

Math 261

Multivariate Calculus

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Office Hours

M 9:30 - 10:30

W 10:30 - 11:30

Th 9:30 - 10:30

We use WehAssign for homework

HW from Friday and Monday

Lecture is due by Tuesday

by 11:00 PM.

HW from Wednesday Lecture

is due by Thursday by 11:00 PM

No Makeups for HW or

Quizzes

3 Lowest HW scores and

Quizzes will be dropped

Please read Ground Rules

at [math.purdue.edu](http://math.purdue.edu), then

go to Course Page.

Also look at Calendar.

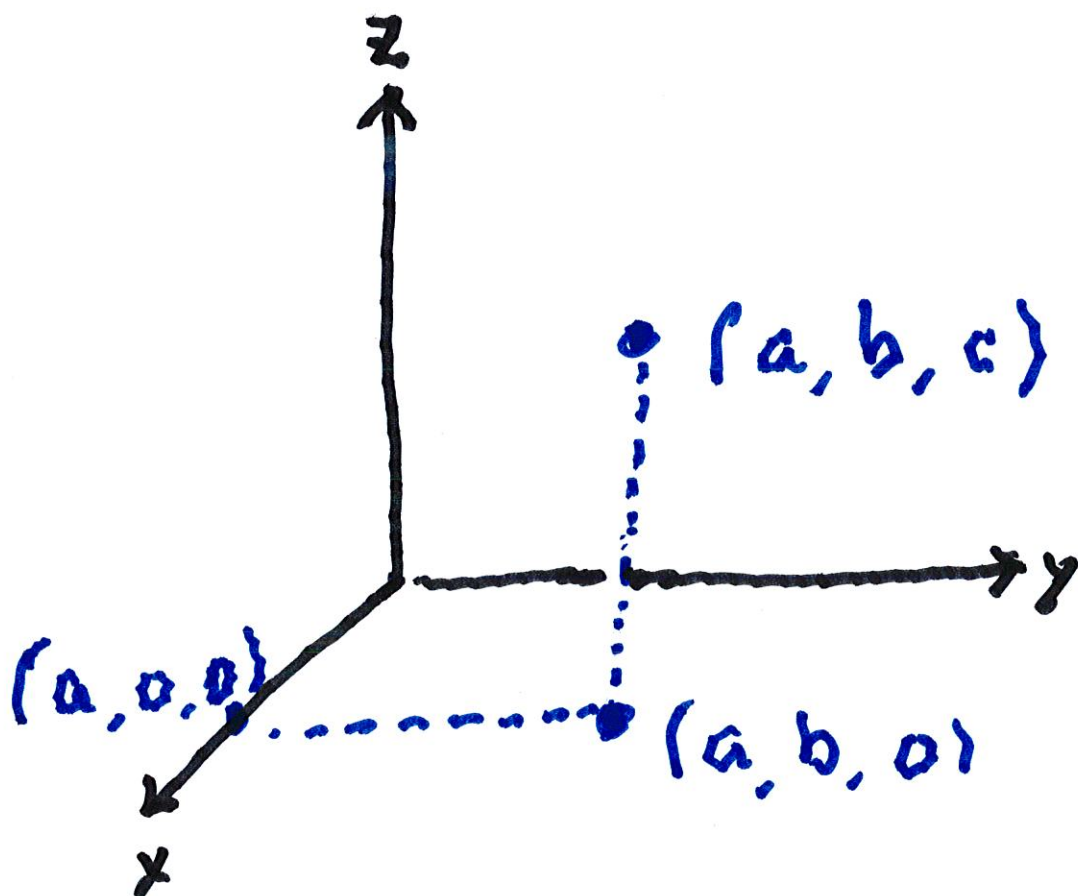
12.1 — 12.4

Review

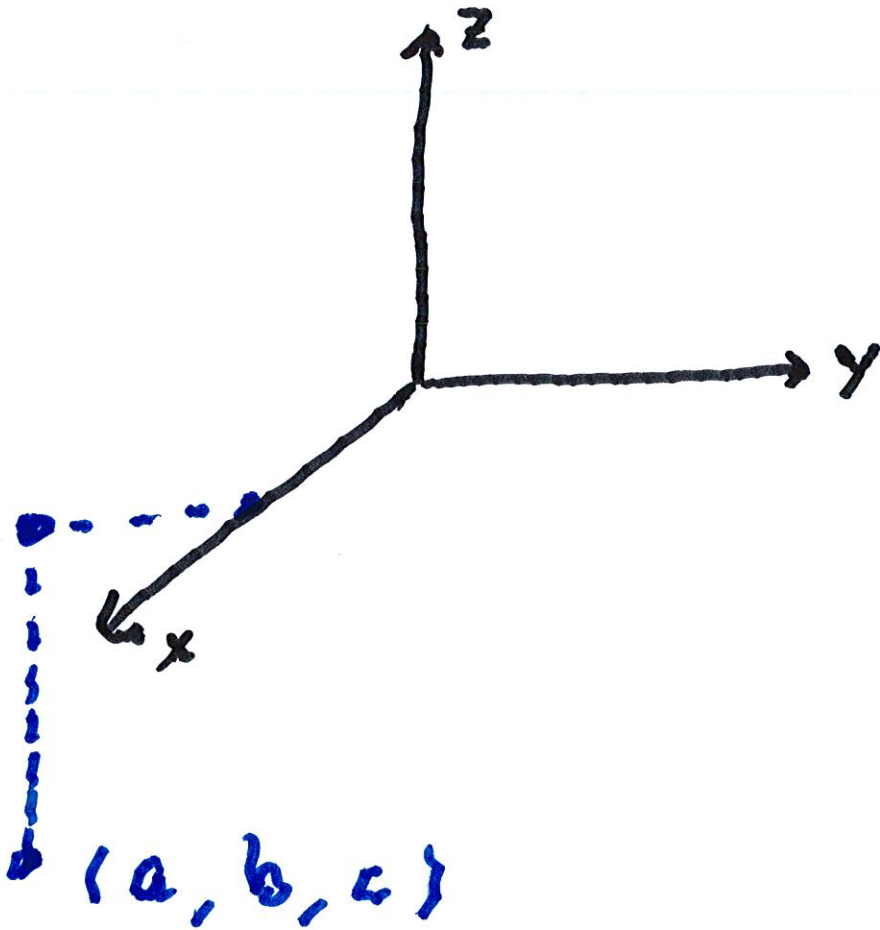
