

MA 242 Test 1 Version 2

Name: Solutions (print your first and last name neatly)

1. (33 points) Use points A (1,2,4) and B (1,4,5) and vectors $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ and $\vec{c} = -3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ to answer the following:

- a) Find the distance from point B to the xz plane

$$\boxed{4}$$

- b) Find the distance from point B to the z-axis

$$\sqrt{1^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

- c) Find two vectors parallel to $\vec{b}$, but with magnitude of 4

$$\|\vec{b}\| = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\pm \frac{4\vec{b}}{\|\vec{b}\|} = \pm \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} \langle 2, 1, 0 \rangle$$

- d) Find the vector equation of the line segment from point A to point B

$$\vec{AB} = \langle 1-1, 4-2, 5-4 \rangle = \langle 0, 2, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r} = \langle 1, 2, 4 \rangle + \langle 0, 2, 1 \rangle t \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

- e) Find the volume of the parallelepiped with adjacent edges $\vec{AB}$, $\vec{b}$, and $\vec{c}$

$$\vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 1, -(2-0), 2+3 \rangle \\ = \langle 1, -2, 5 \rangle$$

$$\vec{AB} \cdot \langle 1, -2, 5 \rangle$$

$$\langle 0, 2, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, -2, 5 \rangle = 0 - 4 + 5 = \boxed{1}$$

2. (15 points) Use intersecting lines $L_1: x=1+t, y=3, z=8-t$ and $L_2: x=3s, y=1+2s, z=7-s$ to answer the following:

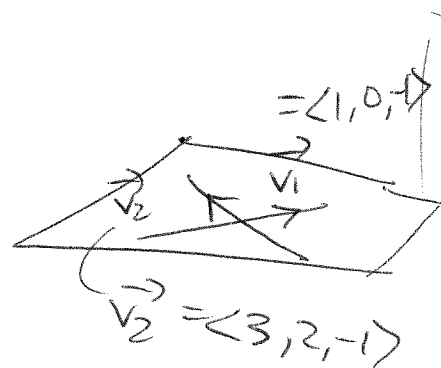
a) Find the point of intersection of the lines L_1 and L_2

$$\begin{aligned} 1+t &= 3s \\ 3 &= 1+2s \rightarrow s=1 \\ 8-t &= 7-s \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} & \nearrow t=2 \\ & 6=6 \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

pt: $L_2(1): \boxed{(3, 3, 6)}$

b) Find the equation of the plane containing lines L_1 and L_2

$$\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$



$$= \langle 0+2, -(-1+3), 2-0 \rangle = \langle 2, -2, 2 \rangle$$

$$a(x-x_0) + b(y-y_0) + c(z-z_0) = 0$$

$$\boxed{2(x-3) - 2(y-3) + 2(z-6) = 0}$$

3. (18 points) A ball is thrown from the ground at an angle of elevation of 30° above the horizontal with an initial speed of 80 m/s. Use $\vec{a} = \langle 0, -10 \rangle$ for the acceleration due to gravity.

a) Find the velocity vector $\vec{v}$



$$\vec{v} = \langle 0, -10t \rangle + \vec{c}$$

$$\vec{v}(0) = \vec{c} = \langle 80 \cos 30^\circ, 80 \sin 30^\circ \rangle$$

$$= \langle 80 \sqrt{3}/2, 80/2 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 40\sqrt{3}, 40 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v} = \langle 40\sqrt{3}, 40 - 10t \rangle$$

b) Find the position vector $\vec{r}$

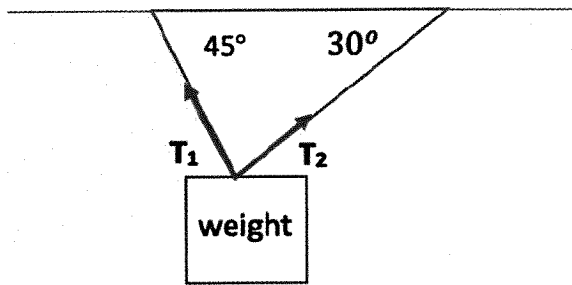
$$\vec{r} = \langle 40\sqrt{3}t, 40t - 5t^2 \rangle$$

c) Find the location of the ball at its maximum height.

$$40 - 10t = 0 \rightarrow t = 4$$

$$\vec{r}(4) = \langle 40\sqrt{3}(4), 40(4) - 5 \cdot 4^2 \rangle$$

4. (15 points) Use the picture to answer the following:



- a) The magnitude of tension vector T_1 is 20 lb. Write tension vector T_1 in its component form

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{T}_1 &= \langle -20 \cos 45^\circ, 20 \sin 45^\circ \rangle \\ &= \langle -20 \sqrt{2}/2, 20 \sqrt{2}/2 \rangle \\ &= \langle -10\sqrt{2}, 10\sqrt{2} \rangle\end{aligned}$$

- b) Find the magnitude of tension vector T_2

$$\vec{T}_1 + \vec{T}_2 = \langle 0, \text{weight} \rangle$$

$$\langle -10\sqrt{2}, 10\sqrt{2} \rangle + \langle T_2 \cos 30^\circ, T_2 \sin 30^\circ \rangle = \langle 0, w \rangle$$

$$-10\sqrt{2} + T_2 \cos 30^\circ = 0$$

$$-10\sqrt{2} + T_2 \sqrt{3}/2 = 0$$

$$T_2 =$$

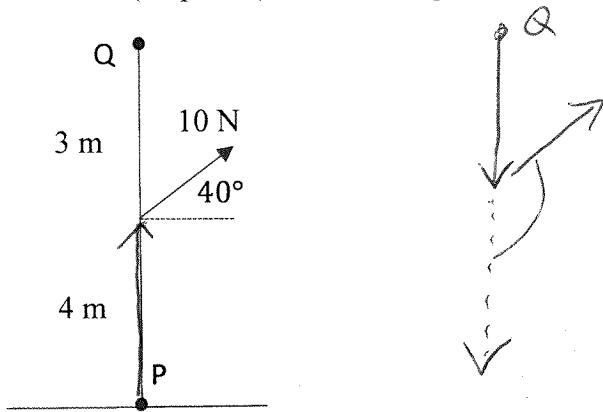
$$\boxed{\frac{10\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}/2}}$$

- c) Find the weight of the object suspended by these cables

$$\text{Weight} = 10\sqrt{2} + \frac{10\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}/2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$\sin 30^\circ$

5. (10 points) Use the image below to answer the following questions:



a) Find the magnitude of the torque about point P if a 10 N force is applied as shown.

$$|\vec{\tau}| = 4 \cdot 10 \sin 50^\circ$$

b) Find the magnitude of the torque about point Q if a 10 N force is applied as shown

$$|\vec{\tau}| = 3 \cdot 10 \sin(130^\circ)$$

6. (9 points) Find the angle between the vectors $\mathbf{a} = \langle 3, 1, 1 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{b} = \langle -1, 2, 2 \rangle$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\| \cos \theta$$

$$\langle 3, 1, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle -1, 2, 2 \rangle = \sqrt{11} \sqrt{1+4+4} \cos \theta$$

$$-3 + 2 + 2 = \sqrt{11} \sqrt{9} \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{11} \sqrt{9}} \right)$$

