

MTH1030 A1

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Part 1 The weirdest 3d Pythagoras yet

A:

Set u and v which are span the parallelogram

$\text{In}[\text{ }]:= \mathbf{u} = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$
 $\mathbf{v} = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$

Plane P

We can calculate the area of P and we can get P^2 which is the right hand side

$\text{In}[\text{ }]:= \text{AreaP} = \text{Norm}[\text{Cross}[\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]]$

$\text{In}[\text{ }]:= \text{AreaP}^2$

$\text{Out}[\text{ }]= \text{Abs}[-u_2 v_1 + u_1 v_2]^2 + \text{Abs}[u_3 v_1 - u_1 v_3]^2 + \text{Abs}[-u_3 v_2 + u_2 v_3]^2$

Plane O

Due to the plane O is the orthogonal projection of P on yz plane, we can know the u and v projection on yz is:

$\text{In}[\text{ }]:= \mathbf{uo} = \{0, u_2, u_3\}$
 $\mathbf{vo} = \{0, v_2, v_3\}$

Then we use the cross product of uo and vo calculate the area of O, then we can know the area O^2

$\text{In}[\text{ }]:= \text{AreaO} = \text{Norm}[\text{Cross}[\mathbf{uo}, \mathbf{vo}]]$
 AreaO^2

$\text{Out}[\text{ }]= \text{Abs}[-u_3 v_2 + u_2 v_3]$

$\text{Out}[\text{ }]= \text{Abs}[-u_3 v_2 + u_2 v_3]^2$

Plane N

Due to the plane N is the orthogonal projection of P on zx plane, we can know the u and v projection on zx is:

$\text{In}[\text{ }]:= \mathbf{un} = \{u_1, 0, u_3\}$
 $\mathbf{vn} = \{v_1, 0, v_3\}$

Then we use the cross product of un and vn calculate the area of N, then we can know the area N^2

```
In[ ]:= AreaN = Norm[Cross[un, vn]]
AreaN^2
```

```
Out[ ]:= Abs[u3 v1 - u1 v3]
```

```
Out[ ]:= Abs[u3 v1 - u1 v3]^2
```

Plane M

Due to the plane M is the orthogonal projection of P on xy plane, we can know the u and v projection on xy is:

```
In[ ]:= um = {u1, u2, 0}
vm = {v1, v2, 0}
```

Then we use the cross product of um and vm calculate the area of M, then we can know the area M^2

```
In[ ]:= AreaM = Norm[Cross[um, vm]]
AreaM^2
```

```
Out[ ]:= Abs[-u2 v1 + u1 v2]
```

```
Out[ ]:= Abs[-u2 v1 + u1 v2]^2
```

Final result

We can make a equation and and let Mathematica to verify it is True

```
In[ ]:= AreaM^2 + AreaN^2 + AreaO^2 == AreaP^2
```

```
Out[ ]:= True
```

B:

Set the highest point of tetrahedron is point D, and other point is point A, point B and point C

Then we can get vectors: DA, DB, DC

The bottom triangle side vectors: CA, CB, AB

Area of ADC, ADB and CDB

We can using the cross product to calculate the area, which is the left hand side

```
In[ ]:= TopArea = 1 / 2 * (Norm[Cross[DA, DC]] + Norm[Cross[DB, DC]] + Norm[Cross[DA, DB]])
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1/2 (Norm[DA x DB] + Norm[DA x DC] + Norm[DB x DC])
```

Area of ABC

We also use cross product of two vectors to calculate the area of bottom

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{2} \text{Norm}[CA \times CB] &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Norm}[(DA-DC) \times (DB-DC)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Norm}[(DA-DC) \times (DB-DC)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Norm}[(DA \times DB) + -(DA \times DC) + -(DC \times DB) + (DC \times DC)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Norm}[(DA \times DB) + -(DA \times DC) + -(DC \times DB)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Norm}[(DA \times DB)] + \text{Norm}[(DA \times DC)] + \text{Norm}[(DC \times DB)] = \text{Left hand side}
 \end{aligned}$$

C:

