

Math 2401, Fall 2014
Exam 1, (Sept 11, 2014)
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1. (a) (5 points) Find $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$, where $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{b} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$.

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix}} \right\} (2 \text{ points})$$

$$= 0 - (1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} + (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix}} \right\} (2 \text{ points})$$

$$= -(-6 - 1) - (4 - 0) \quad \left. \vphantom{-(-6 - 1)} \right\} (1 \text{ point})$$

$$= 7 - 4$$

$$= 3$$

- (b) (5 points) Find the vector projection of $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$ onto $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$.

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \left(\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} \right) \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} \quad \left. \vphantom{\left(\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} \right)} \right\} (2 \text{ points})$$

$$= \left(\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|^2} \right) \vec{v}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}} \right) \vec{v}$$

$$= \frac{1(1) + 3(1)}{1(1) + 1(1)} (\vec{i} + \vec{j}) \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{1(1) + 3(1)}{1(1) + 1(1)}} \right\} (2 \text{ points})$$

$$= \frac{4}{2} (\vec{i} + \vec{j}) \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{4}{2}} \right\} (1 \text{ point})$$

$$= 2\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$$

2. (a) (5 points) Find the distance from the origin to the straight line $x = t$, $y = 1 - t$, $z = 2$.

The line passes through $P(0, 1, 2)$ and is parallel to $\vec{v} = \langle 1, -1, 0 \rangle$.

$$\therefore \text{Distance from } O(0,0,0) \text{ to the line} = \frac{|\vec{OP} \times \vec{v}|}{|\vec{v}|} \quad \left\{ (2 \text{ points}) \right.$$

$$\vec{OP} \times \vec{v} = \langle 0, 1, 2 \rangle \times \langle 1, -1, 0 \rangle = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - \vec{k} \quad \left\{ (2 \text{ points}) \right.$$

$$|\vec{OP} \times \vec{v}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2} = 3$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2 + 0^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} (1 \text{ point})$

\therefore The required distance is $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$.

- (b) (4 points) Find the point where the straight line through $A(1, 2, 0)$ and $B(2, 2, -1)$ intersects the yz -plane.

$$\vec{AB} = \langle 2-1, 2-2, -1-0 \rangle = \langle 1, 0, -1 \rangle$$

(2 points) Parametric equations for the straight line through A & B are:

$$\begin{cases} x = 1 + t(1) \\ y = 2 + t(0) \\ z = 0 + t(-1) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{i.e. } x = 1 + t, \quad y = 2, \quad z = -t.$$

(1 point) The equation of the yz -plane is $x = 0$.

So at the intersection point, $1 + t = 0$ i.e. $t = -1$.

(1 point) The point of intersection is $(1+t, 2, -t)$
 $= (0, 2, 1)$

3. Let $P = (1, 1, 0)$, $Q = (1, 0, 1)$ and $R = (0, 1, 1)$.

(a) (6 points) Find an equation for the plane through P , Q , R .

(1 point) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle 1-1, 0-1, 1-0 \rangle = \langle 0, -1, 1 \rangle \\ \overrightarrow{PR} = \langle 0-1, 1-1, 1-0 \rangle = \langle -1, 0, 1 \rangle \end{array} \right.$

2 pts. $\left\{ \overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -\vec{i} - \vec{j} - \vec{k}, \right.$

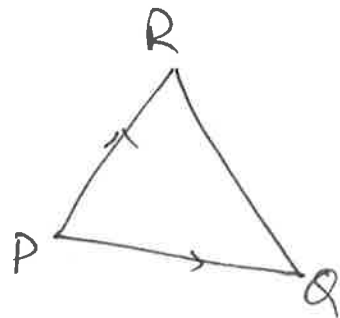
which is normal to the plane through P, Q, R .

