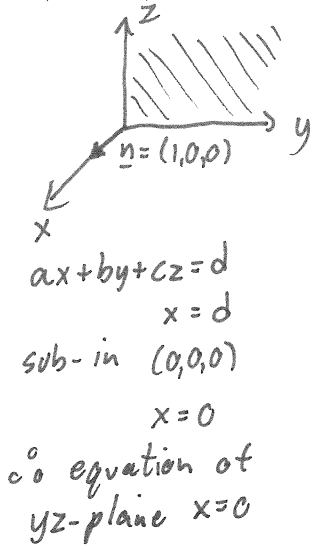


No books, watches, notes or cell phones are allowed. You must show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work.

Question 1.<sup>1</sup> Given the points  $A(-2, 0, -1)$  and  $B(-2, 1, 0)$ .

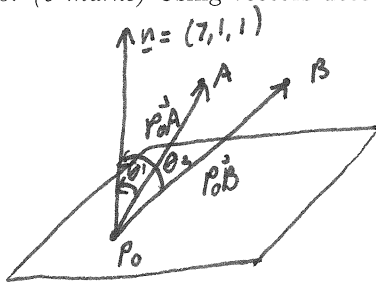
a. (5 marks) Find the point  $C$ , <sup>if possible,</sup> on the  $yz$ -plane such that the points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are collinear.



The parametric equation of line that contains  $A$  and  $B$  is:  
 $\underline{x} = A + t\vec{AB} \quad t \in \mathbb{R} \quad \vec{AB} = B - A = (-2, 1, 0) - (-2, 0, -1) = (0, 1, 1)$   
 $(x, y, z) = (-2, 0, -1) + t(0, 1, 1)$   
 $= (-2, t, -1+t)$

So intersection between the line and plane does not exist since  $0 = -2$  can not be satisfied.

b. (5 marks) Using vectors determine whether the points  $A$  and  $B$  are on the same side of the plane  $7x + y + z = 1$ .



Let  $x=y=0 \Rightarrow z=1 \therefore P_0(0, 0, 1)$

$\vec{P_0A} = A - P_0 = (-2, 0, -1) - (0, 0, 1) = (-2, 0, -2)$

$\vec{P_0B} = B - P_0 = (-2, 1, 0) - (0, 0, 1) = (-2, 1, -1)$

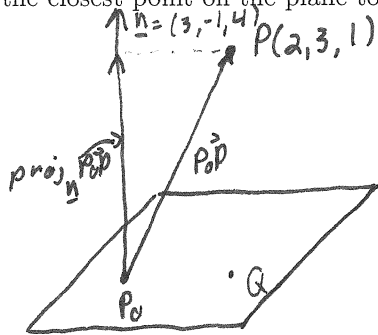
$\cos \theta =$

$\vec{P_0A} \cdot \vec{n} = (-2, 0, -2) \cdot (7, 1, 1) = -16 < 0 \therefore \theta_1$  is obtuse

$\vec{P_0B} \cdot \vec{n} = (-2, 1, -1) \cdot (7, 1, 1) = -15 < 0 \therefore \theta_2$  is obtuse

$\therefore A$  and  $B$  are on the same side of the plane.

Question 3. (5 marks) Use a projection(s) to find the distance from the point  $P(2, 3, 1)$  to the plane  $3x_1 - x_2 + 4x_3 = 5$ . And find the closest point on the plane to the given point. Let  $x_1=x_2=0 \Rightarrow x_3=-5 \quad P_0(0, -5, 0)$



$\vec{P_0P}$   
 $= P - P_0$   
 $= (2, 3, 1) - (0, -5, 0)$   
 $= (2, 8, 1)$

$\text{proj}_n \vec{P_0P}$   
 $= \frac{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{P_0P}}{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{n}} \vec{n}$   
 $= \frac{(3, -1, 4) \cdot (2, 8, 1)}{(3, -1, 4) \cdot (3, -1, 4)} (3, -1, 4)$   
 $= \frac{2}{26} (3, -1, 4)$   
 $= \frac{1}{13} (3, -1, 4)$

distance  $= \|\text{proj}_n \vec{P_0P}\|$   
 $= \|\frac{1}{13} (3, -1, 4)\|$

$= \frac{1}{13} \|(3, -1, 4)\|$   
 $= \frac{1}{13} \sqrt{26}$

$\vec{QP} = \text{proj}_n \vec{P_0P}$

$P - Q =$  "

$Q = P - \text{proj}_n \vec{P_0P}$

$= (2, 3, 1) - \frac{1}{13} (3, -1, 4)$

$= (\frac{23}{13}, \frac{40}{13}, \frac{9}{13})$

<sup>1</sup>From a past Dawson College Final Examination