

MATHEMATICS II  
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Third Exercise Class

1. Given in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  the vectors  $\vec{v} = (0, 3, 2)$ ,  $\vec{w} = (1, 0, -2)$  and  $\vec{z} = (0, 1, 1)$ , calculate:
- a) the combination  $2\vec{v} + 3\vec{w} - \vec{z}$ ;
  - b) the inner product  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}$ ;
  - c) the combination  $(\vec{v} + \vec{z}) \times \vec{w}$ ;
  - d) the length of each vector.

**Solution**

- a)  $(3, 5, -3)$ ;
  - b)  $-4$ ;
  - c)  $(-8, 3, -4)$ ,
  - d)  $\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{13}$ ,  $\|\vec{w}\| = \sqrt{5}$ ,  $\|\vec{z}\| = \sqrt{2}$
2. Given in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  the vectors  $\vec{v} = (1, 0, 1)$ ,  $\vec{w} = (1, 1, 1)$  and  $\vec{z} = (2, 1, 2)$ , calculate the values of the parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , such that :  $\alpha\vec{v} + \beta\vec{w} + \gamma\vec{z} = 0$ .

**Solution**

$$\begin{cases} \alpha = -\gamma \\ \beta = -\gamma \\ \gamma = \gamma \end{cases}$$

3. Given the vectors  $\vec{v} = (3, 0, 2)$  and  $\vec{w} = (k, 3, k + 2)$  determine values for  $k$  such that their inner product is zero.

**Solution**

$$k = -\frac{4}{5}$$

4. For each of the following vectors, find the correspondent versor
- a)  $\vec{v} = (\alpha, 3\alpha)$ ;
  - b)  $\vec{v} = (\alpha - 3, 2\alpha, 1)$ ;
  - c)  $\vec{v} = (3, 2, -\alpha)$ ;
  - d)  $\vec{v} = (1, \alpha, 4\alpha)$ .

**Solution**

- a)  $\left( \frac{\alpha}{|\alpha|\sqrt{10}}, \frac{3\alpha}{|\alpha|\sqrt{10}} \right)$ ;
- b)  $\left( \frac{\alpha-3}{\sqrt{5\alpha^2+6\alpha+1}}, \frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{5\alpha^2+6\alpha+1}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5\alpha^2+6\alpha+1}} \right)$ ;

- c)  $\left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{13+\alpha^2}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{13+\alpha^2}}, \frac{-\alpha}{\sqrt{13+\alpha^2}} \right);$   
 d)  $\left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+17\alpha^2}}, \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{1+17\alpha^2}}, \frac{4\alpha}{\sqrt{1+17\alpha^2}} \right)$

5. Determine the parametric equation and the Cartesian equation of the line on the space  
 a) passing through the points A(2,-1,2) and B(4,3,6);  
 b) passing through the point P(1,-1,0) and parallel to the vector  $\vec{v} = (2, 0, 1)$ ;  
 c) of Cartesian equation  $\begin{cases} y = 2x + 3 \\ x + 2y - z = 0 \end{cases}$ .

**Solution**

- a)  $\begin{cases} x = 2 + 2t \\ y = -1 + 4t \\ z = 2 + 4t \end{cases} ; \quad \begin{cases} x = \frac{z-3}{2} \\ y = -3 - 4z \end{cases}$   
 b)  $\begin{cases} x = 1 + 2t \\ y = -1 \\ z = t \end{cases} ; \quad \begin{cases} x = 1 + 2z \\ y = -1 \end{cases}$   
 c)  $\begin{cases} x = 2 + \frac{4}{3}t \\ y = -1 - \frac{2}{3}t \\ z = t \end{cases}$

6. Determine the reciprocal position of the lines  $r$  and  $s$  of Cartesian equations

$$r : \begin{cases} x + 3y = 4 \\ 2y + z = 0 \end{cases} ; \quad s : \begin{cases} 3x + 2y = 5 \\ x - 2z = 5 \end{cases}.$$

**Solution**

The lines are incident.

7. Consider the lines of parametric equations

$$r : \begin{cases} x = 1 + 4t \\ y = -1 + 6t \\ z = 2 - 2t \end{cases} ; \quad s : \begin{cases} x = 3 + 2t \\ y = 1 + 3t \\ z = -2 - t \end{cases}.$$

- a) Verify that the lines are parallel;  
 b) Calculate the distance between  $r$  and  $s$ ;  
 c) Find the plane  $\pi$  to which both the lines belong (Does the point C(2,0,2) belong to the plane  $\pi$ ?).

**Solution**

- a) The lines are on the same plane because the determinant of the matrix defined by a vector that join the two lines and the two direction vectors is zero. Moreover, the cross product of the direction vectors is zero and there is a point on  $r$  that not belongs to  $s$ . The lines are parallel, then.

b)  $\sqrt{10}$

c)  $\pi' = ax + by + cz + d = 0$ , where  $(a, b, c, d) = (a, -\frac{3}{5}a, \frac{a}{5}, 2a)$

8. Given the lines

$$r : \begin{cases} x + y - 2 = 0 \\ x + y - 2z = 0 \end{cases} ; \quad s : \begin{cases} x - 2y + 1 = 0 \\ 2x - 2z - 2 = 0 \end{cases} ;$$

find the equation of the family of planes parallel to both  $r$  and  $s$ . Moreover find a plane to which the line  $r$  belongs and a plane to which both  $r$  and  $s$  belong.

**Solution**

The planes parallel to both  $r$  and  $s$  are the family  $\pi = 2x + 2y - 3z + d = 0$ . For  $d = -1$  we have a plane to which only the line  $r$  belongs. There is not a plane parallel to both lines and to which  $r$  and  $s$  belong.

9. Establish if the vectors  $\vec{v} = (3, 0, 4)$  and  $\vec{w} = (6, 0, 8)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are linearly dependent.

**Solution**

Yes, because  $\vec{w} = 2\vec{v}$ .

10. Determine for which value of  $k$  the following vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  are linearly independent

$$\vec{v} = (1, 2, k, 3); \quad \vec{w} = (k, 2, 3, 1); \quad \vec{z} = (k, 6, 5, 5).$$

**Solution**

For each  $k \neq -1$

11. Calculate the rank of the following matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ k & 2k & k \\ 2 & k+2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Solution**

The rank is 3 for each  $k \neq 0$ .