2 pts. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Using the point } P(1, 1, 0) \text{ \& this normal vector,} \\ \text{equation of the plane is} \end{array} \right.$

$$(-1)(x-1) + (-1)(y-1) + (-1)(z-0) = 0$$

1 pt. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{or} \\ \text{i.e.} \end{array} \right. - (x-1 + y-1 + z) = 0$

$$x + y + z - 2 = 0.$$



(b) (2 points) Find the area of $\triangle PQR$.

area of $\triangle PQR = \frac{1}{2} |\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR}| \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{1}{2} |\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR}|} \right\} 1.5 \text{ pts}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-1)^2 + (-1)^2} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-1)^2 + (-1)^2}} \right\} 0.5 \text{ pts}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

4. A projectile is fired from a height of 1 m above the ground with an initial speed of $40\sqrt{2}$ m/sec, making an angle of 45° with the horizontal.

(a) (7 points) Find the position vector for the path of the projectile. (Do not use the direct formula; take $g = 10$ m/sec².)

① { We take $\vec{v}(0) = 0\vec{i} + (1)\vec{j} = \vec{j}$

② {
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}(0) &= 40\sqrt{2} \cos 45^\circ \vec{i} + 40\sqrt{2} \sin 45^\circ \vec{j} \\ &= 40\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \vec{i} + 40\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \vec{j} = 40\vec{i} + 40\vec{j}\end{aligned}$$

② { Integrating $\vec{a}(t) = -g\vec{j}$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}(t) &= -gt\vec{j} + \vec{v}(0) = -gt\vec{j} + 40\vec{i} + 40\vec{j} \\ &= 40\vec{i} + (40 - 10t)\vec{j}\end{aligned}$$

② { Again by integration,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}(t) &= 40t\vec{i} + (40t - 5t^2)\vec{j} + \vec{r}(0) \\ &= 40t\vec{i} + (40t - 5t^2)\vec{j} + \vec{j} \\ &= (40t)\vec{i} + (1 + 40t - 5t^2)\vec{j}.\end{aligned}$$

- (b) (4 points) What distance does it cover downrange when it reaches the maximum height?

② { At the maximum height, y-component of $\vec{v}(t) = 0$
 i.e. $40 - 10t = 0$
 $\therefore t = 4.$

② { In 4 seconds, the projectile covers $40t = 40(4) = 160$ downrange.

5. Let C be the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = \sin 3t\mathbf{i} + \cos 3t\mathbf{j} - 4t\mathbf{k}$.

(a) (4 points) Find the unit tangent vector of the curve.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \{ \quad \vec{r}'(t) = (3 \cos 3t) \vec{i} + (3 \sin 3t) \vec{j} - 4 \vec{k} \quad$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \{ \quad |\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{9 \cos^2 3t + 9 \sin^2 3t + 16} = \sqrt{9 + 16} = 5 \quad$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \{ \text{Unit tangent vector } \vec{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{|\vec{r}'(t)|} = \left(\frac{3}{5} \cos 3t\right) \vec{i} - \left(\frac{3}{5} \sin 3t\right) \vec{j} - \frac{4}{5} \vec{k} \quad$$

(b) (4 points) Find the length of the portion of the curve from $(0, 1, 0)$ to $(1, 0, -2\pi/3)$.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \{ \text{These two points correspond to } t=0 \text{ \& } t=\pi/6 \text{ respectively.} \quad$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \{ \text{length of the given portion of the curve} = \int_0^{\pi/6} |\vec{r}'(t)| dt \quad$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \{ = \int_0^{\pi/6} 5 dt = [5t]_0^{\pi/6} = 5\pi/6. \quad$$

(c) (4 points) Find parametric equations for the line that is tangent to C at $t=0$.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \{ \text{At } t=0, \quad \vec{r}'(t) = \vec{r}'(0) = 3\vec{i} - (0)\vec{j} - 4\vec{k} = \langle 3, 0, -4 \rangle \quad$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \{ \text{Also } t=0 \text{ corresponds to the point } (0, 1, 0) \text{ on the curve. The tangent line to the curve at } t=0 \text{ thus passes through } (0, 1, 0) \text{ \& is parallel to the vector } \langle 3, 0, -4 \rangle. \text{ So its parametric equations are:} \quad$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 0 + t(3) \\ y = 1 + t(0) \\ z = 0 + t(-4) \end{array} \right. \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 3t \\ y = 1 \\ z = -4t \end{array} \right.$$