



NOTE #1: SECTIONS 12.1-12.5

Problem 1. a) Find the center and radius of the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - x + 4y - 10z - 1 = 0$ .

"Completion of squares"  
 $x^2 + 2ax = (x+a)^2 - a^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x^2 - x) + (y^2 + 4y) + (z^2 - 10z) - 1 = 0$$

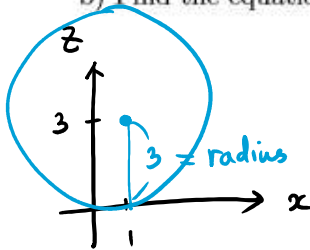
$$\Leftrightarrow (x - \frac{1}{2})^2 - \frac{1}{4} + (y + 2)^2 - 4 + (z - 5)^2 - 25 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (y + 2)^2 + (z - 5)^2 = \frac{1}{4} + 4 + 25 + 1 = \frac{121}{4}$$

$$\text{Center: } (\frac{1}{2}, -2, 5)$$

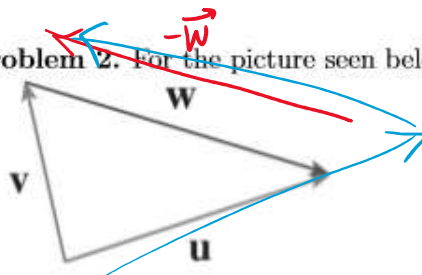
$$\text{radius} = \sqrt{\frac{121}{4}} = \frac{11}{2}$$

b) Find the equation of the sphere with center  $(1, 4, 3)$  that touches the  $xy$  plane.



$$(x-1)^2 + (y-4)^2 + (z-3)^2 = 3^2 = 9$$

Problem 2. For the picture seen below, write  $\vec{v}$  in terms of  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{w}$ .

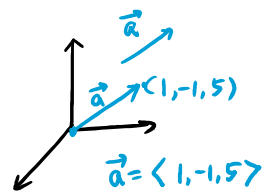


$$\vec{v} = \vec{u} - \vec{w}$$

length 1 :  $\vec{a}/|\vec{a}|$ Problem 3. Given  $\mathbf{a} = \langle 1, -1, 5 \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \langle -3, 2, 1 \rangle$ ,a) find a unit vector in the direction of  $\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b}$ .

$$\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = \langle 1, -1, 5 \rangle + 2\langle -3, 2, 1 \rangle = \langle -5, 3, 7 \rangle$$

$$|\langle -5, 3, 7 \rangle| = \sqrt{5^2 + 3^2 + 7^2} = \sqrt{25 + 9 + 49} = \sqrt{83}$$



$$\frac{\langle -5, 3, 7 \rangle}{\sqrt{83}} = \left\langle -\frac{5}{\sqrt{83}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{83}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{83}} \right\rangle$$

b) find the vector that has the same direction as  $\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b}$  but has length 4.

$$= 4(\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{83}} \langle -5, 3, 7 \rangle$$

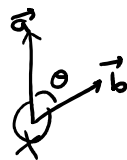
Problem 4. Compute  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$  ifa)  $\mathbf{a} = \langle 4, 5, -1 \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \langle 2, 1, 3 \rangle$ .

$$\langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle \cdot \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$$

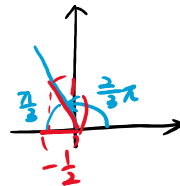
$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 4 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 3 = 8 + 5 - 3 = 10$$

b)  $|\mathbf{a}| = 2$ ,  $|\mathbf{b}| = 5$  and  $\theta = 120^\circ$ .

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta,$$



$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos(\theta) = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot \cos(120^\circ) = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -5$$

c)  $|\mathbf{a}| = 6$ ,  $|\mathbf{b}| = 4$  and  $\mathbf{a}$  is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{b}$ .

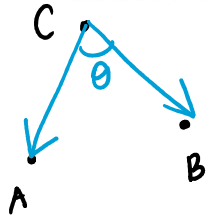
$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 6 \cdot 4 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \vec{a}, \vec{b} \text{ perpendicular (orthogonal)}$$

d)  $|\mathbf{a}| = 6$ ,  $|\mathbf{b}| = 4$  and  $\mathbf{a}$  is parallel to  $\mathbf{b}$ .

