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Please provide complete and well-written solutions to the following exercises.

## Assignment 4

Due October 23, at the beginning of class.

**Exercise 1.** Find a parametrization for the circle of radius 3 with center (1, 2, 4) which is parallel to the xz-plane.

**Exercise 2.** Find a parametrization for the intersection of the cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  with the cylinder  $y^2 + z^2 = 1$ . (Make sure to parametrize the entire curve, and specify the domain of your parameter.)

**Exercise 3.** Find a parametrization for the intersection of the cone  $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$  with the parabolic cylinder  $y = z^2$ . (Make sure to parametrize the entire curve, and specify the domain of your parameter.)

**Exercise 4.** The cone  $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$ ,  $z \ge 0$  has its bottom chopped off by the plane z = 1, resulting in the surface  $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$ ,  $z \ge 1$ , which is a cone with a hole in it. An egg is dropped into the top of the cone. The egg has the same shape as the ellipsoid  $\frac{x^2}{2} + 2y^2 + 3z^2 = 1$ . Is it possible for the egg to fit through the hole in the cone?

**Exercise 5.** Let  $r(t) = (t^2, t + 3, \tan^{-1}(t))$ . Find the tangent line to the parametrized curve r(t) at t = 3.

**Exercise 6.** Suppose a particle has position r(t) at time t, where  $r'(t) = (\frac{t}{t^2+1}, t, 1)$ . Assume that r(0) = (0, 0, 1). Find r(1).

**Exercise 7.** Suppose a particle has position  $r(t) = (1, t, (2/3)t^{3/2})$  at time  $t \ge 0$ . Find the arc length parametrization of the parametrized curve.

**Exercise 8.** Suppose a baseball is thrown from a height of 10 meters above the ground, with an initial velocity (in meters per second) of  $v_0 = (5, 3, 2)$ . How long does the baseball take until it hits the ground? (Ignore air friction.)

## Exercise 9.

- Using Kepler's Third Law, show that if a planet revolves around a star with a period T and semimajor axis a, then the star has mass  $M = 4\pi^2 a^3/(GT^2)$ . That is, the data T and a alone can be used to determine the mass of the star.
- Show that if a planet revolves around a star of mass M in a circular orbit of radius R with speed v, then  $M = Rv^2/G$ .
- The sun revolves around the center of the Milky Way galaxy in an approximately circular orbit of radius  $R \approx 2.8 \times 10^{17}$  km and velocity  $v \approx 250$  km/s. Estimate the mass of the portion of the Milky Way galaxy that sits inside the orbit of the sun. (You may treat this portion of the Milky Way galaxy as a point mass at the center of the galaxy.)