

1. If  $u = (3, 0, 3)$ ,  $v = (-5, 1, -8)$  and  $w = (1, 4, 2)$ , then  $\|(2u + v) \times w\|$  is:

- A.  $10\sqrt{5}$
- B. 25
- C.  $2\sqrt{10}$
- D.  $2\sqrt{5}$
- E.  $5\sqrt{5}$
- F.  $5\sqrt{2}$

$$2u + v = (6, 0, 6) + (-5, 1, -8) = (1, 1, -2)$$

$$\therefore (2u + v) \times w = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (10, -4, 3)$$

$$\text{Hence } \|(2u + v) \times w\|^2 = 100 + 16 + 9 = 125$$

$$\text{and so } \|(2u + v) \times w\| = \sqrt{125} = \sqrt{25 \cdot 5} = 5\sqrt{5}$$

2. Parametric equations of the line passing through  $(1, 1, -1)$  and which is perpendicular to the plane  $-2x - y + 3z = 6$  are:

- A.  $x = 1 - 2t, y = 1 + t, z = -1 + 3t, t \in \mathbf{R}$
- B.  $x = 1 + t, y = 1 + t, z = -1 - 3t, t \in \mathbf{R}$
- C.  $x = 1 + 2t, y = 1 - t, z = -1 + 3t, t \in \mathbf{R}$
- D.  $x = 1 - t, y = 1 + t, z = -1 - 6t, t \in \mathbf{R}$
- E.  $x = 1 - 2t, y = 1 - t, z = -1 + 3t, t \in \mathbf{R}$
- F.  $x = 1 - 4t, y = 1 - t, z = -1 - 3t, t \in \mathbf{R}$

A direction vector of the line is the normal to the plane, namely  $(-2, -1, 3)$ . (or

any non-zero multiple of this vector). There is only one response with this direction vector, namely E, and (for  $t=0$ ) it does pass through  $(1, 1, -1)$

3. Which of the vectors below is perpendicular (orthogonal) to both  $(2, 1, -1)$  and  $(1, 1, 5)$ ?

- A.  $(-4, 0, 3)$
- B.  $(3, 0, 2)$
- C.  $(1, 0, 1)$
- D.  $(2, -5, -1)$
- E.  $(1, -2, 0)$
- ☒ F. None of the above

Such a vector would be parallel to  $(2, 1, -1) \times (1, 1, 5)$ , so we compute:

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (6, -11, 1)$$

None of the above vector is parallel to this vector.

4. Find the volume of the parallelepiped determined by the vectors  $u = (1, 1, -1)$ ,  $v = (3, 1, 0)$  and  $w = (1, -1, 3)$ .

- A. 6
- B. -6
- C. 16
- D. -2
- E. 4
- ☒ F. 2

The volume is  $|u \cdot v \times w|$ , so we compute

$$v \times w = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (3, -9, -4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } u \cdot v \times w &= (1, 1, -1) \cdot (3, -9, -4) \\ &= 3 - 9 + 4 = -2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the volume is 2.

5. An equation for the plane passing through the points  $(1, 2, -1)$  and  $(2, 3, 1)$ , and parallel to the  $y$ -axis is:

- A.  $x + y - z = 4$
- B.  $-3x + 7y - 2z = 3$
- C.  $x - y = -1$
- ☒ D.  $2x - z = 3$
- E.  $2y - z = 5$
- F.  $x + y + z = 2$

Any plane parallel to the  $y$ -axis has a normal which is  $\perp$  to the  $y$ -axis. There is only one

plane here - D - with normal  $\perp$  to the  $y$ -axis.

Moreover, the plane with equation in D does contain both the above points.

6. Find an equation of the plane which passes through the point  $(1, 2, 3)$  and which is perpendicular to the line whose parametric equations are:

$$x = 2 + 2t, y = 7 - 4t, z = -3 + t; t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- ☒ A.  $2x - 4y + z = -3$
- B.  $2x + 7y - 3z = 7$
- C.  $2x - 4y + z = -5$
- D.  $-4x + 2y + z = 3$
- E.  $2x - 4y + z = 0$
- F.  $-4x + 2y + z = 4$

Such a plane has normal a non-zero multiple of the direction vector of the above line,

i.e. parallel to  $(2, -4, 1)$ . There are 3 candidates

(A, C, E), so we check which one of these passes through  $(1, 2, 3)$ . Well,  $2(1) - 4(2) + 1(3) = -3$ ,

hence A is correct.

