

C4 VECTORS

Answers - Worksheet E

1 **a** $1 + 2\lambda = 7 \quad \therefore \lambda = 3$

$$p - 3\lambda = -1 \quad \therefore p = 8$$

b $\begin{aligned} -4 + q\lambda &= -1 \quad \therefore q = 1 \\ |2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}| &= \sqrt{4+1+9} = \sqrt{14} \\ |-4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}| &= \sqrt{16+25+4} = \sqrt{45} \\ (2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}) \cdot (-4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}) \\ &= -8 + 5 + 6 = 3 \end{aligned}$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left| \frac{-1}{\sqrt{14}\sqrt{45}} \right| = 83.1^\circ \text{ (1dp)}$$

3 **a** $\overrightarrow{PQ} = (3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}) - (5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k})$
 $= -2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$
 $\therefore \mathbf{r} = 5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k} + \lambda(-2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$

b $5 - 2\lambda = 4 + 5\mu \quad (1)$
 $-2 + 3\lambda = 6 - \mu \quad (2)$
 $2 - 2\lambda = -1 + 3\mu \quad (3)$

$$(1) - (3) \Rightarrow 3 = 5 + 2\mu \quad \mu = -1, \lambda = 3$$

$$\text{check (2)} \quad -2 + 3(3) = 6 - (-1) \quad \text{true} \quad \therefore \text{intersect}$$

pos. vector of int. = $-\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}$

c $| -2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k} | = \sqrt{4+9+4} = \sqrt{17}$
 $| 5\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} | = \sqrt{25+1+9} = \sqrt{35}$
 $(-2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}) \cdot (5\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$
 $= -10 - 3 - 6 = -19$
 $\theta = \cos^{-1} \left| \frac{-19}{\sqrt{17}\sqrt{35}} \right| = 38.8^\circ$

2 **a** $\overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\therefore \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$$

b $1 + 4s = 5 + t \quad (1)$

$$6 - 6s = -5 - 4t \quad (2)$$

$$4 \times (1) + (2) \Rightarrow 10 + 10s = 15$$

$$s = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{pos. vector of } C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

c pos. vector of mid-point of AB

$$\begin{aligned} &= \overrightarrow{OA} + \frac{1}{2} \overrightarrow{AB} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore C$ is mid-point of AB

4 **a** $5 + 2\lambda = 7 - \mu \quad (1)$
 $-\lambda = -3 + \mu \quad (2)$

$$1 + 2\lambda = 7 - 2\mu \quad (3)$$

$$(1) + (2) \Rightarrow 5 + \lambda = 4$$

$$\lambda = -1, \mu = 4$$

$$\text{check (3)} \quad 1 + 2(-1) = 7 - 2(4)$$

true \therefore intersect

pos. vector of int. = $3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$

b diagonals bisect each other

let M be point of intersection

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{AM} = (3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}) - (9\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k})$$

$$= -6\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OC} = \overrightarrow{OA} + 2 \overrightarrow{AM}$$

$$= (9\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}) + 2(-6\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k})$$

$$= -3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} - 7\mathbf{k}$$

c area of triangle $ABC = \frac{1}{2} \times 54 = 27$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = 2(-6\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}) = 6(-2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$$

$$| \overrightarrow{AC} | = 6\sqrt{4+1+4} = 18$$

let distance of B from $l_1 = d$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} \times 18 \times d = 27$$

$$d = 3$$

5 **a** $\vec{AB} = (2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}) - (4\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k})$
 $= -2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$

b $\mathbf{r} = 4\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k} + \mu(6\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$

c $-7 + 6\mu = 2 \Rightarrow \mu = \frac{3}{2}$

sub. $\mu = \frac{3}{2}$ in l_2

$$\mathbf{r} = 4\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k} + \frac{3}{2}(6\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$$

$$= 4\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k} \quad \therefore A \text{ lies on } l_2$$

d $| -2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k} | = \sqrt{4+9+36} = 7$

$$| 6\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k} | = \sqrt{36+4} = \sqrt{40}$$

$$(-2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}) \cdot (6\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}) \\ = 0 - 18 - 12 = -30$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left| \frac{-30}{\sqrt{40}} \right| = 47.3^\circ \text{ (1dp)}$$

6 **a** $\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\therefore \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

b $5 - \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 5$

sub. $\lambda = 5$ in l

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 9 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \therefore C(0, 9, 0)$$

c $\vec{OD} = \begin{pmatrix} 5-\lambda \\ -1+2\lambda \\ -10+2\lambda \end{pmatrix}$

$$\vec{OD} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$-(5-\lambda) + 2(-1+2\lambda) + 2(-10+2\lambda) = 0$$

$$9\lambda - 27 = 0$$

$$\lambda = 3, \quad \vec{OD} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\therefore D(2, 5, -4)$

d $OD = \sqrt{4+25+16} = \sqrt{45} = 3\sqrt{5}$

$$CD = \sqrt{4+16+16} = 6$$

$$\text{area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 3\sqrt{5} = 9\sqrt{5}$$

7 a $-6 + 4s = 6 \Rightarrow s = 3$
sub. $s = 3$ in l_1

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\therefore P(1, 6, -5)$ lies on l_1

b $1 = 4 + 3t \Rightarrow t = -1$
sub. $t = -1$ in l_2

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

c $PQ = \sqrt{0+64+4} = \sqrt{68} = 2\sqrt{17}$

$$\left| \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right| = \sqrt{9+4+4} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{OR} = \overrightarrow{OQ} \pm 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 2 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

8 a $\overrightarrow{AB} = (4\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}) - (4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k})$
 $= \mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}$

$$\therefore \mathbf{r} = 4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k} + \lambda(\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k})$$

b $4 = 1 + \mu \quad (1)$

$$5 + \lambda = 5 + \mu \quad (2)$$

$$6 - 4\lambda = -3 - \mu \quad (3)$$

(1) $\Rightarrow \mu = 3$

sub. (2) $\Rightarrow \lambda = 3$

check (3) $6 - 4(3) = -3 - (3)$

true \therefore intersect

pos. vector of int. $= 4\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$

c $|(\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k})| = \sqrt{1+16} = \sqrt{17}$

$$|(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k})| = \sqrt{1+1+1} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$(\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}) \cdot (\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}) = 0 + 1 + 4 = 5$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left| \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{17}} \right| = 45.6^\circ \text{ (1dp)}$$

d let closest point be C

$$\overrightarrow{OC} = (1 + \mu)\mathbf{i} + (5 + \mu)\mathbf{j} + (-3 - \mu)\mathbf{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OA}$$

$$= (-3 + \mu)\mathbf{i} + \mu\mathbf{j} + (-9 - \mu)\mathbf{k}$$

AC must be perpendicular to l_2

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{AC} \cdot (\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}) = 0$$

$$(-3 + \mu) + \mu - (-9 - \mu) = 0$$

$$\mu = -2$$

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{OC} = -\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$$