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 6 \cdot 4 \cdot \cos(0) = 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 1 = 24$$

**Problem 5.** The points  $A(0, -1, 6)$ ,  $B(2, 1, -3)$  and  $C(5, 4, 2)$  form a triangle. Find  $\angle C$ .



$$\vec{CA} = A - C = \langle 0, -1, 6 \rangle - \langle 5, 4, 2 \rangle = \langle -5, -5, 4 \rangle \quad |\vec{CA}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 5^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{66}$$

$$\vec{CB} = B - C = \langle 2, 1, -3 \rangle - \langle 5, 4, 2 \rangle = \langle -3, -3, -5 \rangle \quad |\vec{CB}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{43}$$

$$\vec{CA} \cdot \vec{CB} = (-5)(-3) + (-5)(-3) + (4)(-5) = 10$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{10}{\sqrt{66} \sqrt{43}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{10}{\sqrt{66} \sqrt{43}} \right)$$

Can it be calculated?

**Problem 6.** Let  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$ , and  $\mathbf{c}$  be three dimensional vectors. Which of the following expressions are meaningful? Which are meaningless?

a)  $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})$  = real number exists  $\Rightarrow$  meaningful  
 $3d \cdot 3d$

b)  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}$   $\Rightarrow$  meaningless  
 $3d \cdot 3d + 3d$   
 $= 1d + 3d$

**Problem 7.** Determine whether the given vectors are orthogonal, parallel, or neither.

a)  $\mathbf{a} = \langle 3, -1, 2 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \langle 6, -2, 4 \rangle$   
 $\vec{b} = 2\vec{a}$  parallel

b)  $\mathbf{a} = \langle 1, 2, -1 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \langle 2, 3, -1 \rangle$  not parallel

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + (-1)(-1) = 2 + 6 + 1 \neq 0$  not orthogonal

c)  $\mathbf{a} = 2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = -2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} = \langle -2, 2, 3 \rangle$

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 2(-2) + (-1)(2) + (2)(3) = -4 - 2 + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow$  orthogonal

neither

Problem 8. Find the scalar and vector projections of  $\langle 2, 4, 6 \rangle$  onto  $\langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle$ .

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 4 + 5 \cdot 6 = 2 + 12 + 30 = 44$$

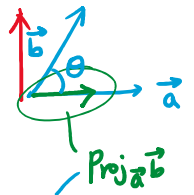
$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{35}$$

$$\text{Comp}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b} = \frac{44}{\sqrt{35}}$$

$$\text{Proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b} = \frac{44}{35} \langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle$$

$$\text{Comp}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

$$\left( \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \right) \vec{a}$$



directed length is  $\text{Comp}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b}$

Problem 9. Find the cross product of  $\langle 1, 1, 3 \rangle$  and  $\langle -2, -1, -5 \rangle$ .

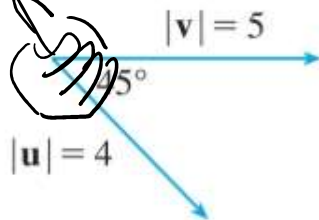
$$\langle 1, 1, 3 \rangle \times \langle -2, -1, -5 \rangle = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -1 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \hat{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \hat{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \hat{k}$$

$$= ((1)(-5) - (3)(-1)) \hat{i} - ((1)(-5) - (3)(-2)) \hat{j} + ((1)(-1) - (-1)(-2)) \hat{k}$$

$$= -2 \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

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right hand rule



Problem 10. Find  $|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}|$  and determine if  $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$  points in or out of the page.

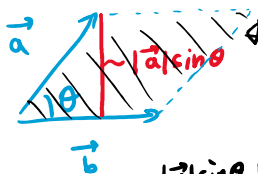
$$|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}| = |\vec{u}| |\vec{v}| \sin \theta$$

$$= 4 \cdot 5 \cdot \sin(45^\circ)$$

$$= 4 \cdot 5 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$= 10\sqrt{2}$$

Problem 11. Find the area of the parallelogram determined by  $\mathbf{a} = \langle 3, 0, 2 \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \langle 1, -4, 5 \rangle$ .



