

HOMEWORK 2
CALCULUS III
DUE 2013-01-22

Show your work!

- (1) Recall the problem from class: A camera that weighs 120 lb is supported 4 ft off the ground by a tripod whose feet are equally spaced around a circle of radius 1 ft. We saw that each leg supports a weight of $10\sqrt{17} \approx 41.23$ lb.
 - (a) How long are the legs of the tripod?
 - (b) If the camera is at $(0, 0, 0)$ and one of the feet of the tripod is at $(0, 1, -4)$, then where are the other two feet of the tripod?
 - (c) Suppose that the legs slip (without changing length) so that the feet of the tripod are equally spaced around a circle of radius 2 ft. How high is the camera off the ground?
 - (d) In the situation of (c), how much weight does each leg support?
- (2) Suppose that the 2-dimensional vector \vec{u} has length ℓ and makes angle α with the positive x -axis, and that the 2-dimensional vector \vec{v} has length m and makes angle β with the positive x -axis.
 - (a) In terms of ℓ , m , α , and β , what are the component forms of \vec{u} and \vec{v} ?
 - (b) In terms of α and β , what is the angle θ between \vec{u} and \vec{v} ?
 - (c) By using your answers to (a) and (b), and a trigonometric identity, show that

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \ell m \cos(\theta).$$

(Do not just cite the identity from class!)

- 10 book problems: #11.2.3, 30, 76, 77, 95; #11.3.7, 9, 18, 27, 36