

Written Assignment

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1. Show that the following is an equation of a sphere. Determine the center of the sphere and its radius.

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4x + 2y = 10$$

- Rewrite the given equation in the form of an equation of a sphere by completing the squares.

$$(x^2 - 4x + 4x) + (y^2 + 2y + 1) + (z^2) = 10$$

$$(x^2 - 2)^2 + (y^2 + 1)^2 + z^2 = 15$$

- *Center* : $(2, -1, 0)$
- *Radius* : $\sqrt{15}$

2. Determine if the points $P(0, 2, 0)$, $Q(1, 2, 3)$, $R(0, 0, -2)$ be on the same line (are co-linear). Briefly explain how, you came to this conclusion.

- We can say P , Q , and R are co-linear if the largest length of PQ , and PR , and QR is equal to the sum of the other two. We can determine length of the vector by using the distance formula.

$$\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2} = |P_1 P_2|$$
$$|\overrightarrow{PQ}| = \sqrt{(0 - 1)^2 + (2 - 2)^2 + (0 - 3)^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{PR}| = \sqrt{(0 - 0)^2 + (2 - 0)^2 + (0 + 2)^2} = \sqrt{8}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{QR}| = \sqrt{(1 - 0)^2 + (2 - 0)^2 + (3 - 2)^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

- Because the sum of any two lengths are not equal to the third. Points P , Q , and R are not co-linear.
 - $|\overrightarrow{QR}| + |\overrightarrow{PR}| \neq |\overrightarrow{PQ}|$
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Also, (more explanations) for my sake in other subjects - If the cross product of the the vectors \overrightarrow{AB} and \overrightarrow{AC} is not the zero vector $\langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$, then then the given points are not co-linear. (Corollary 10, pg 817, James Stewart Early Transcendental Ed: 8th)

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR}$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (1-0)i + (2-2)j + (3-0)k = i + 3k$$

$$\overrightarrow{PR} = (0-0)i + (0-2)j + (-2-0)k = -2j - 2k$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} i - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} j - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} k$$

$$6i - (-2j) - (-2k) = \langle 6, -2, -2 \rangle$$

∴ given points are not co-linear, because we did not attain a zero vector

- Also, if $P(0, 2, 0)$, $Q(1, 2, 3)$, $R(0, 0, -2)$ are co-linear then \overrightarrow{PQ} and \overrightarrow{PR} are proportional.

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \lambda \cdot \overrightarrow{PR}$$