## 12.1 3-dimensional coordinates

Each point in 3-dim. space

can be written as  $P(a, b, c)$



Suppose  $a > 0$  and  $b, c < 0$

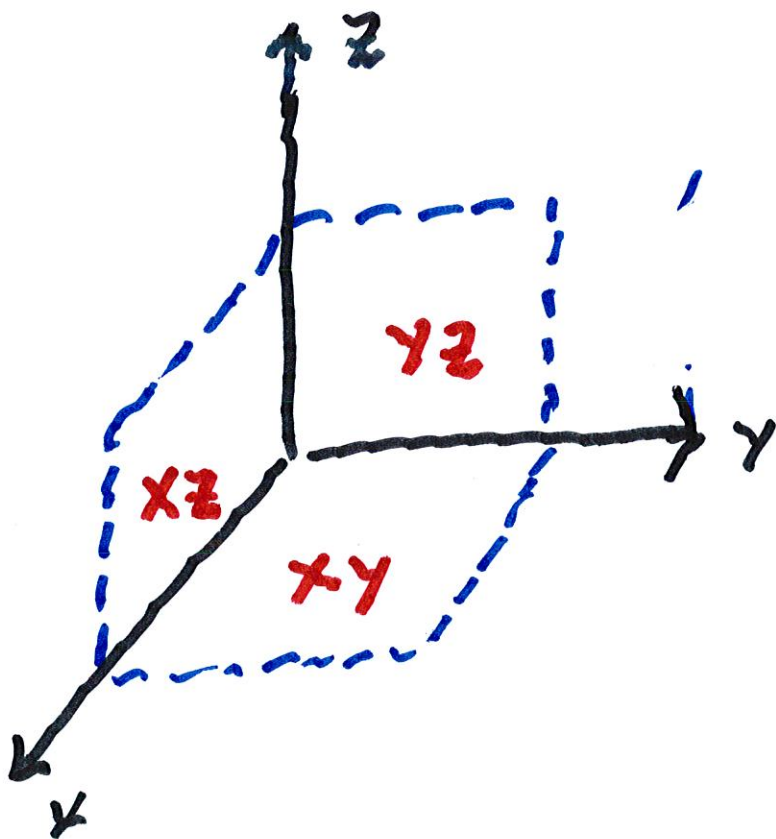


Note that the  $xy$ -plane

is  $z = 0$

The  $xz$ -plane is  $y = 0$

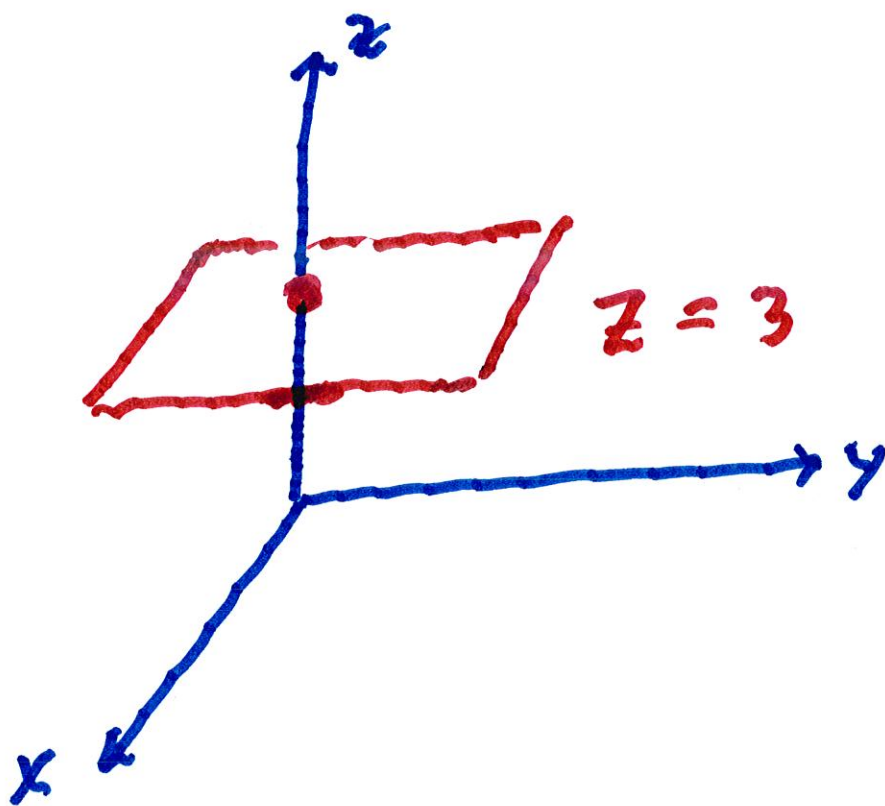
