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7. The lines l_1 and l_2 have equations

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If the lines l_1 and l_2 intersect, find

(a) the value of α,

(4)

(b) an equation for the plane containing the lines l_1 and l_2, giving your answer in the form $ax + by + cz + d = 0$, where a, b, c and d are constants.

(4)

For other values of α, the lines l_1 and l_2 do not intersect and are skew lines.

Given that $\alpha = 2$,

(c) find the shortest distance between the lines l_1 and l_2.

(3)

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7. The plane Π has vector equation

$$\mathbf{r} = 3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k} + \lambda(-4\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}) + \mu(6\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k})$$

(a) Find an equation of Π in the form $\mathbf{r.n} = p$, where $\mathbf{n}$ is a vector perpendicular to Π and p is a constant.

(5)

The point P has coordinates $(6, 13, 5)$. The line l passes through P and is perpendicular to Π. The line l intersects Π at the point N.

(b) Show that the coordinates of N are $(3, 1, -1)$.

(4)

The point R lies on Π and has coordinates $(1, 0, 2)$.

(c) Find the perpendicular distance from N to the line PR. Give your answer to 3 significant figures.

(5)

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6. The plane P has equation

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) Find a vector perpendicular to the plane P.

(2)

The line l passes through the point A (1, 3, 3) and meets P at (3, 1, 2).

The acute angle between the plane P and the line l is α.

(b) Find α to the nearest degree.

(4)

(c) Find the perpendicular distance from A to the plane P.

(4)

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3. The position vectors of the points A, B and C relative to an origin O are $\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$, $7\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{k}$ and $4\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$ respectively.

Find

(a) $\overrightarrow{AC} \times \overrightarrow{BC}$,

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(4)

(b) the area of triangle ABC,

(2)

(c) an equation of the plane ABC in the form $\mathbf{r.n} = p$

(2)

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