# MATH 2418: Linear Algebra

# Assignment# 1

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[Last Name] [First Name] [Net ID] [Lab Section] Recommended Text Book Problems (do not turn in): [Sec 1.1: #1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 27, 28]

1. Let  $\mathbf{u} = (2, 3, -1)$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = (1, -1, 1)$ , and  $3\mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{v} + 4\mathbf{w} = (-1, 2, 3)$ . Find (a)  $\mathbf{v}$  (b)  $-2\mathbf{u} + 3\mathbf{v} - 5\mathbf{w}$ .

## Solution:

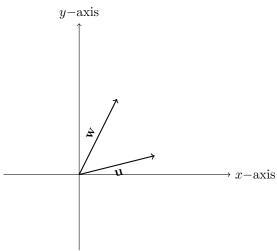
(a) Given

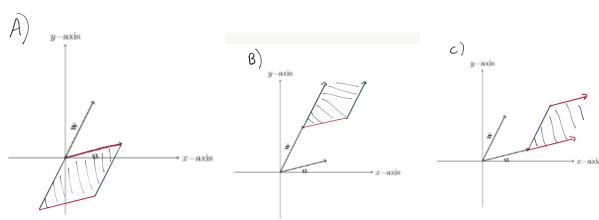
$$3\mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{v} + 4\mathbf{w} = (-1, 2, 3) \Rightarrow \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{2}[3\mathbf{u} + 4\mathbf{w} - (-1, 2, 3)]$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2}[3(2, 3, -1) + 4(1, -1, 1) - (-1, 2, 3)]$   
=  $\frac{1}{2}(11, 3, -2)$ 

(b) 
$$-2\mathbf{u} + 4\mathbf{v} - 5\mathbf{w} = (-4, -6, 2) + (22, 6, -4) - (5, -5, 5) = (13, 5, -7)$$

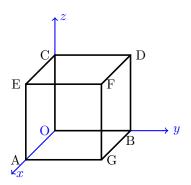
- 2. Given vectors  ${\bf v}$  and  ${\bf w}$  in diagram below, shade in all linear combinations  $c{\bf u}+d{\bf w}$  for
  - (a)  $0 \le c \le 1$  and  $-1 \le d \le 0$
  - (b)  $0 \le c \le 1$  and  $1 \le d$
  - (c)  $0 \le d \le 1$  and  $c \ge 1$ .

(You can use different shading styles in same picture for all three parts or can graph them separately in three different pictures)





3. Let  $\mathbf{0} = (0,0,0)$ ,  $\mathbf{i} = (1,0,0)$ ,  $\mathbf{j} = (0,1,0)$ ,  $\mathbf{k} = (0,0,1)$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Let P,Q,R,S,T,U be the center of faces OAGB,OBDC,OAEC,GBDF,FECD,AGFE respectively of the unit cube in the figure below. Write down the following vectors as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{i},\mathbf{j},\mathbf{k}$ .



(a)  $\overrightarrow{OP} =$ 

Solution:  $\overrightarrow{OP} = \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{OG} = \frac{1}{2}(\overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{OB}) = \frac{1}{2}((1,0,0) + (0,1,0)) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{j}.$ 

(b)  $\overrightarrow{OQ} =$ 

 $\textbf{Solution:} \quad \overrightarrow{OQ} = \tfrac{1}{2} \overrightarrow{OD} = \tfrac{1}{2} (\overrightarrow{OB} + \overrightarrow{OC}) = \tfrac{1}{2} ((0,1,0) + (0,0,1)) = \tfrac{1}{2} \mathbf{j} + \tfrac{1}{2} \mathbf{k}.$ 

(c)  $\overrightarrow{OR} =$ 

 $\textbf{Solution:} \quad \overrightarrow{OR} = \tfrac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{OE} = \tfrac{1}{2}(\overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{OC}) = \tfrac{1}{2}((1,0,0) + (0,0,1)) = \tfrac{1}{2}\mathbf{i} + \tfrac{1}{2}\mathbf{k}.$ 

(d)  $\overrightarrow{OS} =$ 

Solution:  $\overrightarrow{OS} = \overrightarrow{OB} + \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{BF} = \overrightarrow{OB} + \frac{1}{2}(\overrightarrow{BG} + \overrightarrow{BD}) = (0, 1, 0) + \frac{1}{2}((1, 0, 0) + (0, 0, 1)) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{k}.$ 

(e)  $\overrightarrow{OT} =$ 

Solution:  $\overrightarrow{OT} = \overrightarrow{OC} + \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{CF} = \overrightarrow{OC} + \frac{1}{2}(\overrightarrow{CD} + \overrightarrow{CE}) = (0,0,1) + \frac{1}{2}((0,1,0) + (1,0,0)) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}.$ 

(f)  $\overrightarrow{OU} =$ 

4. Consider the unit cube as in the previous question. The face OAGB can be described as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$  as

$$OAGB = \{c\mathbf{i} + d\mathbf{j} : 0 \le c \le 1, 0 \le d \le 1\}.$$

Geometrically describe the remaining five faces of the unit cube as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ .

