

20W-MATH32A-4 Midterm 1

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TOTAL POINTS

98 / 100

QUESTION 1

1 True/False 5 / 5

- 1 pts Part A
- 1 pts Part B
- 1 pts Part C
- 1 pts Part D
- 1 pts Part D
- ✓ - 0 pts Perfect

☞ Don't worry, I checked this against your original paper.

QUESTION 2

Plane 25 pts

2.1 Equation of Plane 15 / 15

- ✓ + 10 pts Obtain normal
- ✓ + 5 pts Equation of plane
- + 0 pts No useful progress
- + 3 pts Wrong constant/sign error
- + 8 pts Error in normal computation
- + 2 pts Partial credit
- + 5 pts Partial credit for normal

2.2 Area of triangle 5 / 5

- ✓ + 3 pts Using normal/cross product
- ✓ + 2 pts Answer
- + 0 pts No useful progress
- + 3 pts Other method
- + 1 pts Partial credit

2.3 Coplanar 5 / 5

- ✓ + 3 pts Check in equation
- ✓ + 2 pts Answer
- + 0 pts No useful progress
- + 3 pts Other method

+ 2 pts Partial credit

QUESTION 3

3 Line/Plane Intersection 20 / 20

- ✓ + 7 pts Describe line
- ✓ + 3 pts Check plane
- ✓ + 5 pts Solve, $t = 2$
- ✓ + 5 pts Conclude, find (5, -2, 3)
- + 0 pts No useful progress
- + 4 pts Partial credit for line
- + 3 pts Misc partial credit

QUESTION 4

Projections/Minimum Distance 25 pts

4.1 Compute Length of Projection 10 / 10

- ✓ - 0 pts Correct
- 0 pts Identifying the normal vector
- 0 pts Finding a point
- 0 pts Computing the vector RP
- 0 pts Computing the projection
- 0 pts Computing the norm
- 3 pts Critical computation error
- 2 pts Incorrect length
- 10 pts No work shown

4.2 Closest Point 10 / 10

- ✓ - 0 pts Correct
- 10 pts No work given
- 3 pts Critical calculation mistake

4.3 Closest point on Sphere 5 / 5

- ✓ - 0 pts Correct
- 5 pts No work shown
- 2 pts Wrong direction for normal vector!
- 3 pts Critical computation error

- 1 pts Arithmetic error

QUESTION 5

Intersection of Paths and Angles 25 pts

5.1 Sketch 2d Curve 8 / 10

- 0 pts Correct

✓ - 2 pts No Labels

- 4 pts Incorrect graph

- 10 pts No work shown

- 2 pts Incorrect range

- 1 pts Incorrect direction

5.2 Compute Intersection 10 / 10

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 2 pts Missing Point of Intersection

- 3 pts Not checking for intersection

- 3 pts Incorrect substitution (using $t=1$ instead of finding value of t)

- 4 pts No work shown

- 10 pts No work given

- 3 pts Critical arithmetic error

5.3 Compute Angle 5 / 5

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 3 pts Incorrect dot product computation

- 2 pts Incorrect angle

- 0 pts Error from previous part

- 1 pts Incorrect differentiation

- 2 pts Incorrect angle computation

- 1 pts Computation error

- 10 pts No work shown

Midterm 1

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Question	Points	Score
1	5	
2	25	
3	20	
4	25	
5	25	
Total:	100	

1. True or False:

(a) (1 point) For any vector \vec{v} in \mathbb{R}^3 ,

$$\|\vec{v} \times \vec{v}\| = \|\vec{v}\|^2$$

False

(b) (1 point) If $\|\vec{v}\| = \|\vec{w}\|$, then $\vec{v} = \pm \vec{w}$

False

(c) (1 point) For any pair of vectors \vec{u}, \vec{v} in \mathbb{R}^3 , we have that

True

$$(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{u} = 0$$

(d) (1 point) If \vec{v} and \vec{w} are parallel vectors, then they have the same direction.

