

Tutorial 1 Solutions 1104D, Fall 2011

1. We have to solve the following set of equations to find the intersection points of those two lines:

$$\begin{cases} 3 + t = 4 + 2s \\ 1 - 2t = 6 + 3s \\ 3 + 3t = 1 + s \end{cases}$$

hence we have $s = t = -1$ and the only intersection point is $(2, 3, 0)$.

2. (a) We have $\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{5}$, $\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{18}$, $\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\| = 5$ and $\|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\| = \sqrt{21}$.
(b) We have $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 1$, thus the angle between \vec{u} and \vec{v} is θ where

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}\sqrt{18}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{90}}.$$

- (c) Based on our vectors, we get $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) = (3.1 + 0.2 + 4.(-4)) = -13$ but $\|\vec{u}\|^2 + \|\vec{v}\|^2 = 5 + 18 = 23$. So

$$(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \neq \|\vec{u}\|^2 + \|\vec{v}\|^2,$$

and

$$(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) = \|\vec{u}\|^2 - \|\vec{v}\|^2.$$

Also $\|\vec{u}\|^2 - \|\vec{v}\|^2 = 5 - 18 = -13$ and $\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\|^2 + \|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\|^2 = 25 + 21 = 46$, which means

$$\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\|^2 + \|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\|^2 \neq \|\vec{u}\|^2 - \|\vec{v}\|^2.$$

3. We have

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|^2} \vec{v} = \frac{2.3 + 1.6 - 1.3}{3^2 + 6^2 + 3^2} \vec{v} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$