

Math 20C Practice Midterm 1

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1) Let $\mathbf{u} = \langle 1, 2, -2 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, -3, 2 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{w} = \langle 11, -3, -2 \rangle$

- a) Compute $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$
- b) Find the area of the parallelogram spanned by \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .
- c) Express \mathbf{w} as a linear combination of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .
- d) Find $\mathbf{w} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})$
- e) Find $\mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{u}}$
- f) Find the projection of \mathbf{v} along \mathbf{u}
- g) Find the point of intersection between the following two lines:

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 6 + t, 12 - 3t, -12 + 2t \rangle \quad \mathbf{s}(t) = \langle 5, -15, 10 \rangle + t\langle 1, 2, -2 \rangle$$

2) Suppose \mathbf{u} is a unit vector and suppose \mathbf{v} is a vector with $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 2$, for which $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = \frac{3}{2}$.
Find $\|4\mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{v}\|$

3)

$$P = (5, 15, -10), \quad Q = (20, -5, 10), \quad R = (-1, -1, -1), \quad S = (4, 3, -2), \quad T = (-1, 2, 3)$$

Find a vector parametrization for the line with the given description:

Line that passes through the point on \overline{PQ} lying three fifths ($\frac{3}{5}$) of the way from P to Q , and is perpendicular to the plane that contains points R , S , and T .

4)

- a) Find the equation of a plane that contains the line $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 3t, t, 2t+1 \rangle$ and is perpendicular to the plane $2x - y + 5z = 9001$. Express your answer in 3 forms (one vector form, and two scalar forms).
- b) Find $\cos(\theta)$, where θ is the angle between the plane found in part a) and the xz -plane.