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## Final Examination

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- (1) [5+2 marks] (i) Find the general solution of the following system by Gauss (or Gauss-Jordan) Elimination Process:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 9 \\ 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 - 2x_4 = 23 \\ 4x_1 - 4x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 = 31 \\ -4x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 - 14x_4 = -1 \end{cases}$$

- (ii) Find the particular solution of the system of (i) where  $x_1 = 1$  and  $x_2 = -3$ .

$$(i) \begin{pmatrix} \textcircled{1} & -1 & 1 & 0 & | & 9 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 & -2 & | & 23 \\ 4 & -4 & 3 & 2 & | & 31 \\ -4 & 4 & 3 & -14 & | & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow (-2)R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow (-4)R_1 + R_3 \\ R_4 \rightarrow (4)R_1 + R_4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & | & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -2 & | & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & | & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & -14 & | & 35 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_1 \rightarrow (-1)R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow (1)R_2 + R_3 \\ R_4 \rightarrow (7)R_2 + R_4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 2 & | & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & | & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The reduced echelon form

The system is consistent; we have two pivot variables ( $x_1, x_3$ ) and hence two free variables ( $x_2, x_4$ )

$$\Rightarrow \text{General solution: } \begin{cases} x_1 = r - 2t + 4 \\ x_2 = r \\ x_3 = 2t + 5 \\ x_4 = t \end{cases}$$

(ii)

$$x_2 = -3 \rightarrow \boxed{r = -3}$$

$$x_1 = 1 \rightarrow (-3) - 2t + 4 = 1 \rightarrow \boxed{t = 0}$$

$$\rightarrow (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (1, -3, 5, 0)$$

(2) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 7 & -1 \\ -3 & -11 & 5 \\ 1 & 4 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(i) [5 marks] Find  $\text{adj}(A)$  (the adjoint of  $A$ .)

$$C_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} -11 & 5 \\ 4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 13, \quad C_{12} = -\begin{vmatrix} -3 & 5 \\ 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = -4, \quad C_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -11 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

$$C_{21} = -\begin{vmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ 4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 17, \quad C_{22} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = -5, \quad C_{23} = -\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

$$C_{31} = \begin{vmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ -11 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 24, \quad C_{32} = -\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = -7, \quad C_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ -3 & -11 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & -4 & -1 \\ 17 & -5 & -1 \\ 24 & -7 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & 17 & 24 \\ -4 & -5 & -7 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(expansion using row one)

(ii) [1 marks] Find  $A^{-1}$ , using  $\text{adj}(A)$ .  $|A| = (2)(13) + (7)(-4) + (-1)(-1) = -1$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} -13 & -17 & -24 \\ 4 & 5 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{One may verify} \\ \text{that } A \cdot \bar{A}^{-1} = I \end{array} \right)$$

(iii) [2 marks] Use  $A^{-1}$  found in part (ii) to solve the system:  $\begin{cases} 2x + 7y - z = 13 \\ -3x - 11y + 5z = -10 \\ x + 4y - 3z = 0 \end{cases}$

$$AX = b, \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ -10 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow X = \bar{A}^{-1} b = \begin{pmatrix} -13 & -17 & -24 \\ 4 & 5 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ -10 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow x \\ \leftarrow y \\ \leftarrow z \end{array}$$

(iv) [4 marks] Use Cramer's Rule to verify your answer of part (iii) for  $y$  ONLY.

$$y = \frac{|A_2|}{|A|} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 13 & -1 \\ -3 & -10 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix}}{|A|} \quad (\text{arrow technique!})$$

$$= \frac{(60) + (0) + (65) - (10) - (0) - (117)}{-1} = \frac{-2}{-1} = \boxed{2} \checkmark$$

- (3) [4 marks] Determine the values of  $p$  for which the following system has (i) no solution, (ii) (exactly) one solution, or (iii) infinitely many solutions.

$$\begin{cases} -x_1 + 4x_2 - 2x_3 = 1 \\ -2x_1 + 10x_2 + (2p-4)x_3 = 6 \\ 3x_1 - 11x_2 + (p^2+6)x_3 = 5p-1. \end{cases}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 10 & 2p-4 & 6 \\ 3 & -11 & p^2+6 & 5p-1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -4 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2p & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & p^2 & 5p+2 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -4 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & p & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & p^2-p & 5p \end{array} \right)$$

$$p^2 - p = 0 \rightarrow p = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

(i) If  $p=1 \rightarrow$  the last row:  $\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{array} \right)$  No solution.

