

- 9 The equations of two straight lines l_1 and l_2 are

$$l_1: \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} + \lambda(2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + a\mathbf{k}) \quad \text{and} \quad l_2: \mathbf{r} = -\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k} + \mu(3\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}),$$

where a is a constant.

The lines l_1 and l_2 are perpendicular.

- (a) Show that $a = 4$. [1]

$$l_1: \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ a \end{pmatrix} \quad l_2: \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

If perpendicular, the scalar product of the direction vectors = 0:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ a \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$2 \times 3 + -1 \times -2 + a \times -2 = 0$$

$$6 + 2 - 2a = 0$$

$$8 - 2a = 0$$

$$2a = 8$$

$$a = 4 \quad \text{QED}$$

The lines l_1 and l_2 also intersect.

- (b) Find the position vector of the point of intersection. [4]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 + 2\lambda \\ -2 - \lambda \\ 3 + 4\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 + 3\mu \\ -1 - 2\mu \\ -1 - 2\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i: } 1 + 2\lambda &= -1 + 3\mu & \text{j: } -2 - \lambda &= -1 - 2\mu \\ 2 &= 3\mu - 2\lambda \quad (1) & -1 &= -2\mu + \lambda \times 2 \\ & & -2 &= -4\mu + 2\lambda \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$(1) + (2): 0 = -\mu$$

$$\mu = 0$$

$$\text{Sub. into } l_2: \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 + 0 \\ -1 - 0 \\ -1 - 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The point A has position vector $-5\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 9\mathbf{k}$.

(c) Show that A lies on l_1 .

[2]

$$\begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + 2\lambda \\ -2 - \lambda \\ 3 + 4\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i: -5 &= 1 + 2\lambda \\ -6 &= 2\lambda \\ \lambda &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} j: 1 &= -2 - \lambda \\ 3 &= -\lambda \\ \lambda &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

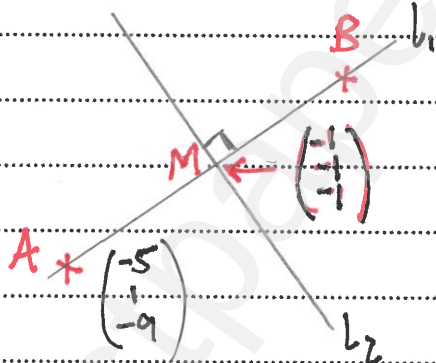
$$\begin{aligned} k: -9 &= 3 + 4\lambda \\ -12 &= 4\lambda \\ \lambda &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda = -3$ for all three components, therefore A lies on l_1 .

The point B is the image of A after a reflection in the line l_2 .

(d) Find the position vector of B .

[2]



$$\vec{OB} = \vec{OM} + \vec{MB};$$

$$\vec{OM} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AM} &= \underline{M} - \underline{A} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 8 Two lines have equations $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(a) Show that the lines are skew.

[5]

① Show they're not parallel:

$$\text{If parallel, } \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{i} & & \text{k} \\ 2 = -t & \text{j} & 3 = -2t & -1 = t \\ t = -2 & & t = -\frac{3}{2} \end{array}$$

No common solution for t , so not parallel.

② Show they don't intersect:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 + 2\lambda \\ 3 + 3\lambda \\ -4 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 - \mu \\ -3 - 2\mu \\ -1 + \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{i} & \text{j} \\ -1 + 2\lambda = 2 - \mu & 3 + 3\lambda = -3 - 2\mu \\ -3 + 2\lambda = -\mu & 3\lambda = -6 - 2\mu \quad \textcircled{2} \\ \mu = 3 - 2\lambda \quad \textcircled{1} \end{array}$$

Sub. ① into ②:

$$\begin{aligned} 3\lambda &= -6 - 2(3 - 2\lambda) \\ 3\lambda &= -6 - 6 + 4\lambda \\ -\lambda &= -12 \\ \lambda &= 12 \end{aligned}$$

Sub into ①:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= 3 - 2 \times 12 \\ \mu &= -21 \end{aligned}$$

See if these values work for k:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{k} & \\ -4 - \lambda &= -1 + \mu \\ -4 - 12 &= -1 - 21 \end{array}$$

$-16 \neq -22 \rightarrow$ don't intersect $\therefore$ Skew

(b) Find the obtuse angle between the directions of the two lines.