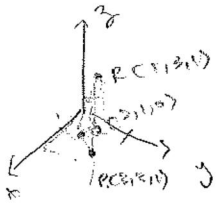
(e) (1 point) If \vec{v} is a direction vector for a line, then so are $2\vec{v}$

Handwritten notes:

- parametric plane from $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- intersection = $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- check if 2 lines intersect
- $\vec{r} = \text{init} + \text{tail}$
- $\vec{w} = \text{length} \cdot \text{dir}$
- $\vec{w} = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- $\vec{w} = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- $\vec{w} = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- $\vec{w} = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- area via $\vec{v} \times \vec{w}$
- vector \vec{v}
- rect-ang
- path = $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- circle $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_0 + r(\cos t \vec{u} + \sin t \vec{v})$
- $\frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}(t) = \vec{v}$
- $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$
- $\frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}(t) = \vec{v}$
- $\frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}(t) = \vec{v}$
- cross = $\vec{v} \times \vec{w}$

2. Consider the points $P = (3, 3, 1)$, $Q = (2, 1, 0)$, and $R = (1, 3, 1)$.

(a) (15 points) Find the equation of the plane containing the points P , Q , and R .



Plane PQR : $P = (3, 3, 1)$, $Q = (2, 1, 0)$, $R = (1, 3, 1)$

$$\vec{PQ} = \langle 2-3, 1-3, 0-1 \rangle = \langle -1, -2, -1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{PR} = \langle 1-3, 3-3, 1-1 \rangle = \langle -2, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{n} \perp (\vec{PQ} \text{ and } \vec{PR}) = \vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}$$

$$\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} = \langle -1, -2, -1 \rangle \times \langle -2, 0, 0 \rangle$$

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

$$= i(0) - j(0+2) + k(0+4) = -2j + 4k = \langle 0, -2, 4 \rangle$$

plane = \vec{n} and a point on plane

$$\text{Plane } PQR \Rightarrow \vec{n} = \langle a, b, c \rangle, \text{ point} = Q = (2, 1, 0)$$

$$= a(x-x_0) + b(y-y_0) + c(z-z_0) = 0$$

$$0(x-2) + (-2)(y-1) + 4(z-0) = 0$$

$$\text{Plane } PQR = -2(y-1) + 4z = 0$$

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(b) (5 points) Find the area of the triangle formed by the points P , Q , and R .

$$\text{area of } \triangle PQR = \frac{1}{2}bh = \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{v} \times \vec{w}\| = \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}\|$$

$$\vec{PQ} = \langle -1, -2, -1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} = \langle 0, -2, 4 \rangle$$

$$\vec{PR} = \langle -2, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\|\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}\| = \sqrt{0^2 + (-2)^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{4 + 16} = \sqrt{20}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}\| = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{20}) = \frac{1}{2}(2\sqrt{5}) = \sqrt{5} \text{ units}^2$$

(c) (5 points) Are the four points P , Q , R , and $S = (7, 4, 0)$ coplanar? Justify your answer.

4 points P, Q, R and S are coplanar if S is on plane PQR and is valid in plane equation for $PQR = -2(y-1) + 4z = 0$

$$S = (7, 4, 0)$$

$$-2(4-1) + 4(0) = -2(3) + 0 = -6 \neq 0$$

No because S is not valid in the plane equation, so the 4 points are not on the same plane.

3. (20 points) Let L be the line through the points $(1, 0, 7)$ and $(3, -1, 5)$. Does L intersect the plane $x + y + z = 6$? If not, justify your answer. If L does intersect the plane, find the intersection.

$$L = \text{line w/ point } P_0 = (1, 0, 7), \quad P_1 = (3, -1, 5)$$

$$L = (1, 0, 7) + t \langle 3-1, -1-0, 5-7 \rangle$$

$$= (1, 0, 7) + t \langle 2, -1, -2 \rangle$$

$$= \langle \overset{x}{1+2t}, \overset{y}{-t}, \overset{z}{7-2t} \rangle$$

$$\text{plane } P = x + y + z = 6$$

$$(1+2t) + (-t) + (7-2t) = 6$$

$$\overset{+t}{1+2t} - t + 7 - 2t = 6$$

$$8 - t = 6$$

$$8 - 6 = t \Rightarrow t = 2$$

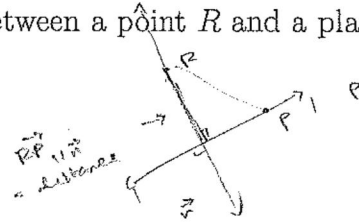
$$L(2) = \langle 1+2(2), -2, 7-2(2) \rangle$$

$$= \langle 1+4, -2, 7-4 \rangle = \langle 5, -2, 3 \rangle$$

Yes, L intersects the plane @ point $(5, -2, 3)$.

