

## MATH 251 – MIDTERM 1

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**Instructions:** Welcome to your Midterm! You have 50 minutes to take this exam, for a total of 50 points. No books, notes, calculators, or cellphones are allowed. Remember that you are not only graded on your final answer, but also on your work. **Please put your answers in the boxes provided, if possible** If you need to continue your work on the back of the page, please check the box “Work on back,” or else your work will be discarded.

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*Date:* Friday, September 24, 2021.

1. (10 points) Find the **vector** equation of the tangent line to the following curve at  $(5, 2, 8)$

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 1 + 2t, t^3 - 3t, 2t^2 \rangle$$

Answer	
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2. (10 points) For the following surface, find the:

- (1) Name of the surface
- (2) Center of the surface
- (3) Direction the surface is facing in  $(x, y, z)$  direction
- (4) A *very* rough sketch of the surface, just to get an idea of the general shape in the correct direction

$$x^2 - y^2 + z^2 = 2x + 8y - 6z - 32$$

Name:

Center:

Direction:

Sketch:

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3. (10 points) Find the arclength of the following curve from  $t = 0$  to  $t = \pi$

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 5 \cos(2t), 2 - (\sqrt{3})t, 5 \sin(2t) \rangle$$

Arclength: |

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4. (10 points) Find the equation of the plane containing the point  $(0, -6, 1)$  and the line parametrized by  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2t - 4, t - 3, t \rangle$ .

**Note:** Write your final answer in the form  $x = ay + bz + c$  for some  $a, b$ , and  $c$ .

Equation:	
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5. (*10 = 6 + 4 points*) A particle has velocity vector  $\mathbf{v}(t) = \langle 4t, \sin(t), 2e^{-2t} \rangle$  and initial position  $\mathbf{r}(0) = \langle 2, 3, 0 \rangle$ .

(a) Find the position vector  $\mathbf{r}(t)$

(b) Suppose further that the particle has mass  $m = 3$ . Find the force  $\mathbf{F}(0)$  acting on the particle when  $t = 0$

$\mathbf{r}(t) =$

$\mathbf{F}(0) =$

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