[3]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + (-1)^2} \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2} \cos \theta$$

↑
direction vector
of l_1
↑
direction vector
of l_2

$$2 \times -1 + 3 \times -2 + -1 \times 1 = \sqrt{14} \times \sqrt{6} \times \cos \theta$$

$$-2 + -6 + -1 = \sqrt{84} \cos \theta$$

$$-9 = \sqrt{84} \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-9}{\sqrt{84}}$$

$$\theta = \underline{\underline{169.1^\circ}}$$





- 6 The lines l and m have vector equations

$$l: \mathbf{r} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k} + \lambda(-\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{k}) \quad \text{and} \quad m: \mathbf{r} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k} + \mu(2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}).$$

Lines l and m intersect at the point P .

- (a) State the coordinates of P .

[1]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$i: 2 - \lambda = 2 + 2\mu \quad j: 1 = 1 - \mu$$

$$2\mu + \lambda = 0 \quad (1) \quad \mu = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) \rightarrow (1): \lambda = 0$$

$$\rightarrow P = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{coordinates: } (2, 1, -3) \quad \text{(It's actually pretty obvious this is the case if you look at the equations carefully)}$$

- (b) Find the exact value of the cosine of the acute angle between l and m .

[3]

Scalar product between direction vectors:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 2^2} \times \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 5^2} \cos \theta$$

$$-2 + 0 + 10 = \sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{30} \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{8}{\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{30}}$$

$$= \frac{8}{\sqrt{150}}$$

$$= \frac{8}{5\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\text{or} = \frac{4\sqrt{6}}{15}$$

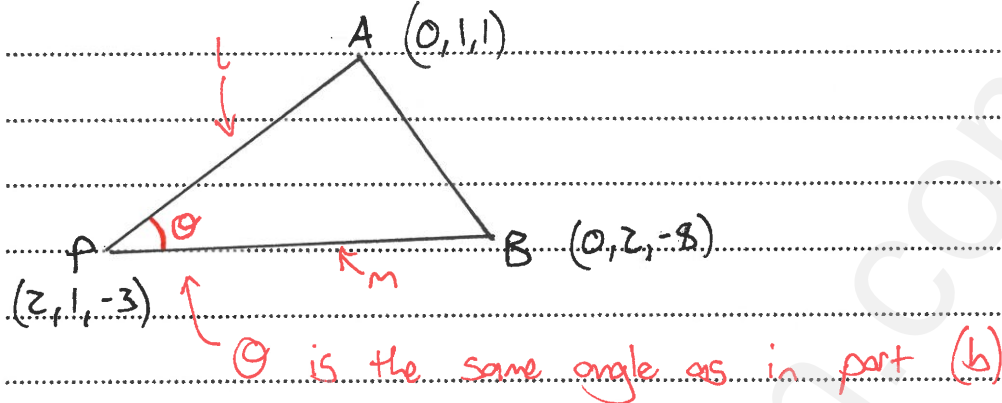
(You can check it's acute by doing $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4\sqrt{6}}{15}\right)$)



- (c) The point A on line l has coordinates $(0, 1, 1)$. The point B on line m has coordinates $(0, 2, -8)$.

Find the exact area of triangle APB .

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$$\begin{aligned}
 |PA| &= \sqrt{(0-2)^2 + (1-1)^2 + (1-(-3))^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{2^2 + 4^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{20}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |PB| &= \sqrt{(0-2)^2 + (2-1)^2 + (-8-(-3))^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{30}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin C$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{20} \times \sqrt{30} \times \sin \theta$$

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{20} \times \sqrt{30} \times \sqrt{\frac{43}{75}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{4\sqrt{6}}{15} \text{ from (b)}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta + \left(\frac{4\sqrt{6}}{15}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\sin^2 \theta + \frac{32}{75} = 1$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{43}{75}$$

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{\frac{43}{75}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{\frac{25800}{75}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{344}$$

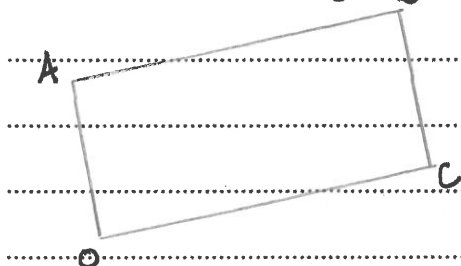
$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 2\sqrt{86} = \underline{\underline{\sqrt{86}}}$$

