

1. (a) Find the center and radius of the sphere  $S : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 8y - 2z + 5 = 0$ .

**Solution:** Complete the squares to get  $(x + 2)^2 + (y - 4)^2 + (z - 1)^2 = 16$ . Center:  $(-2, 4, 1)$ , Radius: 4

- (b) Find points  $A, B$  on the sphere  $S$  such that  $AB$  is a diagonal of the sphere.

**Solution:** one way to obtain such points is  $(-2 - 4, 4, 1), (-2 + 4, 4, 1)$ . This gives  $(-6, 4, 1), (2, 4, 1)$ .

- (c) Find the distance from the origin to the sphere  $S$ .

**Solution:** Distance = distance between the origin and the center - radius of the sphere =  $\sqrt{4 + 16 + 1} - 4 = \sqrt{21} - 4$ .

2. (a) Find the unit vector  $\mathbf{u}$  with direction angles  $\frac{1}{3}\pi, \frac{1}{4}\pi, \gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  is an obtuse angle.

**Solution:** To find  $\gamma$ , we use the formula  $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$ , with  $\alpha = \frac{1}{3}\pi, \beta = \frac{1}{4}\pi$ . This gives  $\cos^2 \gamma = \frac{1}{4}$ . Therefore,  $\cos \gamma = -\frac{1}{2}$  (since  $\gamma$  is obtuse).

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u} &= \cos \alpha \mathbf{i} + \cos \beta \mathbf{j} + \cos \gamma \mathbf{k} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \mathbf{j} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{k}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the angle between the vectors the vectors  $3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$  to the nearest hundredth radians.

**Solution:**  $\cos \theta = \frac{11}{\sqrt{14}\sqrt{14}} = \frac{11}{14}$ .  $\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{11}{14} = 0.67$ .

- (c) ( 2 points ) Find the vector projection of  $\mathbf{a} = 3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$  onto the vector  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$ .

**Solution:**  $\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{a} = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{b}\|^2} \mathbf{b} = \frac{11}{14} (\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}) = \frac{11}{14} \mathbf{i} + \frac{11}{7} \mathbf{j} - \frac{33}{14} \mathbf{k}$ .

- (d) Show that if  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}$ , then  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  have the same vector projection onto  $\mathbf{a}$ .

**Solution:**  $\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b} = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} \mathbf{a} = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} \mathbf{a} = \text{Proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{c}$ . Therefore,  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  have the same vector projection onto  $\mathbf{a}$ .

3. (a) Find the volume of the parallelepiped with edges along the vectors  $2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}, 3\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{k}, 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 6$$

Therefore, the volume of the parallelepiped =  $|6| = 6$ .

- (b) Find the distance between the point  $P(1, 0, -1)$  and line through the points  $A(1, 2, 1), B(2, 2, -2)$ .

**Solution:**

$$D = \frac{\|\vec{PA} \times \vec{AB}\|}{\|\vec{AB}\|}.$$

$$\vec{PA} = \langle 0, 2, 2 \rangle,$$

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

$$\vec{PA} \times \vec{AB} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 6\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}.$$

Thus

$$D = \frac{\sqrt{44}}{\sqrt{10}} = \sqrt{4.4}.$$

4. (a) Determine whether  $l_1 : x = 3 + t, y = 1 - t, z = 5 + 2t$  and  $l_2 : x = 1, y = 4 - t, z = 9 - 2t$  intersect. If so, find their point of intersection.

**Solution:** The system

$$3 + t_1 = 1,$$

$$1 - t_1 = 4 - t_2$$

has the solution

$$t_1 = -2, t_2 = 1.$$

we check the  $z$  values to get  $5 + 2t_1 = 1$ ,  $9 - 2t_2 = 7$ . Since these two values are not the same, the two lines do not intersect.

- (b) Find parametric equations of the line through  $P(1, 4, -3)$  and perpendicular to the  $yz$ -plane.

**Solution:** Direction of the line is  $\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ . Therefore, the equations of the line are

$$x = 1 + t, y = 4, z = -3.$$

5. (a) Find the equation of the plane through the point  $P(2, 0, 1)$  and contains the line  $l : x = 1 - 2t, y = 1 + 4t, z = 2 + t$ .

**Solution:** A point  $A$  on the line  $l$  is  $(1, 1, 2)$ . The vector  $\vec{PA} = \langle -1, 1, 1 \rangle$  is in the plane. Also, the direction  $\langle -2, 4, 1 \rangle$  of the line  $l$  is in the plane. Therefore, the normal to the plane is given by

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -3\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}.$$

Thus, the equation of the plane is

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

or

$$3x + y + 2z = 8.$$

- (b) Find the distance from the point  $P(2, -1, 3)$  to the plane  $2x + 4y - z + 1 = 0$ .

**Solution:**

$$D = \frac{|2(2) + 4(-1) - 3 + 1|}{\sqrt{4 + 16 + 1}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}.$$

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