

**18.022: Multivariable calculus - solution to pset 2, ver 1 - fall 2006**

1. 1.4.3

$$(1)(2)(3) + (3)(7)(-1) + (5)(0)(0) - (1)(7)(0) - (3)(0)(3) - (5)(2)(-1) = -5$$

2. 1.4.6

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (-2)(1) - (1)(1) \\ (1)(1) - (3)(1) \\ (3)(1) - (1)(-2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. 1.4.10

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of parallelogram} &= 2 \times \text{Area of triangles} = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \| \overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC} \| \\ &= \| [(3-1)i + (2-1)j] \times [(1-1)i + (3-1)j] \| = \| 4k \| = 4 \end{aligned}$$

4. 1.4.12

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \hat{u} &= \frac{\vec{u}}{\|\vec{u}\|} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3}/9 \\ -5\sqrt{3}/9 \\ -\sqrt{3}/9 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

5. 1.4.18

$$\begin{aligned} \text{volume} &= |(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}| \\ &= \left| \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right| = 3 \end{aligned}$$

6. 1.4.20

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_2b_3 - a_3b_2 \\ a_2b_1 - a_1b_3 \\ a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= a_2b_3c_1 - a_3b_2c_1 + a_3b_1c_2 - a_1b_3c_2 + a_1b_2c_3 - a_2b_1c_3 \\ RHS &= \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1b_2c_3 + a_2b_3c_1 + a_3b_1c_2 - a_1b_3c_2 - a_2b_1c_3 - a_3b_2c_1 \end{aligned}$$

7. 1.4.25

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad & \vec{a} \times \vec{b} \\ \text{(b)} \quad & \frac{2\vec{a} \times \vec{b}}{\|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}\|} \end{aligned}$$

(c) It follows from p.21 that  $\left(\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}} \vec{a}\right)$

(d)  $\frac{\|\vec{b}\| \|\vec{a}\|}{\|\vec{a}\|}$

(e)  $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$

(f)  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c}$

8. 1.4.40

(a)  $\vec{\omega} = 12\vec{k}; \vec{r} = 2\vec{i} - \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}; \vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} = (12, 24, 0)$

(b) angle swept  $= 12 - 4\pi \approx -0.566$ ;

$(2 - \cos(-0.566 + \arctan(-1/2)), -1 - \sin(-0.566 + \arctan(-1/2)), 3)$   
 $\approx (1.48, -1.85, 3)$

9. 1.5.2

perpendicular to  $\vec{i} - 2\vec{k} \Rightarrow x - 2z = C$

contains  $(9, 5, -1) \Rightarrow 9 - 2(-1) = C$

$x - 2z = 11$

10. 1.5.3

$Ax + By + Cz = 1$

passes through  $(3, -1, 2) \Rightarrow 3A - B + 2C = 1$

passes through  $(2, 0, 5) \Rightarrow 2A + 5C = 1$

passes through  $(1, -2, 4) \Rightarrow A - 2B + 4C = 1$

Solving these simultaneous equations  $\Rightarrow A = 5/25, B = -4/25, C = 3/25$

$5x - 4y + 3z = 25$

11. 1.5.5

parallel to  $5x - 4y + z = 1 \Rightarrow 5x - 4y + z = C$

passes through  $(2, -1, -2) \Rightarrow 5(2) - 4(-1) + (-2) = C$

$C = 12$

$5x - 4y + z = 12$

12. 1.5.6

$t = 7 \Rightarrow (13, 25, 0); t = 1 \Rightarrow (1, 7, 6)$

$Ax + By + Cz = 1$

passes through  $(13, 25, 0) \Rightarrow 13A + 25B = 1$

passes through  $(1, 7, 6) \Rightarrow A + 7B + 6C = 1$

passes through  $(2, 5, 0) \Rightarrow 2A + 5B = 1$

Solving these equations, we have  $A = -4/3, B = 11/15, C = -7/15$

$-20x + 11y - 7z = 15$

13. 1.5.7

perpendicular to the line  $\Rightarrow 3x - 2y - z = C$

contains  $(1, -1, 2) \Rightarrow 3(1) - 2(-1) - (2) = C$

$$3x - 2y - z = 3$$

14. 1.5.9

$$x + 2y - 3z = 5; 15x + 15y - 3z = 3$$

Solving these equations, we have  $14x + 13y = -1$

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow (0, -2/13, -25/13); y = 0 \Rightarrow (-1/7, 0, -12/7)$$

$$x = -t/7, y = -2/13 + 2t/13, z = -23/13 + 5t/91$$

15. 1.5.11

$$8x - 6y + 9Az = 6; -6Ax - 6y - 12z = -18$$

$$\text{Equating the ratios between coefficients} \Rightarrow \frac{-6A}{-12} = \frac{8}{9A}$$

$$A = \pm 4/3$$

Substituting back, we eliminated  $A = 4/3$ . Therefore,  $A = -4/3$  is the only solution.

16. 1.5.22

$$t = 0 \Rightarrow B = (5, 3, 8); P_0 = (-11, 10, 20); \overrightarrow{BP_0} = (-16, 7, 12); \vec{a} = (-1, 0, 7)$$

$$\vec{a} \times \overrightarrow{BP_0} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} -16 \\ 7 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -49 \\ -100 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

It follows from p.44 that

$$D = \frac{\|\vec{a} \times \overrightarrow{BP_0}\|}{\|\vec{a}\|} = \sqrt{249}$$

17. 1.5.23

Following p.45, we have

$$\vec{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -8 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OB_1}(t=0) = (-1, 3, 5); \overrightarrow{OB_2}(t=0) = (0, 3, 4); \overrightarrow{B_1B_2} = (1, 0, -1)$$

$$\left( \frac{\vec{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{B_1B_2}}{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{n}} \right) \vec{n} = \frac{25\sqrt{641}}{641}$$

18. 1.6.9

Let  $\vec{A} = \vec{a} - \vec{c}$  and  $\vec{B} = \vec{c} - \vec{b}$ . Apply the triangle inequality:

$$\|\vec{a} - \vec{b}\| = \|\vec{A} + \vec{B}\| \leq \|\vec{A}\| + \|\vec{B}\| = \|\vec{a} - \vec{c}\| + \|\vec{c} - \vec{b}\|$$

19. 1.6.11

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) = (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b})$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

20. 1.6.21

$$\begin{vmatrix} 7 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 7 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 7(10 - 9 - 6) - 1(12 + 15 - 20) = -42$$