- 9 Relative to the origin O , the position vectors of the points A , B and C are given by

$$\vec{OA} = 5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}, \quad \vec{OB} = 8\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{OC} = 3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} - 7\mathbf{k}.$$

- (a) Show that $OABC$ is a rectangle. **B**

[4]



- ① Show that $\angle AOC$ is a right angle by doing scalar product with $\vec{OA}$ and $\vec{OC}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{OA} \cdot \vec{OC} &= |\vec{OA}| |\vec{OC}| \cos \theta \\ \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} &= 5 \times 3 + (-2) \times 4 + 1 \times (-7) \\ &= 15 - 8 - 7 \\ &= 0 \quad \text{so } \vec{OA} \text{ and } \vec{OC} \text{ are perpendicular.} \end{aligned}$$

- ② Show that $\vec{OC}$ and $\vec{AB}$ are parallel and same length:

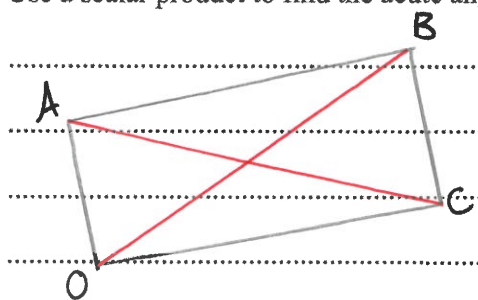
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} &= \vec{b} - \vec{a} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{AB} = \vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{so the two sides}$$

are parallel and equal in length, so $OABC$ is a rectangle.

- (b) Use a scalar product to find the acute angle between the diagonals of $OABC$.

[4]



diagonals are $\vec{OB}$ and $\vec{AC}$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{AC} &= \vec{c} - \vec{a} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 6 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{OB} \cdot \vec{AC} &= |\vec{OB}| |\vec{AC}| \cos \theta \\ \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 6 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} &= \sqrt{8^2 + 2^2 + (-6)^2} \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 6^2 + (-8)^2} \cos \theta\end{aligned}$$

$$-16 + 12 + 48 = \sqrt{104} \sqrt{104} \cos \theta$$

$$44 = 104 \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{44}{104}$$

$$\theta = \underline{\underline{65.0^\circ}}$$

- 9 The position vector of point A relative to the origin O is $\overrightarrow{OA} = 8\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$.
The line l passes through A and is parallel to the vector $2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$.

(a) State a vector equation for l .

[2]

$$\underline{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

point on
line

direction vector
of line

- (b) The position vector of point B relative to the origin O is $\overrightarrow{OB} = -t\mathbf{i} + 4t\mathbf{j} + 3t\mathbf{k}$, where t is a constant.
The line l also passes through B .

Find the value of t .

[3]

$$\begin{pmatrix} -t \\ 4t \\ 3t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{i: } -t = 8 + 2\lambda \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{j: } 4t = -5 + \lambda \quad \times 2$$

$$8t = -10 + 2\lambda \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} - \textcircled{1}: 9t = -18$$

$$t = -2$$

Optional: Check by finding λ :

$$\rightarrow \textcircled{1}: -(-2) = 8 + 2\lambda$$

$$2 = 8 + 2\lambda$$

$$-6 = 2\lambda$$

$$\lambda = -3$$

and check in k:

$$3(-2) = 6 + 4(-3)$$

$$-6 = 6 + -12$$

$$-6 = -6 \quad \checkmark$$

- (c) The line m has vector equation $\mathbf{r} = 5\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k} + \mu(a\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$. The acute angle between the directions of l and m is θ , where $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$.

Find the possible values of a .

