

Practice Problems for Exam 1

Note: This list of practice problems is much longer than the exam will be. I just wanted to give you plenty to practice on.

1. Perform the following operations on the indicated vectors. If an operation is not possible, state why.

$$\mathbf{u} = \langle -2, -3, 1 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \langle 0, 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{w} = \langle -3, 2, 4 \rangle$$

a) $2\mathbf{u} + 3\mathbf{v}$

c) $\mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{v} - 4\mathbf{w}$

e) [redacted]

g) [redacted]

i) $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w}$

k) $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w}$

m) $\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$

- o) Find the area of the parallelogram formed by $\mathbf{v}$ and $\mathbf{w}$.

b) $-\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} + 2\mathbf{w}$

d) $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$

f) $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$

h) $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$

j) $\mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{v}$

l) $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \times \mathbf{w}$

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2. Find the vector form parametric equations of the following lines.

- a) The line through the point $(1, 2, -3)$ and parallel to $2\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$.

- b) The line passing through the points $(2, 1, 2)$ and $(2, -3, 5)$.

- c) The line passing through the points $(3, -5, 1)$ and $(0, 2, 7)$.

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[redacted] $\mathbf{u} \rightarrow$ set equal, solve system of linear equations
evaluate t

$\vec{PA} \times \vec{PR} \rightarrow \vec{PA} \times \vec{PR} = \vec{n}$
Sum before
 $\vec{n}$

a) The plane containing the point $(7, 2, 4)$ with normal vector $\vec{n} = \langle -1, 2, 5 \rangle$

- b) The plane containing the points $P(2, 0, -1)$, $Q(3, -4, 4)$, and $R(-1, 5, 2)$.

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[redacted] $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 4 \cos t, 4 \sin t, 2t \rangle$ on $[0, 6\pi]$

[redacted] $\vec{r}(t) = \left\langle \frac{t^3}{3}, t^2, 2t \right\rangle$ on $[0, 2]$

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a) $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t + 1, \cos t, \sin t \rangle$

b) $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t, t^2 \rangle$

Practice Problems for Exam 1 - Answer Key

These are not fully worked-out solutions, but should allow you to check your work. These would, generally, not be enough to get full credit on a question.

1.

a) $\langle -4, 0, 11 \rangle$	b) $\langle -4, 9, 10 \rangle$
c) $\langle 10, -15, -21 \rangle$	d) -3
e) Can't do	f) $\langle 0, -\frac{6}{13}, -\frac{9}{13} \rangle$
g) $\langle \frac{3}{7}, \frac{9}{14}, -\frac{3}{14} \rangle$	h) $\langle -11, 6, -4 \rangle$
i) $\langle -14, 5, -13 \rangle$	j) $\langle -2, 9, -6 \rangle$
k) 29	l) $\langle 32, 56, -4 \rangle$
m) $\langle -9, 14, 24 \rangle$	n) $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{14}\sqrt{29}} \right)$
o) 11	
2.

a) The vector form is $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 1 + 2t, 2 - 4t, -3 + 3t \rangle$
b) One vector form is $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2, 1 - 4t, 2 + 3t \rangle$
c) One vector form is $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 3 - 3t, 7t - 5, 6t + 1 \rangle$
3. $(3, -7, 4)$
4.

a) One possible equation is $-(x - 7) + 2(y - 2) + 5(x - 4) = 0$
b) One possible equation is $-37(x - 2) - 18y - 7(z + 1) = 0$
5. Find the lengths of the following curves on the given interval.

a) $12\sqrt{5}\pi$
b) $\frac{20}{3}$
6. Find the unit tangent and normal vectors for the following curves.

a) $T(t) = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -\left(\frac{\sin t}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \frac{\cos t}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$
 $N(t) = \langle 0, -\cos t, -\sin t \rangle$

b) $T(t) = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{4t^2 + 1}}, \frac{2t}{\sqrt{4t^2 + 1}} \right\rangle$
 $N(t) = \left\langle \frac{-2t}{\sqrt{4t^2 + 1}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{4t^2 + 1}} \right\rangle$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \vec{u} = \langle -2, 3, 1 \rangle, \vec{v} = \langle 0, 2, 3 \rangle, \vec{w} = \langle -3, 2, 4 \rangle$$

$$\textcircled{a} \quad 2\vec{u} + 3\vec{v}$$

$$\langle -4, -6, 2 \rangle + \langle 0, 6, 9 \rangle =$$

$$= \langle -4, 0, 11 \rangle$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad \vec{u} - 2\vec{v} - 4\vec{w}$$

$$\langle -2, -3, 1 \rangle$$

$$g - \text{Proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{v}$$

$$\text{Proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b} = \frac{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \vec{a}$$

$$\text{Proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{v} = \frac{\langle 0, 2, 3 \rangle \cdot \langle -2, -3, 1 \rangle}{|-2, -3, 1|^2} \vec{u}$$

$$\frac{(0)(-2) + (2)(-3) + (3)(1)}{(-2)^2 + (-3)^2 + (1)^2} \langle 0, 2, 3 \rangle = -\frac{3}{14} \vec{u}$$

$$4 \quad 9 \quad 1 = 14$$

$$f - \text{Proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} \quad -\frac{3}{13} \vec{v}$$

$$\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{u}| |\vec{v}|} = \cos \theta$$

$$u \langle -2, -3, 1 \rangle \quad v \langle -3, 2, 4 \rangle$$

$$6 \neq 6 + 4 = 4$$

$$\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{14} \cdot \sqrt{29}} \right)$$

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} \quad \left\| \begin{matrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \end{matrix} \right\| = \frac{8-9}{2i} - 9\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} = \sqrt{9^2 + 6^2} = 01+36$$

$$2-9 \quad P(1, 2, -3) \quad 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 1+2t, 2-4t, 3t-3 \rangle$$

$$b) \text{ the line passes } P(2, 1, 2)$$

$$Q(2, -3, 5)$$

$$\vec{PQ} = \langle 0, -4, 3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2, 1-4t, 2+3t \rangle$$

$$t \in \mathbb{R} \text{ where } x=2, y=1-4t, z=2+3t$$

$$\vec{PQ} \quad \langle 3, -5, 1 \rangle, \quad (0, 2, 7)$$

$$\vec{PQ} \quad \langle -3, 7, 6 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 3-3t, -5+7t, 1+6t \rangle$$

$$3. \quad \vec{r}(t) = \langle 6t, 2t-8, 4t+2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{s}(u) = \langle 7-2u, 3u-13, 6-u \rangle$$

$$\begin{cases} 6t = 7-2u \\ 2t-8 = 3u-13 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} 4(\frac{1}{2}) + 2 = 6-2 \\ 2+2 = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$6t = 7-2u$$

$$t = \frac{7}{6} - \frac{1}{3}u$$

$$6x = 7-2y$$

$$x = \frac{7}{6} - \frac{1}{3}y$$

$$2x-8 = 3y-13$$

$$\frac{7}{3} - \frac{2}{3}y - 8 = 3y-13$$

$$\frac{7}{3} - 8 + 13 = 3y + \frac{2}{3}y$$

$$\frac{7}{3} + 5 = \frac{11}{3}y$$

$$\frac{7+15}{3} = y$$

$$\frac{22}{3} = \frac{11}{3}y$$

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