

Year 12 Mathematics Specialist 2018

Test Number 3: Vectors

Resource Rich

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Marks: **45**

Time Allowed: **45 minutes**

Instructions: You are permitted 1 A4 page of notes and your calculator. Show your working where appropriate remembering you must show working for questions worth more than 2 marks.

Question 1

[1, 2, 3 = 6 marks]

If $\mathbf{a} = \langle -2, 3, 1 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{b} = \langle 3, 1, -5 \rangle$ find:

a) $-\mathbf{a} - 5\mathbf{b}$

$$-\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 5\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -13 \\ -8 \\ 24 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) The size of the angle between \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .

$\approx 111.2^\circ$

$$\text{angle}\left(\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 111.186394$$

c) The acute angle between \mathbf{a} and the $x - y$ plane.

Angle required is the angle between $\langle -2, 3, 1 \rangle$ and $\langle -2, 3, 0 \rangle$

$\approx 15.5^\circ$

$$\text{angle}\left(\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 15.50135957$$

or

Normal to plane is $\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$

Need the complement of the angle between $\langle -2, 3, 1 \rangle$ and $\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$

$\approx 15.5^\circ$

$$90 - \text{angle}\left(\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 15.50135957$$

Angle plane-line

Angle between line $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathbf{b}$ and plane $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{n} = k$

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[-2, 3, 1] ⇒ b

[0, 0, 1] ⇒ n

angle(b, n)

$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{14}}{14}\right)$

approx(abs(90-ans))

15.50135957

Question 2**[2 mark]**

Find the vector equation of the line perpendicular to the plane $2x + 3y - z = 5$ and that contains the point $P(1, -2, 0)$.

Normal to the plane is $\langle 2, 3, -1 \rangle$. Therefore, the line is parallel to $\langle 2, 3, -1 \rangle$. ✓

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

Question 3**[2 marks]**

Find the vector equation of a plane that contains the line $\mathbf{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and the point

$P(-1, 2, -4)$.

A second vector on the plane, not parallel to $\langle 3, 0, 2 \rangle$:

$$\langle -1, 2, -4 \rangle - \langle 1, 2, -1 \rangle = \langle -2, 0, -3 \rangle \quad \text{or} \quad \langle 2, 0, 3 \rangle \quad \checkmark$$

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

Question 4

[1,1,3,2 = 7 marks]

Two parallel planes have the following equations

Plane Π : $r \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = 14$ Plane Ω : $r \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = 42$.

a) Point A with position vector $4i + 2j + ck$ lies on the plane Π . Find the value of c .

$c=2$ ✓

$$\text{solve}(\text{dotP}(\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ x \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}))=14$$

{x=2}

b) Determine the equation of the line L that passes through A and is perpendicular to plane Π .

$r = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ ✓

c) Determine the position vector of B , the point of intersection of line L with plane Ω .

$\begin{pmatrix} 4+2\lambda \\ 2-3\lambda \\ 2+6\lambda \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = 42$ ✓

$\lambda = \frac{4}{7}$ ✓

B is at $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{36}{7} \\ \frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{38}{7} \end{pmatrix}$ ✓

$$\text{solve}(\text{dotP}(\begin{bmatrix} 4+2x \\ 2-3x \\ 2+6x \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}))=42$$

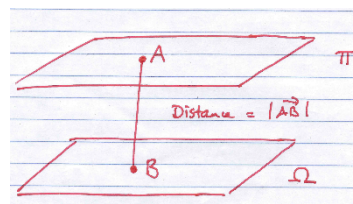
{x= $\frac{4}{7}$ }

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4+2x \\ 2-3x \\ 2+6x \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{x=\frac{4}{7}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{36}{7} \\ \frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{38}{7} \end{bmatrix}$$

d) Determine the exact distance between the planes Π and Ω .

