

Answer on Question #52685, Math, Linear Algebra

a) Consider the function $f: \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{2x+1}{x+1}$. i) ii) iii) iv) Check that $f(x)$ is well defined and $1-1$. Check that $f(x) = 2$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Check that $g: \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $g(x) = x-1$. Further, check that $g(x) = -1$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$. $2-x$ is well defined and $1-1$. (20) (3) (2) (4) Check that $(f \circ g)(x) = x$ for $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}$ and $(g \circ f)(x) = x$ for $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\}$. (4) b) Find the direction cosines of the perpendicular from the origin to the plane $r \cdot (6i + 4j + 2\sqrt{3}k) + 2 = 0$.

Answer:

$$\text{a) } f: \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = \frac{2x+1}{x+1}$$

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow \frac{2x_1+1}{x_1+1} = \frac{2x_2+1}{x_2+1} \Rightarrow (2x_1+1)(x_2+1) = (2x_2+1)(x_1+1)$$

$$2x_1x_2 + 2x_1 + x_2 + 1 = 2x_1x_2 + x_1 + 2x_2 + 1 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$$f(x) = \frac{2x+1}{x+1} = 2 \Rightarrow 2x+1 = 2x+2 \Rightarrow 1 \neq 2$$

$$x \notin \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{2x+1}{x+1} = y \Rightarrow 2x+1 = y(x+1) \Rightarrow$$

$$(2-y)x = y-1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{y-1}{2-y}$$

$$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: \quad g(x) = x-1$$

$$g(x_1) = g(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 - 1 = x_2 - 1 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$$g(x) = -x+1 = -1 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

but $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = g\left(\frac{2x+1}{x+1}\right) = -\frac{2x+1}{x+1} + 1 = \frac{-2x+1+(x+1)}{x+1} = -\frac{x}{x+1}$$

$$x \neq -1$$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = f(x-1) = \frac{2(1-x)+1}{(1-x)+1} = \frac{3-2x}{2-x}$$

$$x \neq 2$$

$$\text{b) } \vec{r} \cdot (6\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 2\sqrt{3}\vec{k}) + 2 = 0$$

The given equation can be written as

$$\vec{r} \cdot (6\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 2\sqrt{3}\vec{k}) = -2$$

$$\left| (6\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 2\sqrt{3}\vec{k}) \right| = \sqrt{6^2 + 4^2 + (2\sqrt{3})^2} = 8$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{\vec{r} \cdot (6\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 2\sqrt{3}\vec{k})}{8} = -\frac{2}{8} \Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot \left(\frac{3}{4}\vec{i} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{j} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\vec{k} \right) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

which is the equation of the plane in the form $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = d$

The direction cosines of \vec{n} are $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$.