

1. [5 points per part] For this problem, consider the points

$$A = (2, 3, 3) \quad B = (1, 1, 1) \quad C = (1, 4, -3).$$

(a) Compute the angle  $\angle ABC$ .

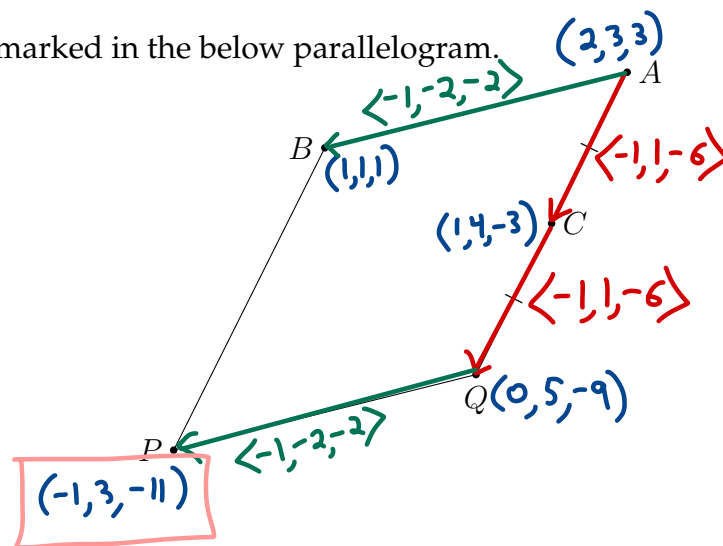
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{BA} &= \langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle & \vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC} &= 0 + 6 - 8 = -2 \\ \vec{BC} &= \langle 0, 3, -4 \rangle & \vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC} &= |\vec{BA}| |\vec{BC}| \cos \theta \\ |\vec{BA}| &= \sqrt{1+4+4} = 3 & -2 &= 3 \cdot 5 \cos \theta \\ |\vec{BC}| &= \sqrt{9+16} = 5 & \theta &= \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-2}{15}\right) \approx 1.705 \text{ rad} \approx 97.7^\circ \end{aligned}$$

(b) Find the equation of the plane containing  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{BA} \times \vec{BC} &= \langle -14, 4, 3 \rangle \\ &\text{normal vector} \\ -14(x-2) + 4(y-3) + 3(z-3) &= 0 \\ \text{or } -14x + 4y + 3z &= -7 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Find the coordinates of the point  $P$  marked in the below parallelogram.

( $C$  is the midpoint of  $AQ$ .)



2. [2 points per part] For each of the following objects, figure out how they intersect.

Circle one option. You do not need to show work on this problem.

(a) The line  $x = t, y = 3t, z = 1 - 4t$  and the plane  $x + 3y - 4z = 7$ .

a point      a line      a plane      no intersection

Line is normal to plane, so they intersect at a point

(b) The line  $x = t, y = 2t, z = 3t$  and the plane  $x + y - z = 1$ .

a point      a line      a plane      no intersection

$t + 2t - 3t = 1 \rightarrow 0 = 1$ , no solutions

(c) The planes  $2x + 4y + 6z = 2$  and  $3x + 6y + 9z = 3$ .

a point      a line      a plane      no intersection

These are the same plane!

(d) The planes  $x + 4y - 2z = 1$  and  $x + 4y + 2z = 7$ .

a point      a line      a plane      no intersection

These planes are not parallel, so they intersect in a line

3. You do not need to show work on parts (a) and (b). Please show work on part (c).

(a) [3 points] Give an example of a vector  $\mathbf{a}$  such that  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} = 7$ .

Any vector where  $|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{7}$ , e.g.  $\langle \sqrt{7}, 0, 0 \rangle$

(b) [3 points] Give an example of a vector  $\mathbf{a}$  such that  $\text{comp}_{\mathbf{a}} \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle = -2$ .

