

Q1. Describe the set of all points in a space equidistant from the origin and the point $(0, 2, 0)$ with single equation.

Let the points $P(x, y, z)$, then

the distance between P and the origin

$$= \text{the distance between } P \text{ and the point } (0, 2, 0)$$

$$\sqrt{(x - 0)^2 + (y - 0)^2 + (z - 0)^2} = \sqrt{(x - 0)^2 + (y - 2)^2 + (z - 0)^2}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 4 + z^2}$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 4 + z^2$$

$$\rightarrow y = 1$$

Q2. Using the definition of the projection of \mathbf{u} onto \mathbf{v} , show by calculation that

$$(\mathbf{u} - \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}) \cdot \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u} = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u} &= \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \mathbf{v} \rightarrow (\mathbf{u} - \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}) \cdot \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u} = \left(\mathbf{u} - \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \mathbf{v} \right) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \mathbf{v} \\ &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \mathbf{v} - \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \mathbf{v} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \mathbf{v} \right) = \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \right) (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) - \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \right)^2 (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \\ &= \frac{(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} - \frac{(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2}{|\mathbf{v}|^4} |\mathbf{v}|^2 = \frac{(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} - \frac{(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Q3. Find a unit vector perpendicular to the plane of

$P(1, -1, 2)$, $Q(2, 0, -1)$, and $R(0, 2, 1)$.

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle 1, 1, -3 \rangle, \quad \overrightarrow{PR} = \langle -1, 3, -1 \rangle$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 1 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 8\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR}| = \sqrt{64 + 16 + 16} = 4\sqrt{6}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR}}{|\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k})$$