Distance = $|\vec{AB}| = 4 \text{ units}$ ✓ ✓

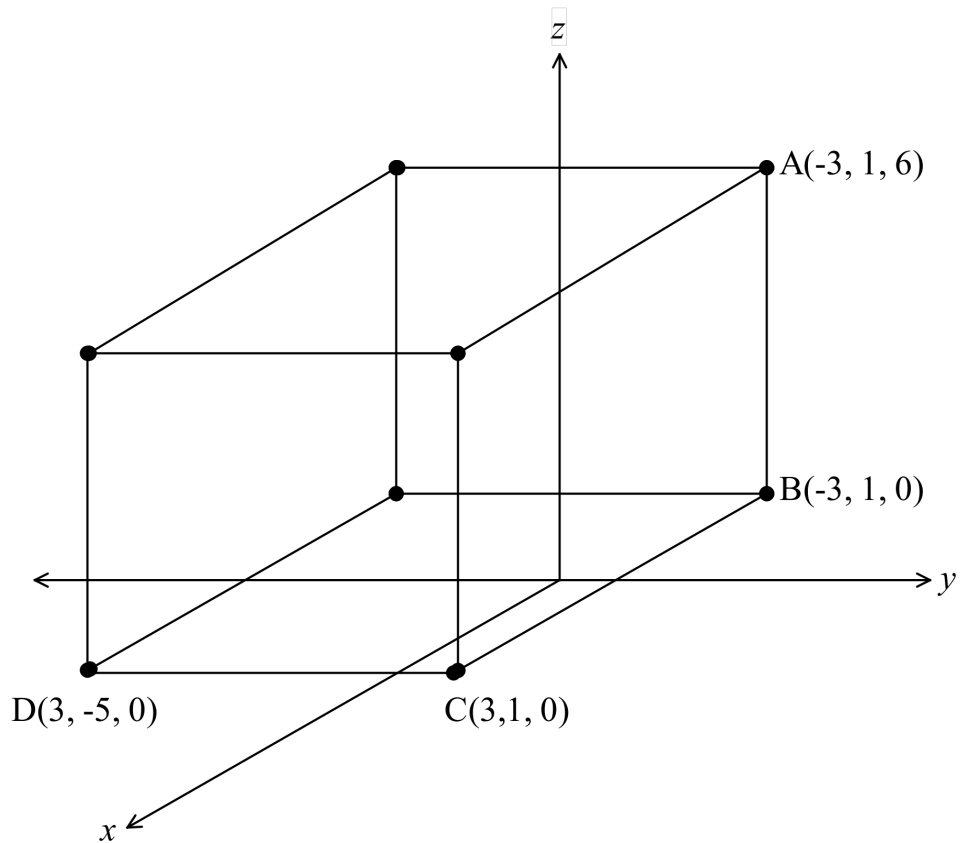


$$\text{norm}(\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{36}{7} \\ \frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{38}{7} \end{bmatrix})$$

Question 5

[3 marks]

Find the equation of a sphere that fits exactly inside the cube on the diagram below.



Centre = $\langle 0, -2, 3 \rangle$ } ✓
Radius = 3 } ✓

Equation: $\left| \mathbf{r} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right| = 3$ or $x^2 + (y + 2)^2 + (z - 3)^2 = 9$ ✓✓

Question 6**[1,1, 3 = 5 marks]**

A little boy, holding a sandwich in his hand at $(0, 0, 0.5)$, is running along the street such that the

position vector of the sandwich is $\mathbf{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ where t is measured in seconds from

$t = 0$.

A kookaburra at $(-5.5, -1.5, 4.5)$ eyed off the sandwich for one second then swooped down with

a velocity of $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ to pinch the sandwich.

(a) Show that the position vector of the kookaburra from $t = 1$ is $\mathbf{r}_k(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -7.5 \\ -2.5 \\ 5.5 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$\mathbf{r}_k(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -5.5 \\ -1.5 \\ 4.5 \end{pmatrix} + (t-1) \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_k(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -5.5 \\ -1.5 \\ 4.5 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - 1 \times \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_k(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -7.5 \\ -2.5 \\ 5.5 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

✓

(b) How fast did the kookaburra fly? Distances are measured in metres.

$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{4+1+1} = \sqrt{6} \text{ m/s} \approx 2.45 \text{ m/s}$$

(c) How many seconds does the kookaburra take to steal the sandwich (not including the second when the bird is eyeing off the sandwich).

