

Directions:

1. Section: Math251-007
2. Write your name with one character in each box below.
3. Show all work. No credit for answers without work.

1. [3 points] Find the unit vector in the same direction as $2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$. Simplify as much as possible.

$$\vec{a} = \langle 2, -3, 6 \rangle \quad |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{4 + 9 + 36} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

So unit vector in same direction is $\frac{1}{|\vec{a}|} \vec{a} = \frac{1}{7} \langle 2, -3, 6 \rangle = \boxed{\langle \frac{2}{7}, -\frac{3}{7}, \frac{6}{7} \rangle}$

2. [3 points] Find the vector with magnitude 6 in the same direction as \overrightarrow{PQ} , where $P = (5, 2, -1)$ and $Q = (1, 2, 1)$.

$$\vec{u} = \overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle 1-5, 2-2, 1-(-1) \rangle = \langle -4, 0, 2 \rangle.$$

Want a scalar $\alpha \geq 0$ such that $|\alpha \vec{u}| = \alpha |\vec{u}| = 6$; take $\alpha = \frac{6}{|\overrightarrow{PQ}|} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{(-4)^2 + 0^2 + 2^2}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{20}}$

$$= \frac{2 \cdot 3}{2\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}}.$$

So the desired vector is $\boxed{\frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} \langle -4, 0, 2 \rangle}.$

3. [2 points] Find a simplified equation in variables x , y , and z whose solution set equals the points (x, y, z) that are equally distant from $(1, -1, 3)$ and $(0, 0, 0)$.

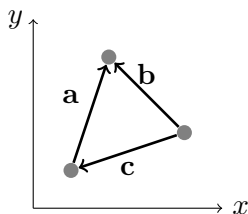
$$[\text{Dist}((x, y, z), (1, -1, 3))]^2 = [\text{Dist}((x, y, z), (0, 0, 0))]^2$$

$$(x-1)^2 + (y-(-1))^2 + (z-3)^2 = (x-0)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z-0)^2$$

$$\cancel{x^2} - 2x + 1 + \cancel{y^2} + 2y + 1 + \cancel{z^2} - 6z + 9 = \cancel{x^2} + \cancel{y^2} + \cancel{z^2}$$

$$\boxed{2x - 2y + 6z = 11}$$

4. [2 points] Vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} , and \mathbf{c} are shown below. Find a formula for \mathbf{c} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .



$$\vec{c} + \vec{a} = \vec{b}, \text{ so } \boxed{\vec{c} = \vec{b} - \vec{a}}.$$