

- 1 Given that the point A has position vector $3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$ and the point B has position vector $-4\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}$

(a) Find the vector \vec{AB}

(b) Find $|\vec{AB}|$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a/ } \vec{AB} &= \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \underline{\underline{-7\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 7\mathbf{k}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b/ } \sqrt{7^2 + 3^2 + 7^2} = \underline{\underline{\sqrt{107}}}$$

- 2 Given that $|3\mathbf{i} + k\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}| = 7$

Find the two possible values of k

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{3^2 + k^2 + 2^2} &= 7 \\ 3^2 + k^2 + 2^2 &= 49 \\ k^2 &= 36 \\ \underline{\underline{k}} &= \underline{\underline{\pm 6}} \end{aligned}$$

- 3 Given that the point A has position vector $-5\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$ and the point B has position vector $-8\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$

(a) Find the vector \vec{AB}

(b) Find $|\vec{AB}|$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a/ } \vec{AB} &= \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\underline{\underline{-3\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b/ } \sqrt{3^2 + 5^2 + 2^2} = \underline{\underline{\sqrt{38}}}$$

- 4 $\mathbf{a} = -5\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{b} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$
 Given that the resultant force of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} is $-2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$ find the values of x , y and z

$$\begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-5 + x = -2$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 3}}$$

$$7 + y = -3$$

$$\underline{\underline{y = -10}}$$

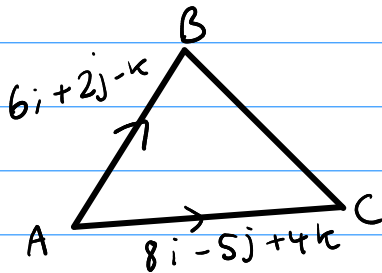
$$2 + z = 6$$

$$\underline{\underline{z = 4}}$$

- 5 In triangle ABC , $\vec{AB} = 6\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$, $\vec{AC} = 8\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$

(a) Find the vector \vec{BC}

(b) Find the length of the line AB



$$\vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{2\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}}}$$

b/ $\sqrt{6^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} = \underline{\underline{\sqrt{41}}}$

- 6 Three forces act on an object $\mathbf{F}_1 = -5\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{F}_2 = 4\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{F}_3 = 3\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$
 Find the resultant force.

$$\begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\underline{2\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}}}$$

- 7 The points P, Q, R and S have position vectors $\mathbf{p} = -3\mathbf{i} + 10\mathbf{j} - 7\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{q} = 5\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$
 $\mathbf{r} = -4\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} - 12\mathbf{k}$ $\mathbf{s} = 8\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$

Show that \overrightarrow{PQ} is parallel to \overrightarrow{RS}

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 10 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -6 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overrightarrow{RS} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ -9 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{PQ} &= 8\mathbf{i} - 6\mathbf{j} + 10\mathbf{k} \\ &= 2(4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{RS} &= 12\mathbf{i} - 9\mathbf{j} + 15\mathbf{k} \\ &= 3(4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}) \end{aligned}$$

\overrightarrow{PQ} and \overrightarrow{RS} are both multiples of $(4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k})$ \therefore parallel

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \frac{2}{3}\overrightarrow{RS}$$

8 Relative to a fixed origin O ,

the point A has position vector $(3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$,

the point B has position vector $(7\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k})$,

and the point C has position vector $(a\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k})$, where a is a constant and $a > 0$,

D is the point such that $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{BD}$

(a) Find the position vector of D .

Given that $|\overrightarrow{AC}| = 5$

(b) Find the value of a .

$$a/ \quad \overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -9 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -9 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ -14 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{11\mathbf{i} - 14\mathbf{j} + 8\mathbf{k}}$$

$$b/ \quad \overrightarrow{AC} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a-3 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sqrt{(a-3)^2 + (1)^2 + (2)^2} = 5$$

$$(a-3)^2 + 1 + 4 = 25$$

$$(a-3)^2 = 20$$

$$a^2 - 6a + 9 = 20$$

$$a^2 - 6a - 11 = 0$$

$$a = \underline{\underline{3 + 2\sqrt{5}}}$$

a cannot
be negative

9 Relative to a fixed origin O ,

the point A has position vector $(2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k})$,

the point B has position vector $(5\mathbf{i} - 10\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k})$,

the point C has position vector $(3\mathbf{i} - 7\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k})$,

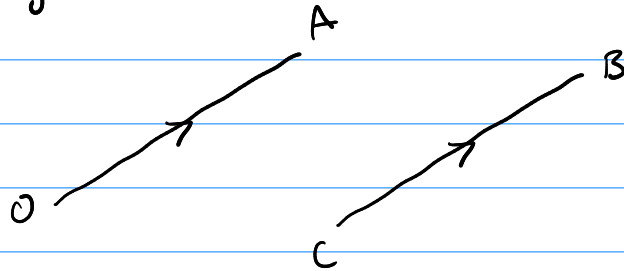
(a) Find \vec{BC}

(b) Show that the quadrilateral $OABC$ is a parallelogram, giving reasons for your answer.

$$a/ \quad \vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -10 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\underline{\underline{-2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}}}$$

$$b/ \quad \vec{OA} = 2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k} \quad \vec{CB} = 2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$$

\vec{OA} and \vec{CB} are parallel and equal in length.



