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SOLUTIONS TO TEST 1

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Tutorial Section (A1, A4, ...): _____

PART I: Multiple Choice Questions

(Choose and CIRCLE only ONE answer - No part marks here.)

1. [2 marks] Which of the following vectors is orthogonal to the two vectors $(4, 0, 2)$ and $(0, 6, 10)$.

(a) $2\mathbf{i} - 10\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$, (b) $-3\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$, (c) $\mathbf{i} + 10\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$, (d) $-3\mathbf{i} - 10\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$,
(e) None of these

2. [2 marks] Find the angle between the planes $\Pi_1 : x + y + z = 0$ and $\Pi_2 : z = 0$.

(a) $\text{Arccos}(1/3)$, (b) $\text{Arccos}(1/\sqrt{2})$, (c) $\text{Arccos}(1/\sqrt{3})$, (d) $\text{Arccos}(2/\sqrt{3})$. (e) None of these.

3. [2 marks] Find the normal vector of the plane Π through the three points $P(2, 1, 0)$, $Q(1, 0, 1)$ and $R(0, 2, 0)$.

 (a) $(1, 2, 3)$, (b) $(2, 3, 4)$, (c) $(3, 4, 5)$, (d) $(4, 5, 6)$ (e) None of these.

4. [2 marks] Which of the following represents the parametric equations of a line segment through the points $(-1, 0, 1)$ and $(2, -1, 0)$?

 (a) $x = 3t - 1, y = -t, z = 1 - t, t \in [0, 1]$, (b) $x = 2t - 1, y = t, z = 2 - 2t, t \in [0, 1]$,
(c) $x = t - 1, y = 0, z = 1 + t, t \in [0, 1]$, (d) $x = -1 - t, y = -t, z = 1 - t, t \in [0, 1]$.
(e) None of these

5. [2 marks] Find the volume of the parallelepiped formed by the three vectors $\mathbf{z} = (1, -1, 0)$ and the two base vectors $\mathbf{v} = (0, 1, 2)$, $\mathbf{w} = (-1, 0, 1)$
- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 4 (d) 3 (e) None of these.
6. [2 marks] An *active rotation* rotates a vector about its initial point.
- (a) TRUE (b) FALSE

**PART II: Show all work here and give details.
No additional pages will be accepted**

6. [3 + 5 marks] a) Find a parametric form of the circle with center $(1, -1)$ and radius $R = 2$ with counterclockwise orientation.

Answer : $x = 1 + 2 \cos t, \quad y = -1 + 2 \sin t, \quad t \in [0, 2\pi].$

- b) Find a parametric form for the parabola $4y^2 - 16y + x + 13 = 0$ and specify the parameter interval.

Answer1 : Completing the square in y we get the equivalent form $4(y - 2)^2 = 3 - x$. Start with $y = t$, THEN find x . So, $x = 3 - 4(t - 2)^2, y = t, -\infty < t < \infty$.

Answer2 : Also possible but more difficult to describe is the parametrization where $x = t$. In this case, since $4(y - 2)^2 = 3 - x = 3 - t \geq 0$ we must have $t \leq 3$. Solving for y we get

$$y = 2 \pm \frac{\sqrt{3-t}}{2},$$

where the “upper/lower” part of the parabola (relative to the line $y = 2$) is described using the $+/-$ sign respectively. Observe that the parametrization $x = t, y = 2 - \frac{\sqrt{3-t}}{2}$, describes the lower part of the parabolic arc as t varies from $-\infty$ to 3 in the counterclockwise sense. So this is a good parametrization.

What about the upper arc? As t varies from $-\infty$ to 3 the parametrization $x = t, y = 2 + \frac{\sqrt{3-t}}{2}$, describes the upper arc in the **clockwise** sense! One way to fix this is by setting $x = -t$ so that the “old” t -interval $-\infty < t \leq 3$ becomes the “new” t -interval $-3 \leq t < \infty$ (obtained by multiplying $-\infty < t \leq 3$ throughout by -1 and changing the sign of the inequalities). Now we see that the parametrization $x = -t, y = 2 + \frac{\sqrt{3+t}}{2}$, $-3 \leq t < \infty$ describes the upper arc in the counterclockwise sense!

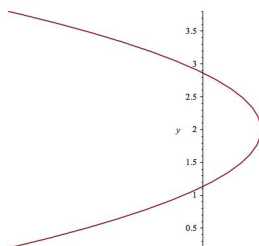
So, the final (counterclockwise) parametrization of the full parabolic arc is given by

$$x = t, \quad y = 2 - \frac{\sqrt{3-t}}{2}, \quad -\infty < t \leq 3,$$

for the lower arc and

$$x = -t, \quad y = 2 + \frac{\sqrt{3+t}}{2}, \quad -3 \leq t < \infty,$$

for the upper arc.



Recall that changing t to $-t$ usually *reverses* the orientation of an arc! That's why we used it here.

7. [5+5 marks] a) Find the image (x', y') of the vector $(x, y) = (2, -2)$ in standard position when it is rotated counterclockwise by the angle $\theta = \pi/3$.

Answer :

$$x' = 2 \cos(\pi/3) + 2 \sin(\pi/3), \quad y' = 2 \sin(\pi/3) - 2 \cos(\pi/3).$$

So,

$$x' = 1 + \sqrt{3}, \quad y' = \sqrt{3} - 1.$$

Note that the length of the vector $(2, -2)$, i.e., $\sqrt{8}$ is unchanged for the new vector, as it must be!

- b) Find the coordinates (x', y') of the given point $(x, y) = (4, 0)$ in standard position under the change of origin to $(1, 1)$ followed by a counterclockwise rotation of the new axes by the angle $\theta = 5\pi/6$.

Answer : $(-\frac{3\sqrt{3}+1}{2}, -\frac{3-\sqrt{3}}{2}) = (-3.098, -0.634)$.

Why? Here $(x, y) = (4, 0)$, $(h, k) = (1, 1)$, $\theta = 5\pi/6$. So,

$$x' = 3 \cos(5\pi/6) - \sin(5\pi/6), \quad y' = -3 \sin(5\pi/6) - \cos(5\pi/6).$$

So,

$$x' = -\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}, \quad y' = -\frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2},$$

and this is the same as the answer above.