(ii) If  $p \neq 0, 1 \rightarrow$  by dividing by  $p^2 - p$  in the last row:  $\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & & & \\ 0 & 1 & & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \end{array} \right)$  Exactly one solution.

(iii)  $p=0 \rightarrow$   $\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & & & \\ 0 & 1 & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$  infinitely many solutions.

- (4) [4 marks] Find the matrix  $M$  if  $(5M + 4I)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\rightarrow 5M + 4I = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ -2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 2 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow 5M = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 2 & -7 \end{pmatrix} - 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 4 \\ 2 & -11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow M = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} -5 & 4 \\ 2 & -11 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4/5 \\ 2/5 & -11/5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(5) [4 marks] Let  $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Express  $M^{-1}$  as a product of elementary matrices.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\textcircled{1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\textcircled{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\textcircled{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\textcircled{4}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

$$I \xrightarrow{\textcircled{1}} E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I \xrightarrow{\textcircled{2}} E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I \xrightarrow{\textcircled{3}} E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I \xrightarrow{\textcircled{4}} E_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1 M = I$

we have

$$M^{-1} = E_4 E_3 E_2 E_1.$$

(There are other solutions as well.)

(6) [3+3 marks] Suppose that  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are invertible matrices. (i) First simplify, as much as possible, the left-hand side of the equality:  $(2AC^T)^{-1}(CA^T)^T BX = B^{-1}D^T \rightarrow$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (C^T)^{-1} A^{-1} (A^T)^T C^T BX = \bar{B}^{-1} D^T \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (C^T)^{-1} \underbrace{A^{-1} A^T}_I C^T BX = \bar{B}^{-1} D^T \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(C^T)^{-1} C^T}_I BX = \bar{B}^{-1} D^T \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} BX = \bar{B}^{-1} D^T$$

(ii) Now solve for  $X$ , if  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\bar{B}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 3 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow BX = 2\bar{B}^{-1}D^T \rightarrow X = 2\bar{B}^{-1} \cdot \bar{B}^{-1} \cdot D^T$$

$$= 2 \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 3 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 3 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{pmatrix} 64 & -27 \\ -45 & 19 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{pmatrix} 37 & 128 & 219 \\ -26 & -90 & -154 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 74 & 256 & 438 \\ -52 & -180 & -308 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (7) [3 marks] Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are *skew-symmetric* matrices, that is, suppose  $A^T = -A$ , and  $B^T = -B$ . Also assume that  $AB = BA$ . Now show that  $AB$  is symmetric.

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T = (-B)(-A) = BA = AB$$

→  $AB$  is symmetric!

- (8) [4+4 marks] Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are  $4 \times 4$  matrices such that  $\det(A) = 3$  and  $\det(B) = -2$ . Now find

(i)  $\det((2B)^{-1}(B^3A^{-2})) = \det\left(\frac{1}{2} B^{-1} B^3 A^{-2}\right)$   $B^{-1} B^3 = B^2$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \cdot (\det(B))^2 \cdot (\det(A))^{-2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \cdot (-2)^2 \cdot (3)^{-2} = \frac{1}{36}$$

(ii)  $\det\left(\left(\frac{1}{2}A\right)^T \text{adj}(A)\right) = \det\left(\frac{1}{2}A^T \cdot \text{adj}(A)\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \det(A) \det(\text{adj}(A))$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \cdot 3 \cdot (3)^{4-1} = \frac{81}{16}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \det(\text{adj}(A)) = |A|^{n-1} \\ \text{ns size} \end{array} \right)$$

