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## Part 1 MCQ 30% (circle your choice)

### (5pts) Problem 1

Find the values of  $x$  and  $y$  in the equation

$$x(1+i)^2 + y(2-i)^2 = 3 + 10i.$$

$x + y$  is equal to

- (a) 10      (b) 8      (c) 7      (d) 11      (e) 13

### Solution

$$x(1+i)^2 + y(2-i)^2 = 3 + 10i.$$

After expanding, we obtain

$$2ix + 3y - 4iy = 3 + 10i$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$3y + (2x - 4y)i = 3 + 10i.$$

Now we identify to get

$$\begin{cases} 3y = 3 \\ 2x - 4y = 10 \end{cases}.$$

Solution is:  $[x = 7, y = 1]$ . Thus  $x + y = 8$  and the answer is (b).

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### (5pts) Problem 2

The complex conjugate of  $z = x + iy$  is denoted by  $\bar{z} = x - iy$ . Solve the equation

$$z - 8 = i(7 - 2\bar{z})$$

The modulus of the solution  $z$  is equal to

- (a)  $|z| = \sqrt{19}$       (b)  $|z| = 13\sqrt{7}$       (c)  $|z| = \sqrt{7}$       (d)  $|z| = \sqrt{13}$       (e)  $|z| = \sqrt{23}$

### Solution

$$x + iy - 8 = i(7 - 2(x - iy))$$

$$x - 8 + iy = -2y + (7 - 2x)i.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{cases} x - 8 = -2y \\ y = 7 - 2x \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + 2y = 8 \\ 2x + y = 7 \end{cases}.$$

Solution is:  $[x = 2, y = 3]$

$$z = 2 + 3i \text{ and } |z| = \sqrt{4 + 9} = \sqrt{13}. \text{ Answer is (d)}$$

**(5pts)Problem 3**

The point of intersection of the line whose parametric equations are

$$\begin{cases} x = 2 - 2t \\ y = 3t \\ z = 1 + t \end{cases}$$

and the plane  $x + 2y - z = 7$  is  $(a, b, c)$ .

$a + b + c =$

(a) 7      (b) 6      (c) 5      (d) 4      (e) 0

**Solution**

We have

$$(2 - 2t) + 6t - (1 + t) = 7.$$

Now solve for  $t$  to get

$$\begin{cases} t = 2 \\ x = 2 - 2(2) = -2 = a \\ y = 3(2) = 6 = b \\ z = 1 + (2) = 3 = c \end{cases}$$

$$a + b + c = -2 + 6 + 3 = 7. \text{ Answer is (a).}$$

**(5pts)Problem 4**

If the angle between the vectors  $\langle 2, 1, -1 \rangle$  and  $\langle 1, x, 0 \rangle$  is  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ , then  $x =$

(a)  $1 \pm \sqrt{6}$       (b)  $2 \pm \sqrt{6}$       (c)  $1 \pm \sqrt{3}$       (d)  $1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$       (e)  $1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$

**Solution**

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\langle 2, 1, -1 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, x, 0 \rangle}{\|\langle 2, 1, -1 \rangle\| \|\langle 1, x, 0 \rangle\|}.$$

Equivalently,

$$\frac{2 + x}{\sqrt{6}\sqrt{1 + x^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$\sqrt{6(1 + x^2)} = \sqrt{2}(2 + x)$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$6 + 6x^2 = 2(2 + x)^2$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$3 + 3x^2 = x^2 + 4x + 4$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$2x^2 - 4x - 1 = 0$$

Solution is:  $1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$ . Answer is (e)

**(5pts) Problem 5**

Find the value of  $x$  for which the matrix  $A$  does not have an inverse.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -x \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ x & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$A$  does not have an inverse The sum of all possible values of  $x$  is

(a) 4      (b) -6      (c) 3      (d) 0      (e) 5

**Solution**

$A$  does not have an inverse if and only if  $\det A = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= x^2 - 3x \\ &= x(x - 3) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = 3.$$

$$0 + 3 = 3. \text{ The answer is (c).}$$

**(5pts) Problem 6**

Suppose two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  satisfy

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{15} \text{ and } \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \langle -2, 0, -1 \rangle,$$

then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

(a)  $\frac{\pi}{6}$       (b)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$       (c)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$       (d)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$       (e)  $\frac{2\pi}{5}$

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\|}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{\|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}\|}{\|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\|} \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{\|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}\|}{\|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\|}}{\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\|}} = \frac{\|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}\|}{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{15}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \theta &= \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{6} \end{aligned}$$

## Part 2 Written 70%

### (15pts) Problem 1

Consider the points  $A(2, 0, -1)$ ,  $B(1, -1, 1)$ ,  $C(0, 3, -2)$  and  $D(5, -2, -1)$ .

(a) Find the equation of the plane ( $\mathcal{P}$ ) containing the points  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ .

