Calculus III Practice Problems 4

1. Consider the line *L* in the plane given by the equation 2x + 5y + 10 = 0. Find a base {**U**, **V**} with **U** parallel to *L*, and **V** counterclockwise to **U**. Find the equation of the line in coordinates {u, v} relative to the base {**U**, **V**}.

2. An ellipse has center at the point (2,1), and its major axis is the line x + y = 3. Its major radius is 3 and its minor radius is 1. What is the equation of the ellipse?

3. Show that the intersection of a plane with a sphere is a circle.

4. Consider the set of all points *P* in space such that the vector from *O* to *P* has length 2 and makes an angle of 45 degrees with $\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{J}$.

a) What kind of geometric object is this set?

b) Give equations in cartesian coordinates for this set.

5. Write down the equations of the paraboloid of revolution $z = x^2 + y^2$ in cylindrical and spherical coordinates.

6. a) Draw some typical level curves in the (x, y)-plane for the function

$$f(x,y) = (1+x^2+y^2)^{-1}.$$

b) Sketch the surface z = f(x, y).

7. Let *L* be the line x = 1, z = 3y. If we rotate the line about the *z*-axis, it describes a surface. Find the equation of that surface.

8. Consider the helix $\mathbf{X}(t) = \cos t \mathbf{I} + \sin t \mathbf{J} + t \mathbf{K}$. For each *t*, let L_t be the line perpendicular to the *z*-axis intersecting the helix at $\mathbf{X}(t)$. Find the equation of the surface swept out by the lines L_t . What are its level sets?

9. Sketch or describe the surface given by the equation

$$\frac{y^2}{4} - \frac{z^2}{9} = x^2.$$

10. Sketch or describe the surface given by the equation

$$\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{z^2}{4} = y.$$