

#### Essentials of Analytical Geometry and Linear Algebra 1

Preparation to midterm contest



#### Goals

- 1. To prepare to midterm:
  - a. Work in stress situation
  - b. Refresh all needed topics
- 2. Make stronger relationship among group mates
- 3. Have fun
- 4. Show some possible tasks on midterm



#### Rules

**What can be used**: almost everything (laptops, neighbors, etc), *except asking you friends from other groups.* 

1 round - 15 min, provide solution - 10 min

#### Guideline:

- 1. Choose first team (rock-scissors-paper), other teams we be in clockwise order
- 2. Solve tasks during one round
- Current team should answer on all questions. I am asking who should answer, even more I can interrupt one guy from the team and ask other. If he cannot continue, task won't count.
- 4. If other teams (in clockwise order) can give additional solution or worthy comment, extra score will be given.



#### **Prices for winners**

- 1. Our contest *should be active and interesting (for me)*, otherwise no prices for everybody
- 2. If all teams will be good -> I am buying sweeties for everyone
- 3. If one team -> pizza for them

#### 1st round

Derive a formula for the distance from point  $M(x_0; y_0)$  to a line ax + by + c = 0 in the plane (the coordinate system is Cartesian).

Find the equation of the plane which passes through the intersection of the planes 2x + 3y + 10z - 8 = 0, 2x - 3y + 7z - 2 = 0 and is perpendicular to the plane 3x - 2y + 4z - 5 = 0.

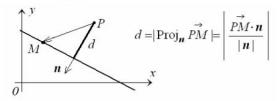
The plane x - 2y + 3z = 0 is rotated through a right angle about its line of intersection with the plane 2x + 3y - 4z + 2 = 0. Find the equation of the plane in its new position. 22x + 5y - 42 + 14 = 0



## 1st round answers (1): in english

Consider a line in the x, y-plane.

Let n be a normal vector to the line and  $M(x_0, y_0)$  be any point on the line. Then the distance d from a point P not on the line is equal to the absolute value of the projection of  $\overrightarrow{PM}$  on n:



In particular, if the line is given by the equation

$$Ax + By + C = 0,$$

and the coordinates of the point P are  $x_1$  and  $y_1$ , that is,

$$n = \{A, B\}$$
 and  $\overrightarrow{PM} = \{x_1 - x_0, y_1 - y_0\},$ 

then the distance from the point  $P(x_1, y_1)$  to the line is calculated according to the following formula:

$$d = \frac{|A(x_1 - x_0) + B(y_1 - y_0)|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}.$$

Since  $M(x_0, y_0)$  is a point on the line,

$$Ax_0 + By_0 + C = 0.$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$d = \frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$$

### 1st round answers (1): in russian

$$\vec{a} = \begin{vmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \\ a_z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r_0} + \tau \vec{a}.$$

$$\frac{x - x_0}{a_x} = \frac{y - y_0}{a_y} = \frac{z - z_0}{a_z} \,,$$

$$[\overrightarrow{a}, \overrightarrow{r} - \overrightarrow{r_0}] = \overrightarrow{o}$$

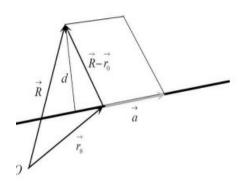


Рис. 3.4.1

Наконец, расстояние d в пространстве от некоторой точки с радиусом-вектором R до прямой  $r=r_0+\tau a$  можно найти, воспользовавшись свойством, что S площадь параллелограмма, построенного на паре векторов, равна длине векторного произведения этих векторов. Из рис. 3.4.1 получаем

$$d = \frac{S}{\begin{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{a} \\ a \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{R} - \overrightarrow{r_0}, \overrightarrow{a} \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{a} \\ a \end{vmatrix}}$$

### 1st round answers (2)

The equation of any plane passing through the intersection of the planes 2x + 3y + 10z - 8 = 0 and 2x - 3y + 7z - 2 = 0 is  $2x + 3y + 10z - 8 + \lambda (2x - 3y + 7z - 2) = 0$ .

