Solutions to Quiz 1 - September 31, 2011

1. Given the vectors below, draw the vectors $-\mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{w}$ and $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}$.



2. Give the equation for the plane containing the point P = (-3, 1, 0) and having normal vector $\mathbf{n} = (1, 4, 3)$.

SOLUTION:

$$(x+3) + 4(y-1) + 3z = 0$$

or

$$x + 4y + 3z = 1$$

- 3. (a) Find a unit vector in the direction of $\mathbf{v} = (2, -1, 2)$. SOLUTION: (2/3, -1/3, 2/3).
 - (b) Find the projection $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{u})$ of the vector $\mathbf{u} = (1,7,2)$ onto \mathbf{v} . SOLUTION:

$$\left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{||\mathbf{v}||^2}\right) \mathbf{v} = \frac{-1}{9}(2, -1, 2) = (-2/9, 1/9, -2/9)$$