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### Math 1D: Lesson 3 Suggested Problems

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#### Theoretic Problems: Discussed in-class

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1. Construct the cartesian coordinate system in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  from first principles. In particular:
    - A. Explain how to create a cartesian coordinate system by establishing the origin  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ , the  $x$ -axis with equation  $y = 0$ , and the  $y$ -axis with equation  $x = 0$ .
    - B. Consider the point  $(-3, 4)$ . What does it mean to travel a distance of  $-3$  along the  $x$ -axis and a distance of  $+4$  along the  $y$ -axis?
    - C. Explain why we can interpret the ordered pair  $(x, y)$ , encoded in cartesian coordinates, as traveling signed (or oriented) distances.
    - D. Jeff claimed that in order to create a cartesian coordinate system, it is enough to specify the location of three points:  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1)$ . Explain why these three points establish the  $x$ - and  $y$ -axis and create an orientation in which we can travel signed distances with respect to  $x$  and  $y$ .
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2. Construct the polar coordinate system in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  from first principles. In particular:
    - A. Explain how to create a polar coordinate system by establishing the pole  $(r, \theta) = (0, 0)$ , the positive polar axis  $\theta = 0$  with  $r \geq 0$ , and choosing an orientation for the positive direction  $\theta \geq 0$ .
    - B. Explain why points in polar coordinates do NOT have a unique representation.
    - C. Explain the convention we use to choose a “unique” polar representation for each point in  $\mathbb{R}^2$
    - D. Derive each of the formulas to convert from cartesian coordinates to polar coordinates.
    - E. Derive each of the formulas to convert from polar coordinates to cartesian coordinates.
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#### Problems Solved in Jeff’s Handwritten Notes

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3. Example 10.2.1 p. 720 - 721
  4. Example 10.2.2 p. 721 - 722
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#### Suggested Problems: Answers in Book

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3. Example 10.2.3 p. 723
  4. Example 10.2.4 p. 724
  5. Example 10.2.5 p. 725
  6. Example 10.2.9 p. 726 - 727
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#### Optional Challenge Problems

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3. Exercise 10.2.110 p. 732