The  $yz$ -plane is  $x = 0$



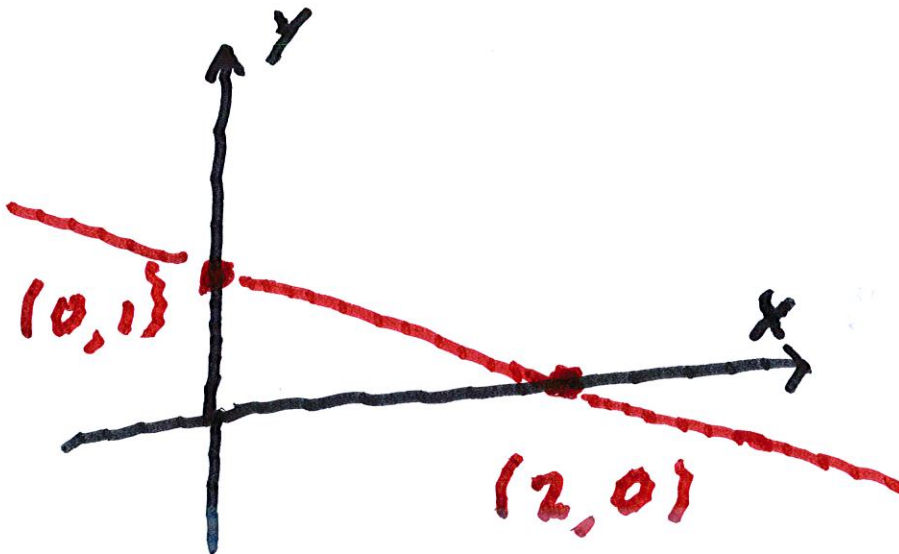
The equation  $z = 3$

defines a flat plane

through  $(0, 0, 3)$

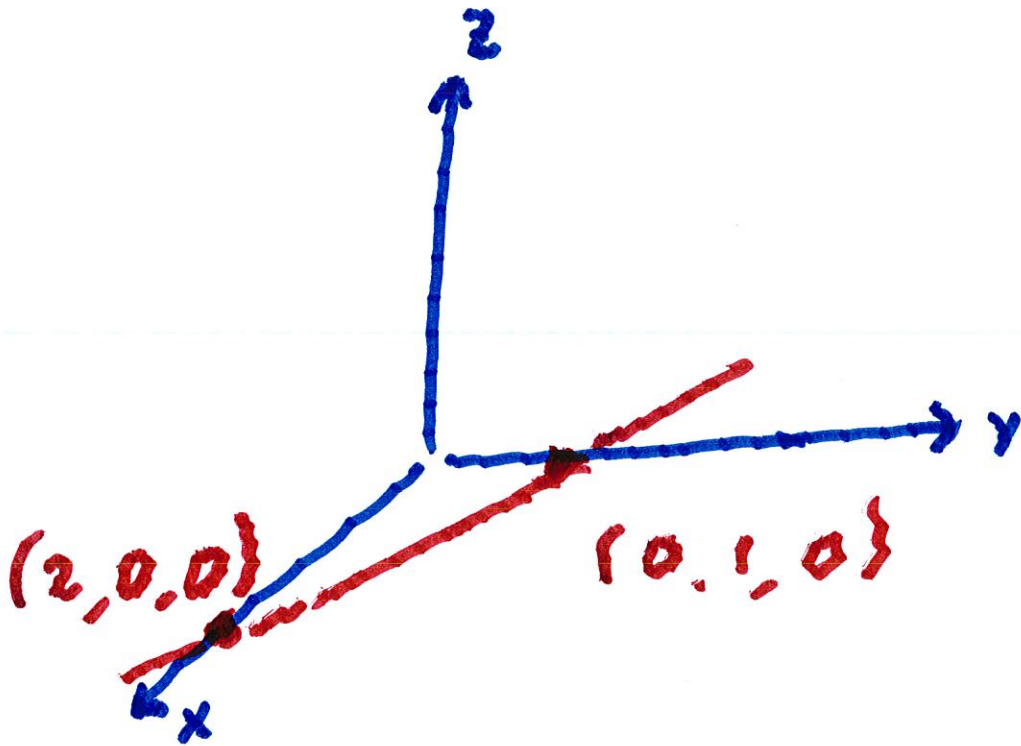


Ex. sketch  $x + 2y = 2$   
(ind. of  $z$ )

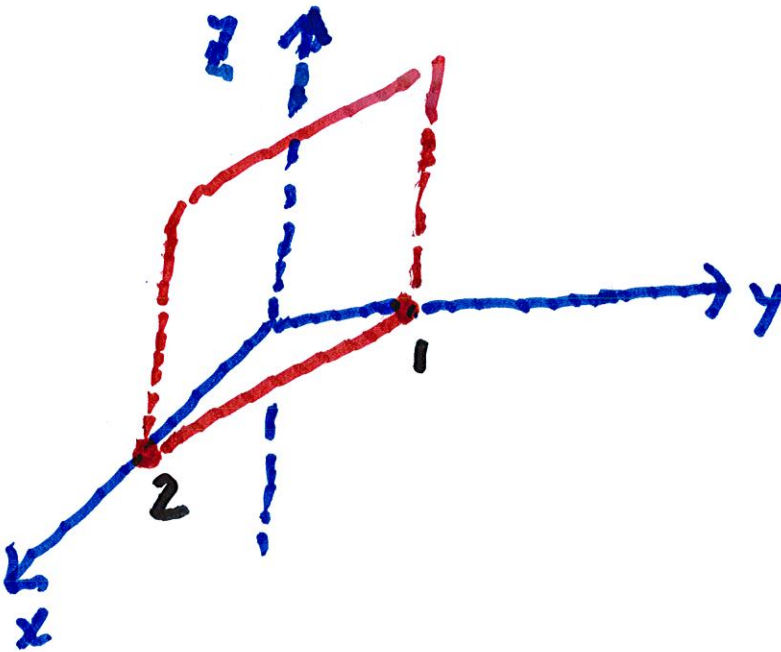


Put this line in  $xy$ -plane:



