

MA 242
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TEST # 1

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1. (10 pts) Find the equation of the plane that passes through the three points $(0, 3, 0)$, $(0, 2, 1)$, and $(-3, 0, 4)$.
$$-\mathbf{x} - 3\mathbf{y} + 9 - 3\mathbf{z} = 0$$
2. (10 pts) Find an equation for the plane containing the line in the xy -plane defined by $y = 3x + 1$, and the point $(1, 0, 3)$.
$$-3\mathbf{x} - 1 + \mathbf{y} + \frac{4\mathbf{z}}{3} = 0$$
3. (10 pts each) Identify the surfaces of the following equations. Sketch the surfaces and give their appropriate names:
 - (a) $x^2 - y^2 + z = 1$. **hyperbolic paraboloid (shifted one unit in z direction)**
 - (b) $x = y^2 + z^2$. **elliptic paraboloid (open to the positive x direction)**
 - (c) $x^2 - y^2 + z^2 = 0$. **cone (open along the y -axis)**
 - (d) $x^2 - y^2 - z^2 = 1$. **elliptic hyperboloid with two sheets (open to the x direction)**
 - (e) $2x + 3y + z = 6$. **plane**
4. (10 pts) Describe in your own words *why* we want to consider level curves or contour diagrams. Use the function $f(x, y) = y - x^2$ to illustrate your points.
5. (10 pts) Decompose the vector $\vec{b} = [2, 3, -1]$ into a sum $\vec{b}_1 + \vec{b}_2$, where \vec{b}_1 is parallel to $\vec{a} = [0, 4, 2]$ and \vec{b}_2 is orthogonal to \vec{a} .
$$\vec{\mathbf{b}}_1 = [0, \frac{56}{20}, \frac{28}{20}], \vec{\mathbf{b}}_2 = [2, \frac{4}{20}, \frac{-8}{20}]$$
6. (10 pts) Calculate the angle BAC at vertex A of the triangle with vertices $A = (2, 2, 2)$, $B = (4, 2, 1)$, and $C = (2, 3, 1)$.
$$\arccos \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$$