$\therefore \vec{OC}$ and \vec{AB} must also be parallel and equal in length

\therefore parallelogram.

10 Relative to a fixed origin O ,

the point A has position vector $(4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} - 5\mathbf{k})$,

the point B has position vector $(6\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 9\mathbf{k})$,

the point C has position vector $(4\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} - 8\mathbf{k})$,

(a) Find \vec{AB}

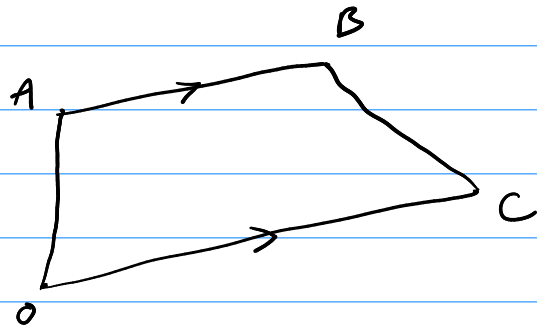
(b) Show that the quadrilateral $OABC$ is a trapezium, giving reasons for your answer.

$$a) \vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}}$$

$$b) \vec{OC} = 4\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} - 8\mathbf{k} \\ = 2(2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k})$$

$$\vec{OC} = 2\vec{AB}$$



a set of unequal parallel lines \therefore trapezium

11 The points A and B have position vectors $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ respectively.

(a) Find the exact length of AB .

(b) Find the position vector of the midpoint of AB .

The points P and Q have position vectors $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ respectively.

(c) Show that $ABPQ$ is a parallelogram.

$$a/ \quad \vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\vec{AB}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 2^2}$$
$$= \underline{\underline{\sqrt{17}}}$$

$$b/ \quad \frac{3+1}{2} = 2 \quad \frac{-5+2}{2} = -\frac{3}{2} \quad \frac{2+4}{2} = 3$$
$$\underline{\underline{2i - \frac{3}{2}j + 3k}}$$

$$c/ \quad \vec{QP} = 2i - 3j - 2k$$

$$\vec{QP} = \vec{AB}$$

set of equal parallel lines \therefore parallelogram

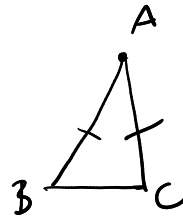
- 12 The point A has the position vector $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ where a and b are positive constants, point B has the position vector $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and point C has the position vector $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

ABC is an isosceles triangle with $AB = AC$

- (a) Show that $a + b = 3$

Given that the area of ABC is $\sqrt{8}$

- (b) Find the exact values of a and b .



$$\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 2-a \\ 3-b \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{AC} = \begin{pmatrix} 0-a \\ 1-b \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\vec{AB}| = |\vec{AC}|$$

$$(2-a)^2 + (3-b)^2 + 1^2 = (-a)^2 + (1-b)^2 + 1^2$$

$$4 - 4a + a^2 + 9 - 6b + b^2 + 1 = a^2 + 1 - 2b + b^2 + 1$$

$$13 - 4a - 6b = 1 - 2b$$

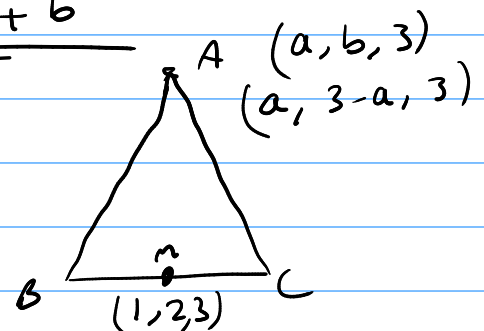
$$12 - 4a = 4b$$

$$12 = 4a + 4b$$

$$\underline{\underline{3 = a + b}}$$

b/ $\frac{1}{2}bh = \sqrt{8}$

Midpoint of BC $(1, 2, 3)$



$$|\vec{BC}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + 2^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{12}$$

$$b = 3 - a$$

$$\vec{AM} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 3-a \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a-1 \\ 1-a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$= \sqrt{a^2 - 2a + 1 + 1 - 2a + a^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2a^2 - 4a + 2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{12} \sqrt{2a^2 - 4a + 2} = \sqrt{8}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} (12) (2a^2 - 4a + 2) = 8$$

$$6a^2 - 12a + 6 = 8$$

$$6a^2 - 12a - 2 = 0$$

$$3a^2 - 6a - 1 = 0$$

$$a = \frac{3 + 2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

a is positive so only one ans.

$$b = 3 - \frac{3 + 2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{6 - 2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

- 13 The points A and B have position vectors $\begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ respectively.

Find the exact length of AB .

$$\vec{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\vec{AB}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2 + 6^2}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\sqrt{53}}}$$