4. Fix a point P on a plane \mathcal{P} . Recall that the distance between a point R and a plane \mathcal{P} in \mathbb{R}^3 with normal vector $\vec{n} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ is given by

$$\| \vec{RP}_{\parallel \vec{n}} \|,$$



the length of the orthogonal projection of \vec{RP} on to \vec{n} .

(a) (10 points) Compute the distance between the point $R = (4, -2, 2)$ and the plane with vector form by $\langle 2, -1, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle x, y, z \rangle = -4$.

$$R = (4, -2, 2), \quad \text{plane} = 2x - y + 2z = -4$$

$$\vec{n} = \langle 2, -1, 2 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{n}\| &= \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2} \\ &= \sqrt{4 + 1 + 4} \\ &= \sqrt{9} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{distance between } R \text{ and plane} = \| \vec{RP}_{\parallel \vec{n}} \|$$

$$P = \text{point on line} = (1, b, b)$$

$$z = b$$

$$2b - y = -4$$

$$2b - 4 = -y$$

$$b = 1, \quad y = 0 = 2b$$

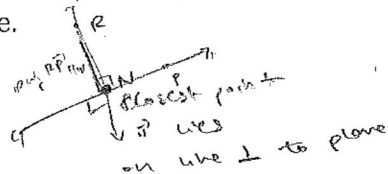
$$\vec{RP} = \langle 1-4, b+2, 0-2 \rangle = \langle -3, b, -2 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{RP}_{\parallel \vec{n}} &= \left(\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|} \right) \left(\frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|} \right) = \left(\frac{\vec{RP} \cdot \vec{n}}{\|\vec{n}\|^2} \right) \left(\frac{\vec{n}}{\|\vec{n}\|} \right) = \left(\frac{\langle -3, b, -2 \rangle \cdot \langle 2, -1, 2 \rangle}{3^2} \right) \left(\frac{\langle 2, -1, 2 \rangle}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{(-6) + (-2) + (-4)}{3} \left(\left\langle \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\rangle \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-12}{3} \left(\left\langle \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right\rangle \right) = \left\langle -4, 2, -4 \right\rangle$$

$$\| \vec{RP}_{\parallel \vec{n}} \| = \sqrt{4^2 + 2^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{2(16) + 4} = \sqrt{36} = 6 \text{ units}$$

(b) (10 points) Find point on \mathcal{P} that is closest to R . Hint: $\vec{RP}_{\parallel \vec{n}}$ points "towards" the plane.



point N closest to $R = 6$ units away
point R is dir of plane \mathcal{P} , along
the $\vec{RP}_{\parallel \vec{n}} \perp$ to plane \mathcal{P}

$$N = R + b \left(\frac{\vec{RP}_{\parallel \vec{n}}}{\| \vec{RP}_{\parallel \vec{n}} \|} \right) = (4, -2, 2) + 6 \left(\frac{\langle -4, 2, -4 \rangle}{6} \right)$$

$$= (4-4, -2+2, 2-4)$$

$$= \langle 0, 0, -2 \rangle$$

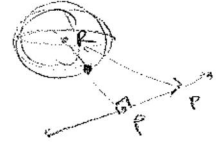
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(c) (5 points) Which point on the sphere $(x-4)^2 + (y+2)^2 + (z-2)^2 = 16$ is closest to the plane P ?