The direction ratios of the normal to this plane are  $2 + 2\lambda$ ,  $3 - 3\lambda$ ,  $10 + 7\lambda$ . The direction ratios of the plane 3x - 2y + 4z - 5 = 0 are 3, -2, 4. Since these two planes are perpendicular,  $3(2 + 2\lambda) - 2(3 - 3\lambda) + 4(10 + 7\lambda) = 0$ .

$$6 + 6\lambda - 6 + 6\lambda + 40 + 28\lambda = 0$$
 or  $40\lambda = -40$  or  $\lambda = -1$ 

Therefore, the required plane is  $2x + 3y + 10z - 8 - (2x - 3y + 7z - \lambda) = 0$ .

$$\therefore$$
 6y + 3z - 6 = 0 or 2y + z - 2 = 0



### 1st round answers (3)

The plane x - 2y + 3z = 0 is rotated about the line of intersection of the planes

$$x - 2y + 3z = 0 ag{12.58}$$

$$2x + 3y - 4z + 2 = 0 (12.59)$$

The new position of the plane (12.58) passes through the line of intersection of the two given planes. Therefore, its equation is

$$x - 2y + 3z + \lambda(2x + 3y - 4z + 2) = 0$$
 (12.60)

The plane (12.60) is perpendicular to the plane (12.58).

$$1(1+2\lambda) - 2(-2+3\lambda) + 3(3-4\lambda) = 0$$
 or  $-16\lambda + 14 = 0$  or  $\lambda = \frac{7}{8}$ .

Therefore, the equation of the plane (12.58) in its new position is

$$x - 2y + 3z + \frac{7}{8}(2x + 3y - 4z + 2) = 0.$$
 22x + 5y - 42 + 14 = 0

#### 2nd round

Find the altitude of tetrahedron ABCD dropped from vertex C given coordinates of all its vertices in some Cartesian coordinate system: A(1; 2; 1), B(2; 0; 0), C(-2; 4; 3), D(4; 1; -1).

Show that the lines  $\frac{x+1}{1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z+1}{3}$  and x + 2y + 3z - 8 = 0, 2x + 3y + 3z + 3z + 3z = 0

4z - 11 = 0 are coplanar. Find the equation of the plane containing these two lines. 4x + y - 2z + 3 = 0

Find the equation of the straight lines through the origin each of

which intersects the straight line  $\frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z}{1}$  and are inclined at an

angle of 60° to it.

$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{-1}$$
  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z}{2}$ .

## 2nd round answers (1)



### 2nd round answers (2)

or

$$\frac{x+1}{1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z+1}{3} = r$$

$$x+2y+3z-8=0$$

$$2x+3y+4z-11=0$$
(13.62)

Any plane containing the second line is

$$x + 2y + 3z - 8 + \lambda(2x + 3y + 4z - 11) = 0$$
 (13.64)

If the line given by (13.62) lies on this plane then the point (-1, -1, -1) also lies on the plane.

$$-1 -2 -3 -8 + \lambda(-2 - 3 - 4 - 11) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -14 + \lambda(-20) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{-7}{10}$$

$$x + 2y + 3z - 8 - \frac{7}{10}(2x + 3y + 4z - 11) = 0$$

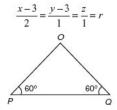
$$10x + 20y + 30z - 80 - 14x - 21y - 28z + 77 = 0$$

$$4x + y - 2z + 3 = 0$$
(13.65)



## 2nd round answers (3)

The equations of the line PQ are



The point P on this line is P(2r + 3, r + 3, r).

The direction ratios of *OP* are 2r + 3, r + 3, r. Since  $|POQ| = \frac{\pi}{3}$ ,

$$\cos\frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2(2r+3)+1(r+3)+1\cdot(r)}{\sqrt{(2r+3)^2+(r+3)^2+r^2}\cdot\sqrt{4+1+1}}$$

(i.e.) 
$$\frac{6r+9}{\sqrt{(6r^2+18r+18)}\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(i.e.) 
$$\frac{9(2r+3)^2}{36(r^2+3r+3)} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{4r^2+12r+9}{4(r^2+3r+3)} = \frac{1}{4}$$

(i.e.) 
$$4r^2 + 12r + 9 = r^2 + 3r + 3$$

(i.e.) 
$$3r^2 + 9r + 6 = 0$$

or  $r^2 + 3r + 2 = 0$  or r = -1, -2. Therefore, the coordinates of P and Q are (1, -2, -1) and (-1, 1, -2).

