

Math 243

Spring 2017

Assignment 3

Selected solutions:

§11.4:

$$\begin{aligned} (6) \quad \hat{i} \times \hat{j} &= \hat{k} \\ \hat{j} \times \hat{k} &= \hat{i} \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{i} \perp \hat{k} \text{ so } |\hat{i} \times \hat{k}| = |\hat{i}| \cdot |\hat{k}| = 1 \cdot 1 = \boxed{1}$$

$$\text{A direction is just } \hat{i} \times \hat{k} = \boxed{-\hat{j}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (16) \quad \vec{PQ} &= (1, 0, 2) \\ \vec{PR} &= (2, -2, 0) \end{aligned} \quad \vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

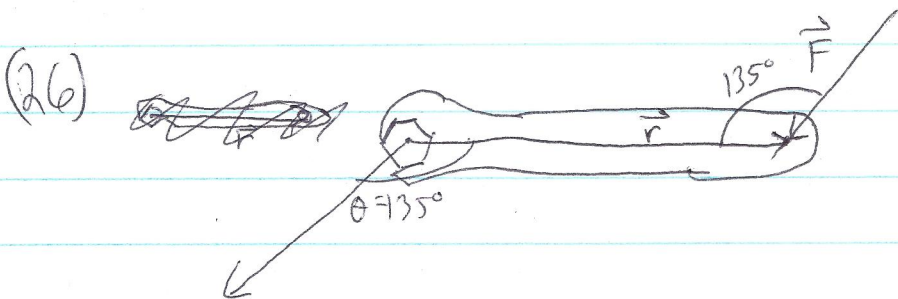
$$= (4, 4, -2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \text{ area of triangle} &= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{4^2 + 4^2 + (-2)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{16 + 16 + 4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{36} \\ &= \boxed{3} \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $\vec{PQ} \times \vec{PR}$  is perpendicular to the plane PQR. Its magnitude is 6.

$$\text{so answer} = \frac{1}{6} (4, 4, -2)$$

$$= \boxed{\left( \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{3} \right)}$$



$$\begin{aligned} |\text{Torque}| &= |\vec{r}| |\vec{F}| \sin(135^\circ) \\ &= 8 \text{ in} \cdot 3016 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ &= 120\sqrt{2} \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in} \\ &= \boxed{10\sqrt{2} \text{ ft} \cdot \text{lbs}} \end{aligned}$$

Ex 11.5:

$$(36) \vec{s} = (2, 1, -1)$$

$$x = 2t$$

$$y = 1 + 2t$$

$$z = 2t$$

$$\text{so } \vec{v} = (2, 2, 2)$$

Get a point  $P_0$  on the line by setting, say,  $t=0$ . So  $P_0 = (0, 1, 0)$

$$\text{Then } \text{dist}(S, \text{Line}) = \frac{|\vec{P_0S} \times \vec{v}|}{|\vec{v}|}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{12} = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\vec{P_0S} = (2, 0, -1)$$

$$\vec{P_0S} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1, 0, 2)$$

$$|\vec{P_0S} \times \vec{v}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\text{so distance} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

Other exercises:

$$(1)(a) \vec{r}_0 = (0, 1, 3) \quad \vec{v} = (1, 4, -2) - (0, 1, 3) = (1, 3, -5)$$

$$\text{so } \vec{r} = (0, 1, 3) + t(1, 3, -5)$$

$$\begin{cases} x = t \\ y = 1 + 3t \\ z = 3 - 5t \end{cases}$$

$$-\infty < t < \infty$$

(1)(b)  $\vec{r}_0 = (-1, 7, 0)$  &  $\vec{v} = (4, -4, 4)$  are given

so get  $\vec{r} = (-1, 7, 0) + t(4, -4, 4)$

or  $\begin{cases} x = -1 + 4t \\ y = 7 - 4t \\ z = 4t \end{cases} \quad -\infty < t < \infty$

(c)  $\vec{P}_0 = (-3, -2, 1)$

Midpoint of the line segment is  $\frac{(4, 6, 8) + (8, 6, 2)}{2} = \frac{(12, 12, 10)}{2} = (6, 6, 5)$

$\vec{v} = (6, 6, 5) - (-3, -2, 1) = (9, 8, 4)$

so  $\vec{r} = (-3, -2, 1) + t(9, 8, 4)$

$\begin{cases} x = -3 + 9t \\ y = -2 + 8t \\ z = 1 + 4t \end{cases} \quad -\infty < t < \infty$

(d)  $\frac{x-2}{3} = t$

$\frac{y-1}{5} = t$

$\frac{z+1}{2} = t$

$\begin{cases} x = 2 + 3t \\ y = 1 + 5t \\ z = -1 + 2t \end{cases}$

$-\infty < t < \infty \quad \vec{r} = (2, 1, -1) + t(3, 5, 2)$

(3) (a)  $\vec{v} = \vec{PQ} = (4, 6, 5)$  so  $\vec{r} = (1, 0, 1) + t(4, 6, 5) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$

(b)  $\vec{v} = \vec{PQ} = (3, 5, -11)$  so  $\vec{r} = t(3, 5, -11) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$