equation*  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$ .
24. Find the tangent plane of the surface described by  $z = \sin x + \sin y + \sin(x + y)$  at the point  $(0, 0, 0)$ .
25. Find the tangent plane of the surface described by  $x^3 + y^3 = 3xyz$  at the point  $(1, 2, \frac{3}{2})$ .
26. Prove that the function  $f(x, y) = xe^y$  is differentiable at  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ .
27. Find the directional derivative of  $f(x, y) = \ln(5x + 4y)$  at  $(x, y) = (3, 9)$  in the direction of  $\vec{u} = \langle 6, 8 \rangle$ .
28. Find the unit vector along which the function  $f(x, y) = \arctan(\frac{y}{x})$  increases most rapidly at  $(x, y) = (-9, 9)$ .
29. Find and classify all critical points of the function  $f(x, y) = e^{-x^2 - y^2 - 2x}$ .
30. Find and classify all critical points of the function  $f(x, y) = x^3 - xy + y^2 - 1$ .
31. Find the points on the surface  $x^2 - yz = 5$  that are closest to the origin.

32. Find the maximum volume of a rectangular box with three faces in the coordinate planes and a vertex in the first octant on the plane  $x + y + z = 1$ .

33. Find the global maximum and minimum values of the function  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 2y + 1$  in the region  $R = \{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 4\}$ .

34. Maximize the function  $f(x, y) = 2x + 3y + 5z$  on the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 19$ .

35. Find the global maximum and minimum values of the function  $f(x, y) = 3x^3 - y^2$  in the region of the  $xy$ -plane bounded by the graphs of the functions  $y = x^2$ , and  $y = \sqrt{x}$ .

36. Compute the double integral  $\iint_D x \, dx \, dy$  where  $D$  is the region in the plane bounded by the graph of  $f(x) = \sin x$ , and the  $x$ -axis for  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ .

37. Compute the double integral  $\iint_R e^x \, dx \, dy$  where  $R$  is the region in the plane bounded by the  $x$ -axis, and the two lines  $y = x$  and  $y = 3 - 2x$ .

38. Compute the double integral  $\iint_R xy \, dx \, dy$  where  $R$  is the set of all points  $(x, y)$  in the plane satisfying  $y \leq \frac{x^2}{2}$  and  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 3$ .

39. Compute the double integral  $\iint_D \frac{e^{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \, dx \, dy$  where  $D$  is the region in the third quadrant in the plane that lies between the two circles centered at the origin of radii 1 and 2.

40. Compute the triple integral  $\iiint_P 2z \, dx \, dy \, dz$  where  $P$  is the solid pyramid in the first octant bounded by the plane  $z = 10 - 2x - y$ .

41. Compute the triple integral  $\iiint_S dx \, dy \, dz$  where  $S$  is the region in space bounded below by the plane  $z = 1$ , and bounded above by the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ .

42. Compute the triple integral  $\iiint_B \frac{z \cos(\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2})}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}} \, dx \, dy \, dz$ , where  $B$  is the region in the first octant bounded by the two spheres centered at the origin of radii 1 and 2.

43. Determine whether the vector field  $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \langle ye^z, xe^z, xye^z \rangle$  is conservative and, if so, find a potential function.

44. Determine whether the vector field  $\vec{F}(x, y) = \langle e^x \cos y, 6e^x \sin y \rangle$  is conservative and, if so, find a potential function.

45. Consider the vector field  $\vec{F}(x, y) = \langle x^2y^2, xy \rangle$  and evaluate the line integral  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ , where  $C$  is the curve in the plane consisting of the  $y$ -axis for  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ , the  $x$ -axis for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ , and the part of the unit circle in the first quadrant, oriented counterclockwise.

46. Consider the vector field  $\vec{F}(x, y) = \langle 2xy, x \rangle$ , and compute the line integral  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ , where  $C$  is the ellipse  $x^2 + 2x + 4y^2 = 0$ , oriented counterclockwise.

47. For any differentiable vector field  $F$  in space, prove  $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{F}) = 0$ .

48. For any differentiable scalar function  $f$ , prove  $\nabla \times (\nabla f) = \vec{0}$ .

49. Compute the surface integral of the vector field  $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \langle 1, 1, z \rangle$  of the unit sphere centered at  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

50. Let  $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \langle x + y + z, y, 2x - y \rangle$  and consider the surface  $S$  consisting of the cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  for  $0 \leq z \leq 3$ , including the top and the bottom of the cylinder. We assume  $S$  is oriented with the outwards normal. Compute the surface integral  $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ .