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## Calculus III

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### First Exam

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Problem	Possible points	Score
1	20	
2	20	
3	20	
4	20	
5	20+10	
Total	110	

The total score is 100. The problem 5 is the most difficult one, so for a complete solution without any mistakes you will get an extra bonus of 10 points. However, do not get stuck on that problem. Solve the problems 1-4 first.

**Problem 1.** (20p=4×5p)

(a) Find an equation of the plane passing through the points  $A(1, 2, 3)$ ,  $B(0, 1, 3)$  and  $C(1, 1, 1)$ .

(b) What is the area of the triangle  $\triangle ABC$  with the vertices  $A, B, C$  as in (a)?

(c) For what value of the parameter  $a$  are the planes  $3x + 6y + 2z = 7$  and  $x + 2y + az = 24$  perpendicular?

(d) Find parametric equations of the line through  $(1, 0, 6)$  that is perpendicular to the plane  $x + 3y + z = 5$ .

**Problem 2.** (20p=2×10p)

(a) Find the tangent plane to the surface  $x^3y^7 + \sin(\pi x)y - xyz = 0$  at  $(1, 1, 1)$ .

(b) Let  $\psi(x, y, z) = \sin(x) + \cos(y) + 2z$ . Find the direction in which the function  $\psi$  **decreases** most rapidly at the point  $(0, \pi, 1)$ .

**Problem 3.** (20p) Show that the function  $u(x, y, z) = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-1/2}$  is harmonic, i.e.  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 0$ .

**Problem 4.** (20p) Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of  $f(x, y) = xy - x - 2y + 1$  on the closed triangular region with vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$ .

Continuation of the solution of Problem 4.

**Problem 5.** (20p+10p) Use the Lagrange multipliers to find the point on the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$  that is closest to the point  $(3, 1, -1)$ . (You **must** use the Lagrange multipliers; other solutions will not be accepted.)



Continuation of the solution of Problem 5.