

# (10pts) Problem 4

Solve the quadratic equation and give the answer in the form a + ib

$$z^2 - z + 8 + 2(z+1)i = 0.$$

### Solution

$$z^{2} - z + 8 + 2(z+1)i = 0 \Leftrightarrow$$
  
 $z^{2} - (1-2i)z + 8 + 2i = 0$ 

$$a = 1$$
,  $b = -(1-2i)$  and  $c = 8+2i$ .

The solutions are given by

$$z = \frac{(1-2i) \pm \sqrt{(1-2i)^2 - 4(8+2i)}}{2}$$
$$z = \frac{(1-2i) \pm \sqrt{-35-12i}}{2}.$$
 [5 points]

Next, we need to find  $\sqrt{-35-12i}$ . Put

$$\sqrt{-35 - 12i} = a + ib \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(a+ib)^{2} = -35 - 12i \iff a^{2} + 2iab - b^{2} = -35 - 12i \implies$$

$$\begin{cases} a^{2} - b^{2} = -35 \\ ab = -6 \end{cases} \implies a = -1 \text{ and } b = 6. \text{ (Using the sign convention)}$$

$$\sqrt{-35 - 12i} = -1 + 6i. \qquad [3 \text{ points}]$$

$$z_{1} = \frac{(1-2i) + (-1+6i)}{2} = 2i \text{ and } z_{2} = \frac{(1-2i) - (-1+6i)}{2} = 1 - 4i. \qquad [2 \text{ points}]$$

### (10pts) Problem 2

Find the area of the triangle with vertices P(4,3,6), Q(-2,0,8), R(1,5,0) and the equation of the plane containing the points P, Q and R.

# Solution

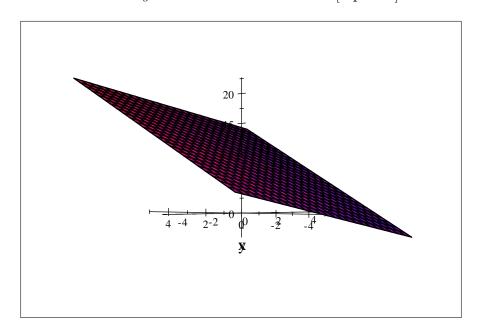
$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle -6, -3, 2 \rangle \text{ and } \overrightarrow{PR} = \langle -3, 2, -6 \rangle$$
 [2 points]
$$\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} = \begin{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{i} & \overrightarrow{j} & \overrightarrow{k} \\ -6 & -3 & 2 \\ -3 & 2 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 14, -42, -21 \rangle.$$
 [3 points]

Area = 
$$\frac{1}{2} \| \overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} \|$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(14)^2 + (-42)^2 + (-21)^2}$   
=  $\frac{\sqrt{2401}}{2} = \frac{49}{2} = 24.5$ . [2 points]

The equation of the plane containing the points P, Q and R is

$$14(x-4) - 42(y-3) - 21(z-6) = 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$14x - 42y - 21z = -196.$$
 [3 points]



(10pts) Problem 3

(A) Let  $\overrightarrow{u}$  and  $\overrightarrow{v}$  be two unit vectors and  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$  the angle between  $\overrightarrow{u}$  and  $\overrightarrow{v}$ . Find  $\|\overrightarrow{u} + 2\overrightarrow{v}\|$ .

Solution of (A)

$$\|\overrightarrow{u} + 2\overrightarrow{v}\|^{2} = (\overrightarrow{u} + 2\overrightarrow{v}) \cdot (\overrightarrow{u} + 2\overrightarrow{v})$$

$$= \|\overrightarrow{u}\|^{2} + 4\overrightarrow{u} \cdot \overrightarrow{v} + 4\|\overrightarrow{v}\|^{2}$$

$$= \|\overrightarrow{u}\|^{2} + 4\|\overrightarrow{u}\| \|\overrightarrow{v}\| \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + 4\|\overrightarrow{v}\|^{2}$$

$$= 1 + 4\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) + 4$$

$$= 3$$

$$\|\overrightarrow{u} + 2\overrightarrow{v}\| = \sqrt{3} \qquad [5 \text{ points}]$$

(B) Find a value of c for which  $\overrightarrow{a} = \langle 3, -2, 5 \rangle$  and  $\overrightarrow{b} = \langle 2, 4, c \rangle$  will be perpendicular.

Solution of (B)

 $\overrightarrow{a} = \langle 3, -2, 5 \rangle$  and  $\overrightarrow{b} = \langle 2, 4, c \rangle$  are perpendicular if and only if

$$\langle 3, -2, 5 \rangle \cdot \langle 2, 4, c \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow$$
 [3 points]  
 $6 - 8 + 5c = 0$   
 $c = \frac{2}{5}$  [2 points]

### (10pts)Problem 7

Find parametric equations for the line of intersection of the planes 4x + 4y - 2z = 9 and 2x + y + z = -3.

### Solution

Let  $\overrightarrow{n_1}$  and  $\overrightarrow{n_2}$  be the two normal vectors of the planes respectively.

$$\overrightarrow{n_1} = \langle 4, 4, -2 \rangle, \qquad \overrightarrow{n_2} = \langle 2, 1, -1 \rangle.$$

A direction vector of the line of intersection is

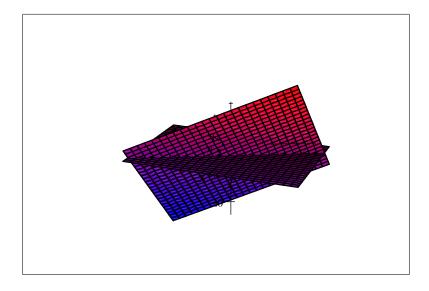
$$\overrightarrow{u} = \overrightarrow{n_1} \times \overrightarrow{n_2} = \begin{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{i} & \overrightarrow{j} & \overrightarrow{k} \\ 4 & 4 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 6, -8, -4 \rangle \qquad [4 \text{ points}].$$

Now to find a point on the line of intersection, we put z = 0 to get

$$\begin{cases} 4x + 4y = 9 \\ 2x + y = -3 \end{cases}$$

Solution is:  $\left[x=-\frac{21}{4},y=\frac{15}{2}\right]$ . Thus  $\left(-\frac{21}{4},\frac{15}{2},0\right)$  is a point on the line of intersection. The parametric equations are

$$\begin{cases} x = -\frac{21}{4} + 6t \\ y = \frac{15}{2} - 8t \\ z = -4t \end{cases}$$
 [6 points]



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