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Name: Solution Set

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Math 251
Test 1

Total = $\overline{25}$

Show your work. All of the work on this test must be your own.

GOOD LUCK!

1. (4 points) Consider the following vectors.

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find all values of x for which:

(a) \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are perpendicular.

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

$$4x - 2 - 18 = 0$$

$$4x = 20$$

$$\boxed{x = 5}$$

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(b) \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are parallel.

$$\vec{u} = k\vec{v}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} x \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{so } k = -2$$

$$\text{and } \boxed{x = -2}$$

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(c) \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} have the same norm.

$$\|\vec{u}\| = \|\vec{v}\|$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 + 1 + 9} = \sqrt{16 + 4 + 36}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 + 10} = \sqrt{56}$$

$$x^2 + 10 = 56$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} x &= \pm \sqrt{46} \\ &\approx \pm 6.78 \end{aligned}}$$

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2. (5 points) Consider the following three points.

$$A = (0, 1, -2), \quad B = (1, 2, 1), \quad C = (1, 4, -3)$$

(a) Find the angle $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$ between vectors \mathbf{AB} and \mathbf{BC} .

$$\vec{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

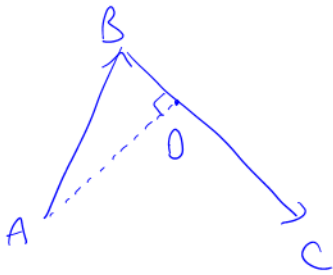
$$\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BC} = \|\vec{AB}\| \|\vec{BC}\| \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BC}}{\|\vec{AB}\| \|\vec{BC}\|}$$

$$= \frac{0+2-12}{\sqrt{1+1+9} \sqrt{0+4+16}} = \frac{-10}{\sqrt{11} \sqrt{20}}$$

$$\theta \approx 132.4^\circ \text{ or } 2.31 \text{ rads}$$

(b) Find the vector component of \mathbf{AB} along \mathbf{BC} .



$$\vec{DB} = \text{proj}_{\vec{BC}}(\vec{AB}) = \frac{\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{AB}}{\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{BC}} \vec{BC}$$

$$= \frac{-10}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) Find the vector component of \mathbf{AB} perpendicular to \mathbf{BC} .

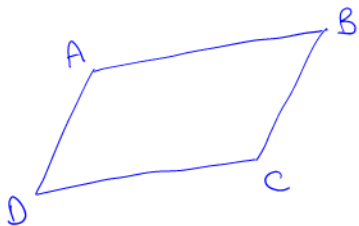
$$\vec{AB} = \vec{AD} + \vec{DB}$$

$$\text{so } \vec{AD} = \vec{AB} - \vec{DB}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. (5 points) The parallelogram $ABCD$ has vertices at $A = (1, 1, -1)$, $B = (-3, 2, -2)$, and $C = (-2, 2, 1)$. The convention is that the points are named in order as you go around the perimeter of the geometric figure. So point A is connected to points B and D .

(a) Is this parallelogram a rectangle? Explain briefly.



$$\vec{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

if $\vec{AB} \perp \vec{BC}$, then the dot product equals zero

$$\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BC} = -4(1) + 0 + (-1)(3) \neq 0$$

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No, not a rectangle

(b) Is this parallelogram a rhombus? (A rhombus is a parallelogram with all four sides of equal length.) Explain briefly.

$$\|\vec{AB}\| = \sqrt{16 + 1 + 1} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$\|\vec{BC}\| = \sqrt{1 + 0 + 9} = \sqrt{10}$$

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sides are of different length, so

No, not a rhombus

(c) Calculate the coordinates of point D .

$$\vec{AD} = \vec{D} - \vec{A} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{AD} = \vec{BC}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \vec{D} &= \vec{A} + \vec{AD} \\ &= \vec{A} + \vec{BC} \end{aligned}$$

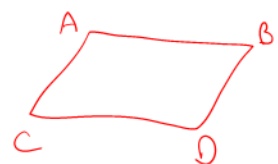
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

point $D = (2, 1, 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } \vec{AB} &= \vec{DC} \\ \text{and } \vec{DC} &= \vec{C} - \vec{D} \\ \vec{D} &= \vec{C} - \vec{DC} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

for some result

note: if used



set $(-6, 3, 0)$

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4. (5 points) Consider the following plane.

$$\begin{cases} x = 5 - s + t \\ y = 4 + 2s - t \\ z = 1 - 2s \end{cases}$$

Calculate the distance from this plane to the point $P = (1, -2, 9)$.

the plane center is the point $(5, 4, 1)$ and vectors $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (1)

normal is then $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -2\hat{j} + \hat{k} - 2\hat{k} - 2\hat{i} = -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$

$$\vec{N} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

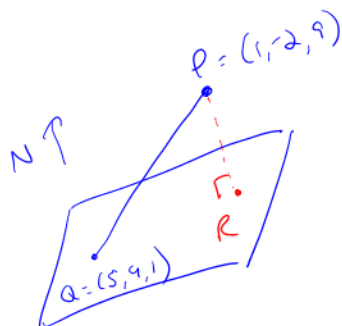
$$\vec{PQ} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{PR} &= \text{proj}_{\vec{N}}(\vec{PQ}) \\ &= \frac{\vec{N} \cdot \vec{PQ}}{\vec{N} \cdot \vec{N}} \vec{N} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-8 - 12 + 8}{4 + 4 + 1} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{-12}{9} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{4}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{distance} = \|\vec{PR}\| = \frac{4}{3} \sqrt{4 + 4 + 1} = \frac{4}{3} \cdot 3 = 4$$

$$\boxed{\text{distance} = 4} \quad (1)$$



5. (6 points) Consider the following systems.

(a) Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to solve the following system and be sure to specify which row operations you are using. Write your answer in column vector form.

$$\begin{cases} 3x + y + 5z = -11 \\ x - y + 3z = -9 \\ -2x + y - 5z = 14 \end{cases}$$

RREF (3)
solution (1)

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 1 & 5 & -11 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & -9 \\ -2 & 1 & -5 & 14 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 3 & -9 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & -11 \\ -2 & 1 & -5 & 14 \end{array} \right]$$

only (1)
row-echelon,
no RREF

then $\begin{cases} x = -2t - 5 \\ y = t + 4 \\ z = t \end{cases}$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 + 2R_1 \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 3 & -9 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 & 16 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -4 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1 - R_3 \\ \frac{1}{4} R_2 \\ R_3 + \frac{1}{4} R_2 \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{cases} x + 2z = -5 \\ y - z = 4 \end{cases}$$

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let $z = t$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) For which values of h and k does the following system have no solutions? (Use any method.)

$$\begin{cases} x + 6y = h \\ -4x + ky = 10 \end{cases} \quad \text{mult by } -4$$

$$\begin{cases} -4x - 24y = -4h \\ -4x + ky = 10 \end{cases}$$

(2)

so $k = -24$

$$-4h \neq 10$$

$$k = -24$$

$$h \neq -\frac{5}{2}$$