

Solution for Review Problems I

MATH 2850 – 004

The detail of the information about the first midterm can be found at <http://www.math.utoledo.edu/~mtsui/calc06sp/exam/midterm1.html>

The first midterm will cover 13.1, 13.2, 13.3, 13.4 and 13.5.

The first midterm will be held on Feb. 1 (Wednesday) in class.

My office hours next week(exam week) is Monday 1-3 p.m., Tuesday 12-1:45 p.m. and Wednesday 1-3 p.m.

- (1) Let \vec{F}_3 denote third force applied to the object. Since object is to remain stationary, the total force on it must be zero: $\vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 = \vec{0}$. Hence, we have $\vec{F}_3 = -\vec{F}_1 - \vec{F}_2 = -11\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$.
- (2) (a) We want to find r and s such that $\langle 2, 1 \rangle = r \langle 1, 2 \rangle + s \langle 1, -1 \rangle$. Since $r \langle 1, 2 \rangle + s \langle 1, -1 \rangle = \langle r + s, 2r - s \rangle$, we have $r + s = 2$ and $2r - s = 1$ by comparison the coefficient in each component of the vector. It follows that $r = 1$ and $s = 1$.
- (b) The set of vectors are those vectors whose starting points are origin and whose end points lie in the parallelogram spanned by $\{-2\vec{u} + \vec{v}, -2\vec{u} + 2\vec{v}, -\vec{u} + \vec{v}, -\vec{u} + 2\vec{v}\}$.
- (c) The set of vectors are those vectors whose starting points are origin and whose end points lie on the line between $2\vec{u}$ and $2\vec{u} + \frac{2}{3}\vec{v}$.
- (3) (a) Using $A = (2, 2, 2)$, $B = (4, 2, 1)$ and $C = (2, 3, 1)$, We have $\vec{AB} = \langle 2, 0, -1 \rangle$, $\vec{AC} = \langle 0, 1, -1 \rangle$ and $\vec{BC} = \langle -2, 1, 0 \rangle$.

The length of the sides of S are:

$$\|\vec{AB}\| = \sqrt{2^2 + 0^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{5},$$

$$\|\vec{AC}\| = \sqrt{(0)^2 + (1)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2},$$

$$\|\vec{BC}\| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (1)^2 + (0)^2} = \sqrt{5}.$$

- (b) Let θ be the angle BAC at vertex A .

$$\text{We have } \cos(\theta) = \frac{\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{AC}}{\|\vec{AB}\| \cdot \|\vec{AC}\|} = \frac{\langle 2, 0, -1 \rangle \cdot \langle 0, 1, -1 \rangle}{\sqrt{5} \cdot \sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}.$$

- (c) First we find

$$\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{k} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 2\vec{k} = \langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle$$

Thus the area of the triangle $ABC = \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}\| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + 1} = \frac{3}{2}$.

- (d) The vector $\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC} = \langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle$ is perpendicular to the plane that contains the points A , B and C .
- (e) Using $D = (3, 1, 1)$, we have $\vec{AD} = \langle 1, -1, -1 \rangle$, Thus $(\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}) \cdot \vec{AD} = \langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, -1, -1 \rangle = -2 \neq 0$. Hence A , B , C and D are not on the same plane.
- (f) Using $E = (6, 3, -1)$, we have $\vec{AE} = \langle 4, -1, -3 \rangle$, Thus $(\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}) \cdot \vec{AE} = \langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle 4, -1, -3 \rangle = 0$. Hence A , B , C and D are on the same plane.
- (g) The volume of the parallelepiped formed by \vec{AB} , \vec{AC} and \vec{AD}
 $= |(\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}) \cdot \vec{AD}| = |-2| = 2$.

- (4) Since the geometric definition of the cross product implies that $\|\vec{v} \times \vec{w}\| = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\| \sin(\theta)$ and the geometric definition of the dot product states that $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\| \cos(\theta)$, we have

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\cos(\theta)} = \frac{\|\vec{v} \times \vec{w}\|}{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}} = \frac{\sqrt{(2)^2 + (-3)^2 + (5)^2}}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{38}}{3}.$$

- (5) Show that the vectors $(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b}$ and \vec{c} are perpendicular.

