

MATH 243 Worksheet 2: Lines, Planes, Vector Functions

0: Problems from lecture slides:

- a. Write a parametric equation for the line through $(2, -1, 3)$ and $(1, 4, -3)$
- b. Find the equation of the plane containing $(1, -2, 0)$, $(3, 1, 4)$, $(0, -1, 2)$
- c. Determine if $-x + 2z = 10$ and $(5, 2 - t, 10 + 4t)$ are perpendicular, parallel, or neither

1: Compute the projections of

- a. The vector $\langle 2, 4, -1 \rangle$ onto the vector $\langle 3, -3, 1 \rangle$
- b. The vector $\langle 3, -3, 1 \rangle$ onto the vector $\langle 2, 4, -1 \rangle$.

2: Find the volume of the parallelepiped with adjacent edges PQ , PR , and PS . The points are given by $P(3, 0, 1)$, $Q(-1, 2, 5)$, $R(5, 1, -1)$, and $S(0, 4, 2)$.

3: Determine whether or not the following four points lie on the same plane (i.e., are co-planar): $A(0, -3, 0)$, $B(0, 3, 0)$, $C(1, -3, 4)$, and $D(-1, 3, 4)$.

4: What is the angle between the vectors $x\vec{i} - \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ and $x\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$? Justify your answer.

A. 0 degrees

B. less than 90 degrees.

C. greater than 90 degrees

D. It can be any of the above depending on the value of x .

5: Find the parametric equations for the line of intersection of the planes $2x + 3y + 5z = 7$ and $x - y + 2z = 3$.

6: Find an equation for the plane through the points $A = (0, 1, 2)$, $B = (1, 2, 3)$, and $C = (2, 3, 5)$.

7: Find an equation for the plane that passes through the points $(0, -2, 5)$ and $(-1, 3, 1)$ and is perpendicular to the plane $2z = 5x + 4y$.

8: Evaluate the limits

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \mathbf{r}(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \left\langle \frac{t^2 - 1}{t^2 - 3t + 2}, \frac{t - 1}{\sqrt{t + 3} - 2}, \frac{\sin(t - 1)}{t - 1} \right\rangle$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{r}(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left\langle \frac{1 + t^2}{1 - t^2}, \arctan(t), \frac{1 - e^{-2t}}{t} \right\rangle$$

9: Find a vector function that represents the curve of intersection of the surfaces $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ and $z = y + 2$.

10: Evaluate the derivative of the vector function $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle e^{t^2+2t}, \ln(\cos(t)), t \arctan(t) \rangle$.

11: Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{t+1} \mathbf{i} + \frac{1}{t^2+1} \mathbf{j} + \frac{t}{t^2+1} \mathbf{k} \right) dt$$

12: Given the vector functions $\mathbf{u}(t) = \langle t + 1, 2 \sin(t), -3 \ln(t) \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v}(t) = \langle 0, -t^3, e^{3t} \rangle$, find the derivatives of the following functions:

- a. $\mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{v}$,
- b. $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$,
- c. $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$,
- d. $\mathbf{u}(t^2 + 2)$