

Books, watches, notes or cell phones are not allowed. The only calculators allowed are the Sharp EL-531\*\*. 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) Consider the vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :  $\mathbf{u}(\theta) = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta, 0)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0, 1)$ . Find all the values of the angle  $\theta$  in  $[0, 2\pi)$  for which the parallelepiped spanned by  $\mathbf{u}(\theta)$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u}(\theta) \times \mathbf{v}$  has volume  $V = 2$ .

$$\mathbf{u}(\theta) \times \mathbf{v} = \left( \begin{vmatrix} \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}, - \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & 1 \\ \sin \theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} \right) = (\sin \theta, -\cos \theta, -\sin \theta)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \cos \theta & 1 \\ \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$V = | \mathbf{u}(\theta) \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times (\mathbf{u}(\theta) \times \mathbf{v})) |$$

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$$V = \| \mathbf{u}(\theta) \times \mathbf{v} \|^2$$

$$2 = \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta$$

$$2 = 1 + \sin^2 \theta$$

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$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

Question 2. (5 marks) Given the lines  $L_1 : \begin{cases} x = 7 + 2s \\ y = 1 \\ z = 6 + s \end{cases}$  and  $L_2 : \begin{cases} x = 5 - t \\ y = -1 - t \\ z = -6 + t \end{cases}$ , find the parametric equations of the line that intersects both  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  at right angles.

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$d_1 = (2, 0, 1)$ ,  $d_2 = (-1, -1, 1)$  since  $d_1 \neq d_2$  the lines are not parallel.

Let's determine if the lines intersect

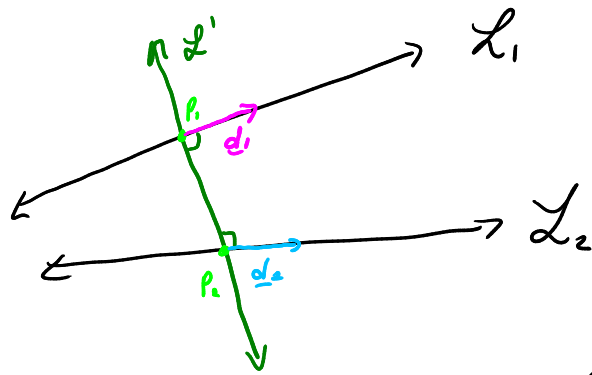
$$\textcircled{1} \quad 7 + 2s = 5 - t \quad \text{sub } t = -2 \text{ in } \textcircled{1} \quad 7 + 2s = 5 - (-2) \Rightarrow s = 0$$

$$1 = -1 - t \Rightarrow t = -2$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 6 + s = -6 + t \quad \text{sub } t = -2 \text{ in } \textcircled{2} \quad 6 + s = -6 + (-2) \Rightarrow s = -14$$

$\therefore$   $\nexists$  s.t. such that the two lines have a point in common.

$\therefore$   $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are skew lines.



$L'$  the line which passes through  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  at  $\perp$  is the line which passes through the the closest points on  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .

$$\vec{P_1 P_2} = (5 - t, -1 - t, -6 + t) - (7 + 2s, 1, 6 + s)$$

$$= (-2 - t - 2s, -2 - t, -12 + t - s)$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \vec{P_1 P_2} \cdot d_1 = 0 \quad \textcircled{1}' \quad (-2 - t - 2s, -2 - t, -12 + t - s) \cdot (2, 0, 1) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \vec{P_1 P_2} \cdot d_2 = 0 \quad \textcircled{2}' \quad ( \quad , \quad , \quad ) \cdot (-1, -1, 1) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1}'' \quad 2(-2 - t - 2s) + (-12 + t - s) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2}'' \quad -1(-2 - t - 2s) - (-2 - t) + (-12 + t - s) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1}''' \quad -16 - t - 5s = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2}''' \quad -8 + 3t + s = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2}''' + 3\textcircled{1}''' : \quad -56 - 14s = 0 \Rightarrow s = -4 \Rightarrow t = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow d' = (-2 - (-4) - 2(-4), -2 - (-4), -12 + (-4) - (-4))$$

$$= (2, -6, -4)$$

$$\text{and } P_1: (x, y, z) = (7 + 2(-4), 1, 6 + (-4)) = (-1, 1, 2)$$

$$\therefore L': (x, y, z) = (-1, 1, 2) + t(2, -6, -4) \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$