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Assignment - 1

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Question 1.1.7 Find the angles A, B, C, given that

$$\cos A \triangleq \frac{(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) \top (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A})}{\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\|}$$
(1)

solution:

From the given values of A, B, C,

1) finding the value of angle A

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -5\\7 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2}$$

and

$$\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

and the values of norms

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}\| = \sqrt{74} \tag{4}$$

$$\|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}\| = \sqrt{32} \tag{5}$$

and doing by matrix multipication we get,

$$(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}) = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= -8$$
(6)

SO

$$\cos A = \frac{-8}{\sqrt{74}\sqrt{32}}\tag{7}$$

$$=\frac{-1}{\sqrt{37}}\tag{8}$$

$$\implies A = \cos^{-1} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{37}} \tag{9}$$

2) Finding the value of angle B

$$\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -11 \end{pmatrix} \tag{10}$$

and

$$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} \tag{11}$$

also calculating the values of norms

$$\|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{B}\| = \sqrt{122} \tag{12}$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| = \sqrt{74} \tag{13}$$

and by doing matrix multiplication we get,

$$(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{B})^{\mathsf{T}} (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -11 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 82$$

$$(14)$$

so

$$\cos B = \frac{82}{\sqrt{74}\sqrt{122}}\tag{15}$$

$$=\frac{41}{\sqrt{2257}}$$
 (16)

$$\implies B = \cos^{-1} \frac{41}{\sqrt{2257}} \tag{17}$$

3) Finding the value of angle C

$$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{18}$$

and

$$\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} -1\\11 \end{pmatrix} \tag{19}$$

also calculating the values of norms

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\| = \sqrt{32} \tag{20}$$

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\| = \sqrt{122} \tag{21}$$

and by doing matrix multiplication we get,

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C})^{\mathsf{T}} (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 40$$
(22)

so

$$\cos C = \frac{40}{\sqrt{32}\sqrt{122}}\tag{23}$$

$$=\frac{5}{\sqrt{61}}\tag{24}$$

$$\implies C = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{\sqrt{61}} \tag{25}$$