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}_{BK} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 \\ 1.5 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} & \vec{v}_K &= \begin{pmatrix} -3/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \vec{v}_K \cdot (\vec{r}_{BK} + t \vec{v}_K) &= 0 \\ \begin{pmatrix} -3/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 - 3/2 t \\ 1.5 - 1/2 t \\ -5 + t \end{pmatrix} &= 0 \Rightarrow t = 5 \end{aligned}$$

The kookaburra takes 4 seconds to steal the sandwich. (He waits for one second).
✓

Or

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -7.5 \\ -2.5 \\ 5.5 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

z: $0.5 = 5.5 - t \Rightarrow t = 5$ ✓

Check:

y: $0.5t = -2.5 + t$
 $2.5 = 0.5t \Rightarrow t = 5$

x: $0.5t = -7.5 + 2t$
 $7.5 = 1.5t \Rightarrow t = 5$ ✓

Closest App Dot

$$\begin{aligned} [0, 0, 0.5] &\rightarrow R_a \\ [0, 0, 1/2] & \\ [0.5, 0.5, 0] &\rightarrow V_a \\ [1/2, 1/2, 0] & \\ [-7.5, -2.5, 5.5] &\rightarrow R_b \\ [-15/2, -5/2, 11/2] & \\ [2, 1, -1] &\rightarrow V_b \\ [2, 1, -1] & \\ R_a - R_b &\rightarrow R \\ [15/2, 5/2, -5] & \\ V_a - V_b &\rightarrow V \\ [-3/2, -1/2, 1] & \end{aligned}$$

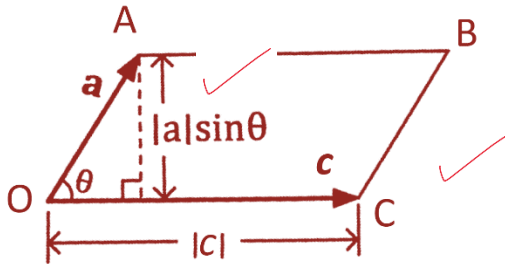
$$\begin{aligned} \text{dotP}(V, t \times V + R) &= 0 \\ \frac{t-5}{2} + 3 \cdot \left(\frac{3t-15}{2} \right) + t - 5 &= 0 \\ \text{simplify (ans)} & \\ \frac{7 \cdot (t-5)}{2} &= 0 \\ \text{solve (ans, t)} &\rightarrow \text{soln} \\ \{t=5\} & \end{aligned}$$

Question 7

[3, 2 = 5 marks]

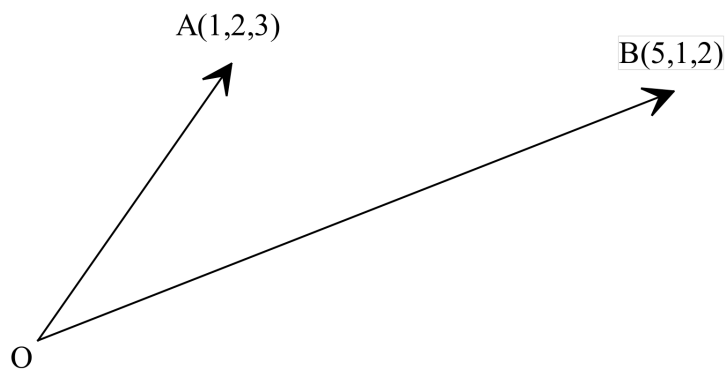
(a) OABC is a parallelogram with OA parallel to CB. Let $\vec{OA} = \mathbf{a}$ and $\vec{OC} = \mathbf{c}$.

Prove that the area of the parallelogram OABC is $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}|$.