sphere $S = (x-4)^2 + (y+2)^2 + (z-2)^2 = 16$

$C = \text{centre} = (4, -2, 2)$, $R = 4$



point on sphere closest to plane $P =$ point N

on the edge of sphere, R units away

from centre, in direction of $\frac{\vec{CP}}{\|\vec{CP}\|} \vec{n}$ where \vec{n} = normal vector to plane

$$N = C + R \left(\frac{\vec{CP}}{\|\vec{CP}\|} \vec{n} \right)$$

$P = (1, 6, 0)$
 $\vec{CP} = \langle 1-4, 6+2, 0-2 \rangle$
 $= \langle -3, 8, -2 \rangle$

$\vec{CP}_{\|\vec{n}\|} = \langle -4, 2, 2 \rangle$

$\|\vec{CP}_{\|\vec{n}\|}\| = 6$

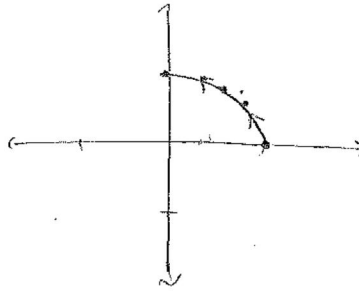
$$= (4, -2, 2) + \frac{4}{6} \langle -4, 2, 2 \rangle$$

$$= (4, -2, 2) + \langle -\frac{8}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{3} \rangle$$

$$= \left(4 - \frac{8}{3}, -2 + \frac{4}{3}, 2 + \frac{8}{3} \right)$$

5. (a) (10 points) If a and b are positive numbers, sketch the curve in \mathbb{R}^2 traced out by $\langle a \cos(t), b \sin(t) \rangle$ when $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$.

t	$a \cos t$	$b \sin t$
0	1	0
$\pi/6$	$\sqrt{3}/2$	$1/2$
$\pi/4$	$\sqrt{2}/2$	$\sqrt{2}/2$
$\pi/3$	$1/2$	$\sqrt{3}/2$
$\pi/2$	0	1



- (b) (10 points) What point lies on the intersection of the curves traced out by the functions $\vec{r}(t) = \langle \cos(t), 2 \sin(t), 1 \rangle$ and $\vec{p}(s) = \langle 3s^3 - 9s + 6, 2e^{s-1}, 2s - 1 \rangle$?

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle \cos(t), 2 \sin(t), 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{p}(s) = \langle 3s^3 - 9s + 6, 2e^{s-1}, 2s - 1 \rangle$$

$$3s^3 - 9s + 6 = 3(1) - 9 + 6 = 3 - 9 + 6 = 0 \quad (t = \pi/2)$$

$$2 \sin(t) = 2e^{s-1} = 2e^{-1} = 2e^0 = 2, \quad \sin(t) = 1 \quad (t = \pi/2)$$

$$1 = 2s - 1 \Rightarrow 2 = 2s \Rightarrow s = 2/2 = 1$$

$$s = 1, \quad t = \pi/2$$

$$\text{point} = \langle \cos(\pi/2), 2 \sin(\pi/2), 1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0, 2, 1 \rangle$$

Question 5 continued...

- (c) (5 points) The angle of intersection between two curves is the angle between their tangent vectors at the point of intersection. Compute \vec{r}' and \vec{p}' , then find the angle of intersection.

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle \cos(t), 2\sin(t), 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \langle -\sin(t), 2\cos(t), 0 \rangle = \langle -\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right), 2\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right), 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle -1, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\|\vec{r}'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 0^2} = 1$$

$$\vec{p}(t) = \langle 3t^3 - 9t + 6, 2e^{t-1}, 2t - 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{p}'(t) = \langle 9t^2 - 9, 2e^{t-1}, 2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{p}'(1) = \langle 9 - 9, 2e^0, 2 \rangle = \langle 0, 2, 2 \rangle \quad \|\vec{p}'(1)\| = \sqrt{0^2 + 4 + 4} = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\theta \text{ of intersection} \Rightarrow \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\| \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}}{\|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\|} \right)$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\vec{r}'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cdot \vec{p}'(1)}{\|\vec{r}'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\| \|\vec{p}'(1)\|} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\langle -1, 0, 0 \rangle \cdot \langle 0, 2, 2 \rangle}{(1)(2\sqrt{2})} \right)$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{0 + 0 + 0}{1(2\sqrt{2})} \right) = \cos^{-1}(0) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$