EE112 – Engineering Mathematics II

Problem Set 4

Due by 5pm on Monday, 5 March 2018

1. The following three vectors are all in \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$\vec{A} = 3\hat{\imath} - 2\hat{\jmath}, \quad \vec{B} = -3\hat{\imath} + 4\hat{\jmath}, \quad \vec{C} = 5\hat{\imath}$$

Sketch and label all three of these vectors on the appended coordinate grid (and submit it with the rest of this Problem Set) such that the foot of \vec{A} is at the origin, the foot of \vec{B} is at the point (-1, 1) and the head of \vec{C} is at the point (2, 0).

- 2. For the three vectors in Problem 1, compute the following:
 - (a) $\vec{A} + \vec{B}$, $-\vec{A} \vec{B} + 3\vec{C}$ and $-12\vec{B}$;
 - (b) The magnitude and direction angle (relative to the positive x-axis, as usual) of $-\vec{C} \vec{A}$;
 - (c) The dot product $-2\vec{B}\cdot\vec{A}$;
 - (d) The angle between \vec{A} and \vec{C} .
- 3. Consider the following \mathbb{R}^3 vector:

$$\vec{u} = -\hat{\imath} + 7\hat{\jmath} - 2\hat{k}.$$

- (a) Find the magnitude of \vec{u} .
- (b) Determine the angles \vec{u} makes with the positive *x*-axis, the positive *y*-axis and the positive *z*-axis when its foot is at the origin.
- (c) Find the value of α such that the vector

$$\vec{w} = \hat{\imath} + \alpha \hat{\jmath} - 2\hat{k}$$

is perpendicular to \vec{u} .

(d) Compute $\vec{u} \times \hat{j}$.