- (9) [4+4 marks] (i) Evaluate  $\underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} a-5g & -a+2d & -3g \\ b-5h & -b+2e & -3h \\ c-5i & -c+2f & -3i \end{vmatrix}}_D$ , if we know  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = -4$ .

$$D = (-3) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} a-5g & -a+2d & g \\ b-5h & -b+2e & h \\ c-5i & -c+2f & i \end{vmatrix} = (-3) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} a & -a+2d & g \\ b & -b+2e & h \\ c & -c+2f & i \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -3 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} a & 2d & g \\ b & 2e & h \\ c & 2f & i \end{vmatrix} = (-3)(2) \begin{vmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -6 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = (-6)(-4) = 24.$$

(ii) Evaluate  $\begin{vmatrix} 6 & 3 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & -3 & -1 & 8 \\ 7 & 3 & 4 & -5 \\ -5 & 3 & 1 & -6 \end{vmatrix}$  by a combination of row operations and cofactor expansion.

No marks will be given otherwise!

$$\begin{aligned}
 D &= 3 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 8 \\ 7 & 1 & 4 & -5 \\ -5 & 1 & 1 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 8 \\ 9 & 0 & 3 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 3 \cdot (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 1 & 6 \\ 9 & 3 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-9) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= -9 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-9) \cdot (1) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 5 \\ -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -9(10 + 15) \\
 &= -225.
 \end{aligned}$$

(10) [3+3 marks] Let  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  be two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Now answer the following:

(i) If  $\vec{u} \perp \vec{v}$ , then what is  $\text{Proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u}$ ? (Justify your answer!)

$$\vec{u} \perp \vec{v} \Rightarrow \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|^2} \vec{v} = 0 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

the zero vector!

(ii) Simplify the vector expression  $(2\vec{u} + 3\vec{v}) \times (4\vec{u} - 5\vec{v})$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{The expression} &= 2\vec{u} \times 4\vec{u} - 2\vec{u} \times 5\vec{v} + 3\vec{v} \times 4\vec{u} - 3\vec{v} \times 5\vec{v} \\
 &= 8 \cdot \vec{u} \times \vec{u} - 10 \cdot \vec{u} \times \vec{v} + 12 \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{u} - 15 \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{v} \\
 &= 8 \vec{0} - 10 \vec{u} \times \vec{v} - 12 \vec{u} \times \vec{v} - 15 \vec{0} \\
 &= -22 \cdot \vec{u} \times \vec{v} \quad (\text{or } 22 \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{u})
 \end{aligned}$$

(11) [3+3+3 marks] Let  $A(1, 1, 1)$ ,  $B(-1, 0, 2)$  and  $C(3, 2, 1)$  be given.

(i) Find a vector of norm 4 which is *oppositely directed* to  $\vec{AB}$ .

$$\vec{u} = -\frac{4}{\|\vec{AB}\|} \cdot \vec{AB} = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{6}} (-2, -1, 1)$$

$$= \left(\frac{8}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{6}}, -\frac{4}{\sqrt{6}}\right)$$

$$\vec{AB} = (-2, -1, 1)$$

$$\|\vec{AB}\| = \sqrt{6}$$

(ii) Find the area of the triangle  $\Delta(ABC)$ .

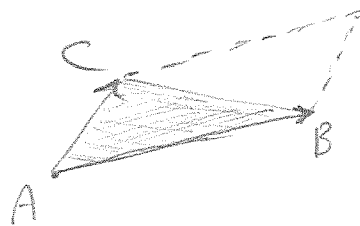
$$\vec{AC} = (2, 1, 0)$$

$$\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC} = (-1, 2, 0)$$

$$\text{area of } \Delta(ABC) = \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}\|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|(-1, 2, 0)\|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{5}$$



(iii) Find the distance from the origin to the line  $L$  passing through  $A$  and  $B$ .

