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MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

Year 12 MATHEMATICS SPECIALIST

TEST 2: VECTORS

DATE: 3rd March 2016

Name _____

Reading Time: 3 minutes

SECTION ONE: CALCULATOR FREE

TOTAL: 25 marks

EQUIPMENT: Pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, highlighter, eraser, ruler, SCSA formula sheet.

WORKING TIME: 25 minutes (maximum)

SECTION TWO: CALCULATOR ASSUMED

TOTAL: 28 marks

EQUIPMENT: Pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, highlighter, eraser, ruler, drawing instruments, templates, up to 3 Calculators,

1 A4 page of notes (one side only), SCSA formula sheet.

WORKING TIME: 25 minutes (minimum)

SECTION 1 Question	Marks available	Marks awarded	SECTION 2 Question	Marks available	Marks awarded
1	5		6	9	
2	6		7	7	
3	4		8	12	
4	6				
5	4				
Total	25			28	

Section One: Calculator-free**[25 marks]**

This section has **five (5)** questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided

Question 1 [5 marks]

A straight line passes through the points $P'(2, -3)$ and $Q'(5, 3)$.

- (a) Find the vector equation of the line in the form $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda \mathbf{b}$. [2]

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

(1)

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{OR Suitable alternative} \quad \mathbf{(1)}$$

- (b) Find the equation of the line through P and Q in parametric form. [1]

$$x = 5 + \lambda$$

$$y = 3 + 2\lambda \quad \text{OR Suitable alternative} \quad \mathbf{(1)}$$

- (c) Find the equation of the line through P and Q in Cartesian form. [2]

$$\lambda = x - 5$$

$$\lambda = \frac{y - 3}{2}$$

(1)

$$\Rightarrow x - 5 = \frac{y - 3}{2} \Rightarrow y = 2x - 7$$

(1)

Question 2 [6 marks]

The point A lies on the line with equation $\mathbf{r} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \lambda(2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j})$ and the point B has position vector $4\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j}$. Use a method involving a dot product to determine the position vector of A so that the distance from A to B is a minimum. [6]

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 + 2\lambda \\ 1 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad {}_A r_B = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda - 2 \\ 6 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

At point of closest approach

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda - 2 \\ 6 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 4\lambda - 4 - 6 + \lambda = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \lambda = 2 \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 + 2 \times 2 \\ 1 - 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1) \quad (1)$$

Question 3 [4 marks]

Point A has position vector $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and point B has position vector $\begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$. Find the position vector of the point P that divides AB internally in the ratio $2:3$.

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AP} = \frac{2}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{AP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1) \quad (1)$$

Question 4 [6 marks]

- (a) Find a vector perpendicular to the two vectors:

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = i - 3j + 2k$$

$$\overrightarrow{OQ} = -2i + j - k$$

[3]

$$\overrightarrow{OP} \times \overrightarrow{OQ} = i(1) - j(-3) + k(-5) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

(1)

(1)

(1)

- (b) If \overrightarrow{OP} and \overrightarrow{OQ} are position vectors for the points P and Q , use your answer

to part (a), or otherwise, to find the area of the triangle OPQ .

[3]

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} |\overrightarrow{OP}| |\overrightarrow{OQ}| \sin(\theta) \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |\overrightarrow{OP} \times \overrightarrow{OQ}| = \frac{1}{2} \left| \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \right| = \frac{\sqrt{35}}{2} \text{ units}^2. \quad (1)$$

Question 5 [4 marks]

Points P and Q have coordinates $(3, 1, -2)$ and $(4, 2, -1)$ respectively.

- (a) Write a vector equation for the line passing through P and Q . [2]

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$
$$r = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

- (b) Show that the vector $2i - j - k$ is perpendicular to the line through P and Q . [1]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 - 1 - 1 = 0 \quad (1)$$
$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \perp \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (c) Write down a vector equation of the plane containing P and Q with $2i - j - k$ as its normal vector. [1]

$$r \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow r \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 7 \quad (1)$$

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Section Two: Calculator-assumed

[25 marks]

This section has **three (3)** questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided

Question 6 [9 marks]

Two rockets are fired from different positions at the same time. Rocket 1 leaves from position $-7i + 9j - 5k$ km at a velocity of $5i - 4j + 2k$ km/min and Rocket 2 leaves from position $-6i - 5j + 2k$ km at a velocity of $9i + 6j - 3k$ km/min. Each rocket leaves a trail of smoke and, although the rockets do not collide, their smoke trails do intersect.