$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= b \times h \\
 &= |\mathbf{c}| \times |\mathbf{a}| \sin \theta \\
 &= |\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}|
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Hence, use vectors methods to determine the area of the triangle AOB in the diagram below.



$$\text{crossP} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 13 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\sqrt{251}$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{\sqrt{251}}{2} \text{ units}^2$$

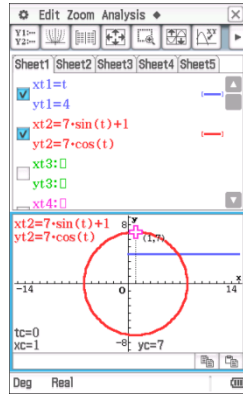
Question 8

[2, 2, 3 = 7 marks]

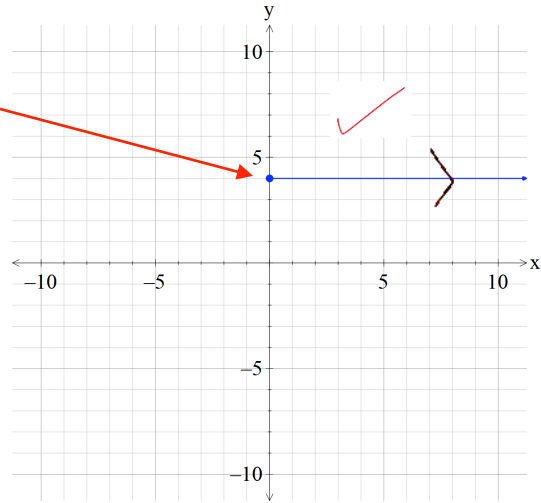
Find the Cartesian equation of the path traced by the point P with position vector $\mathbf{r}(t)$, where t represents time. Sketch the path, indicating starting position and the direction of motion.

a) $\mathbf{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

$y = 4: x \geq 0$



Starting position

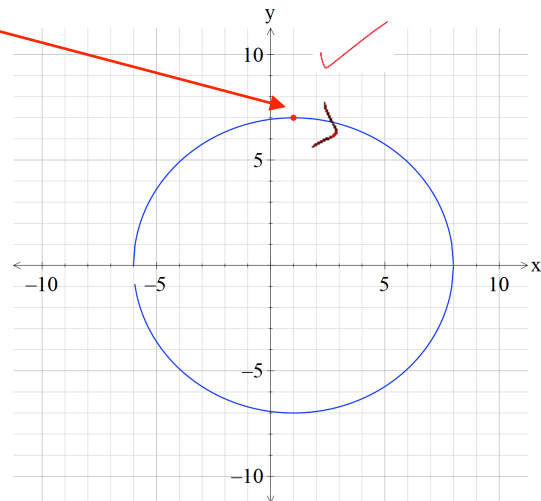


b) $\mathbf{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \sin t + 1 \\ 7 \cos t \end{pmatrix}$

$(x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 49$

Circle centre, (1,0), and radius, 7, need to be accurate in picture.

Starting position



c) Show algebraically how the vector equation in b) could be converted to the Cartesian equation.

$$x = 7 \sin t + 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sin t = \frac{x - 1}{7}$$

$$y = 7 \cos t \quad \Rightarrow \quad \cos t = \frac{y}{7}$$

$$\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t = 1$$

$$\left(\frac{x - 1}{7}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{7}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$(x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 49$$

Question 9**[3, 3, 2 = 8 marks]**

A particle P is projected from the origin with a speed of 60 ms^{-1} at an angle of 30° to the horizon. Assume that the only force acting on P is the gravitational force, 9.8 ms^{-2} .

- a) Find an expression for the position vector of P t seconds after projection.

Initial velocity in component form: $v(0) = \langle 60 \cos 30, 60 \sin 30 \rangle = \langle 30\sqrt{3}, 30 \rangle$.

Hence: $v(t) = \langle 30\sqrt{3}, 30 - 9.8t \rangle$

Integrate: $r(t) = \langle 30\sqrt{3}t, 30t - 4.9t^2 \rangle$ since $r(0) = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$.

- b) Find the time taken for P to reach its maximum height and hence find the time of flight (the time the particle is in the air).

When P achieves maximum height, the vertical component of $v(t)$ is zero.

Hence $30 - 9.8t = 0$

Thus $t = 3.06$ seconds

As the path is parabolic, it is symmetrical about the axis of symmetry.

Hence, the time taken for P to hit the ground again, T, is twice the time taken to reach the maximum height.

Therefore $T = 6.12$ seconds.

- c) Find the horizontal displacement of P.

P hits the ground again after 6.12 seconds.

Substitute $t = 6.12$ into the horizontal component $r(t)$:

$$r_x = (30\sqrt{3})(6.12) \approx 318 \text{ metres}$$