

不可使用手機、計算器，禁止作弊!

1. Determinant whether the given 4 points lie in a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 . If so, find its area. If not, find its volume.

$$A(1, 1, 1), B(1, 4, 3), C(2, 5, 8), D(-1, 2, 4)$$

Answer: ☒ $ABCD$ are coplanar(共平面), and the area is N/A.

☒ $ABCD$ are NOT coplanar(共平面), and the volume is 16.5.

Solution :

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = [0, 3, 2], \overrightarrow{AC} = [1, 4, 7], \overrightarrow{AD} = [-2, 1, 3]$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 7 \\ -2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -33 \neq 0$$

So the points are not coplanar and the volume of the Parallelepiped (平行六面體) formed by coterminal (相鄰邊) edges $\overrightarrow{AB}, \overrightarrow{AC}, \overrightarrow{AD}$ is 33.

The volume of a tetrahedron (四面體) $ABCD$ formed by coterminal (相鄰邊) edges $\overrightarrow{AB}, \overrightarrow{AC}, \overrightarrow{AD}$ is

$$\frac{\text{volume of the Parallelepiped}}{6} = \frac{33}{6} = 16.5$$

2. Circle each of the following True or False. Please give a counterexample (反例) for the false statement and give an explain (解釋) for the true statement.

True ☒ **False** The determinant of 3×3 matrix is zero if the points in \mathbb{R}^3 given by the rows of the matrix lie in a plane.

Solution :

$A : (1, 0, 0), B = (0, 1, 0), C = (0, 0, 1)$ are lie in the plane $x + y + z = 1$.

However,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$