[5]

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{a^2 + (-1)^2 + 3^2} \times \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 4^2} \cos \theta$$

$\uparrow$ direction vector of m $\uparrow$ direction vector of l $\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$

$$2a - 1 + 12 = \sqrt{a^2 + 1 + 9} \times \sqrt{4 + 1 + 16} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$2a + 11 = \sqrt{a^2 + 10} \times \sqrt{21} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$2a + 11 = \sqrt{(a^2 + 10) \times 21} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Square both sides

$$(2a + 11)^2 = \frac{21}{6}(a^2 + 10)$$

$$4a^2 + 44a + 121 = \frac{7}{2}(a^2 + 10)$$

$\times 2$ $\times 2$

$$8a^2 + 88a + 242 = 7a^2 + 70$$

$$a^2 + 88a + 172 = 0$$

$$(a + 86)(a + 2) = 0$$

$$\underline{a = -86} \text{ or } \underline{a = -2}$$

10 The equations of two straight lines are

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 2a\mathbf{k} + \lambda(3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + a\mathbf{k}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{r} = -3\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k} + \mu(-\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}),$$

where a is a constant.

- (a) Given that the acute angle between the directions of these lines is $\frac{1}{4}\pi$, find the possible values of a . [6]

Scalar product with direction vectors:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ a \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + a^2} \times \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} \cos \theta$$

$$3 \times -1 + 4 \times 2 + 2a = \sqrt{25 + a^2} \times \sqrt{9} \cos \theta$$

$$5 + 2a = 3\sqrt{25 + a^2} \cos \theta$$

* Although the acute angle between the lines is $\frac{\pi}{4}$, the scalar product could give the answer $\frac{3\pi}{4}$. This doesn't matter because $\cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ and $\cos(\frac{3\pi}{4}) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ and we are going to square this:

$$5 + 2a = 3\sqrt{25 + a^2} \times \left(\pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$$

$$(5 + 2a)^2 = \left(3\sqrt{25 + a^2} \times \left(\pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\right)^2$$

$$25 + 20a + 4a^2 = 9(25 + a^2) \left(\frac{2}{4}\right)$$

$$25 + 20a + 4a^2 = (225 + 9a^2) \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$50 + 40a + 8a^2 = 225 + 9a^2$$

$$a^2 - 40a + 175 = 0$$

$$(a - 5)(a - 35) = 0$$

$$\underline{a = 5} \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{a = 35}$$

- (b) Given instead that the lines intersect, find the value of a and the position vector of the point of intersection. [5]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 + 3\lambda \\ 1 + 4\lambda \\ 2a + a\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 - \mu \\ -1 + 2\mu \\ 4 + 2\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{i}: 1 + 3\lambda &= -3 - \mu & \underline{j}: 1 + 4\lambda &= -1 + 2\mu \\ 3\lambda + \mu &= -4 \quad \textcircled{1} & 4\lambda - 2\mu &= -2 \quad \div 2 \\ & & 2\lambda - \mu &= -1 \quad \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2}: 5\lambda &= -5 \\ \lambda &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}: 3(-1) + \mu &= -4 \\ \mu &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Sub. $\mu = -1$ to find point of intersection:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{r} &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 - (-1) \\ -1 + 2(-1) \\ 4 + 2(-1) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{k}: 2a + a\lambda = 4 + 2\mu$$

$$\lambda = -1, \mu = -1:$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2a - a &= 4 - 2 \\ \underline{a} &= \underline{2} \end{aligned}$$



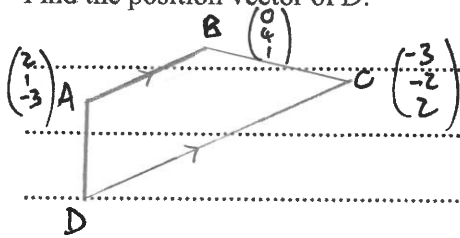
- 9 With respect to the origin O , the points A , B and C have position vectors given by

$$\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) The point D is such that $ABCD$ is a trapezium with $\vec{DC} = 3\vec{AB}$.

Find the position vector of D .

[2]



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} &= \underline{b} - \underline{a} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{DC} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 9 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{OD} &= \vec{OC} + \vec{CD} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -9 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -11 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}}} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) The diagonals of the trapezium intersect at the point P .

Find the position vector of P .