$$\text{The distance} = \frac{\|\vec{OA} \times \vec{OB}\|}{\|\vec{AB}\|} = \frac{\sqrt{14}}{\sqrt{6}}$$

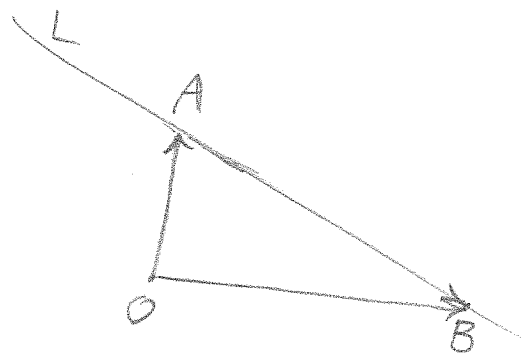
$$\vec{OA} = (1, 1, 1)$$

$$\vec{OB} = (-1, 0, 2)$$

$$\vec{AB} = (-2, -1, 1)$$

$$\vec{OA} \times \vec{OB} = (2, -3, 1)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}$$



(12) [3 marks] Find an equation of the plane that passes through  $A(1, 2, 3)$  and is perpendicular to the line  $L: x = 2t - 3, y = -t, z = 3t + 1$ .

Direction vector of the line, namely  $\vec{v} = (2, -1, 3)$ , may be used also as a normal of the desired plane; Hence

$$\text{the equation } \Pi: 2(x-1) - 1(y-2) + 3(z-3) = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2x - y + 3z = 9$$



(13) [3+3 marks] Consider the plane  $\Pi : 3x - 2y + 4z = 16$  and the line  $L : x = t, y = t+1, z = t+2$ .

(i) Find the point of intersection of the plane  $\Pi$  and the line  $L$ .

Need to solve:  $3(t) - 2(t+1) + 4(t+2) = 16$

$$\rightarrow 5t = 10 \rightarrow t = 2 \rightarrow P(2, 3, 4)$$

(ii) Find the plane  $\Pi'$  which contains  $L$  and which is perpendicular to  $\Pi$ .

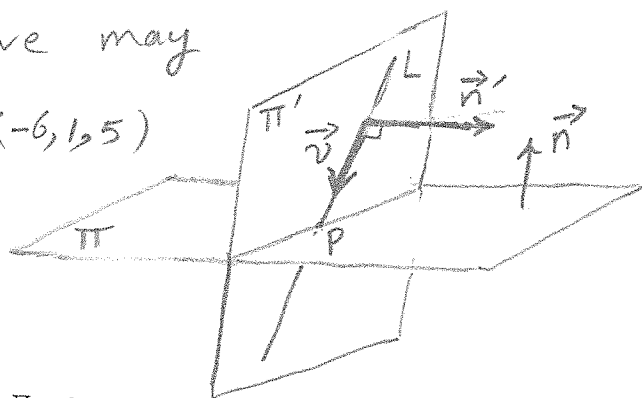
Since  $\Pi' \perp \Pi \rightarrow \vec{n}' \perp \vec{n}$

And since  $\Pi'$  contains  $L$ ,  $\vec{n}' \perp \vec{v}$ , where  $\vec{v}$  is a direction vector of  $L$ . Hence we may

set  $\vec{n}' = \vec{n} \times \vec{v} = (3, -2, 4) \times (1, 1, 1) = (-6, 5, 5)$

Hence:  $\Pi' : -6(x-2) + 1(y-3) + 5(z-4) = 0$

or  $-6x + y + 5z - 11 = 0$



(14) [3+3 marks] Consider the planes  $\Pi_1 : x - 2y + 7z = 8$  and  $\Pi_2 : 2x - 3y + 4z = -3$ .

(i) Find the parametric equations of the line of intersection  $L$  of  $\Pi_1$  and  $\Pi_2$ .