7. If  $u = (3, 3, 3)$  and  $v = (4, 2, 6)$  then  $\text{proj}_v u =$

$$\frac{(u \cdot v)}{\|v\|^2} v$$

A.  $\frac{9}{7}(3, 3, 3)$

B.  $\frac{12}{7}(3, 3, 3)$

C.  $\frac{11}{7}(3, 3, 3)$

☒ D.  $\frac{9}{7}(2, 1, 3)$

E.  $\frac{12}{7}(2, 1, 3)$

F.  $\frac{11}{7}(2, 1, 3)$

$$= \frac{(12 + 6 + 18)}{16 + 4 + 36} \cdot (4, 2, 6)$$

$$= \frac{36}{56} \cdot (4, 2, 6) = \frac{9}{14} \cdot (4, 2, 6)$$

$$= \frac{9}{7} \cdot (2, 1, 3)$$

8. If  $A = (2, 4, 1)$ ,  $B = (3, 0, 9)$  and  $C = (1, 4, 0)$ , find the angle  $\angle BAC$ .

A.  $\pi/2$

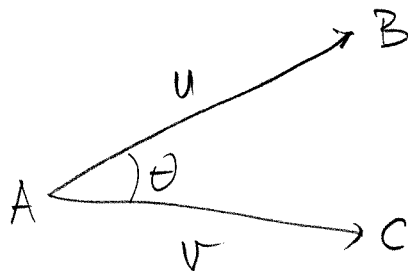
☒ B.  $3\pi/4$

C.  $\pi/6$

D.  $\pi/3$

E.  $\pi/4$

F.  $4\pi/3$



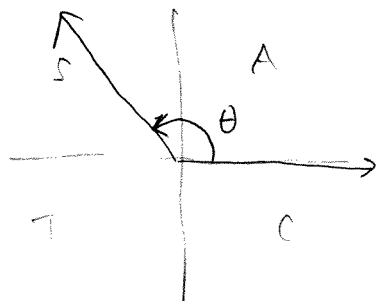
$$u = B - A = (1, -4, 8)$$

$$v = C - A = (-1, 0, -1)$$

We know  $\cos \theta = \frac{u \cdot v}{\|u\| \|v\|} = \frac{(-1 + 0 - 8)}{\sqrt{(1+16+64)} \sqrt{2}}$

$$= \frac{-9}{9 \cdot \sqrt{2}} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Hence  $\theta = 3\pi/4$ .



9. Express the following complex numbers in the form  $a + bi$  with  $a$  and  $b$  real.

$$z_1 = \frac{1}{1-i} = \frac{1+i}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2}$$

$$z_2 = (2+i)(1+i) = (2-1) + 3i$$

A.  $z_1 = (1/2) - (1/2)i$  ;  $z_2 = 1 - 3i$

B.  $z_1 = (1/2) + (1/2)i$  ;  $z_2 = 1 + 3i$

C.  $z_1 = 2 - (1/4)i$  ;  $z_2 = 6 - 2i$

D.  $z_1 = 1 - i$  ;  $z_2 = 4$

E.  $z_1 = 1 - i$  ;  $z_2 = 4 + 4i$

F.  $z_1 = -1 + i$  ;  $z_2 = 2 + 4i$

$$= 1 + 3i$$

10. The point of intersection of the line passing through (1, 1, 0) and (0, 1, 0) with the plane with equation  $x + y - z = 1$  is:

A. (1/2, 1/2, 0)

B. (0, 1/2, -1/2)

C. (0, 1, 0)

D. (1/2, 0, -1/2)

E. (-1, 0, -1)

F. (1, 0, 0)

Parametric eqns for L are

$$x = 0 + t, y = 1, z = 0$$

(Since a direction vector is  $A - B = (1, 0, 0)$ ,

and L passes through (0, 1, 0).)

Then,  $x + y - z = t + 1 - 0 = t + 1 = 1$ ; hence

$t = 0$ , so  $\square$  gives the point of intersection.

11. Find the polar form of

$$z = \frac{\sqrt{3}+i}{-1-i} = \frac{r_1 e^{i\theta_1}}{r_2 e^{i\theta_2}} = \left(\frac{r_1}{r_2}\right) e^{i(\theta_1-\theta_2)}$$

A.  $\sqrt{2}(\cos(-\pi/12) + i \sin(-\pi/12))$

B.  $\sqrt{2}(\cos(\pi/12) + i \sin(\pi/12))$

C.  $\sqrt{2}(\cos(-5\pi/12) + i \sin(-5\pi/12))$

D.  $\sqrt{2}(\cos(11\pi/12) + i \sin(11\pi/12))$

E.  $\sqrt{2}(\cos(-7\pi/12) + i \sin(-7\pi/12))$

F.  $\sqrt{2}(\cos(5\pi/12) + i \sin(5\pi/12))$

$$r_1 = \sqrt{3+1} = 2$$

$$\cos \theta_1 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \therefore \theta_1 = \pi/6$$

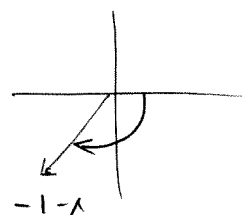
$$\sin \theta_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Now  $r_2 = \sqrt{1+1} = \sqrt{2}$  while

$$\cos \theta_2 = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\sin \theta_2 = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\therefore \theta_2 = -\frac{3\pi}{4} \text{ or } -\frac{3\pi}{4}$$



Thus  $z = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot e^{i\pi(\frac{1}{6} - (-\frac{3\pi}{4}))} = \sqrt{2} e^{i(\frac{11}{12})\pi}$  Thus D is correct

12. What is the area of the triangle with vertices  $\overset{A}{(4, 1, -1)}, \overset{B}{(6, 3, 0)}$  and  $\overset{C}{(6, 10, 1)}$ ?

A. 13

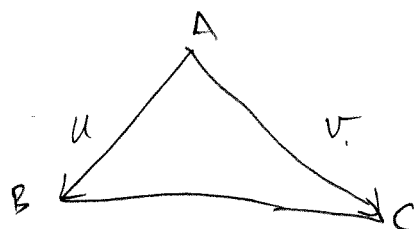
B. 15

C. 13/2

D. 15/2

E. 11

F. 17/2



The area is

$$\frac{1}{2} \|u \times v\|$$

Here,  $u = B - A = (2, 2, 1)$  and  $v = C - A = (2, 9, 2)$

$$\therefore u \times v = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 9 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-5, -2, 14)$$

$$\therefore \|u \times v\|^2 = 25 + 4 + 196 = 225 \therefore \frac{1}{2} \|u \times v\| = \frac{15}{2}$$