Since

$$\begin{aligned} ((\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} &= (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}) \\ &= (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) - (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

we conclude that $(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b}$ and \vec{c} are perpendicular to each other.

- (6) The projection formula implies that the component of the wind parallel to the dash is

$Proj_{\vec{v}} \vec{w} = \frac{\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|^2} \vec{v} = \frac{16}{40}(2\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}) = \frac{4}{5}\vec{i} + \frac{12}{5}\vec{j}$ and its magnitude is $\|Proj_{\vec{v}} \vec{w}\| = \sqrt{(\frac{4}{5})^2 + (\frac{12}{5})^2} = \frac{\sqrt{160}}{5}$. Since $\frac{\sqrt{160}}{5} < 5$, we have $\|Proj_{\vec{v}} \vec{w}\| < 5$. Therefore, the wind speed measured in the direction of the dash is less than 5 km h^{-1} and the race results will not be disqualified due to an illegal wind.

- (7) (a) $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$.
 (b) $0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$.
 (c) $\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta \leq \pi$.
 (d) $\theta = 0$ or $\theta = \pi$.

- (8) (a) Let $P = (2, 4, 1)$ and $Q = (4, 5, 3)$. The direction of the line is $\overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle 4 - 2, 5 - 4, 3 - 1 \rangle = \langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle$. The vector equation is $\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle 2, 4, 1 \rangle + t \langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle$ or $x = 2 + 2t$, $y = 4 + t$ and $z = 1 + 2t$.
- (b) (i) The direction of the line determined by $(13, 14, 12)$ and $(12, 12, 11)$ is $\langle -1, 2, 1 \rangle$ which is not parallel to $\langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle$.
- (ii) The direction of the line determined by $(7, 8, 6)$ and $(8, 8, 7)$ is $\langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle$ which is not parallel to $\langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle$.
- (iii) The direction of the line determined by $(9, 10, 8)$ and $(13, 12, 12)$ is $\langle 4, 2, 4 \rangle = 2 \langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle$ which is parallel to $\langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle$.
- (c) The direction of the line is $\overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle 4 - 2, 5 - 4, 3 - 1 \rangle = \langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle$. The starting point of the line is $(1, 1, 1)$. So the equation of the line is $x = 1 + 2t$, $y = 1 + t$ and $z = 1 + 2t$.
- (d) The direction of the line $\frac{x-2}{2} = -\frac{y}{1} = \frac{z-2}{2}$ is $\langle 2, -1, 2 \rangle$. The starting point of the line is $(1, 1, 1)$. So the equation of the line is $x = 1 + 2t$, $y = 1 - t$ and $z = 1 + 2t$.
- (9) (a) (i) Method 1. Since the graph of the linear function intersects the xz -plane along the line $z = 2x - 3$, we know it has the form $2x + cy - z - 3 = 0$ for some constant c . Moreover, the point $(1, 2, 1)$ lies on the plane if and only if $2 + c(2) - 1 - 3 = 0$ which means $c = 1$. Therefore, the required equation is $2x + y - z - 3 = 0$.

(ii) Method 2. We can find two points on the $x - z$ plane with $z = 2x - 3$. Choosing $x = 0$ and $x = 1$, we get $(0, 0, -3)$ and $(1, 0, -1)$. Thus $P = (1, 2, 1)$, $Q = (0, 0, -3)$ and $R = (1, 0, -1)$ determine a plane. A normal vector is $\vec{n} = \overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} = \langle -1, -2, -4 \rangle \times \langle 0, -2, -2 \rangle$

$$= \left\langle \begin{vmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}, -\begin{vmatrix} -1 & -4 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \right\rangle = \langle -4, -2, 2 \rangle.$$

The equation of the plane is determined by a point $P = (1, 2, 1)$ and the normal vector $\langle -4, -2, 2 \rangle$. This gives $\langle x - 1, y - 2, z - 1 \rangle \cdot \langle -4, -2, 2 \rangle = 0$. We get $-4x - 2y + 2z + 4 + 4 - 2 = 0$ which can be simplified as $2x + y - z - 3 = 0$.

