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1. (a) (5 points) Find the volume of the parallelepiped determined by the following vectors:

$$\mathbf{u} = -2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{k} \text{ and } \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \left\{ \begin{aligned} \vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -4 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - (-2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2(0 - 3) + (-4 - 0) \\ &= -6 - 4 \\ &= -10 \end{aligned} \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume of the parallelepiped} = |\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w})| = 10.$$

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- (b) (5 points) Find the acute angle between the vectors $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$ and $\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$.

$$\text{Let } \vec{a} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} = \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\& \vec{b} = \vec{j} + \vec{k} = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle$$

If θ is an angle between \vec{a} & \vec{b} ,

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} = \frac{1(0) + 1(1) + 0(1)}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 0^2} \sqrt{0^2 + 1^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \theta = 60^\circ \text{ (or } \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ radians).}$$

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2. (a) (5 points) Find the distance from the point $(1, -4, 0)$ to the plane $2x - y + 2z = 0$.

Given plane passes through $O(0, 0, 0)$ and $\vec{n} = \langle 2, -1, 2 \rangle$ is perpendicular to the plane.

Distance from $P(1, -4, 0)$ to the plane is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{|\vec{OP} \cdot \vec{n}|}{|\vec{n}|} \\ &= \frac{|\langle 1, -4, 0 \rangle \cdot \langle 2, -1, 2 \rangle|}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2}} \\ &= \frac{|2 + 4 + 0|}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{6}{3} = 2. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (5 points) For what value of α is the line $x = 2 - t, y = 2t - 1, z = 3t$ ($-\infty < t < \infty$) perpendicular to the plane $2x + \alpha y - 6z = 13$?

Given line is parallel to $\langle -1, 2, 3 \rangle$ and the given plane is perpendicular to $\langle 2, \alpha, -6 \rangle$.

So the line is perpendicular to the plane if $\langle -1, 2, 3 \rangle$ & $\langle 2, \alpha, -6 \rangle$ are parallel vectors.

So, $\langle 2, \alpha, -6 \rangle = k \langle -1, 2, 3 \rangle$ for some scalar k .

Then, $2 = -k, \alpha = 2k$ & $-6 = 3k$
i.e. $k = -2$ and $\alpha = 2k = 2(-2) = -4$.

(OR use $\langle 2, \alpha, -6 \rangle \times \langle -1, 2, 3 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$).

3. A particle traveling in a straight line is located at the point $(1, 0, -2)$ at time $t = 0$. The particle has speed 6 at $(1, 0, -2)$ and is moving toward the point $(-1, 1, 0)$ with constant acceleration $-2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$.

(a) (5 points) Find the velocity of the particle at time $t = 0$.

Let $P = (1, 0, -2)$ & $Q = (-1, 1, 0)$.

Then $\vec{PQ} = \vec{OQ} - \vec{OP} = \langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle - \langle 1, 0, -2 \rangle = \langle -2, 1, 2 \rangle$. ①

Now,

$$\vec{v}(0) = (\text{magnitude})(\text{direction}) \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ = 6 \frac{\vec{PQ}}{|\vec{PQ}|} \end{array} \right\} \text{②}$$

$$\text{②} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} = 6 \frac{\langle -2, 1, 2 \rangle}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + 1^2 + 2^2}} = 6 \frac{\langle -2, 1, 2 \rangle}{3} = 2 \langle -2, 1, 2 \rangle \\ = \langle -4, 2, 4 \rangle \\ (= -4\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}) \end{array} \right.$$

(b) (6 points) Find the velocity $\vec{v}(t)$ of the particle at time t .

① $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Integrating } \vec{a}(t) = -2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k} = \langle -2, 1, 2 \rangle, \\ \text{we get, } \vec{v}(t) = \int \vec{a}(t) dt \end{array} \right. \text{②}$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}(t) &= \langle -2t, t, 2t \rangle + \underbrace{\vec{v}(0)}_{\text{①}} \\ &= \langle -2t, t, 2t \rangle + \langle -4, 2, 4 \rangle \\ &= \langle -2t - 4, t + 2, 2t + 4 \rangle. \end{aligned} \left. \right\} \text{①}$$

$$= (-2t - 4)\mathbf{i} + (t + 2)\mathbf{j} + (2t + 4)\mathbf{k}.$$

4. A projectile fired from the origin over horizontal ground has position

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = 98\sqrt{3}t\mathbf{i} + (98t - 4.9t^2)\mathbf{j} \quad \text{at time } t.$$

- (a) (3 points) Find the velocity of the projectile at time t .

$$\underbrace{\vec{v}(t)}_{(1)} = \underbrace{\vec{r}'(t)}_{(1)} = \underbrace{98\sqrt{3}}_{(1)} \vec{i} + \underbrace{(98 - 9.8t)}_{(1)} \vec{j}.$$

- (b) (6 points) What is the greatest height reached by the projectile?

At the greatest height,
vertical component of $\vec{v}(t) = 0$ } (2)

$$\text{or, } 98 - 9.8t = 0$$

$$\text{or } 98 = 9.8t \quad \text{i.e. } t = 10 \quad \text{ } \} (1)$$

The projectile reaches the greatest height at $t=10$,
and the greatest height is

$$\cancel{98t} - 4.9(98t - 4.9t^2) \Big|_{t=10} \quad \text{ } \} (2)$$

$$= 98(10) - 4.9(10)^2 \quad \text{ } \} (1)$$

$$= 980 - 490 = 490$$

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

$$\underbrace{(98\sqrt{3}t)}_{(2)} \Big|_{t=10} \quad \text{ } \} (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 98\sqrt{3}(10) \\ (1) \quad &= 980\sqrt{3}. \end{aligned}$$

5. (6 points) Find parametric equations for the line that is tangent to the curve

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \ln(t+1)\mathbf{i} + (2 - \sin t)\mathbf{j} + e^t\mathbf{k}$$

at the point $(0, 2, 1)$.

The point $(0, 2, 1)$ corresponds to $t = 0$. } ①

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \left\langle \frac{1}{t+1}, 0 - \cos t, e^t \right\rangle \} ②$$

$$\therefore \vec{r}'(0) = \langle 1, -1, 1 \rangle \quad ③$$

The parametric equations of the tangent line which passes through $(0, 2, 1)$ and is parallel to $\langle 1, -1, 1 \rangle$ are:

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