

1. (a) (2 points) Let α be the last digit of your student number. Write

$$\frac{\alpha + 5i}{7 - 3i}$$

in the form $a + ib$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\frac{\alpha + 5i}{7 - 3i} = \frac{(\alpha + 5i)(7 + 3i)}{(7 - 3i)(7 + 3i)} = \frac{1}{49 + 9} [7\alpha - 15 + i(35 + 3\alpha)]$$

for example, for $\alpha = 1$ we get $-8 + 38i$

My answer: $7\alpha - 15 + i(35 + 3\alpha)$

- (b) (2 points) Find all roots of $z^3 + 4z^2 + 6z = 0$

$z = 0$ is a root, we can therefore factor

$z^3 + 4z^2 + 6z = z(z^2 + 4z + 6)$. The roots of $z^2 + 4z + 6$

$$\text{are } \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4 \cdot 6}}{2} = -2 \pm \frac{\sqrt{-8}}{2} = -2 \pm \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2}i =$$

$$= -2 \pm \sqrt{2}i$$

My answer: $0, -2 \pm \sqrt{2}i$

2. (a) (3 points) Find the intersection point of the lines

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1 - 3t & x &= -1 + s \\y &= 2 + 5t & y &= 3 - 4s \\z &= 1 + t & z &= 1 - s\end{aligned}$$

The intersection point is given by the conditions

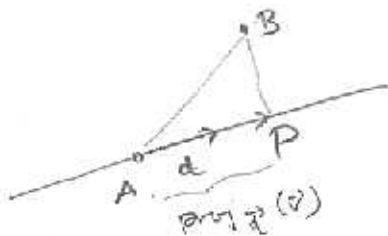
$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1 - 3t = -1 + s & s + 3t &= 2 & s - 3s &= 2 \\y &= 2 + 5t = 3 - 4s & \Rightarrow 4s + 5t &= 1 & \Rightarrow 4s - 5s &= 1 & \Rightarrow s = -1 \\z &= 1 + t = 1 - s & s + t &= 0 & t = -s & t = -s\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow (s, t) = (-1, 1)$ are the solutions of the linear system.

Substituting $t=1$ into the equations for the line yields the point of intersection: $P(-2, 7, 2)$

My answer: $P(-2, 7, 2)$

(b) (4 points) Let L be the line through the point $A(3, 1, 1)$ with direction vector $\vec{d} = [-1 \ 1 \ 0]^T$. Find the point on the line L that is closest to the point $B(1, \beta, 7)$ where β is the second last digit of your student number, and find the shortest distance from B to L .



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} &= B - A = (1, \beta, 7) - (3, 1, 1) = (-2, \beta - 1, 6) \\ \text{proj}_{\vec{d}}(\vec{v}) &= \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{d}}{\vec{d} \cdot \vec{d}} \vec{d} = \frac{(-2, \beta - 1, 6) \cdot (-1, 1, 0)}{(-1, 1, 0) \cdot (-1, 1, 0)} \vec{d} \\ &= \frac{(2 + \beta - 1)}{1 + 1} \vec{d} = \frac{1 + \beta}{2} (-1, 1, 0)\end{aligned}$$

point on the line closest to B is $A + \text{proj}_{\vec{d}}(\vec{v}) =$
 $= (3, 1, 1) + \frac{1 + \beta}{2} (-1, 1, 0) = \left(\frac{5 - \beta}{2}, \frac{3 + \beta}{2}, 1 \right)$

shortest distance is $\|\vec{BP}\| = \left\| (1, \beta, 7) - \left(\frac{5 - \beta}{2}, \frac{3 + \beta}{2}, 1 \right) \right\|$
 $= \left\| \left(\frac{\beta - 3}{2}, \frac{\beta - 3}{2}, 6 \right) \right\| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\beta - 3)^2 + 36}$

My answer: _____

3. (a) (3 points) Determine an equation of the plane containing the lines

$$[3 \ 1 \ 0]^T + t[1 \ 2 \ 3]^T \quad \text{and} \quad [2 \ 4 \ 22]^T + t[-1 \ -1 \ 2]^T.$$

The normal \vec{n} to the two lines is $\vec{n} = (1, 2, 3) \times (4, -1, 2)$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \left(\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}, -\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \right) = (7, -5, 1)$$

The plane with normal $\vec{n} = (7, -5, 1)$ through the point $(3, 1, 0)$ [which lies on the 1st line] is

$$0 = \vec{n} \cdot (x-3, y-1, z) = (7, -5, 1) \cdot (x-3, y-1, z) \\ = 7x - 5y + z - 16$$

My answer: $7x - 5y + z = 16$

- (b) (2 points) Find the equation of the plane passing through the point $P(1, -2, 1)$ and parallel to the plane $3x - 2y + z = 5$.

normal of the plane is $\vec{n} = (3, -2, 1)$

equation of the plane is therefore

$$0 = \vec{n} \cdot (x, y, z) - (1, -2, 1) \cdot (3, -2, 1) = (3, -2, 1) \cdot (x-1, y+2, z-1) \\ = 3x - 3 - 2y - 4 + z - 1 = 3x - 2y + z - 8$$

My answer: $3x - 2y + z = 8$

4. (a) (3 points) Find the volume of the parallelepiped determined by the vectors $A(-1, 0, \gamma)$, $B(2, 1, 1)$ and $C(-1, -1, 3)$, where γ is the third last digit of your student number.

$$\vec{B} \times \vec{C} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \left(\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}, -\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \right) = (4, -7, -1)$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = (-1, 0, \gamma) \cdot (4, -7, -1) = -4 - \gamma$$

$$\text{The volume is } |\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})| = |-4 - \gamma| = 4 + \gamma$$

My answer: 4 + γ

- (b) (2 points) Find the area of the triangle with vertices $P(1, 2, -3)$, $Q(1, 1, 0)$ and $R(2, 3, 0)$.

$$\vec{PQ} = (1, 1, 0) - (1, 2, -3) = (0, -1, 3)$$

$$\vec{PR} = (2, 3, 0) - (1, 2, -3) = (1, 1, 3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \left(\begin{vmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}, -\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \right) = \\ &= (-6, 3, 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\|\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}\| = \sqrt{36 + 9 + 1} = \sqrt{46}$$

$$\text{Area of triangle is } \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}\| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{46}$$

My answer: $\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{46}$