

**Math 213 • Common Exam 1**  
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Show all work for each problem, clearly explaining your solution. This is a closed-book exam: no notes or electronic devices allowed. **Note that points add up to 112: you may skip one short problem**

1. **(11pts)** Find the projection of vector  $\mathbf{u} = \langle 1, 0, 2 \rangle = \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$  onto vector  $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, 1, 3 \rangle = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$
2. **(12pts)** Consider lines  $\mathbf{r}_1(t) = \langle 0, 2, 1 \rangle + t\langle 1, -1, 1 \rangle$ , and  $\mathbf{r}_2(t) = \langle 2, 6, 3 \rangle + t\langle 2, 1, 5 \rangle$ . Are these lines parallel, intersecting, or neither (i.e., skew)?
3. **(14pts)** Consider vectors  $\mathbf{u} = 2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}$ .
  - a) Find the area of the parallelogram with sides formed by vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$
  - b) Find the angle between vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$
4. **(12pts)** Find the equation of the line of intersection of the planes  $x + 2y - z = 3$  and  $x - 3y + 5z = 1$
5. **(12pts)** Find the equation of the plane containing points  $(0, 1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0, -2)$  and  $(2, 3, 0)$ .
6. **(15pts)** Consider the shortest distance between some point  $P$  and the line passing through point  $S$  and parallel to vector  $\mathbf{v}$ .
  - a) Which of the following formulas gives the correct expression for this distance:
   
 (i)  $D = \frac{|\overrightarrow{SP} \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}|}{|\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}|}$     (ii)  $D = \frac{|\overrightarrow{SP} \cdot \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}|}{|\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}|}$     (iii)  $D = \frac{|\overrightarrow{SP} \cdot \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}|}{|\overrightarrow{SP}|}$     (iv)  $D = \frac{|\overrightarrow{SP} \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}|}{|\overrightarrow{SP}|}$
  - b) Explain the distance formula using a simple sketch (the sketch should show vectors  $\overrightarrow{SP}$  and  $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}$ , the angle between them, and the distance between the line and the point).
  - c) Find the distance between the point  $(1, 1, 1)$  and the line  $x = t, y = 1 - t, z = 3$ .
7. **(12pts)** Consider the surface  $y - z^2 - 6z - x^2 + 13 = 0$ . Categorize and sketch a couple different x-sections and y-sections, and categorize the surface. Make a rough sketch (make sure to label the axes).
8. **(12pts)** Describe geometrically the position of all points  $P$  satisfying the equation  $\overrightarrow{P_0P} \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{0}$ , where  $P_0$  is a fixed point, and  $\overrightarrow{P_0P}$  is a vector from  $P_0$  to  $P$ . Explain your answer.
9. **(12pts)** Which of the following expressions are **always** true? Explain (very briefly)
   
 (a)  $|\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}} \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}| = |\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}|^2$     (b)  $|\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}} \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}| = 0$     (c)  $|\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}| = 0$     (d)  $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}} \cdot (\overrightarrow{\mathbf{u}} \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}) = 0$     (e)  $|\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}} \cdot (\overrightarrow{\mathbf{u}} \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{w}})| = |\overrightarrow{\mathbf{w}} \cdot (\overrightarrow{\mathbf{u}} \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}})|$