

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.<sup>1</sup> (1 mark each) Complete the following sentences with the word **must**, **might** or **cannot**, as appropriate.

a. If  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are nonzero vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then  $(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{u}$  must be equal to 0.

Question 2.<sup>1</sup> (5 marks) Let  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  be non-zero vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Show that if  $\frac{1}{\|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\|}(\vec{u} \times \vec{v})$  is a unit vector then the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is  $45^\circ$  or  $135^\circ$ .

$$\left\| \frac{1}{\|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\|} (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \right\| = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{\|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\|} \|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\| = 1$$

$$\|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\| = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta$$

$$\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = 1$$

since  $\theta \in [0, \pi)$

$$\left| \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right| = 1$$

$$|\tan \theta| = 1$$

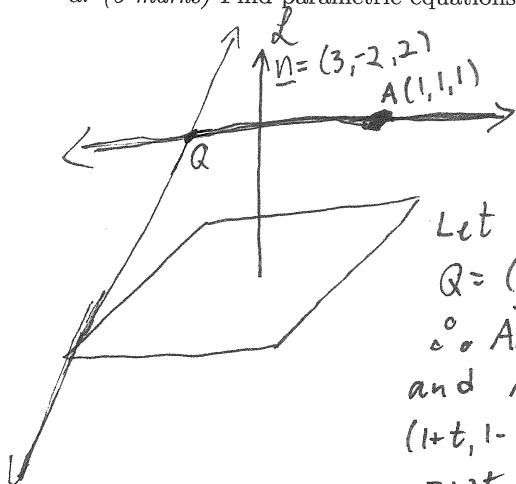
$$\tan \theta = 1 \text{ and } \tan \theta = -1$$

$$\theta = 45^\circ$$

$$\theta = 135^\circ$$

Question 3.<sup>2</sup> Given the line  $\mathcal{L} : (x, y, z) = (2, 2, 3) + t(1, -1, -3)$  where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , the plane  $\mathcal{P} : 3x - 2y + 2z = 7$  and the point  $A(1, 1, 1)$ .

a. (5 marks) Find parametric equations of the line which contains A, intersects  $\mathcal{L}$  and which is parallel to  $\mathcal{P}$ .



$\underline{x} = \underline{A} + t\vec{AQ}$  where  $\vec{AQ}$  is parallel to  $\mathcal{P}$ , hence  $\vec{AQ} \perp \vec{n}$  and such that the line has an intersection with  $\mathcal{L}$ .

Let  $Q$  be an arbitrary point on  $\mathcal{L}$ . That is

$$Q = (2+t, 2-t, 3-3t)$$

$$\therefore \vec{AQ} = Q - A = (2+t, 2-t, 3-3t) - (1, 1, 1) = (1+t, 1-t, 2-3t)$$

and  $\vec{AQ} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$

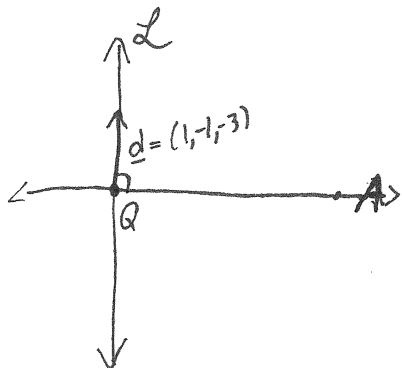
$$(1+t, 1-t, 2-3t) \cdot (3, -2, 2) = 0$$

$$3+3t-2+2t+4-6t = 0$$

$$t = 5$$

$$\therefore \underline{x} = (1, 1, 1) + t(1+5, 1-5, 2-3(5)) = (1, 1, 1) + t(6, -4, -13)$$

b. (5 marks) Find parametric equations of the line which contains A and which intersects  $\mathcal{L}$  at a right angle.



$\underline{x} = \underline{A} + t\vec{AQ}$  where  $\vec{AQ}$  is a vector  $\perp \mathcal{L}$  and such that the line has an intersection with  $\mathcal{L}$ .

Let  $Q$  be an arbitrary point on  $\mathcal{L}$ . That is

$$Q = (2+t, 2-t, 3-3t)$$

$$\therefore \vec{AQ} = Q - A = (2+t, 2-t, 3-3t) - (1, 1, 1) = (1+t, 1-t, 2-3t)$$

and  $\vec{AQ} \cdot \vec{d} = 0$

$$(1+t, 1-t, 2-3t) \cdot (1, -1, -3) = 0$$

$$1+t-1+t-6+9t = 0$$

$$11t = 6$$

$$t = \frac{6}{11}$$

$$\therefore \underline{x} = (1, 1, 1) + t\left(1+\frac{6}{11}, 1-\frac{6}{11}, 2-\frac{18}{11}\right)$$

$$= (1, 1, 1) + t\left(\frac{17}{11}, \frac{5}{11}, \frac{4}{11}\right)$$

<sup>1</sup>From John Abbott Final Examinations.

<sup>2</sup>From a Dawson College Final Examination.