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Math 32A  
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Midterm 1

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1. (20 pts) Consider the vectors  $u = (3, 0, 1)$ ,  $v = (0, 2, 1)$ , and  $w = (0, 2, 2)$ .

(a) (10 pts) Find the area of the parallelogram spanned by  $u$  and  $v$ .

$$A(\square) = \|u \times v\|$$

$$u \times v = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = i \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - j \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + k \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= i(0-2) - j(3-0) + k(6-0)$$

$$= (-2, -3, 6)$$

$$\|u \times v\| = \sqrt{4+9+36} = \sqrt{49} = \boxed{7}$$

(b) (10 pts) Find the volume of the parallelepiped spanned by  $u$ ,  $v$ , and  $w$ .

$$u \cdot (v \times w) = (u \times v) \cdot w$$

$$(-2, -3, 6) \cdot (0, 2, 2) = 0 - 6 + 12 = \boxed{6}$$

2. (20 pts) Give equations for two distinct planes (besides the  $xy$ -plane) in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  whose trace in the  $xy$ -plane has equation  $3x + 4y = 8$ .

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$$\begin{cases} 3x + 4y + 5z = 8 \\ 3x + 4y + 6z = 8 \end{cases}$$

$xy$  plane  $\rightarrow z = 0$

if  $z = 0$ ,  $3x + 4y = 8$  ✓

3. (25 pts) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the plane given by  $2x + 3y - z = 15$  and let  $P_0$  be the point  $(1, 2, 4)$ .

- (a) (10 pts) Find parametric equations for the line which is perpendicular to  $\mathcal{P}$  and contains the point  $P_0$ .

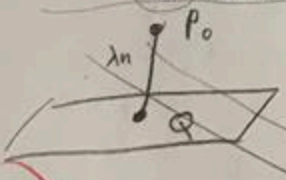
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$$\begin{aligned} n &= (2, 3, -1) \\ \vec{r}(t) &= (2, 3, -1)t + (1, 2, 4) \\ \begin{cases} x(t) = 1 + 2t \\ y(t) = 2 + 3t \\ z(t) = 4 - t \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (15 pts) Find the distance from the point  $P_0$  to the plane  $\mathcal{P}$ .

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$$\begin{aligned} \vec{P_0Q} &= \lambda n \\ &= \lambda(2, 3, -1) \\ (1, 2, 4) - (x, y, z) &= \lambda(2, 3, -1) \end{aligned}$$

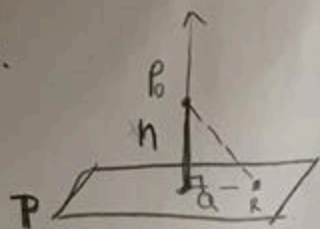
$$\begin{aligned} 1 - x &= 2\lambda & x &= 1 - 2\lambda & 2(1 - 2\lambda) + 3(2 - 3\lambda) - (4 + \lambda) &= \\ 2 - y &= 3\lambda & y &= 2 - 3\lambda & 2 - 4\lambda + 6 - 9\lambda - 4 - \lambda &= 15 \\ 4 - z &= -\lambda & z &= 4 + \lambda & -14\lambda + 4 &= 15 \\ & & & & \lambda &= -\frac{11}{14} \\ & & & & \|\lambda\| &= \frac{11}{14} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{P_0Q}\| &= \left\| \left( \frac{22}{14}, \frac{33}{14}, -\frac{11}{14} \right) \right\| = \sqrt{\frac{22^2 + 33^2 + 11^2}{14^2}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 1}}{14} = \frac{11\sqrt{14}}{14} \end{aligned}$$

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4  
6  
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3)b.



$$n = (2, 3, -1)$$

$$\|n\| = \sqrt{4+9+1}$$

$$= \sqrt{14}$$

R = any point on the plane

$$R = (0, 0, -15)$$

$$P_0 = (1, 2, 4)$$

$$\vec{P_0R} = (0, 0, -15) - (1, 2, 4)$$

$$= (-1, -2, -19)$$

$$\vec{P_0Q} = \vec{P_0R}_{\parallel n} = \left( \frac{\vec{P_0R} \cdot n}{\|n\|^2} \right) n$$

$$= \frac{(\vec{P_0R} \cdot n)}{14} n$$

$$= \frac{(-1, -2, -19) \cdot (2, 3, -1)}{14} (2, 3, -1)$$

$$= \frac{-2 - 6 + 19}{14} (2, 3, -1)$$

$$= \frac{11}{14} (2, 3, -1)$$

$$\|\vec{P_0Q}\| = \frac{11}{14} \|n\|$$

$$= \frac{11}{14} \cdot \sqrt{14}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{11\sqrt{14}}{14}}$$

$$\frac{y^2}{(\sqrt{2})^2} + \frac{z^2}{(\sqrt{3})^2} = 1$$

4. (10 pts) Find a parametrization of the ellipse  $\frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{z^2}{3} = 1$  which has been translated to have center  $(7, 1, 8)$ .

$$r(t) = (0, \sqrt{2} \cos t, \sqrt{3} \sin t) + (7, 1, 8)$$

$$r(t) = (7, \sqrt{2} \cos t + 1, \sqrt{3} \sin t + 8) \quad 10$$

$$\frac{(\sqrt{2} \cos t)^2}{2} + \frac{(\sqrt{3} \sin t)^2}{3} = 1$$

$$\frac{2 \cos^2 t}{2} + \frac{3 \sin^2 t}{3} = 1$$

$$\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

5. (25 pts) Consider the curve  $r(t) = (t^2, 2t, \ln(t))$ .

- (a) (10 pts) Find the tangent line to  $r(t)$  at  $t = 1$ .

$$p = (1^2, 2(1), \ln(1)) = (1, 2, 0)$$

$$v = r'(1) = (2t, 2, \frac{1}{t})|_{t=1} = (2, 2, 1)$$

tangent line:

$$r(t) = (1, 2, 0) + t(2, 2, 1)$$

$$r(t) = (1 + 2t, 2 + 2t, t) \quad 10$$

- (b) (15 pts) Find the arc length of  $r(t)$  from  $t = 1$  to  $t = e$ .

$$s = \int_1^e \|r'(t)\| dt = ?$$

$$r'(t) = (2t, 2, \frac{1}{t})$$

$$\|r'(t)\| = \sqrt{4t^2 + 4 + \frac{1}{t^2}}$$

$$s = \int_1^e (\frac{1}{t} + 2t) dt$$

$$= \sqrt{(t^{-1} + 2t)^2} = \frac{1}{t} + 2t$$

$$= (\ln t + t^2)|_1^e$$

$$= (\ln e + e^2) - (\ln 1 + 1)$$

$$= 1 + e^2 - 1 \quad 15$$

$$= \boxed{e^2}$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt} (\ln t + t^2) = \frac{1}{t} + 2t \quad \checkmark$$