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Worksheet 1 - Sections 12.1-12.4 (Due Tues, Sept 9)

Math 2110Q – Fall 2014

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You must show all of your work to receive full credit!

1. Let $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$.

(a) If $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}$, is $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}$?

(b) If $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}$, is $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}$?

(c) If both $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}$ and $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}$, does $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}$?

Projection

2. Using scalar projection, show that the distance from a point $P_1(x_1, y_1)$ to the line $ax + by + c = 0$ is

$$\frac{|ax_1 + by_1 + c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}.$$

- Find the distance from the point $(-2, 3)$ to the line $3x - 4y + 5 = 0$.

Applications

- A tow truck drags a stalled car along a road. The chain makes an angle of 30° with the road and the tension in the chain is 1500 N. How much work is done by the truck in pulling the car 1 km? (Watch your units)

5. A wrench 30 cm long lies along the positive y -axis and grips a bolt at the origin. A force is applied in the direction $\langle 0, 3, -4 \rangle$ at the end of the wrench. Find the magnitude of the force needed to supply 100 N·m of torque to the bolt. (Watch your units)

6. A clothesline is tied between two poles, 8 m apart. The line is quite taut and has negligible sag. When a wet shirt with a mass of 0.8 kg is hung at the middle of the line, the midpoint is pulled down 8 cm. Find the tension in each half of the clothesline. (Watch your units)