• Need to solve

$$\begin{cases} x - 2y + 7z = 8 \\ 2x - 3y + 4z = -3 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 7 & | & 8 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 & | & -3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 7 & | & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & -10 & | & -19 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -13 & | & -30 \\ 0 & 1 & -10 & | & -19 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = 13t - 30 \\ y = 10t - 19 \\ z = t \end{cases}$$

Thus the line of intersection

$L : (x, y, z) = t(13, 10, 1) + (-30, -19, 0)$ , or

• 2nd approach: Take  $\vec{v} = \vec{n}_1 \times \vec{n}_2 = (1, -2, 7) \times (2, -3, 4) = (13, 10, 1)$

as a direction vector for the line of intersection.

Now we just need also a point on the line.

Setting  $z = 0$ , say, leads to solving

$$\begin{cases} x - 2y = 8 \\ 2x - 3y = -3 \end{cases} \rightarrow \underline{x = -30}, \underline{y = -19}$$

Thus the (same) answer:  $L \begin{cases} x = 13t - 30 \\ y = 10t - 19 \\ z = t \end{cases}$

(ii) (continuation of Problem (14)) Find the distance between the point  $P(-1, 2, -4)$  and the plane  $\Pi_1$ .

$$\Pi_1: x - 2y + 7z - 8 = 0$$

$$\text{the distance} = \frac{|(-1) - 2(2) + 7(-4) - 8|}{\sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2 + 7^2}} = \frac{|-41|}{\sqrt{54}} = \frac{41}{\sqrt{54}}$$

(15) [3+3 marks] Consider the lines  $L_1: \begin{cases} x = 3s - 2 \\ y = s \\ z = -4s + 5 \end{cases}$  and  $L_2: \begin{cases} x = 4t + 1 \\ y = -3t + 1 \\ z = t + 1 \end{cases}$

(i) Find the point of intersection of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .

$$\text{Need to solve } \begin{cases} 3s - 2 = 4t + 1 \\ s = -3t + 1 \\ -4s + 5 = t + 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{cases} 3s - 4t = 3 \\ s + 3t = 1 \\ -4s - t = -4 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 & | & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & | & 1 \\ -4 & -1 & | & -4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & -13 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 11 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & | & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow t = 0, s = 1$$

$$\rightarrow P(1, 1, 1)$$

(ii) Find an equation of the plane which contains both lines  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .

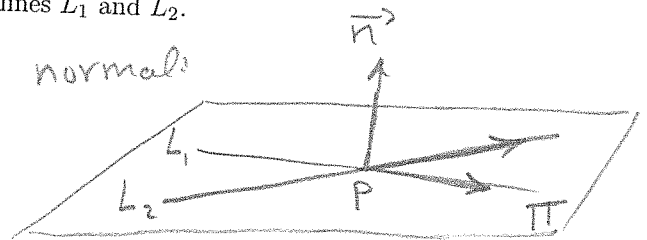
We may use  $\vec{n} = \vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2$  as a normal:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n} &= (3, 1, -4) \times (4, -3, 1) \\ &= (-11, -19, -13) \end{aligned}$$

Using the point  $P$  from (i), we thus get

$$\Pi: -11(x-1) - 19(y-1) - 13(z-1) = 0$$

$$\text{or } 11x + 19y + 13z = 43$$



(16) [8 marks] Maximize  $P = 6x_1 + 2x_2 + 8x_3$ , subject to the constraints

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 \leq 9 \\ x_1 + 6x_2 - x_3 \leq 2 \\ 2x_2 + x_3 \leq 5 \\ (x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0). \end{cases}$$

The simplex "Tableau":

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|cccc|c} 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 1 & 6 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ \hline -6 & -2 & -8 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|cccc|c} \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ \hline -6 & 14 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 & 1 & 1 & 40 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{cccc|cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ \hline 0 & 20 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 64 \end{array} \right)$$

$x_1, x_3$ : basic variables     $x_2$ : non-basic

$$\Rightarrow \text{the solution } \begin{cases} x_1 = 4 \\ x_2 = 0 \\ x_3 = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Max}(P) = 64$$