Hence the equations of the lines *OP* and *OQ* are  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{-1}$  and

$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z}{2}.$$

#### 3rd round

Derive a formula for evaluating cross product of vectors  $\mathbf{a}(\alpha_1; \alpha_2; \alpha_3)$  and  $\mathbf{b}(\beta_1; \beta_2; \beta_3)$  in some affine coordinate system that has a triple  $(\mathbf{i}; \mathbf{j}; \mathbf{k})$  for a basis.

Find the shortest distance and the equation to the line of shortest

distance between the two lines 
$$\frac{x+7}{3} = \frac{y+4}{4} = \frac{z+3}{-2}$$
 and  $\frac{x-21}{6} = \frac{y+5}{-4} = \frac{z-2}{-1}$ .  $\frac{x+1}{4} = \frac{y+4}{3} = \frac{z+7}{12}$ .

Find the equations of the line passing through the point (1, 2, 3) and perpendicular to the planes x - 2y - z + 5 = 0 and x + y + 3z + 6 = 0.

$$\frac{x-1}{5} = \frac{y-2}{4} = \frac{z-3}{-3}.$$



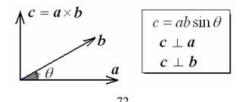
# 3rd round answers (1): in english

**Theorem**: Let a and b be two non-parallel vectors. Then

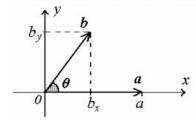
- i) the vector  $c = a \times b$  is orthogonal to both a and b;
- ii) the length of c is expressed by the formula  $c = ab \sin \theta$ ,

where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\boldsymbol{a}$  and  $\boldsymbol{b}$ ;

iii) the set of vectors  $\{a, b, c\}$  is a right-handed triplet as it is shown in the figure below.



**Proof**: Let the rectangular coordinate system be chosen such that both vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  lie in the x,y-plane, and the x-axis is directed along  $\mathbf{a}$ .



Then  $a = \{a, 0, 0\}$  and  $b = \{b\cos\theta, b\sin\theta, 0\}$ .

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ a & 0 & 0 \\ b \cos \theta & b \sin \theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} = ab \sin \theta \mathbf{k}.$$

Therefore,  $|c| = a \sin \theta$  and c is directed along the z-axis which is perpendicular to the x,y-plane. Hence, the theorem.

#### 3rd round answers (2): in russian, from Beklemishev book

 $\Pi$  редложение 3. Каковы бы ни были векторы  ${\bf b}$  и  ${\bf c}$ , найдется единственный (не зависящий от  ${\bf a}$ ) вектор  ${\bf d}$  такой, что при любом  ${\bf a}$  выполнено равенство

$$(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{d}). \tag{8}$$

Доказательство Докажем сначала существование вектора  $\mathbf{d}$ , а потом установим, что такой вектор возможен только один. Пусть векторы  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  коллинеарны. Тогда при любом  $\mathbf{a}$  векторы  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  компланарны и  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}) = 0$ . Поэтому мы можем положить  $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{0}$ . Рассмотрим неколлинеарные векторы  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  и предположим сначала,

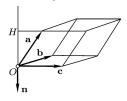


Рис. 15. Здесь тройка  ${\bf a}, {\bf b}, {\bf c}$  левая

что  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  не компланарны. Построим на них ориентированный параллелепипед и примем за его основание параллелограмм, построенный на  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  (рис. 15). Введем ориентацию на прямой OH, перпендикулярной основанию. Мы зададим ее с помощью вектора  $\mathbf{n}$  длины 1, составляющего  $\mathbf{c}$   $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  правую тройку  $\mathbf{n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}$ . (Тройка  $\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}$ ,  $\mathbf{n}$  также правая.)

(**a**, **n**) — скалярная проекция вектора **a** на **n**. По модулю она равна высоте параллеле-

пипеда OH, а знак ее определяется ориентацией тройки  ${\bf a,b,c}$ . Действительно,  $({\bf a,n})>0$  тогда и только тогда, когда концы векторов  ${\bf a}$  и  ${\bf n}$  лежат в одном полупространстве, т. е. тройка  ${\bf a,b,c}$  правая так же, как  ${\bf n,b,c}$ . Таким образом,  $({\bf a,n})$  положительно для правой тройки  ${\bf a,b,c}$  и отрицательно для левой.

