Keys to Quiz12

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1. A(1,2,3). Two planes P1: x+y=1 and P2: 2x+y-2z=2. Find the angle between planes (2'), the parametrizations of the line where the planes intersect (2') and the distance between A and P2 (1').

Ans: Nomal vector of P1 is $n_1 = <1, 1, 0 >$ and normal vector of P2 is $n_2 = <2, 1, -2 >$. The angle is thus $\theta = \cos^{-1}(|\frac{n_1 \cdot n_2}{|n_1| |n_2|}|) = \cos^{-1}(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) = \pi/4$.

The line should be parallel to $n_1 \times n_2 = <-2, 2, -1>$. We need to find a point on the line. Any point satisfying x + y = 1 and 2x + y - 2z = 2 should work. I choose P(1,0,0). The line is x = 1 - 2t, y = 2t, z = -t

Distance $d = |\overrightarrow{AS} \cdot n_2|$. S is a point on P2. If we choose S(1,0,0). We have $d = |\frac{\leq 0, -2, -3 > \cdot \leq 2, 1, -2 >}{3}| = 4/3$

- 2. (a). $\mathbf{r}(t) = \cos 2t\mathbf{i} + 3\sin 2t\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$. Find the velocity, the speed and acceleration at $t = \pi$ (3')
 - (b). $\frac{d\mathbf{r}(t)}{dt} = \sec t \tan t\mathbf{i} + \tan t\mathbf{j} + 2\sin t \cos t\mathbf{k}$. $\mathbf{r}(0) = \overrightarrow{0}$. Find $\mathbf{r}(\pi/3)$ (2')

Ans: (a). $v(t) = dr(t)/dt = -2\sin 2ti + 6\cos 2tj$ and

- $a(t)=dv(t)/dt=-4\cos 2ti-12\sin 2tj.$ At $t=\pi,$ we have $v(\pi)=6j$ and speed is |6j|=6. $a(\pi)=-4i$
- (b). $r(\pi/3) = r(0) + \int_0^{\pi/3} \sec t \tan t \mathbf{i} + \tan t \mathbf{j} + 2 \sin t \cos t \mathbf{k} dt = i + \ln 2j + 3k/4$. Here $\int \sec t \tan t dt = \sec t + C$, $\int \tan t dt = \ln |\sec t| + C$ and $2 \sin t \cos t = \sin 2t$

(Bonus) A particle is moving. If $\mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{v}/dt = 1$ and the speed at t = 0 is 0, find the speed at t = 2 (2')

Furthermore, let it be on $y^2 = 2x$. If at t = 2, it's at (2,2) and moving from left to right, find the velocity (2').

Ans: Since $v \cdot dv/dt = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d|v|^2}{dt} = 1$, we have $|v|^2 = 2t + c$. We can determine that c = 0. Then v(2) = 2.

At (2,2), one vector parallel to the tangent line is

 $<1, f'(x)>=<1, 1/\sqrt{2x}>|_2=<1, 1/2>$. The velocity is thus

$$2* < 1, 1/2 > *2/\sqrt{5} = < 4, 2 > /\sqrt{5}$$