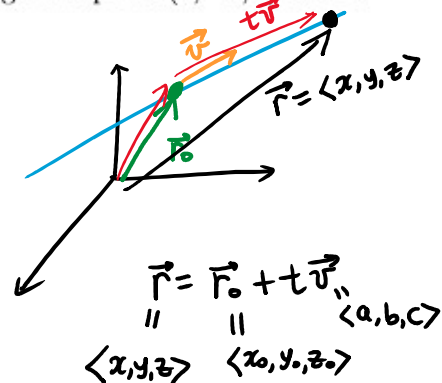
$$|\vec{a}| \sin \theta |\vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \sin \theta = |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \dots = \sqrt{8^2 + 13^2 + 12^2}$$

**Problem 12.** Find a vector equation of the line that passes through the point  $(2, -5, 1)$  and is parallel to the vector  $\langle 8, 10, -7 \rangle$ .

$$\vec{r} = \langle 2, -5, 1 \rangle + t \langle 8, 10, -7 \rangle$$

$\langle x, y, z \rangle$       pt on the line      vector parallel to the line



**Problem 13.** Find parametric equations and a symmetric equation for the line passing through the points  $(-2, 3, 4)$  and  $(5, 2, 8)$ .

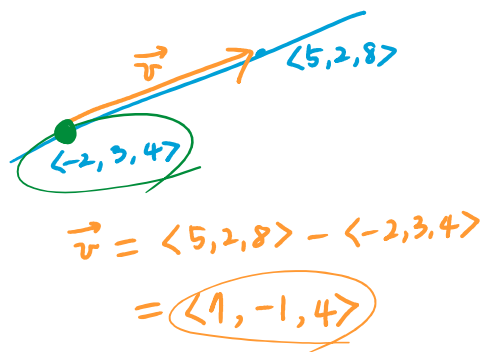
$$\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle -2, 3, 4 \rangle + t \langle 7, -1, 4 \rangle$$

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

$t = \frac{x+2}{7}$

$$\begin{cases} x = -2 + 7t \\ y = 3 - t \\ z = 4 + 4t \end{cases} \quad \text{Parametric Eqns}$$

$$t = \frac{x+2}{7} = \frac{y-3}{-1} = \frac{z-4}{4} \quad \text{Symmetric Eqn}$$

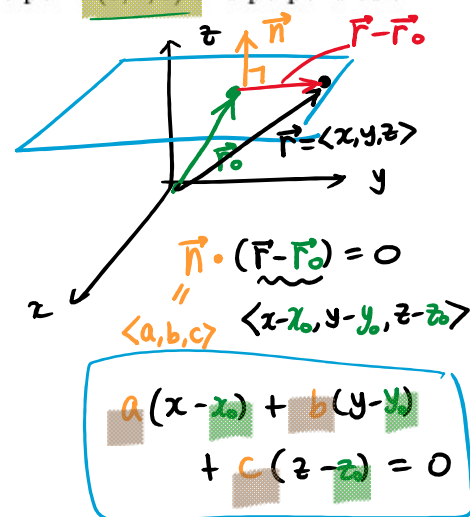


**Problem 14.** Find an equation of the plane passing through the point  $(3, 4, 5)$  and perpendicular to  $\langle -1, 2, 5 \rangle$ .

$$-1(x-3) + 2(y-4) + 5(z-5) = 0$$

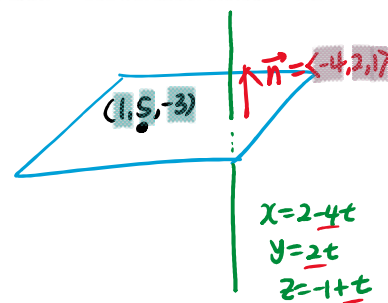
$$\Leftrightarrow -x + 3 + 2y - 8 + 5z - 25 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -x + 2y + 5z - 30 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$



**Problem 15.** Find an equation of the plane passing through the point  $(1, 5, -3)$  and perpendicular to the line  $x = 2 - 4t, y = 2t, z = -1 + t$ .

$$-4(x-1) + 2(y-5) + (z+3) = 0$$



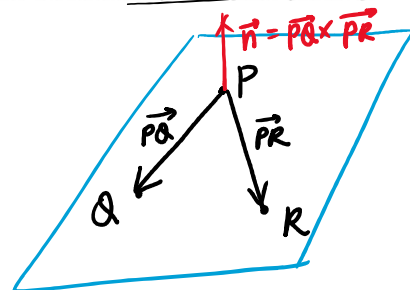
**Problem 16.** Find the equation of the plane that passes through the points  $P(1, 0, 1)$ ,  $Q(2, 3, 4)$  and  $R(2, 1, 1)$ .

$$\vec{PQ} = Q - P = \langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle - \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle 1, 3, 3 \rangle$$

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

$$\vec{n} = \vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$-3(x-1) + 3(y-0) - 2(z-1) = 0$$



**Problem 17.** Find an equation of the plane passing through the point  $(-1, -3, 2)$  that contains the line  $x = -1 - 2t, y = 4t, z = 2 + t$ .

