MATH 2D

Spring Term 2004

Midterm Examination I

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You have 50 minutes to solve the problems. Good luck!

1. Give a one point/two vectors representation of the plane described by the equation:

A. x - 2y + 3z - 4 = 0. **B.** x + 2y - 3z + 4 = 0.

2. Compute the distance between the point P and the line l where:

A. P =
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $l = \{t \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$.
B. P = $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $l = \{t \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

3. What is the area of the triangle with vertices P, Q and R:

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}, \ \mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\-1 \end{bmatrix}.$$
$$\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}, \ \mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-2\\1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\-1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. Where does the line l intersect the plane through the origin and spanned by the vectors u and v:

$$\mathbf{A.} \ l = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \ u = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } v = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ .}$$
$$\mathbf{B.} \ l = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\-1 \end{bmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \ u = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } v = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ .}$$

5. What is the unit tangent vector to the ellipse

A.
$$5x^2 + 2y^2 = 1$$
 B. $2x^2 + 5y^2 = 1$

at the point P

A.
$$P = (\frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}})$$
 B. $P = (-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}).$