

Second Examination

50 minutes. Closed book. No notes. 80 points, 20 per question.

Partial credit may be available, but only if you show your working.

HINT: There are many opportunities to check your answers.

Leave expressions such as $\sqrt{2}$ and $\cos^{-1}(1/3)$ alone; do not evaluate them.

No answer should contain an unexpanded determinant.

Begin each of the four questions on a new page and number it clearly in the margin.

1. A triangle in \mathbf{R}^3 has the vertices $A = (1, 0, 1)$, $B = (3, 2, 3)$ and $C = (2, 4, 3)$.
 - (a) Find the angle at A .
 - (b) Find (by any method) an equation for the plane that contains the triangle ABC .
2. A right-angled triangle in \mathbf{R}^4 has the vertices $P = (2, 5, 2, 2)$, $Q = (1, 1, 3, 3)$ and $R = (0, 3, 1, 2)$.
 - (a) At which vertex is the right angle? Explain how you know.
 - (b) Find the lengths of all three sides.
 - (c) Verify Pythagoras's Theorem for this triangle.
3. (a) Find the matrix of the linear transformation of the plane \mathbf{R}^2 that rotates every vector *clockwise* through an angle of 60 degrees. (Recall that $\cos(\pi/3) = 1/2$ and that $\sin(\pi/3) = \sqrt{3}/2$.)
 - (b) Find the matrix of the dilation of \mathbf{R}^2 that makes every vector three times as long (and leaves its direction unchanged).
 - (c) Find the matrix of the linear transformation of \mathbf{R}^2 that rotates every vector clockwise through an angle of 60 degrees *and* makes it three times as long.
4. Find the matrix of the orthogonal projection P in \mathbf{R}^3 to the plane $2x + 2y + z = 0$. (You may assume P is linear.) Hint: An expression for $P(\mathbf{x})$ will be helpful.