- (a) Find the coordinates of the point at which the smoke trails intersect. [4]

Rocket 1:

$$r = \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 9 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Rocket 2:

$$r = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 6 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

At point of intersection: $-7 + 5\lambda = -6 + 9\mu$ and $9 - 4\lambda = -5 + 6\mu$ (1)

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2, \mu = 1 \quad (1)$$

This result for λ and μ gives the same z-component of -1 . (1)

Thus, point of intersection is $(3, 1, -1)$ (1)

- (b) Find the position of Rocket 1 three minutes after firing. [1]

For Rocket 1:

$$r(3) = \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 9 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

- (c) Find the shortest distance of Rocket 1 from the smoke trail of Rocket 2, three minutes after firing. Give your answer to the nearest metre. [4]

For Rocket 1 at $(8, -3, 1)$,

$$\overrightarrow{R_2 R_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 9\mu - 6 \\ 6\mu - 5 \\ 3 - 3\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 14 - 9\mu \\ 2 - 6\mu \\ 3\mu - 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Using CAS, $|\overrightarrow{R_2 R_1}|_{\text{MIN}} = 6.574$ km at $t = 1.119$ $t = 1.119$ minutes.
(1) (1)

Thus, shortest distance is 6 574 m. (1)

(Can use dot product also, for same result)

Question 7 [7 marks]

- (a) The equation of a sphere is given by $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 6x + 4y + 8z = 153$. Determine the vector equation of the sphere. [3]

$$\begin{aligned} (x-3)^2 + (y+2)^2 + (z+4)^2 &= 153 + 9 + 16 + 4 = 182 & (1) \\ \Rightarrow \text{Equation of sphere is } \left| r - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \right| &= \sqrt{182} & (1) \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Determine the position vector(s) of the points of intersection between the sphere and the line $r = -3i + 5j + k + \lambda(-2i + j - 2k)$. [4]

At point of intersection:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \begin{pmatrix} -3-2\lambda \\ 5+\lambda \\ 1-2\lambda \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \right| &= \sqrt{182} & (1) \\ \Rightarrow (-6-2\lambda)^2 + (7+\lambda)^2 + (5-2\lambda)^2 &= 182 & (1) \\ \Rightarrow \lambda = -4, 2 & & (1) \\ \Rightarrow \text{Position vectors of points of intersection are: } \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} &\text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} & (1) \end{aligned}$$

Question 8 [12 marks]

Let $r = \begin{pmatrix} 2t+5 \\ -2t-1 \\ t \end{pmatrix}, t \in R$, be an equation of line L .

The plane P has a normal vector $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and passes through the point $A(-1, 0, 4)$.

- (a) Show that the point $B(9, -5, 2)$ lies on the line L . [2]

$$2t+5=9 \Rightarrow t=2 \quad (1)$$

$$r(2) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \times 2 + 5 \\ -2 \times 2 - 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow B(9, -5, 2) \text{ lies on the line } L \quad (1)$$

- (b) Give the normal vector equation of the plane P . [2]

$$r \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = -7 \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Normal vector equation of } P \text{ is } r \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = -7 \quad (1)$$

- (c) Find the shortest distance that plane P is from the origin. [2]

$$|n| = \sqrt{26} \quad \Rightarrow \quad d = \frac{7}{\sqrt{26}}$$

(1) (1)

(d) Show that the line L meets the plane P at the point $C(1, 3, -2)$. [3]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2t+5 \\ -2t-1 \\ t \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = -7$$

At point of intersection, (1)

$$\Rightarrow 6t + 15 + 8t + 4 - t = -7$$

$$\Rightarrow t = -2$$

(1)

$$r(-2) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \times -2 + 5 \\ -2 \times -2 - 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(1)

(e) Find the angle between the line L and the plane P . (Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.) [3]

Direction of L is $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$n = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Direction of normal is (1)

Angle between L and n is 31.8° (1)

Angle between L and P is $90^\circ - 31.8^\circ = 58.2^\circ$ (1)

END OF QUESTIONS