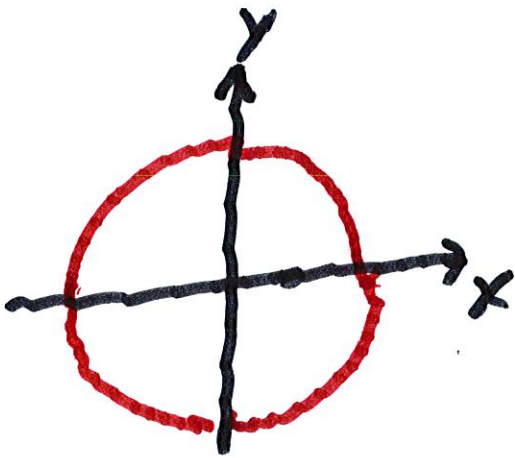


Slide the line up and down



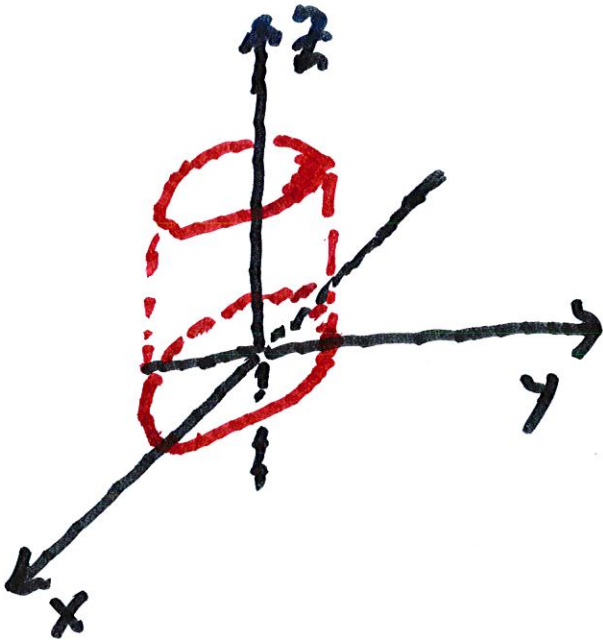
Ex. Sketch  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

Same idea:



$$x^2 + y^2 = 4$$

(radius = 2)



(ind. of  $z$ )

The distance between  
 $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $P(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is

$$|P_1, P_2| = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$$

Ex. Find the radius and center of

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2x - 4y + 4z = 3$$

$$\{x+1\}^2 + \{y-2\}^2 + \{z+2\}^2$$

$$= 1 + 4 + 4 + 3 = 12$$

$$\therefore \text{radius} = \sqrt{12}$$

$$\text{center} = (-1, 2, -2)$$

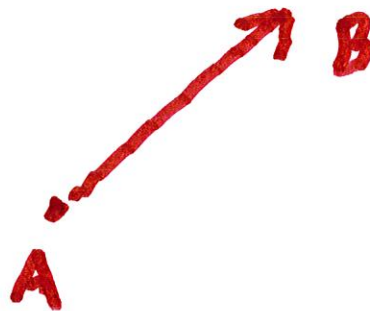
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## 12.2 Vectors

Given points A and B,

we can form a displacement

vector  $\vec{AB}$



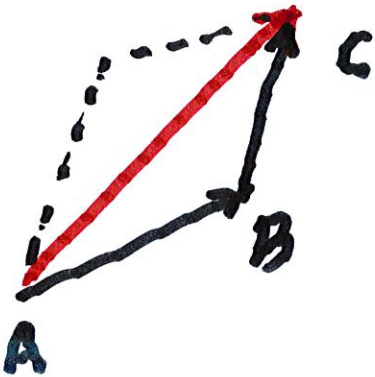


If  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  is a translate  
of  $\overrightarrow{CD}$ , we consider  
 $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and  $\overrightarrow{CD}$  to be the  
same vector.

