

1. (a) Given the *quaternions*

$$q_1 = 1 + 4i + 2j - k$$

$$q_2 = 2 - 4i + 5j + 2k$$

i

$$\begin{aligned} 3q_1 + q_2 &= 3(1 + 4i + 2j - k) + (2 - 4i + 5j + 2k) \\ &= (3 + 2) + (12 - 4)i + (6 + 5)j + (-3 + 2)k \\ &= 5 + 8i + 11j - k \end{aligned}$$

5 marks

ii

$$\begin{aligned} q_1 \times q_2 &= (1 + 4i + 2j - k) \times (2 - 4i + 5j + 2k) \\ &= (2 - 4i + 5j + 2k) + (8i - 16i^2 + 20ij + 8ik) \\ &\quad + (4j - 8ji + 10j^2 + 4jk) + (-2k + 4ki - 5kj - 2k^2) \\ &= (2 + 16 - 10 + 2) - 4i + 5j + 2k + 8i + 20k - 8j + 4j + 8k + 4i - 2 + 4j + 5i \\ &= 10 + 13i + 5j + 28k \end{aligned}$$

15 marks

(b) Rotate the point  $r(2, 2, 2)$   $180^\circ$  *anti-clockwise* about the  $y$ -axis, (i.e., the vector  $\vec{v} = (0, 1, 0)$ ) using a quaternion.

$$q = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} + \sin \frac{\theta}{2}(li + mj + nk) = \cos \frac{180}{2} + \sin \frac{180}{2}(0i + j + 0k)$$

Hence  $q = j$ . Also  $q^{-1} = -j$  and  $r = 2i + 2j + 2k$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Rotation} &= q.r.q^{-1} \\ &= j.(2i + 2j + 2k).-j \\ &= (2ji + 2j^2 + 2jk).-j \\ &= (-2 + 2i - 2k).-j \\ &= 2j - 2ij + 2kj \\ \text{Rotation} &= -2i + 2j - 2k \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$r(2, 2, 2) \longrightarrow r'(-2, 2, -2)$$

20 marks

2. i The line  $\Omega$  goes through the points  $P_0(-2, 1, 5)$  and is *perpendicular* to the plane  $\Pi$  with equation  $4x - 2y + 2z + 1 = 0$ , hence  $\vec{v} = (4, -2, 2)$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{P_0P} &= \vec{P} - \vec{P}_0 \\ &= (x, y, z) - (-2, 1, 5) \\ &= (x + 2, y - 1, z - 5)\end{aligned}$$

Now  $\overrightarrow{P_0P} = t\vec{v}$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned}(x + 2, y - 1, z - 5) &= t(4, -2, 2) \\ &= (4t, -2t, 2t)\end{aligned}$$

for some  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Expanding gives the parametric equations of the line  $\Omega$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= -2 + 4t \\ y &= 1 - 2t \\ z &= 5 + 2t\end{aligned}$$

**25 marks**

- ii Now to calculate the point of intersection of the line  $\Omega$  and the plane

$$\Pi: 4x - 2y + 2z + 1 = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned}4(-2 + 4t) - 2(1 - 2t) + 2(5 + 2t) + 1 &= 0 \\ -8 + 16t - 2 + 4t + 10 + 4t + 1 &= 0 \\ 24t &= -1 \\ t &= -\frac{1}{24}\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the point of intersection is

$$\begin{aligned}x &= -2 + 4\left(-\frac{1}{24}\right) = -\frac{13}{6} \\ y &= 1 - 2\left(-\frac{1}{24}\right) = \frac{13}{12} \\ z &= 5 + 2\left(-\frac{1}{24}\right) = \frac{59}{12}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $P = \left(-\frac{13}{6}, \frac{13}{12}, \frac{59}{12}\right)$ .

**20 marks**

- iii Finally, the perpendicular distance  $D$  of the point  $T(1, 2, 3)$  from the plane  $\Pi$

$4x - 2y + 2z + 1 = 0$  is given as

$$D = \frac{|4(1) - 2(2) + 2(3) + 1|}{\sqrt{4^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2}} = \frac{7}{\sqrt{24}}$$

**15 marks**