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Math 40, Section _____

HW02 Dot Products, Cross Products, Lines and Planes

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1 Section 1.2

15: **In Exercises 13-16, find the distance $d(\vec{u}, \vec{v})$ between \vec{u} and \vec{v} in the given exercise.*

Exercise 3:

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

26: *In Exercises 24-29, find the angle between \vec{u} and \vec{v} in the given exercise.

Exercise 20:

$$\vec{u} = [4, 3, -1], \vec{v} = [1, -1, 1]$$

46:

*Figure 1.39 suggests two ways in which vectors may be used to compute the area of a triangle. The area \mathcal{A} of the triangle in part (a) is given by

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v} - \text{proj}_{\vec{u}}(\vec{v})\|$$

and part (b) suggests the trigonometric form of the area of a triangle:

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta$$

(We can use the identity $\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta}$ to find $\sin \theta$.)

In Exercises 46 and 47, compute the area of the triangle with the given vertices using both methods.

Exercise 46:

$$A = (1, -1), B = (2, 2), C = (4, 0)$$

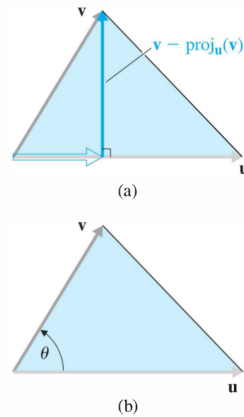


Figure 1.39

60: Suppose we know that $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$. Does it follow that $\vec{v} = \vec{w}$? If it does, give a proof that is valid in \mathbb{R}^n ; otherwise, give a counterexample (i.e., a specific set of vectors \vec{u} , \vec{v} , and \vec{w} for which $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$ but $\vec{v} \neq \vec{w}$).

62:

(a) Prove that

$$\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\|^2 + \|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\|^2 = 2\|\vec{u}\|^2 + 2\|\vec{v}\|^2$$

for all vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v} in \mathbb{R}^n .

(b) Draw a diagram showing \vec{u} , \vec{v} , $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$, and $\vec{u} - \vec{v}$ in \mathbb{R}^2 and use (a) to deduce a result about parallelograms.

68b:

Prove that if \vec{u} is orthogonal to both \vec{v} and \vec{w} , then \vec{u} is orthogonal to $s\vec{v} + t\vec{w}$ for all scalars s and t .

2 Section 1.3

6: *In Exercises 3-6, write the equation of the line passing through P with direction vector \vec{d} in (a) vector form and (b) parametric form.

$$P = (3, 0, -2), \vec{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

10: *In Exercises 9 and 10, write the equation of the plane passing through P with direction vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v} in (a) vector form and (b) parametric form.

$$P = (6, -4, -3), \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

16ace:

Consider the vector equation

$$\vec{x} = \vec{p} + t(\vec{q} - \vec{p})$$

where \vec{p} and \vec{q} correspond to distinct points P and Q in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3

- (a) Show that this equation describes the line segment \vec{PQ} as t varies from 0 to 1.
- (c) Find the midpoint of \vec{PQ} when P = (2, -3) and Q = (0, 1).
- (e) Find the two points that divide \vec{PQ} in part (c) into three equal parts.

18:

The line ℓ passes through the point $P = (1, -1, 1)$ and has direction vector $\vec{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

For each of the following planes \mathcal{P} determine whether ℓ and \mathcal{P} are parallel, perpendicular, or neither:

(a) $2x + 3y - z = 1$

(b) $4x - y + 5z = 0$

(c) $x - y - z = 3$

(d) $4x + 6y - 2z = 0$

46: **In Exercises 45-46, show that the plane and line with the given equations intersect, and then find the acute angle of intersection between them.*

The plane given by $4x - y - z = 6$ and the line given by:

$$\begin{aligned}x &= t \\y &= 1 + 2t \\z &= 2 + 3t\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

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4: Use the cross product to help find the normal form of the equation of the plane.

- (a) The plane passing through $P = (0, -1, 1)$, parallel to $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- (b) The plane passing through $P = (0, -1, 1)$, $Q = (2, 0, 2)$, and $R = (1, 2, -1)$

4 Section 2.1

34: *For Exercises 33-38, solve the linear systems in the given exercises.

Exercise 28:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 2x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 & = & 1 \\ x_1 & + & x_3 = 0 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 & = & 0 \end{array} \quad (2)$$

42: **In Exercises 41-44, the systems of equations are nonlinear. Find substitutions (changes of variables) that convert each system into a linear system and use this linear system to help solve the given system.*

Exercise 28:

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + 2y^2 &= 6 \\x^2 - y^2 &= 3\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$