

MAC 2313 Exam 1A, Part II Free Response

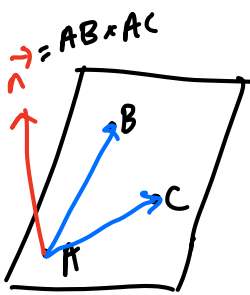
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1. (10 points) Let  $P$  be the plane containing three points  $A(2, 0, -1)$ ,  $B(3, 1, 1)$  and  $C(4, -1, 2)$ .

(a) Find a linear equation of the plane  $P$ .



$$AB = \langle 1, 1, 2 \rangle$$

$$AC = \langle 2, -1, 3 \rangle$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} i & j & k & i & j \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 & 2 & -1 \end{array}$$

$$3i + 4j - k - 3j + 2i - 2k = \langle 5, 1, -3 \rangle$$

Now take any point, say  $A = (2, 0, -1)$

$$0 = \langle 5, 1, -3 \rangle \cdot \langle x-2, y-0, z-(-1) \rangle$$

$$0 = 5x - 10 + y - 3z - 3 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{5x + y - 3z = 13}}$$

(b) Find the area of the triangle  $ABC$ .

$$= \frac{|AB \times AC|}{2} = \frac{|\sqrt{25+1+9}|}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{35}}{2}$$