(a) OBDC =

**Solution:**  $OBDC = \{c\mathbf{j} + d\mathbf{k} : 0 \le c \le 1, 0 \le d \le 1\}.$ 

(b) OAEC =

**Solution:**  $OAEC = \{c\mathbf{i} + d\mathbf{k} : 0 \le c \le 1, 0 \le d \le 1\}.$ 

(c) GBDF =

**Solution:**  $GBDF = \{c\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + d\mathbf{k} : 0 \le c \le 1, 0 \le d \le 1\}.$ 

(d) FECD =

**Solution:**  $FECD = \{c\mathbf{i} + d\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} : 0 \le c \le 1, 0 \le d \le 1\}.$ 

(e) AGFE =

**Solution:**  $AGFE = \{ \mathbf{i} + c\mathbf{j} + d\mathbf{k} : 0 \le c \le 1, 0 \le d \le 1 \}.$ 

5. Given three vectors  $\mathbf{u}=(1,1), \mathbf{v}=(1,-1),$  and  $\mathbf{b}=(2,4)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Suppose  $\mathbf{b}$  can be written as linear combination of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  as

$$c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{b}$$

(a) Write two equations in c and d corresponding to the vector equation  $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{b}$ .

Solution:

$$c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\begin{cases} c + d = 2 \\ c - d = 4 \end{cases}$$

(b) Solve the equations in part (a) for c and d.

Solution:

$$\begin{cases} c = 3 \\ d = -1 \end{cases}$$

(c) Express  $\mathbf{b}$  as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

**Solution:** 

$$\mathbf{b} = 3\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}, \quad or \quad \mathbf{b} = 3\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. Let  $\mathbf{u} = (1,1), \ \mathbf{v} = (1,-1),$  be 2 given vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let  $\mathbf{b} = (p,q)$  be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(a) Write two equations in c and d corresponding to the vector equation  $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{b}$ .

Solution:

$$c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\implies c(1,1) + d(1,-1) = (p,q)$$

$$\implies (c+d,c-d) = (p,q)$$

$$\implies c + d = p \text{ and } c - d = q$$

The 2 equations are 
$$\begin{cases} c+d=p & (i) \\ c-d=q & (ii) \end{cases}$$

(b) Solve the equations in part (a) for c and d.

**Solution:** Adding (i) and (ii), 
$$2c = p + q \Rightarrow c = \frac{p+q}{2}$$
  
Subtracting (ii) from (i),  $2d = p - q \Rightarrow d = \frac{p-q}{2}$   
Therefore  $c = \frac{p+q}{2}$  and  $d = \frac{p-q}{2}$ 

(c) Express  $\mathbf{b}$  as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  (if possible).

Solution: 
$$\mathbf{b} = \left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right)\mathbf{u} + \left(\frac{p-q}{2}\right)\mathbf{v}$$

- 7. Let  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = (3, 4)$  and  $\mathbf{u} \mathbf{v} = (1, -2)$ .
  - (a) Find  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ Solution

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{2}[(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v})]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[(3, 4) + (1, -2)] = \frac{1}{2}(4, 2)$$

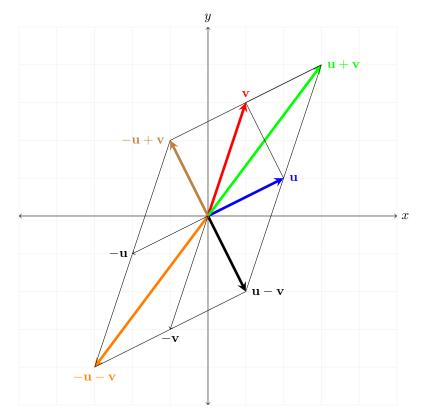
$$= (2, 1) \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{2}[(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) - (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v})]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[(3, 4) - (1, -2)] = \frac{1}{2}(2, 6)$$

$$= (1, 3)$$

(b) Use the vectors  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$ ,  $-\mathbf{u}$ ,  $-\mathbf{v}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}$  +  $\mathbf{v}$ ,  $(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v})$ ,  $(-\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})$ ,  $(-\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v})$  to label the following figure. Solution



- 8. Consider a clock of radius 2 unit.
  - (a) Write down the 12 vectors in the component form that go from the center of the clock to the hours

$$1:00,2:00,\cdots,12:00.$$

### Solution:

Let r = 2 and :

