

Calculus III

Homework on Lecture 2

1. Carry out the indicated operations between the indicated vectors.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u} &= (-1, 2, 3) \\ \mathbf{v} &= (2, -3, -5) \\ \mathbf{w} &= (3, 5, -7).\end{aligned}$$

- (a) $-\mathbf{u}$
- (b) $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$
- (c) $\mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{w}$
- (d) $-3\mathbf{w} + \frac{\mathbf{v}}{2}$
- (e) $\frac{\mathbf{w} + 2\mathbf{u} + 3\mathbf{v}}{6}$
- (f) $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w} - (2\mathbf{v} + 3\mathbf{u})$

2. Compute the dot product.

- (a) $\mathbf{u} = (2, -3, 5), \mathbf{v} = (-3, 5, 7).$
- (b) $\mathbf{u} = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}), \mathbf{v} = (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5}).$

3. Determine if the vectors are orthogonal.

- (a) $\mathbf{u} = (1, 2, 3), \mathbf{v} = (-1, 2, -1).$
- (b) $\mathbf{u} = (1, 0, 1), \mathbf{v} = (-1, 1, 1).$
- (c) $\mathbf{u} = (-1, 0, 1), \mathbf{v} = (-1, 1, 1).$

4. Find the angles between the vectors. You may use a calculator to get a numerical approximation.

- (a) $\mathbf{u} = (1, 2, 3), \mathbf{v} = (3, 1, 2).$
- (b) $\mathbf{u} = (-1, -1, -1), \mathbf{v} = (0, 0, 1)$

5. A tetrahedron is a pyramid whose base is a triangle. The 8 points $(1, 1, 1), (-1, 1, 1), (1, -1, 1), (-1, -1, 1), (1, 1, -1), (-1, 1, -1), (1, -1, -1), (-1, -1, -1)$ (all possible sign combinations) give the vertices of a cube with edge 2 units.

- (a) Find 4 vertices of the cube so they form a regular tetrahedron, i.e., 4 points that are not in the same plane and such that the distance between any two is equal.
- (b) Form two vectors, \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} , by connecting the origin with any two of the 4 points you found.
- (c) Find the angle between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .
- (d) What is the angle between the two bonds of hydrogen atoms in the methane molecule CH_4 ?

6. Find the

- Scalar projection $\text{comp}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}$ of \mathbf{u} onto \mathbf{v} .
- The vector projection $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}$ of \mathbf{u} along \mathbf{v} .
- The component $\text{orth}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}$ of \mathbf{u} orthogonal of \mathbf{v} .

The answer key has not been proofread, use with caution.

- (a) $\mathbf{v} = (2, 3, 5), \mathbf{u} = (3, 5, 7).$
- (b) $\mathbf{v} = (5, 1, -3), \mathbf{u} = (2, 3, 5).$