Пусть положительное число S — площадь основания параллелепипеда. Тогда произведение  $(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{n})S$  по модулю равно объему параллелепипеда, а знак его совпадает со знаком  $(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{n})$ . Это значит, что  $(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{b},\mathbf{c})=S(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{n})$ . Полученное равенство совпадает с (8), если

$$\mathbf{d} = S\mathbf{n}.\tag{9}$$

Осталось рассмотреть случай, когда  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  не коллинеарны, а  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  компланарны. В этом случае  $\mathbf{a}$  лежит в плоскости векторов  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$  и, следовательно, ортогонален вектору  $\mathbf{d}$ , вычисленному по формуле (9). Поскольку  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}) = 0$  и  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{n}) = 0$ , вектор (9) удовлетворяет равенству (8) и в этом случае. Итак, мы нашли вектор, который удовлетворяет (8) при любом  $\mathbf{a}$  и определяется только по  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$ .

Допустим, что для фиксированных **b** и **c** нашлось два вектора  $\mathbf{d}_1$  и  $\mathbf{d}_2$  таких, что для любого **a** выполнено  $(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{b},\mathbf{c})=(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{d}_1)$  и  $(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{b},\mathbf{c})==(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{d}_2)$ . Отсюда следует, что  $(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{d}_1)=(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{d}_2)$  или  $(\mathbf{a},\mathbf{d}_1-\mathbf{d}_2)=0$ . Поэтому вектор  $\mathbf{d}_1-\mathbf{d}_2$  ортогонален каждому вектору пространства и, следовательно, равен нулевому вектору. Это доказывает, что вектор **d**, определяемый формулой (8), может быть только один. Предложение полностью доказано.

Опишем еще раз, как вектор  ${\bf d}$  определяется по  ${\bf b}$  и  ${\bf c}$ .

- 1. Если **b** и **c** коллинеарны, то d = 0.
- 2. Если **b** и **c** не коллинеарны, то:
- а)  $|\mathbf{d}| = S = |\mathbf{b}||\mathbf{c}|\sin\varphi$ , где  $\varphi$  угол между  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$ ;
- б) вектор **d** ортогонален векторам **b** и **c**;
- в) тройка векторов  ${\bf b}, {\bf c}, {\bf d}$  имеет положительную ориентацию.

При нашем выборе ориентации пространства — это правая тройка.

Определение. Вектор  $\mathbf{d}$ , определенный перечисленными выше условиями, или, что то же, формулой (8), называется векторным про-изведением векторов  $\mathbf{b}$  и  $\mathbf{c}$ .



## 3rd round answers (2)

The two given lines are  $\frac{x+7}{3} = \frac{y+4}{4} = \frac{z+3}{-2} = r$  and  $\frac{x-21}{6} = \frac{y+5}{-4} = \frac{z-2}{-1} = r_i$ .

The coordinates of any point P on the first line are (3r - 7, 4r - 4, -2r - 3).

The coordinates of any point Q on the second line are  $(6r_1 + 21, -4r_1 - 5, -r + 2)$ .

The direction ratios of the line PQ are  $3r - 6r_1 - 28$ ,  $4r + 4r_1 + 1$ ,  $-2r + r_1 - 5$ .

If PQ is the line of the shortest distance then the two lines are perpendicular. The direction ratios of the two lines are 3, 4, -2 and 6, -4, -1. Then  $3(3r - 6r_1 - 28) + 4(4r + 4r_1 + 1) - 2(-2r + r_1 - 5) = 0$  and  $6(3r - 6r_1 - 2r) - 4(4r + 4r_1 + 1) - 1(-2r + r_1 - 8) = 0$ 

(i.e.) 
$$29r - 4r_1 - 90 = 0$$
  
 $4r - 53r_1 - 167 = 0$ 

Solving for r and  $r_1$ , we get

$$\frac{r}{-3042} = \frac{r_1}{4563} = \frac{1}{-1521} \Rightarrow \frac{r}{-2} = \frac{r_1}{3} = \frac{1}{-1}$$
$$\therefore r = 2 \text{ and } r_1 = -3.$$

The coordinates of P and Q are given by P(-1, 4, -7) and Q(3, 7, 5).

∴ 
$$PQ^2 = (3+1)^2 + (7-4)^2 + (5+7)^2 = 16+9+144=169$$
.  
∴  $PQ = 13$  units

The equations of the line of the shortest distance are  $\frac{x+1}{3+1} = \frac{y+4}{7-4} = \frac{z+7}{5+7}$ 

(i.e.) 
$$\frac{x+1}{4} = \frac{y+4}{3} = \frac{z+7}{12}$$
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## 3rd round answers (3)

Let l, m, n be the direction ratios of the line of intersection of the planes x - 2y - z + 5 = 0 and x + y + 3z + 6 = 0.

