

VCU
MATH 307
 MULTIVARIATE CALCULUS

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TEST 1



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Directions. Solve the following questions in the space provided. Unless noted otherwise, you must show your work to receive full credit. This is a closed-book, closed-notes test. Calculators, computers, etc., are not used. Put your final answer in a box, where appropriate.

6. (10 pts.) Consider the following vectors:

$$\mathbf{u} = \langle 1, 3, -2 \rangle, \quad \mathbf{v} = \langle 2, 2, 4 \rangle, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{w} = \left\langle -1, -2, \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle.$$

State all pairs that are orthogonal to each other.

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

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} = -1 - 6 - 3 = -10 \neq 0$$

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = -2 - 4 + 6 = \boxed{0}$$

Therefore $\vec{u} \perp \vec{v}$ and $\vec{v} \perp \vec{w}$

Good Luck!

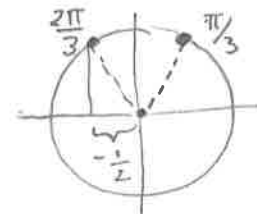
1. (25 points) Let $\mathbf{u} = \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v} = \langle 0, -1, 1 \rangle$.

(a) $|\mathbf{u}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 0} = \boxed{\sqrt{2}}$

(b) Find a unit vector with the same direction as \mathbf{u} . $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle = \boxed{\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 \right\rangle}$

(c) $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0 - 1 + 0 = \boxed{-1}$

(d) Find the angle θ between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} . $\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{u}| |\vec{v}|} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{2}} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) = \boxed{\frac{2\pi}{3}}$



(e) Find a vector orthogonal to both \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \boxed{\langle 1, -1, -1 \rangle}$$

2. (20 pts.) Consider the vectors $\mathbf{u} = \langle 1, 1, 3 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v} = \langle -1, 2, 1 \rangle$ (in standard position).

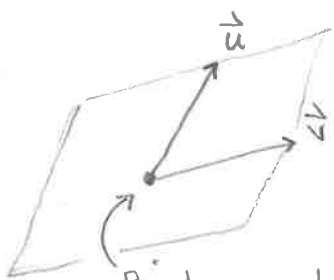
- (a) Find the area of the parallelogram formed by \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

$$A = |\vec{u} \times \vec{v}| = | \langle -5, -4, 3 \rangle | = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (-4)^2 + 3^2}$$

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \langle -5, -4, 3 \rangle = \sqrt{25 + 16 + 9} = \sqrt{50}$$

$$= \sqrt{25 \cdot 2} = \boxed{5\sqrt{2} \text{ square units}}$$

- (b) Find the equation of the plane that \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} line in.



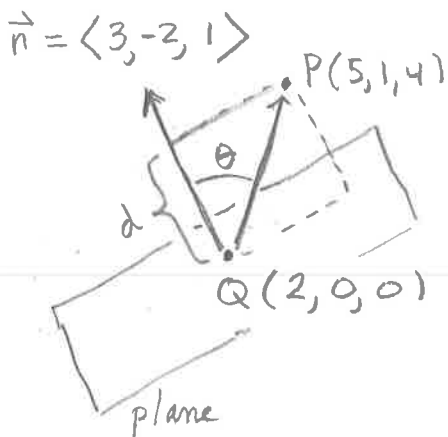
Plane has normal vector $\vec{n} = \langle -5, -4, 3 \rangle$ (from above) and contains the origin $(0,0,0)$

$$\text{Equation: } \boxed{-5x - 4y + 3z = 0}$$

3. (15 pts.) Find the distance between the point $P(5, 1, 4)$ and the plane whose equation is $3x - 2y + z = 6$.

