

Sample Exam 1

1. a) Take $t=0$, this gives a point $Q=(1,2,0)$ on the line. Also we have $P=(4,1,1)$ in the plane (note Q is in the plane also). The direction vector of the line $\vec{v}=\langle 1,-1,4 \rangle$ and $\vec{PQ}$ are both in the plane, hence

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{n} &= \vec{v} \times \vec{PQ} = \langle 1,-1,4 \rangle \times \langle -3,1,-1 \rangle = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \\ -3 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{k} \\ &= (1-3)\vec{i} - (-1+12)\vec{j} + (1-3)\vec{k} \\ &= \langle -2, -11, -2 \rangle \quad \text{is} \\ &\quad \text{a normal vector}\end{aligned}$$

Take P in the plane. The equation is

$$-2(x-4) - 11(y-1) - 2(z-1) = 0$$

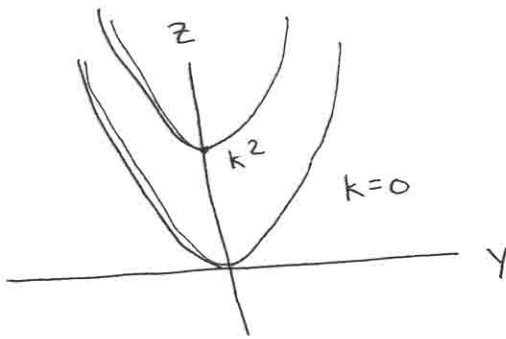
$$-2x - 11y - 2z + 21 = 0$$

$$2x + 11y + 2z - 21 = 0$$

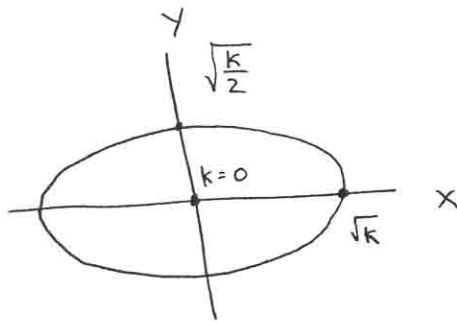
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$$x^2 + 2y^2 - z = 0$$

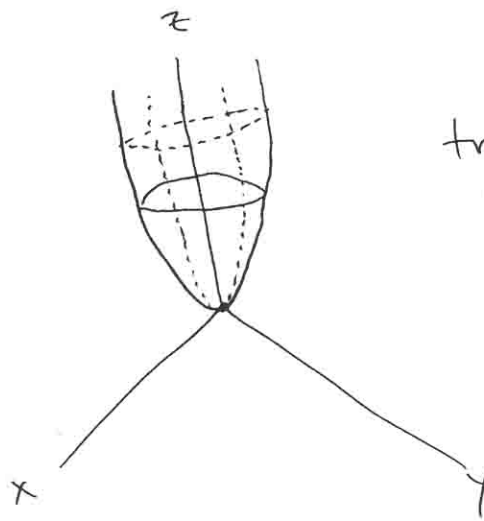
a) $x = k$: $z = 2y^2 + k^2$ parabolas!



b) $z = k$: $x^2 + 2y^2 = k$ ellipses $k \geq 0$



c) Elliptic paraboloid



traces are dotted lines!

3. a) $\vec{r}(t) = \langle \frac{1}{t}, t^2 \rangle$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \dot{\vec{r}}(t) = \langle -\frac{1}{t^2}, 2t \rangle$$

$$\text{Speed} = S = |\vec{v}(t)| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{t^4} + 4t^2}$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{t^4} + 4t^2 \right)^{-1/2} \left(-4\frac{1}{t^5} + 8t \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{dS}{dt} \right|_{t=1} &= \frac{1}{2} (1+4)^{-1/2} (-4+8) \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \end{aligned}$$

b) IGNORE!

1. a) If $z=0$, $x-y=2$ give $x-2=2x-1$
 $2x-y=1$ $x=-1$
 $y=-3$
 $(-1, -3, 0)$ is on the line

If $y=0$, $x+z=2$ give $3x=3$
 $2x-z=1$ $x=1$
 $z=1$

$(1, 0, 1)$ is on the line

b) $P(-1, -3, 0)$ $Q(1, 0, 1)$ and $R(-1, 0, 2)$

are on the plane, so we have as normal vector:

$$\vec{n} = \vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} = \langle 2, 3, 1 \rangle \times \langle 0, 3, 2 \rangle$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \vec{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \vec{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \vec{k}$$

$$= (6-3)\vec{i} - (2-2-0)\vec{j} + (6-0)\vec{k}$$

$$= \langle 3, -4, 6 \rangle$$

and use point $Q(1, 0, 1)$:

$$3(x-1) - 4(y-0) + 6(z-1) = 0$$

$$3x - 4y + 6z - 9 = 0$$

5. a) We want t such that

$$e^{2t} = 1$$

$$e^{-t} = 1$$

$$t^2 + 4 = 4$$

clearly $t=0$ works

$$\vec{r}(0) = \langle 1, 1, 4 \rangle \quad \text{So } (1, 1, 4)$$

is on the curve

$$b) \quad \vec{r}'(t) = \langle 2e^{2t}, -e^{-t}, 2t \rangle$$

$$\vec{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{|\vec{r}'(t)|} = \frac{\langle 2e^{2t}, -e^{-t}, 2t \rangle}{\sqrt{4e^{4t} + e^{-2t} + 4t^2}}$$

$$\vec{T}(0) = \frac{\langle 2, -1, 0 \rangle}{\sqrt{4+1}} = \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, 0 \right\rangle$$

z -axis given by $\vec{k}$

$$\text{So } \vec{T}(0) \cdot \vec{k} = \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, 0 \right\rangle \cdot \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle = 0$$

So orthogonal.

Note: You don't have to use the unit tangent vector here, do you see why?