

4. Part of the mains water system for a housing estate consists of water pipes buried beneath the ground surface. The water pipes are modelled as straight line segments. One water pipe, W , is buried beneath a particular road. With respect to a fixed origin O , the road surface is modelled as a plane with equation $3x - 5y - 18z = 7$, and W passes through the points $A(-1, -1, -3)$ and $B(1, 2, -3)$. The units are in metres.

(a) Use the model to calculate the acute angle between W and the road surface.

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A point $C(-1, -2, 0)$ lies on the road. A section of water pipe needs to be connected to W from C .

(b) Using the model, find, to the nearest cm, the shortest length of pipe needed to connect C to W .

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