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MATH 2050 SOLUTIONS

- 1. We are given $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 3^2 = 9$ and $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 5^2 = 25$. Thus $(-3\mathbf{u} + 4\mathbf{v}) \cdot (2\mathbf{u} + 5\mathbf{v}) = -6\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} 7\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + 20\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = -6(9) 7(8) + 20(25) = 390$.
- 2. The length of v is $\|v\| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = 3$, so $\frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$ is a unit vector in the direction of v and $\frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix}$ is a vector of length 2 in the direction of v. The vector $-6(\frac{1}{3}) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ has length 6 and opposite direction.
- 3. $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = -4 3 + 2 = -5$, $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{14}$ and $\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{18}$, so $\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|} = -\frac{5}{\sqrt{14}\sqrt{18}} \approx -.315$. Thus $\theta = \arccos(-.315) \approx 1.89$ rads $\approx 108^{\circ}$.
- 4. We wish to find *k* so that the dot product of **u** and $\mathbf{u} + k\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+2k \\ k \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is 0. Since $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{u} + k\mathbf{v}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1+2k \\ k \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 + 2k + 1$, we find k = -1.
- 5. The picture at the right shows the approximate position of the points. There is only one possible location for *D*. Let *D* have coordinates (x, y). Since $\overrightarrow{CA} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \overrightarrow{DB}$, we need $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 x \\ -1 y \end{bmatrix}$, -3 x = -3 and 4 = -1 y. Thus x = 0, y = -5 and *D* is (0, -5).

Since $\overrightarrow{CA} \cdot \overrightarrow{DC} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$, there is a right angle at *C* and since $\overrightarrow{CA} \cdot \overrightarrow{BA} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$, there is a right angle at *A*. Thus *ABDC* is a rectangle and since $\|\overrightarrow{BA}\| = \|\overrightarrow{AC}\| = 5$, the rectangle is a square.

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6. Since
$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2 \\ -(u_1 v_3 - v_1 u_3) \\ u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1 \end{bmatrix}$$
, we have $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{u}$

$$= (u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2) u_1 - (u_1 v_3 - v_1 u_3) u_2 + (u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1) u_3$$

$$= u_2 v_3 u_1 - u_3 v_2 u_1 - u_1 v_3 u_2 + v_1 u_3 u_2 + u_1 v_2 u_3 - u_2 v_1 u_3 = 0.$$
7. $a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3a + 4b \\ 2a - b \\ a - b \end{bmatrix}$. A normal is
 $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} + \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -1\mathbf{i} - (-7)\mathbf{j} + (-11)\mathbf{k} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \\ -11 \end{bmatrix}.$
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The vector $\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ 7\\ -11 \end{bmatrix}$ is a normal. Since the plane in question passes through (0,0,0), an equation is -x + 7y - 11z = 0.