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**Math 20C.**  
**Midterm Exam 1**  
**April 25, 2007**

*Turn off and put away your cell phone.*

*You may use any type of handheld calculator; no other devices are allowed on this exam.*

*You may use one page of notes, but no books or other assistance on this exam.*

*Read each question carefully, answer each question completely, and show all of your work.*

*Write your solutions clearly and legibly; no credit will be given for illegible solutions.*

*If any question is not clear, ask for clarification.*

1. (4 points) Let  $\mathbf{a} = \langle -2, 1, 8 \rangle$  and let  $\mathbf{u} = \langle s, s^2, -1 \rangle$ . Find the values of  $s$  for which  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  are orthogonal.

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3	6	
4	10	
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2. Let  $\mathbf{a} = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \langle -2, -2, 1 \rangle$ .

(a) (2 points) Find two vectors that are orthogonal to both  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .

(b) (2 points) Find the sine of the angle between  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .

3. (6 points) Find an equation for the plane containing the lines  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}(t) = \langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle + t\langle 1, 4, 7 \rangle$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu}(t) = \langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle + t\langle 2, -1, 4 \rangle$ .

4. A particle's position function is  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 \cos(t), 2 \sin(t), 2t \rangle$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

(a) (2 points) Find the particle's velocity  $\mathbf{v}(t)$  and speed  $|\mathbf{v}(t)|$  as a function of time  $t$ .

(b) (2 points) Find the particle's acceleration  $\mathbf{a}(t)$  as a function of time  $t$ .

(c) (3 points) Find the angle between the particle's position  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  and acceleration  $\mathbf{a}(t)$  as a function of time  $t$ .

(d) (3 points) Determine how far the particle traveled during the time interval  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

5. (a) (3 points) Evaluate  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{2(x^2 + y^2)}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1} - 1}$ .

(b) (3 points) Explain why  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2}{2x^2 + y^2}$  does not exist.