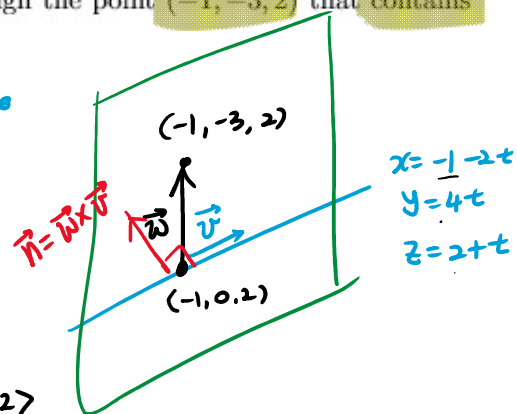
$$\vec{v} = \langle -2, 4, 1 \rangle - \text{direction vector of the line}$$

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

$t=0$  on the line

$$\vec{n} = \vec{w} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & -3 & 0 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -3\hat{i} - 6\hat{k} = -3\langle 1, 0, 2 \rangle$$

$$-3(x+1) - 6(z-2) = 0$$



Problem 18. Consider the lines  $r_1(t) = \langle 2+t, 2t, 5+t \rangle$  and  $r_2(s) = \langle s, -4+4s, 3+s \rangle$ .

a) Find the point of intersection of the lines

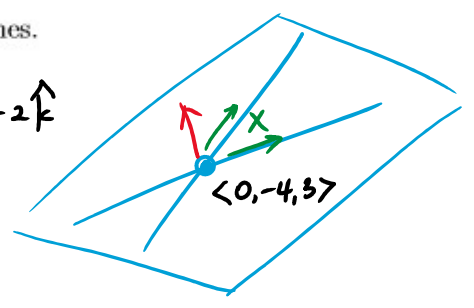
$$\begin{cases} x: & 2+t=s & \Leftrightarrow & t-s=-2 \dots ① \\ y: & 2t=-4+4s & \Leftrightarrow & t-2s=-2 \dots ② \\ z: & 5+t=3+s & \Leftrightarrow & t-s=-2 \end{cases}$$

①-②  $s=0 \Rightarrow t=-2$

$\vec{r}_2(0) = \langle 0, -4, 3 \rangle$

b) Find an equation of the plane that contains these lines.

$$\langle 1, 2, 1 \rangle \times \langle 1, 4, 1 \rangle = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -2\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$$



$$-2(x-0) + 0(y+4) + 2(z-3) = 0$$

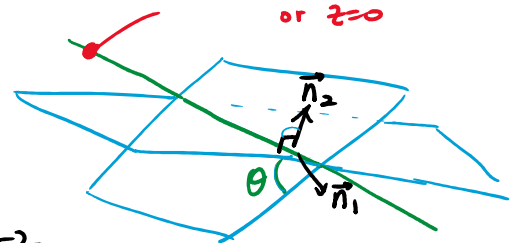
$$\Leftrightarrow -2x + 2(z-3) = 0$$

Problem 19. Consider the planes  $z = x + y$  and  $2x - 5y - z = 1$ . Set  $x=0$ , or  $y=0$  or  $z=0$

a) Find the angle between the planes.

$$z = x + y \Leftrightarrow x + y - z = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{n}_1 = \langle 1, 1, -1 \rangle$$

$$2x - 5y - z = 1 \Rightarrow \vec{n}_2 = \langle 2, -5, -1 \rangle$$



$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = |\vec{n}_1| |\vec{n}_2| \cos \theta$$

$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = (1)(2) + (1)(-5) + (-1)(-1) = 2 - 5 + 1 = -2$$

$$|\vec{n}_1| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3} \quad |\vec{n}_2| = \sqrt{2^2 + 5^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{30}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{30}} \quad \theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{-2}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{30}} \right)$$

$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 > 0$$

$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 < 0$$

Vector parallel to the line  $-\vec{v} = \vec{n}_1 \times \vec{n}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -6\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$

a point on the line:  $x=0 : \begin{cases} z=y \\ -5y-z=1 \end{cases} \rightarrow -6y=1 \Leftrightarrow y = -\frac{1}{6} = z \quad \left(0, -\frac{1}{6}, -\frac{1}{6}\right)$

$$\langle x, y, z \rangle = \left\langle 0, -\frac{1}{6}, -\frac{1}{6} \right\rangle + t \langle -6, -1, -7 \rangle$$