One way any vector that points along the negative y-axis, like

$\mathbf{a} = \langle 0, -1, 0 \rangle$

(c) [5 points] Give an example of two nonzero vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  such that  $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = -\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ .

$$|\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \sin \theta = -|\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \cos \theta$$

$$\tan \theta = -1 \rightarrow \theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

Any vectors that make an angle of  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$ ,

e.g.  $\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$  and  $\langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle$

positive  
↓

$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$  is negative  
So  $\theta$  is obtuse

4. [8 points] Find the equation of the ellipsoid which is centered at the origin and contains the points  $(3, 8, 0)$ ,  $(5, 0, 0)$ , and  $(2, 1, 1)$ .

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{5^2}{a^2} = 1 \rightarrow a^2 = 5^2$$

$$\frac{3^2}{5^2} + \frac{8^2}{b^2} = 1 \rightarrow \frac{64}{b^2} = \frac{16}{25} \rightarrow b^2 = 10^2$$

$$\frac{4}{5^2} + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = 1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{83}{100} \rightarrow c^2 = \frac{100}{83}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{5^2} + \frac{y^2}{10^2} + \frac{83z^2}{100} = 1$$

5. [6 points] Consider the line in the following graph.

Convert the equation for this line to polar form.

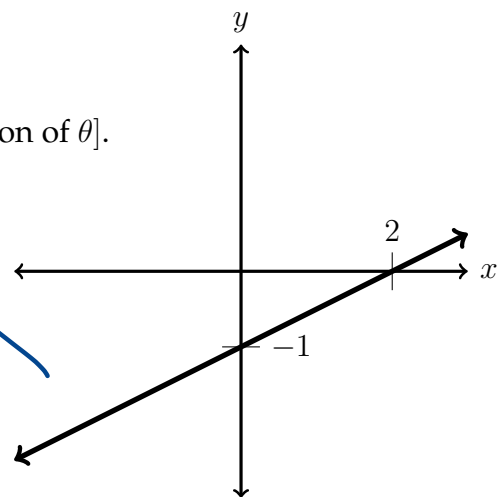
Write your final answer in the form  $r = [\text{some function of } \theta]$ .

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x - 1$$

$$r \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} r \cos \theta - 1$$

$$r \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} r \cos \theta = -1$$

$$r = \frac{-1}{\sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta}$$



6. [6 points per part] The force exerted on an 8-kg cat at time  $t$  is given by the vector function

$$\vec{F}(t) = \langle 16t, 24, 8\sqrt{t+7} \rangle \text{ Newtons.}$$

At time  $t = 0$ , the cat is at the point  $(1, 2, 3)$ . At time  $t = 2$ , the cat is at rest.

(a) Find parametric equations for the line tangent to the cat's path at time  $t = 0$ .

$$\text{Acceleration} = \vec{a}(t) = \frac{\vec{F}}{m} = \langle 2t, 3, \sqrt{t+7} \rangle$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \langle t^2 + C_1, 3t + C_2, \frac{2}{3}(t+7)^{3/2} + C_3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v}(2) = \langle 4 + C_1, 6 + C_2, \frac{2}{3}(2+7) + C_3 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v}(0) = \langle C_1, C_2, \frac{2}{3}(7)^{3/2} + C_3 \rangle = \langle -4, -6, \frac{2}{3}(7)^{3/2} - 18 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \rightarrow C_1 = -4 \\ & \rightarrow C_2 = -6 \\ & \rightarrow C_3 = -18 \end{aligned}$$

direction

$$x = 1 - 4t$$

$$y = 2 - 6t$$

$$z = 3 + \left( \frac{2}{3}(7)^{3/2} - 18 \right) t$$

(b) Find the tangential component of acceleration of the cat at time  $t = 0$ .

$$\vec{v}(0) = \langle -4, -6, \frac{2}{3}(7)^{3/2} - 18 \rangle, \quad \vec{a}(0) = \langle 0, 3, \sqrt{7} \rangle$$

$$a_T = \frac{\vec{v}(0) \cdot \vec{a}(0)}{|\vec{v}(0)|} = \frac{-18 + \frac{2}{3}(49) - 18\sqrt{7}}{\left| \langle -4, -6, \frac{2}{3}(7)^{3/2} - 18 \rangle \right|}$$

$$= \frac{-18 + \frac{2}{3}(49) - 18\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{16 + 36 + \left( \frac{2}{3}(7)^{3/2} - 18 \right)^2}}$$