(b) Find the distance from  $D$  to ( $\mathcal{P}$ ).

### Solution

(a)

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \langle -1, -1, 2 \rangle, \quad \overrightarrow{AC} = \langle -2, 3, -1 \rangle. \quad (4\text{pts})$$

The normal vector is given by

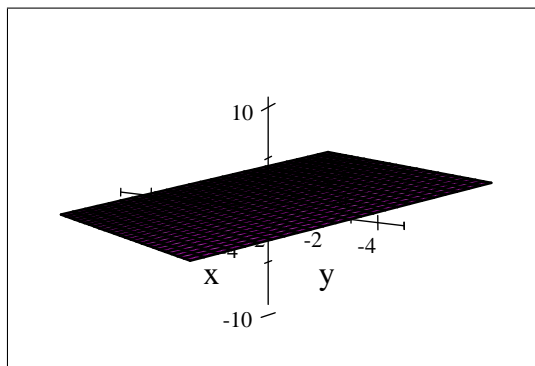
$$\vec{n} = \overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \langle -5, -5, -5 \rangle. \quad (3\text{pts})$$

The equation of the plane ( $\mathcal{P}$ ) is

$$-5(x - 2) - 5(y - 0) - 5(z + 1) = 0$$

$$(x - 2) + (y - 0) + (z + 1) = 0$$

$$x + y + z = 1. \quad (4\text{pts})$$



(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Distance} &= \frac{|\overrightarrow{AD} \cdot \vec{n}|}{\|\vec{n}\|} = \frac{|\langle 3, -2, 0 \rangle \cdot \langle -5, -5, -5 \rangle|}{5\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{|-15 + 10|}{5\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}. \quad (4\text{pts}) \end{aligned}$$

(13pts)**Problem 2**

Find the equation of the plane that contains the two lines

$$L_1 : \begin{cases} x = 1 + t \\ y = 1 - t \\ z = 2t \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad L_2 : \begin{cases} x = 2 - t \\ y = t \\ z = 2 \end{cases}.$$

**Solution**

Denote by  $\vec{u}_1$  the direction vector of  $L_1$  and  $\vec{u}_2$  the direction vector of  $L_2$ .

$$\vec{u}_1 = \langle 1, -1, 2 \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{u}_2 = \langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle \quad (4\text{pts})$$

The normal vector of the plane is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n} &= \vec{u}_1 \times \vec{u}_2 && (2\text{pts}) \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle -2, -2, 0 \rangle. && (3\text{pts}) \end{aligned}$$

Now using the point  $(1, 1, 0)$ , the equation of the plane is

$$\begin{aligned} -2(x - 1) - 2(y - 1) &= 0 \\ x + y - 2 &= 0. && (4\text{pts}) \end{aligned}$$

(13pts)**Problem 3**

Use the **Gauss elimination** method to solve the linear system

$$\begin{cases} 3x - y - 5z = 3 \\ 4x - 4y - 3z = -4 \\ x - 5z = 2 \end{cases} \quad . \quad (\text{Show your work})$$

**Solution**

The augmented matrix is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -5 & 3 \\ 4 & -4 & -3 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 & -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (\mathbf{2pts})$$

After reducing in echelon form, we obtain

$$\text{Row echelon form : } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (\mathbf{5pts})$$

Now the back substitution gives

$$[x = 2, y = 3, z = 0] \quad (\mathbf{2pts + 2pts + 2pts})$$

(15pts)**Problem 4**

Consider the following matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \\ 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Compute the following matrices, where possible.

1.  $A + B^T$ ,                      2.  $AC$

(b) Find the matrix  $X$  such that

$$\frac{3}{2}X + C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution**

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} A + B^T &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \\ 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 \\ 8 & -8 \end{bmatrix}. \quad \textbf{(5pts)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} AC &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \\ 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 \\ 21 & 3 \end{bmatrix}. \quad \textbf{(5pts)} \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{2}X + C &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \\ \frac{3}{2}X + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ \frac{3}{2}X &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ 8 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ 8 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{8}{3} \\ \frac{16}{3} & \frac{10}{3} \end{bmatrix}. \quad \textbf{(5pts)} \end{aligned}$$



(14pts)**Problem 5**

Use the **cofactor expansion method** to find the determinant of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (\text{Show your work})$$

**Solution**

Choosing an expansion along the first column, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= (2)(-1)^{1+1} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + (1)(-1)^{2+1} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\mathbf{5pts}) \\ &= 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (2) \left[ (2)(-1)^{1+1} \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + (1)(-1)^{2+1} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right] - (1)(-1)^{1+1} \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\mathbf{5pts}) \\ &= (2)(2)(-1)^{1+1}(3) + (2)(1)(-1)^{2+1}(2) - (1)(-1)^{1+1}(3) \\ &= 5 \quad (\mathbf{4pts}) \end{aligned}$$