[5]

Eqn of line through A and C:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AC} &= \underline{c} - \underline{a} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

point on line (A)

direction vector AC



Eqn of line through B and D:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{BD} &= \underline{d} - \underline{b} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -11 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -15 \\ -11 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -15 \\ -11 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solve simultaneously: $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -15 \\ -11 \end{pmatrix}$

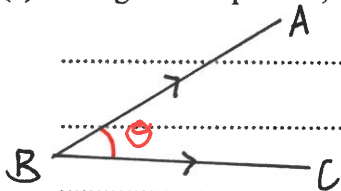
$$\begin{aligned}i: 2 - 5\lambda &= 3\mu \times 5 & j: 1 - 3\lambda &= 4 - 15\mu \quad (2) \\ 10 - 25\lambda &= 15\mu \quad (1)\end{aligned}$$

sub into eqn of line:

$$\begin{aligned}(1) + (2): 11 - 28\lambda &= 4 \\ 28\lambda &= 7 \\ \lambda &= \frac{1}{4}\end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -5/4 \\ -3/4 \\ 5/4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ -7/4 \end{pmatrix} [4]$$

(c) Using a scalar product, calculate angle ABC.



$$\vec{BA} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{BC} = \underline{c} - \underline{b}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC} = |\vec{BA}| |\vec{BC}| \cos \theta$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + (-4)^2} \times \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-6)^2 + 1^2} \cos \theta$$

$$-6 + 18 - 4 = \sqrt{29} \sqrt{46} \cos \theta$$

$$8 = \sqrt{29} \times \sqrt{46} \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{8}{\sqrt{29} \times \sqrt{46}}$$

$$\theta = \underline{\underline{77.3^\circ}}$$



- 8 The points A , B and C have position vectors $\vec{OA} = -2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$, $\vec{OB} = 5\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$ and $\vec{OC} = 8\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$, where O is the origin. The line l_1 passes through B and C .

(a) Find a vector equation for l_1 .

[3]

direction vector: $\vec{BC} = \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{b}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$l_1: \underline{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

point on line (A) →

Other solutions are possible.

The line l_2 has equation $\underline{r} = -2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k} + \mu(3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$.

(b) Find the coordinates of the point of intersection of l_1 and l_2 .

[4]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 + 3\lambda \\ 2 + 3\lambda \\ -3\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 + 3\mu \\ 1 + \mu \\ 4 - 2\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{i}: 5 + 3\lambda = -2 + 3\mu$$

$$7 = 3\mu - 3\lambda \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\underline{j}: 2 + 3\lambda = 1 + \mu$$

$$1 = \mu - 3\lambda \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} - \textcircled{2}: 6 = 2\mu$$

$$\mu = 3$$

$$\text{sub. into } l_2: \underline{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 3 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

coordinates: $(7, 4, -2)$

- (c) The point D on l_2 is such that $AB = BD$.

Find the position vector of D .

← this means $|AB| = |BD|$

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$|AB|$:

$$\begin{aligned} |AB| &= \sqrt{(5-2)^2 + (2-1)^2 + (-4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{49 + 1 + 16} \\ &= \sqrt{66} \end{aligned}$$

D lies on l_2 , so use equation of line to represent d :

$$\underline{d} = \begin{pmatrix} -2+3\mu \\ 1+\mu \\ 4-2\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{BD} &= \underline{d} - \underline{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -2+3\mu \\ 1+\mu \\ 4-2\mu \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -7+3\mu \\ -1+\mu \\ 4-2\mu \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\underline{BD}| &= \sqrt{(-7+3\mu)^2 + (-1+\mu)^2 + (4-2\mu)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{49 - 42\mu + 9\mu^2 + 1 - 2\mu + \mu^2 + 16 - 16\mu + 4\mu^2} \\ &= \sqrt{14\mu^2 - 60\mu + 66} \end{aligned}$$

$|BD| = \sqrt{66}$:

$$\sqrt{14\mu^2 - 60\mu + 66} = \sqrt{66}$$

$$14\mu^2 - 60\mu + 66 = 66$$

$$14\mu^2 - 60\mu = 0$$

$$7\mu^2 - 30\mu = 0$$

$$\mu(7\mu - 30) = 0$$

$$\mu = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \mu = \frac{30}{7}$$

← this gives point A

sub. into l_2 :

$$\underline{d} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 + \frac{90}{7} \\ 1 + \frac{30}{7} \\ 4 - \frac{60}{7} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{76}{7} \\ \frac{31}{7} \\ -\frac{32}{7} \end{pmatrix}$$