

No books, watches, notes or cell phones are allowed. You must show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work.

Question 1. (5 marks) Given the following planes: $P_1 : x + y + kz = 0$, $P_2 : x + ky + z = 0$, $P_3 : kx + y + z = 0$. Find the values of k , if any, such that the intersection between the planes is the a point, a line, a plane.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & k & 0 \\ 1 & k & 1 & 0 \\ k & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{matrix} -R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ -kR_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & k & 0 \\ 0 & k-1 & 1-k & 0 \\ 0 & 1-k & 1-k^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{matrix} R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & k & 0 \\ 0 & k-1 & 1-k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2-k-k^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

if $k \neq -2, k \neq 1$ then the system has a unique solution.

if $k = 1$ then $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Let $y = s, z = t, s, t \in \mathbb{R}$
 $x = -s - t$

if $k = -2$ then $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{matrix} \frac{1}{3}R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ -\frac{1}{3}R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Let $z = t, t \in \mathbb{R}$
 $y = t, x = t$
 $\therefore (x, y, z) = (t, t, t) = t(1, 1, 1) \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$ a line.

Question 2. Given two planes:

$$P_1 : x - 2y + z = 1$$

$$P_2 : -4x + 8y - 4z = -4$$

a. (1 mark) Give an argument to explain why the intersection of the two planes is a plane.

The two planes are multiple of each other. Hence the points that satisfy one plane satisfy the other.

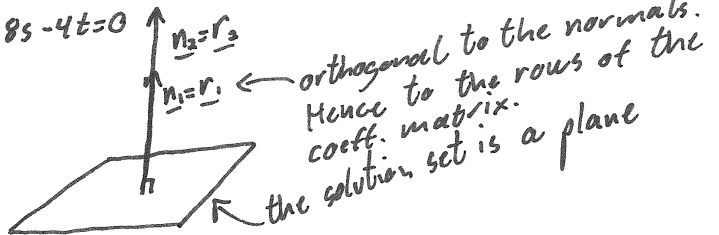
b. (2 marks) Find the solution set of the associated homogeneous linear system.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 8 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim 4R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 Let $y = s, z = t \Rightarrow x = 2s - t, s, t \in \mathbb{R}$
 $(x, y, z) = (2s - t, s, t) = s(2, 1, 0) + t(-1, 0, 1)$

c. (2 marks) Show that the solution set of the associated homogeneous linear system is orthogonal to the rows of the coefficient matrix of the system.

$$r_1 \cdot x = (1, -2, 1) \cdot (2s - t, s, t) = 2s - t - 2s + t = 0$$

$$r_2 \cdot x = (-4, 8, -4) \cdot (2s - t, s, t) = -8s + 4t + 8s - 4t = 0$$



d. (2 marks) Give a geometrical interpretation to part c).

e. (1 mark) Find a particular solution of the linear system by inspection.

$$(1, 0, 0)$$

f. (2 marks) Without solving the linear system directly find the solution to the linear system.

$$x = \text{particular sol. of } Ax=b + \text{general sol. of } Ax=0 = (1, 0, 0) + s(2, 1, 0) + t(-1, 0, 1)$$

g. (2 marks) Give a geometrical interpretation on how the solution was found in part f).

