

Quiz 1

Please answer the following questions in complete sentences in a clearly prepared manuscript. (No credits for the answer without necessary explanation.)

Problem 0: Quiz checklist

Please write the section number and your name.

Problem 1: Vector

Let $\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - \vec{k}$.

(5 points)(a) Find a unit vector in the direction of \vec{a}

Solution

Step 1:

$$\vec{a} = \langle 2, 2, -1 \rangle$$

Step 2:

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 4 + 1} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

Step 3:

The unit vector is

$$\vec{u} = \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{1}{3} \langle 2, 2, -1 \rangle = \left\langle \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{3} \right\rangle$$

(5 points)(b) Find a vector in the **opposite** direction \vec{a} of length 10.

$$\vec{b} = -10\vec{u} = \left\langle -\frac{20}{3}, -\frac{20}{3}, \frac{10}{3} \right\rangle$$

Problem 2: Equation of sphere

(10 points) Find the center and radius of the sphere with equation

$$2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 = 4x + 2y - 6z$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= 2x + y - 3z \\x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2x - y + 3z &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Method 1:

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - 2x + y^2 - y + z^2 + 3z &= 0 \\x^2 - 2x + 1 + y^2 - y + z^2 + 3z &= 1 \\(x - 1)^2 + y^2 - y + \frac{1}{4} + z^2 + 3z &= 1 + \frac{1}{4} \\(x - 1)^2 + (y - \frac{1}{2})^2 + z^2 + 3z + \frac{9}{4} &= \frac{5}{4} + \frac{9}{4} \\(x - 1)^2 + (y - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (z + \frac{3}{2})^2 &= \frac{14}{4} = \frac{7}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, center is $(1, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2})$ and $r = \sqrt{\frac{7}{2}}$.

Method2:

$$\begin{aligned}(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 + (z - c)^2 &= r^2 \\x^2 - 2ax + a^2 + y^2 - 2by + b^2 + z^2 - 2cz + c^2 &= r^2 \\x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2ax - 2by - 2cz &= r^2 - a^2 - b^2 - c^2 \\x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2x - y + 3z &= 0 \\-2a = -2, -2b = -1, -2c = 3, r &= \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $a = 1, b = \frac{1}{2}, c = -\frac{3}{2}$ and $r = \sqrt{1^2 + (\frac{1}{2})^2 + (-\frac{3}{2})^2} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{9}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{14}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{7}{2}}$.