

Homework Set # 1

1. (§1.1) Page 18: # 13, 16, 21, 37.

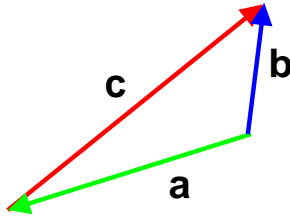
2. If  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , prove the following:

(a) *Parallelogram Law*:  $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2 = 2\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{v}\|^2$

(b) *Polarization Identity*:  $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2 = 4(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})$

3. Prove the converse of the Pythagorean Theorem as follows:

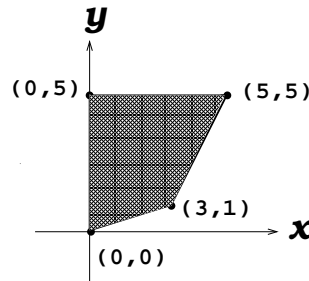
Suppose the sides of a triangle are the vectors  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}$  (as shown below). If  $\|\mathbf{a}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{b}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{c}\|^2$ , prove that  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$  (i.e., the triangle must be a right triangle).



4. (§1.2) Page 29: # 20, 26.

5. (§1.3) Page 49: # 4, 6, 11, 29, 33, 34.

6. Find the area of the polygon  $\Omega$  shown here:



7. The line through the points  $(3, 2, 1)$  and  $(5, 1, 2)$  intersects the plane  $x + y + z = 14$  at what point?

8. The plane containing the points  $P(1, 1, 1)$ ,  $Q(2, 0, -4)$ , and  $R(1, 2, 3)$  intersects the  $x$ -axis at what point?

9. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $A^2$  and  $A^3$ . Use mathematical induction to prove that  $A^n = 3^{n-1}A$  for any positive integer  $n$ .