We can firstly get the area of plane, then get the area of bottom plane, and add up

```
In[ ]:= upper = 1 / 2 * (2.5 * 3 + 3 * 4 + 2.5 * 4) == 3.75 + 6 + 5
```

```
Out[ ]:= True
```

```
In[ ]:= upper = 1 / 2 * (2.5 * 3 + 3 * 4 + 2.5 * 4)
```

```
Out[ ]:= 14.75
```

```
In[ ]:= bottom = (3.75^2 + 6^2 + 5^2)^(1 / 2)
```

```
Out[ ]:= 8.66386
```

```
In[ ]:= theSum = upper + bottom
```

```
Out[ ]:= 23.4139
```

Part 2 The Big Cube

Find Aa length and it vector

Let's tell *Mathematica* about **A** and **a**, **b**. (a is A')

```
In[ ]:= A = {43.1162, 29.9541, 7.72383}
```

```
a = {42.3208, 27.8349, 0}
```

```
b = {25.7441, 19.8898, 0}
```

and we make vector Aa

```
In[ ]:= Aa = a - A
```

```
Out[ ]:= {-0.7954, -2.1192, -7.72383}
```

and we figure out the length of Aa

```
In[ ]:= Aa_length = Norm[Aa]
```

```
Out[ ]:= 8.04868
```

Find Plane ABCD equation

aA is vertical with plane ABCD, so we can **set aA as normal vector of ABCD**, and we put the coordinate of A in it to get the equation (A is on the plane)

```
In[ ]:= ABCD = 0.7954 x + 2.1192 y + 7.72383 z == 157.431
```

Find the distance of Bb

We start with finding the distance of Bb

Find point p on the plane setting y and z = 0

```
In[ ]:= p = {157.431 / 0.7954, 0, 0}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {197.927, 0, 0}
```

```
In[ ]:= v = b - p
```

```
Out[ ]:= {-172.183, 19.8898, 0}
```

```
In[ ]:= distanceBb = Norm[Projection[v, n]]
```

```
Out[ ]:= 11.7788
```

Find point B

We set B as {Bx,By,Bz}

```
In[ ]:= B = {Bx, By, Bz}
```

```
In[ ]:= Bb = {25.7441 - Bx, 19.8898 - By, -Bz}
```

```
In[ ]:= Norm[Bb] == distanceBb
```

$$\sqrt{[25.7441 - Bx]^2 + [19.8898 - By]^2 + Abs[Bz]^2} == 11.7788$$

We find AB and AB vertical Bb

```
In[ ]:= AB = B - A
```

```
Dot[AB, Bb] == 0
```

```
Out[ ]:= -16.2081 (25.7441 - Bx) - 6.96297 (19.8898 - By) - 3.57956 Bz == 0
```

Then we set up 3 equations for solving the coordinate of B

1. The B is on the plane ABCD

2. Norm[Bb]==11.77

3. Dot[AB,Bb]==0

```
In[ ]:= Solve[0.7954 Bx + 2.1192 By + 7.72383 Bz == 157.431 &&
```

$$\sqrt{(25.7441 - Bx)^2 + (19.8898 - By)^2 + (Bz)^2} == 11.7788 \&\& (25.7441 - Bx) (-43.1162 + Bx) + (19.8898 - By) (-29.9541 + By) - (-7.72383 + Bz) Bz == 0, \{Bx, By, Bz\}]$$

```
Out[ ]:= {{Bx -> 26.9081, By -> 22.9911, Bz -> 11.3034}}
```

```
In[ ]:= B = {26.90813027581234, 22.991133262610784, 11.303390101606857}
```

```
In[ ]:= Bb = b - B
```

```
Out[ ]:= {-1.16403, -3.10133, -11.3034}
```

Find point D (Due to character D is protected, we set variable as pointD)

```
In[ ]:= pointD = {Dx, Dy, 11.303390101606857}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {Dx, Dy, 11.3034}
```

```
In[ ]:= AD = pointD - A
```

```
Out[ ]:= {-43.1162 + Dx, -29.9541 + Dy, 3.57956}
```