 $\mathbf{v}_1$  denote to 1:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$   $\mathbf{v}_2$  denote to 2:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_3$  denote to 3:00 with angle  $\theta = 0$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_4$  denote to 4:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{11\pi}{c}$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_5$  denote to 5:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{10\pi}{6}$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_6$  denote to 6:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{2}$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_7$  denote to 7:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{8\pi}{6}$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_8$  denote to 8:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{7\pi}{6}$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_9$  denote to 9:00 with angle  $\theta = \pi$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_9$  denote to 9:00 with angle  $\theta = \pi$   $\mathbf{v}_{10}$  denote to 10:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{5\pi}{6}$   $\mathbf{v}_{11}$  denote to 11:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_{12}$  denote to 12:00 with angle  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ Then we can write those vectors in polar coordinates form  $\mathbf{v} = (r\cos\theta, r\sin\theta)$  as follows:

$$\mathbf{v}_{1} = (2\cos\frac{\pi}{3}, 2\sin\frac{\pi}{3}) = (1, \sqrt{3}) \qquad \mathbf{v}_{2} = (2\cos\frac{\pi}{6}, 2\sin\frac{\pi}{6}) = (\sqrt{3}, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{3} = (2\cos 0, 2\sin 0) = (2, 0) \qquad \mathbf{v}_{4} = (2\cos\frac{11\pi}{6}, 2\sin\frac{11\pi}{6}) = (\sqrt{3}, -1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{5} = (2\cos\frac{10\pi}{6}, 2\sin\frac{10\pi}{6}) = (1, -\sqrt{3}) \qquad \mathbf{v}_{6} = (2\cos\frac{0\pi}{6}, 2\sin\frac{9\pi}{6}) = (0, -2)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{7} = (2\cos\frac{8\pi}{6}, 2\sin\frac{8\pi}{6}) = (-1, -\sqrt{3}) \qquad \mathbf{v}_{8} = (2\cos\frac{7\pi}{6}, 2\sin\frac{7\pi}{6}) = (-\sqrt{3}, -1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{9} = (2\cos\pi, 2\sin\pi) = (-2, 0) \qquad \mathbf{v}_{10} = (2\cos\frac{5\pi}{6}, 2\sin\frac{5\pi}{6}) = (-\sqrt{3}, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{11} = (2\cos\frac{4\pi}{6}, 2\sin\frac{4\pi}{6}) = (-1, \sqrt{3}) \qquad \mathbf{v}_{12} = (2\cos\frac{\pi}{2}, 2\sin\frac{\pi}{2}) = (0, 2)$$

(b) What is the sum of those 12 vectors? Explain.

#### Solution:

The sum of those 12 vectors is zero vector, because 6 of them are the opposite of the others, for example  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_7$  they have the same length but in the opposite direction so  $\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_7 = 0$ , and so on. Also it's clear if we add the components of the 12 vectors will will be the **zero vector**  $\mathbf{0} = (0,0)$ .

- 9. Consider the same clock as in previous question.
  - (a) Write down the 12 vectors in component form that go from 3:00 on the right to the hours

$$1:00,2:00,\cdots,12:00.$$

**Solution:** If the vectors start form 3:00 on the right instead of the center of the clock, the first components will be less by 2 and the second components will remain same (because shifting origin to the 2 unit right does not change the y-coordinate but x-coordinate will be less by 2. So from Q.N.#8, the 12 vectors will be follows:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = (-1, \sqrt{3}) \qquad \mathbf{v}_2 = (\sqrt{3} - 2, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = (0, 0) \qquad \mathbf{v}_4 = (\sqrt{3} - 2, -1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_5 = (-1, -\sqrt{3}) \qquad \mathbf{v}_6 = (-2, -2)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_7 = (-3, -\sqrt{3}) \qquad \mathbf{v}_8 = (-\sqrt{3} - 2, -1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_9 = (-4, 0) \qquad \mathbf{v}_{10} = (-\sqrt{3} - 2, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{11} = (-3, \sqrt{3}) \qquad \mathbf{v}_{12} = (-2, 2)$$

(b) What is the sum of the 12 vectors? Explain

**Solution:** Since the second components have not changed from Q.N.#8 and the first component have become less by 2 for all 12 vectors, the sum has to be (-24,0).

10. For each set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given below. Describe geometrically the set of all linear combinations ( a line or plane or all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ).

(a) 
$$\{(0,1,-3),(0,-2,6),(4,2,-6)\}$$

**Solution:** Denote  $\mathbf{u} = (0, 1, -3)$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (0, -2, 6)$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = (4, 2, -6)$ . Note that  $\mathbf{v} = -2\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}$  are linearly independent (not parallel to each other), thus the set of all linear combination of  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$  is two-dimensional, *i.e.* a plane.

(b)  $\{(2,1,0),(1,1,1),(4,3,2)\}$ 

**Solution:** Denote  $\mathbf{u} = (2, 1, 0)$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (1, 1, 1)$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = (4, 3, 2)$ . It is easy to see that  $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}$  are linearly independent (not parallel to each other), hence the set of all linear combination of  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$  is two-dimensional, *i.e.* a plane.

(c)  $\{(2,-3,1), (-4,6,-2), (-10,15,-5)\}$ 

**Solution:** Denote  $\mathbf{u} = (2, -3, 1)$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (-4, 6, -2)$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = (-10, 15, -5)$ . Note that  $\mathbf{v} = -2\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{w} = -5\mathbf{u}$ , thus the set of all linear combination of  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$  is one-dimensional, *i.e.* a line.