- (b) The equation of the plane with normal vector $\vec{i} - \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ and passing through the point $(1, 1, 1)$ is $\langle 1, -1, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle x - 1, y - 1, z - 1 \rangle = (x - 1) - (y - 1) + (z - 1) = 0$ or $x - y + z = 1$.

(c) Let θ be the angle between the planes defined by $3x + 2y - z = 7$ and $x - 4y + 2z = 0$.

$$\text{We have } \cos(\theta) = \frac{\langle 3, 2, -1 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, -4, 2 \rangle}{\| \langle 3, 2, -1 \rangle \| \| \langle 1, -4, 2 \rangle \|} = \frac{-7}{\sqrt{14}\sqrt{21}} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ and } \theta = \arccos\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}}\right).$$

(d) The plane that is perpendicular to the planes $3x + 2y - z = 7$ and $x - 4y + 2z = 0$ has normal vector

$$\langle 3, 2, -1 \rangle \times \langle 1, -4, 2 \rangle = \langle 0, -7, -14 \rangle. \text{ Thus the equation of the plane is } -7y - 14z = -21, \text{ that is } y + 2z = 3.$$

(10) (a) The distance between the point $(1, 2, 3)$ and the plane $2x - 2y + z = 7$ is $\frac{|2 \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot (2) + 3 - 7|}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{|-6|}{3} = 2$.

(b) The plane $4x - 2y + 4z = 7$ can be rewritten as $2x - y + 2z = \frac{7}{2}$. Using the distance formula between planes, the distance between P_1 and P_2 is $\frac{|10 - \frac{7}{2}|}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2}} = \frac{13}{6}$.

(c) A plane P is drawn through the points $A = (1, -1, 0)$, $B = (0, 1, -1)$ and $C = (1, 0, -1)$. Find the distance between the plane P and the point $(1, 1, 1)$.

The vectors

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = (0 - 1)\vec{i} + (1 + 1)\vec{j} + (-1 - 0)\vec{k} = -\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - \vec{k} \text{ and}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = (1 - 1)\vec{i} + (0 + 1)\vec{j} + (-1 - 0)\vec{k} = \vec{j} - \vec{k}$$

both lie in the plane. Hence, the vector

$$\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = -\vec{i} - \vec{j} - \vec{k}$$

is perpendicular to the plane and the equation of the plane is

$$-1(x - 1) - 1(y + 1) - 1(z - 0) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x + y + z = 0.$$

The distance between the plane P and the point $(1, 1, 1)$ is $\sqrt{3}$.

(11) Section 12.7 will not be in the test.

(12) The sphere $(x - 2)^2 + (y - 1)^2 + (z + 1)^2 = 4$ has its center at $C = (2, 1, -1)$ with radius 2. Thus the distance between the center and the plane P_1 :

$2x + 2y - z = 1$ is $\frac{|2 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 1 - (-1) - 1|}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2}} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$ which equals to the radius of the sphere. Thus the plane P_1 intersects the sphere at one point.

The distance between the center and the plane $P_2 : 2x + 2y - z = -1$ is $\frac{|2 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 1 - (-1) - (-1)|}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2}} = \frac{8}{3}$ which is greater than the radius of the sphere. Thus the plane P_2 doesn't intersect the sphere.

The distance between the center and the plane $P_3 : 2x - y + 2z = 4$ is $\frac{|2 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 1 - (-1) - (4)|}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2}} = \frac{3}{3} = 1$ which is smaller than the radius of the sphere. Thus the intersection of the plane P_3 with the sphere is a circle with radius $\sqrt{3^2 - 1^2} = \sqrt{8}$.