



MEEG 4703

Test I

Name: _____

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1. (20%) Using index notation, prove the identity

$$(\mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{Q}) \cdot (\mathbf{Q} \times \mathbf{R}) \times (\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{P}) = (\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{Q} \times \mathbf{R})^2$$

2. (20%) Using index notation, prove the identity

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \times (\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{D}) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{D}) - \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{D}) = \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{D}) - \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$$

3. (20%) The rotation from the $Oy_1y_2y_3$ Cartesian coordinate system to the $Oy'_1y'_2y'_3$ Cartesian coordinate system is defined by the rotation matrix

$$[a_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & -2/3 & 2/3 \\ 2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \\ -2/3 & 1/3 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

If $A_i \Rightarrow (6, 9, -3)$ and $B'_i \Rightarrow (3, 9, -6)$, determine A'_i and B_i .

4. (20%) Derive the transformation laws for first-order tensors:

$$(a) \bar{A}^i = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^i}{\partial x^j} A^j \qquad (b) \bar{A}_i = \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial \bar{x}^i} A_j$$

5. (20%) Let $\mathbf{A} = z\mathbf{i} + 3x\mathbf{j} - 5y\mathbf{k}$ be a vector in a Cartesian coordinate system $Oxyz$. Using the laws of transformation for first-order tensors, determine for this vector in the cylindrical coordinate system $O\rho\phi z$ (a) the covariant components \bar{A}_1 , \bar{A}_2 , and \bar{A}_3 ; (b) the contravariant components \bar{A}^1 , \bar{A}^2 , and \bar{A}^3 .