We set up 2 equations for solving the coordinate of D

1. AB vertical AD

2. D on plane ABCD

```
In[ ]:= Dot[AB, AD] == 0
```

```
Out[ ]:= 12.8133 - 16.2081 (-43.1162 + Dx) - 6.96297 (-29.9541 + Dy) == 0
```

```
In[ ]:= 0.7954 Dx + 2.1192 Dy + 7.72383 * 11.3034 == 157.431
```

```
Out[*]:= 87.3055 + 0.7954 Dx + 2.1192 Dy == 157.431
```

```
In[*]:= Solve[0.7954 Dx + 2.1192 Dy + 7.72383 * 11.3034 == 157.431 && Dot[AB, AD] == 0, {Dx, Dy}]
```

```
Out[*]:= {{Dx -> 50.7409, Dy -> 14.0459}}
```

```
In[*]:= pointD = {50.740870303284865`, 14.045947404099287`, 11.303390101606857`}
```

```
Out[*]:= {50.7409, 14.0459, 11.3034}
```

Find point d

The point d in plane abcd, that mean $d_z = 0$

```
In[*]:= pointd = {dx, dy, 0}
```

```
In[*]:= Dd = pointd - pointD
```

```
Out[*]:= {-50.7409 + dx, -14.0459 + dy, -11.3034}
```

We set up 2 equations for solving the coordinate of d

1. $Aa // Dd$

2. Dd vertical AD

```
In[*]:= AD = pointD - A
```

```
Solve[Norm[Cross[Dd, Aa]] == 0 && Dot[Dd, AD] == 0, {dx, dy}]
```

```
Out[*]:= {7.62467, -15.9082, 3.57956}
```

```
Out[*]:= {{dx -> 49.5768, dy -> 10.9446}}
```

```
In[*]:= pointd = {49.57684784855689`, 10.944616098272855`, 0}
```

```
Out[*]:= {49.5768, 10.9446, 0}
```

Find point C

```
In[*]:= pointC = {Cx, Cy, Cz}
```

```
In[*]:= CD = pointD - pointC
```

```
CB = B - pointC
```

```
Out[*]:= {50.7409 - Cx, 14.0459 - Cy, 11.3034 - Cz}
```

```
Out[*]:= {26.9081 - Cx, 22.9911 - Cy, 11.3034 - Cz}
```

We set up 3 equations for solving the coordinate of C

1. CD vertical CB

2. The C is on the plane ABCD

3. $CD // AB$

```
In[*]:= Solve[Dot[CD, CB] == 0 && 0.7954 Cx + 2.1192 Cy + 7.72383 Cz == 157.431 &&
```

```
Norm[Cross[CD, AB]] == 0, {Cx, Cy, Cz}]
```

```
Out[*]:= {{Cx -> 50.7409, Cy -> 14.0459, Cz -> 11.3034}, {Cx -> 34.5328, Cy -> 7.08298, Cz -> 14.8829}}
```

Due to the height which is **Cz must larger than Az (7.72383)**

```
In[*]:= pointC = {34.532800339947386`, 7.082980029533567`, 14.882947880911194`}
```

```
Out[*]:= {34.5328, 7.08298, 14.8829}
```

Find point c

```
In[ ]:= c = {cx, cy, 0}
```

```
In[ ]:= cd = d - c
```

```
cb = b - c
```

```
Cc = c - pointC
```

```
CD = pointD - pointC
```

```
Dd = d - pointD
```

```
Out[ ]:= {49.5768 - cx, 10.9446 - cy, 0}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {25.7441 - cx, 19.8898 - cy, 0}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {-34.5328 + cx, -7.08298 + cy, -14.8829}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {16.2081, 6.96297, -3.57956}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {-1.16402, -3.10133, -11.3034}
```

We set up 2 equations for solving the coordinate of c

1. Cc vertical CD

2. Dd //Cc

```
In[ ]:= Solve[Norm[Cross[Dd, Cc]] == 0 && Dot[Cc, CD] == 0, {cx, cy}]
```

```
Out[ ]:= {{cx -> 33.0001, cy -> 2.99952}}
```

```
In[ ]:= c = {33.00014769626712`, 2.9995154578492857`, 0}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {33.0001, 2.99952, 0}
```

Find side length

```
In[ ]:= Cc = c - pointC
```

```
cd = d - c
```

```
Out[ ]:= {-1.53265, -4.08346, -14.8829}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {16.5767, 7.9451, 0}
```

```
In[ ]:= sidelength = Norm[AB] * 4 + Norm[Aa] + Norm[Cc] + Norm[Bb] * 2 + Norm[ab] * 2 + Norm[cd] * 2
```

```
Out[ ]:= 192.644
```