Normal to the plane is $\vec{n} = \langle 3, -2, 1 \rangle$

Point on plane: $Q(2, 0, 0)$ (because it satisfies $3x - 2y + z = 6$)



By trigonometry, distance is

$$d = |\vec{QP}| \cos \theta$$

$$= \frac{|\vec{QP}| |\vec{n}| \cos \theta}{|\vec{n}|}$$

$$= \frac{\vec{QP} \cdot \vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{\langle 3, 1, 4 \rangle \cdot \langle 3, -2, 1 \rangle}{\sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 1}}$$

$$= \frac{9 - 2 + 4}{\sqrt{14}} = \boxed{\frac{11}{\sqrt{14}} \text{ units}}$$

4. (15 pts.) Find the length of the curve

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle t, 1, \frac{2}{3}t^{3/2} \right\rangle \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 8.$$

$$\int_0^8 \sqrt{\left(\frac{d}{dt}[t]\right)^2 + \left(\frac{d}{dt}[1]\right)^2 + \left(\frac{d}{dt}\left[\frac{2}{3}t^{3/2}\right]\right)^2} dt$$

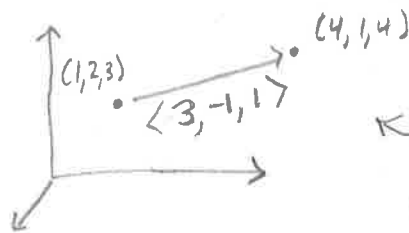
$$= \int_0^8 \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + (t^{1/2})^2} dt = \int_0^8 \sqrt{1+t} dt = \int_0^8 (1+t)^{1/2} dt$$

$$= \left[\frac{2}{3}(1+t)^{3/2} \right]_0^8 = \left[\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{1+t}^3 \right]_0^8$$

$u = 1+t$
 $du = dt$
 $\int (1+t)^{1/2} dt = \int u^{1/2} du = \frac{2}{3}u^{3/2}$
 $= \frac{2}{3}(1+t)^{3/2}$

$$= \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{1+8}^3 - \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{1+0}^3 = \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{9}^3 - \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{1}^3 = \frac{2}{3}3^3 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{52}{3} \text{ units}$$

5. (15 pts.) At time $t = 0$ (seconds) a particle is at the point $(1, 2, 3)$. It travels in a straight line to the point $(4, 1, 4)$. It has a speed of 2 units per second at $(1, 2, 3)$ and a constant acceleration of $\langle 3, -1, 1 \rangle$. Find the position vector $\mathbf{r}(t)$ of the particle.



Note: It travels in the direction of $\langle 3, -1, 1 \rangle$

Know: $\vec{r}(0) = (1, 2, 3)$

$$\vec{v}(0) = 2 \frac{\langle 3, -1, 1 \rangle}{\|\langle 3, -1, 1 \rangle\|} = 2 \frac{\langle 3, -1, 1 \rangle}{\sqrt{3^2 + 1^2 + 1^2}} = \left\langle \frac{6}{\sqrt{11}}, \frac{-2}{\sqrt{11}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}} \right\rangle$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = \langle 3, -1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \int \vec{a}(t) dt = \langle 3t + C_1, -t + C_2, t + C_3 \rangle \quad \text{(need to find } C_i)$$

$$\left\langle \frac{6}{\sqrt{11}}, \frac{-2}{\sqrt{11}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}} \right\rangle = \vec{v}(0) = \langle 3 \cdot 0 + C_1, -0 + C_2, 0 + C_3 \rangle = \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 \rangle$$

Therefore $\vec{v}(t) = \left\langle 3t + \frac{6}{\sqrt{11}}, -t - \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}}, t + \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}} \right\rangle$

$$\text{Thus } \vec{r}(t) = \int \vec{v}(t) dt = \left\langle \frac{3t^2}{2} + \frac{6}{\sqrt{11}}t + C_1, -\frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}}t + C_2, \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}}t + C_3 \right\rangle$$

But $\langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle = \vec{r}(0) = \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 \rangle$

Thus $\vec{r}(t) = \left\langle \frac{3t^2}{2} + \frac{6}{\sqrt{11}}t + 1, -\frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}}t + 2, \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{11}}t + 3 \right\rangle$