Then 1-2m-n=0and 1+m+3n=0

$$\therefore \frac{l}{-6+1} = \frac{m}{-1-3} = \frac{n}{1+2}$$
(i.e.) 
$$\frac{l}{-5} = \frac{m}{-4} = \frac{n}{3}.$$

Since the line also passes through the point (-1, 2, 3), its equations

is 
$$\frac{x-1}{5} = \frac{y-2}{4} = \frac{z-3}{-3}$$
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#### 4th round

Prove that the lines x = ay + b = cz + d and  $x = \alpha y + \beta = \gamma z + \delta$  are coplanar if  $(r - c)(\alpha \beta - bd) - (\alpha - a)(\alpha \delta - \delta \gamma) = 0$ .

Find the equation of plane passing through the line  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{4}$ 

and parallel to the line  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3}$ .

(i.e.) 
$$11x + 2y - 5z + 6 = 0$$

It is known that  $AB = 2\sqrt{13}$ , AC = 4,  $BC = 2\sqrt{7}$ , and vertices of triangle ABC have coordinates A(1; 1), B(5; 3), C(3; 5) in some affine coordinate system. Find the lengths of basis vectors of this system and the angle between them.



## 4th round answers (1)

First let us express the given lines in symmetrical form. The two

given lines are 
$$\frac{x}{ac} = \frac{y + \frac{b}{a}}{c} = \frac{z + \frac{d}{c}}{a}$$
 and  $\frac{x}{\alpha \gamma} = \frac{y + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}}{\gamma} = \frac{z + \frac{\delta}{\gamma}}{\alpha}$ .

Then two lines are coplanar if  $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & \frac{b}{a} - \frac{\beta}{\alpha} & \frac{d}{c} - \frac{\delta}{\gamma} \\ ac & c & a \\ \alpha \gamma & \gamma & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 0.$ 

(i.e.) 
$$-\left(\frac{b}{a} - \frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)(ac\alpha - a\alpha\gamma) + \left(\frac{d}{c} - \frac{\delta}{\gamma}\right)(ac\gamma - \alpha c\gamma) = 0$$

(i.e.) 
$$-\left(\frac{b\alpha - a\beta}{a\alpha}\right)a\alpha(c - \gamma) + \left(\frac{d\gamma - e\delta}{c\gamma}\right)c\gamma(a - \alpha) = 0$$

(i.e.) 
$$(\gamma - c)(a\beta - b\alpha) - (a\delta - d\gamma)(\alpha - a) = 0$$



## 4th round answers (2)

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{4} \tag{13.42}$$

is

$$A(x-1) + B(y+1) + C(z-3) = 0 (13.43)$$

where

$$2A - B + 4C = 0 ag{13.44}$$

Also the line is parallel to the plane

$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3} \tag{13.45}$$

$$\therefore A + 2B + 3C = 0 \tag{13.46}$$

Solving for A, B and C from (13.44) and (13.46), we get

$$\frac{A}{-3-8} = \frac{B}{4-6} = \frac{C}{4+1}$$
 or  $\frac{A}{11} = \frac{B}{2} = \frac{C}{-5}$ 

Therefore, the equation of the required plane is 11(x-1) + 2(y+1) - 5(z-3) = 0.

(i.e.) 
$$11x + 2y - 5z + 6 = 0$$



## 4th round answers (3)

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6) det \vec{i} and \vec{j} be basis vectors. Then \vec{AB} = 4\vec{l} + 2\vec{j}, \vec{AC} = 2\vec{l} + 4\vec{j}, \vec{BC} = -2\vec{l} + 2\vec{j}.
     IABI2= 16 | T12+16 T. J+4 | J12=52,
     Ac12 = 41212 + 162.7+161712=16,
     |BC|2 = 4|T|2 - 8T.J+4|J|2 = 28.
   This is a system of linear equations with variables
  |z|^2, |z|^2, |z|^2. Solving it yields |z|^2 = 4, |z|^2 = 1, |z|^2 = 1, |z|^2 = 1, therefore |z| = 2, |z| = 1, |z| = 1, |z|^2 = 1.
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