Find size of plane abcd

abcd is not a square, **but ab = ad, bc = dc**

so we can draw lines **ac and bd**

Two lines separate abcd into two triangles

```
In[ ]:= ac = c - a
```

```
bd = d - b
```

```
Out[ ]:= {-9.32065, -24.8354, 0}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {23.8327, -8.94518, 0}
```

```
In[ ]:= abcd = 1 / 2 * ( Norm[ac] * (1 / 2 * Norm[bd]) ) * 2
```

```
Out[ ]:= 337.635
```

Find volume

If we make a rotate of this cube and set it as cube 2, the combination of cube and cube 2 will look like a cuboid, and we just need to divide the volume of combination by 2.

```
In[ ]:= areaOfABCD = Norm[AB] * Norm[BC] / 2
```

```
Out[ ]:= 168.532
```

```
In[ ]:= Height = Norm[Bb] * 2
```

```
Out[ ]:= 23.5576
```

```
In[ ]:= volume = areaOfABCD * Height / 2
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1985.1
```

Final Result

```

In[ ]:= A
      B
      C = pointC
      D = pointD
      a
      b
      c
      d
      Norm[Aa]
      Norm[Bb]
      Norm[Cc]
      Norm[Dd]
      sidelength
      abcd
      volume

Out[ ]:= {43.1162, 29.9541, 7.72383}

Out[ ]:= {26.9081, 22.9911, 11.3034}

Out[ ]:= {34.5328, 7.08298, 14.8829}

Out[ ]:= {50.7409, 14.0459, 11.3034}

Out[ ]:= {42.3208, 27.8349, 0}

Out[ ]:= {25.7441, 19.8898, 0}

Out[ ]:= {33.0001, 2.99952, 0}

Out[ ]:= {49.5768, 10.9446, 0}

Out[ ]:= 8.04868

Out[ ]:= 11.7788

Out[ ]:= 15.5089

Out[ ]:= 11.7788

Out[ ]:= 192.644

Out[ ]:= 337.635

Out[ ]:= 1985.1

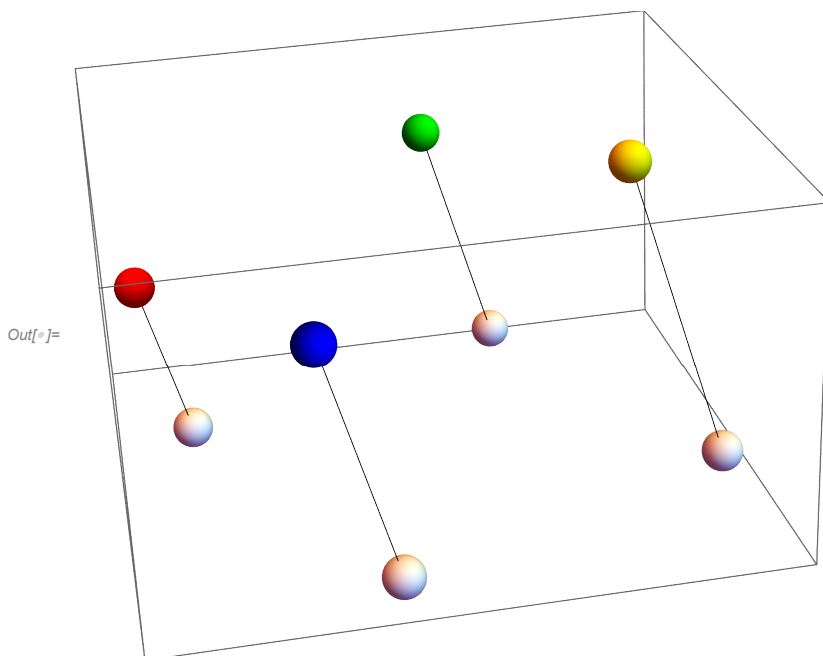
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```

In[ ]:= r = 1
Graphics3D[{
  {Red, Sphere[A, r]},
  {Blue, Sphere[B, r]},
  {Green, Sphere[pointD, r]},
  {Yellow, Sphere[pointC, r]},
  Sphere[b, r],
  Sphere[a, r],
  Sphere[d, r],
  Sphere[c, r],
  Line[{A, a}],
  Line[{B, b}],
  Line[{pointD, d}],
  Line[{pointC, c]}
}]
Out[ ]:= 1

