

MTH 201

MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS AND DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

QUIZ 1 (26/08/2016)

Time: 50 minutes

Maximum Marks: 7

Marks for each question is given right side.

Problem 1. Are the following statements true or false? **Do not** give any proof for each statement.

- (A) If three vectors \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} intersect at the origin are in a common plane, then $\mathbf{u} \cdot ((\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}) \times \mathbf{w}) = 0$.
- (B) Let $\mathbf{r}(t)$ be a space curve such that speed 1 and curvature 1 everywhere, then $\mathbf{r}(2t)$ has speed 2 and curvature $1/2$ everywhere.

Note: Speed = $|\mathbf{dr}/dt|$ (1/2+1/2)

Problem 2. Let $P = (1, 1, 1), Q = (0, 3, 1)$ and $R = (0, 1, 4)$ are point in \mathbb{R}^3 .

- (A) Find the plane through P, Q and R , expressed in the form $ax + by + cz = d$.
- (B) Is the line through $(1, 2, 3)$ and $(2, 2, 0)$ parallel to the plane in part (A) ? Explain why or why not. (2+1)

Problem 3. Solve any two. (3/2+3/2)

- (A) Give the definition of a smooth curve in 3 space. Is the curve $\mathbf{r} : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$,

$$t \mapsto (t^2 - 1, \cos t, t^3 - 1).$$

smooth? Give a reason.

Note: We can also write above curve as, $\mathbf{r}(t) = (t^2 - 1)\mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + (t^3 - 1)\mathbf{k}$, where $t \in [-1, 1]$.

- (B) Find the torsion of the curve $y = x^4, z = 0$.
- (C) Find the curvature for the helix,

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (a \cos t)\mathbf{i} + (a \sin t)\mathbf{j} + bt\mathbf{k}, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a, b \geq 0, a^2 + b^2 \neq 0.$$