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C4 Vectors

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1. State whether each of the following quantities are scalars or vectors. For parts g) and h), you are given that \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are vectors:

- (a) Vector. [1]
- (b) Scalar. [1]
- (c) Vector. [1]
- (d) Vector. [1]
- (e) Vector. [1]
- (f) Scalar. [1]
- (g) Scalar. [1]
- (h) Vector. [1]

2. Simplify the following expressions:

- (a) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$. [1]
- (b) $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$. [1]
- (c) $8\mathbf{i} + 10\mathbf{j}$. [1]
- (d) $12\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j}$. [1]

3. Evaluate the following expressions:

- (a) $\sqrt{2}$. [2]
- (b) 5. [2]
- (c) 68. [2]
- (d) 2. [3]

4. Calculate each of the scalar (dot) products below. Also specify whether the vectors are orthogonal to one another or not:

(a) 3. They are *not* orthogonal. [2]

(b) 0. They are orthogonal. [2]

(c) -19 . They are *not* orthogonal. [2]

(d) 0. They are orthogonal. [2]

(e) $5 + \sqrt{3}$. They are *not* orthogonal. [2]

5. Find the distance between the following lines and the location of the mid point between them:

(a) Distance = $\sqrt{5}$, Midpoint = $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$. [3]

Distance = $3\sqrt{3}$, Midpoint = $\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$. [3]

Distance = $\sqrt{86}$, Midpoint = $\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. [3]

6. Consider the position vectors $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$:

(a) $\sqrt{17}$. [3]

(b) $\frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 18 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$. [3]

7. Write the equation of the line through $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in the direction $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in:

(a) $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. [1]

(b) $x - 1 = \frac{y-1}{2} = z - 1$. [3]

8. Consider two points, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$:

(a) $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$. [2]

(b) $x - 1 = \frac{2-y}{2} = \frac{z-2}{2}$. [3]

9. Write the following equations of lines in vector form:

(a) $\mathbf{r} = s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. [2]

(b) $\mathbf{r} = \frac{1}{3} \left[s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right]$. [2]

(c) $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} s$. [3]

10. Find the equation of the following planes in *vector form*:

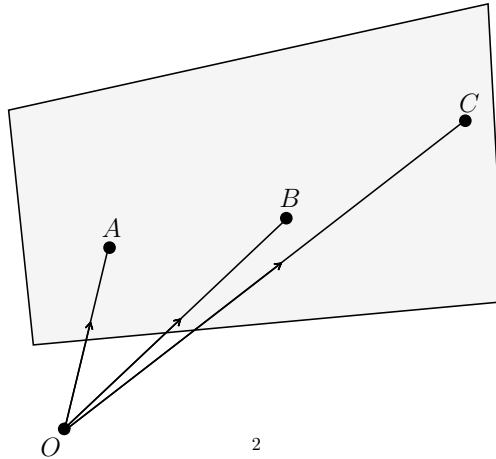
(a) $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. [1]

(b) $\mathbf{r} = s \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. *You may have a different answer. Vector forms aren't unique.* [2]

11. Find the equation of the following planes in *cartesian form*:
- (a) $x = 1$. [3]
 - (b) $3x + 2z = 5$. [3]
12. *Challenge*: $6x - 3y + 10z = 48$. [6]
13. Find the points of intersection between the following lines/planes:
- (a) $(-1, -2)$. [3]
 - (b) $(\frac{50}{7}, \frac{25}{7})$. [4]
14. Calculate the angle between the following vectors. Give you answers in *degrees* to two decimal places where necessary:
- (a) 33.69° . [2]
 - (b) 60.50° . [2]
 - (c) 19.11° . [2]
 - (d) 128.11° . [2]
15. Calculate the angle between the following planes. Give you answers in *degrees* to two decimal places where necessary:
- (a) 70.89° . [2]
 - (b) 90° . [2]

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16. You are given that the points A, B, C all lie in a plane, where $\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$.



(a) $\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{AC} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. [2]

(b) $\mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. [3]

(c) $y = x$. [3]

(d) Yes. [1]

(e) Yes. [1]

(f) No. [1]