```



Part 3 An amazing property of unit cubes

A:

First we set up the vectors (xyw, xyv and xyu means the orthogonal projection of vector on xy-plane)

```

In[ ]:= xyw = {w1, w2, 0}
xyv = {v1, v2, 0}
xyu = {u1, u2, 0}
w = {w1, w2, w3}
v = {v1, v2, v3}
u = {u1, u2, u3}

```

and we can find the area of orthogonal projection of the cube onto the xy-plane

```
In[*]:= area = Norm[Cross[xyw, xyv]] + Norm[Cross[xyw, xyu]] + Norm[Cross[xyu, xyv]]
```

```
Out[*]= Abs[-u2 v1 + u1 v2] + Abs[u2 w1 - u1 w2] + Abs[v2 w1 - v1 w2]
```

Then we start calculate with the vector SN

Due to the vector can be replace by the cross product of other two vectors

so we replace w, v and u vector with the cross product

```
In[*]:= SN = Cross[v, u] + Cross[w, v] + Cross[w, u]
```

```
Out[*]= {u3 v2 - u2 v3 + u3 w2 + v3 w2 - u2 w3 - v2 w3,
        -u3 v1 + u1 v3 - u3 w1 - v3 w1 + u1 w3 + v1 w3, u2 v1 - u1 v2 + u2 w1 + v2 w1 - u1 w2 - v1 w2}
```

Find the length of its orthogonal projection onto the z-axis

```
In[*]:= z = {0, 0, 1}
```

```
Out[*]= {0, 0, 1}
```

```
In[*]:= Norm[Projection[SN, z]]
```

```
Out[*]= Abs[u2 v1 - u1 v2 + u2 w1 + v2 w1 - u1 w2 - v1 w2]
```

Then we find Norm[Projection[SN,z]] can be in form:

=Abs[u2 v1-u1 v2]+Abs[u2 w1-u1 w2]+Abs[v2 w1-v1 w2]=area

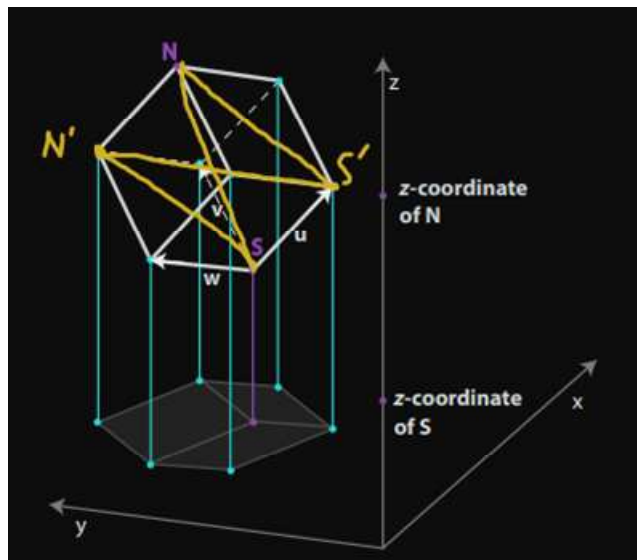
So Norm[SN] = area

B:

Set the start of vector u is S and the end of u is S'

Set the other side of N is N'

The minimum area of projection in xy-plane can deduced by the projection of SS'NN'plane on z-coordinates



The minimum length on z-coordinates is while $SS' \parallel z$, this is because after the cube roll over $SS' \parallel z$, the Norm[SN] is not equal to the area on xy-plane anymore, it turn to Norm[S'N'] = area.

While the $SS' \parallel z$, the shape on xy-plane is a square, it is the minimum area

```
In[ ]:= minimum = 1 * 1
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1
```

Maximum happen while SN // z, that means SN show it longest length on z-coordinates
we can use Pythagorean theorem to find the Norm[SN]

```
In[ ]:= maximum = Square[Square[1^2 + 1^2] + 1^2]
```

```
Out[ ]:= 2 (1 + 1)
```

C:

If we change the side length, the relationship will not be change