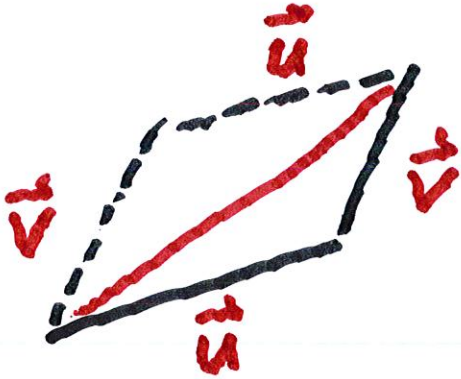
A is the initial point  
and B is the terminal point  
of  $\overrightarrow{AB}$

Vector Addition is  
defined by the

Parallelogram Law:



$$\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} = \vec{AC}$$



$$\therefore \vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$$

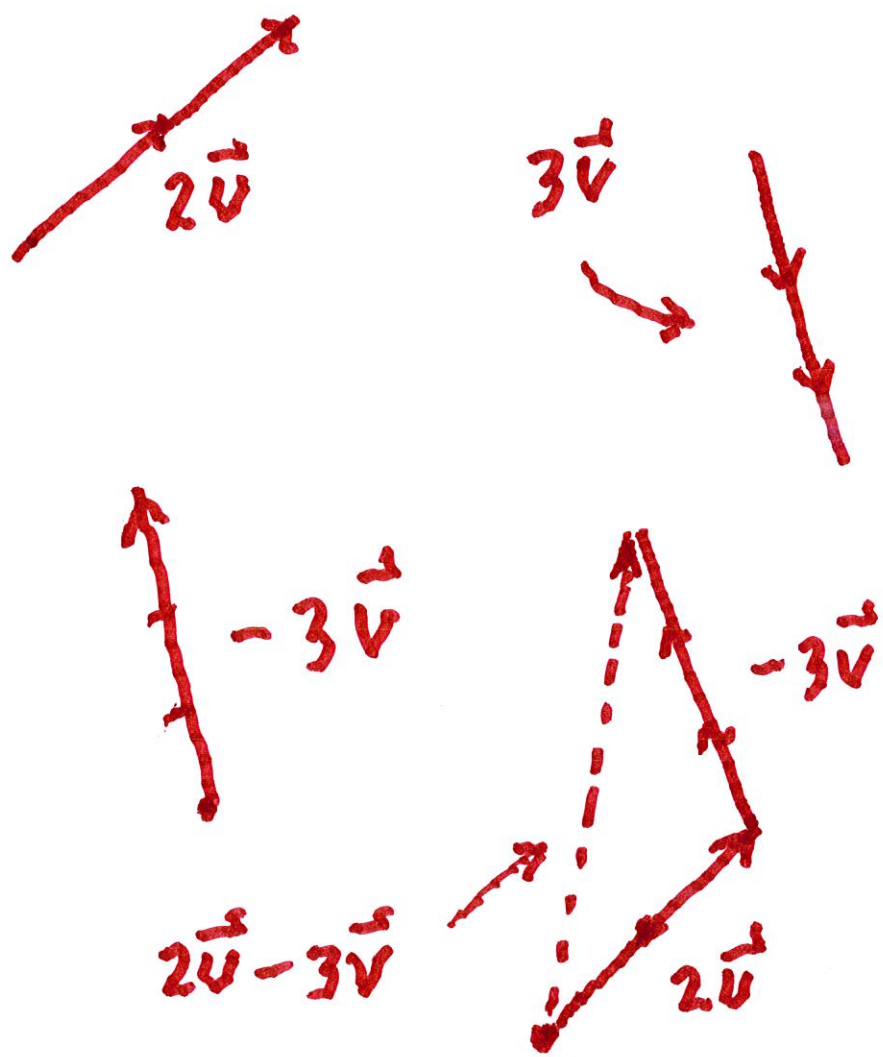
We can multiply  $\vec{v}$  by  
any number  $c$



If  $\vec{u}$  is 

and  $\vec{v}$  is .

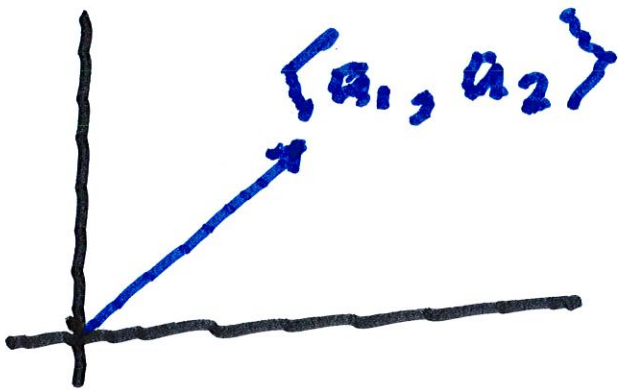
what is  $2\vec{u} - 3\vec{v}$





# Components

For vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :



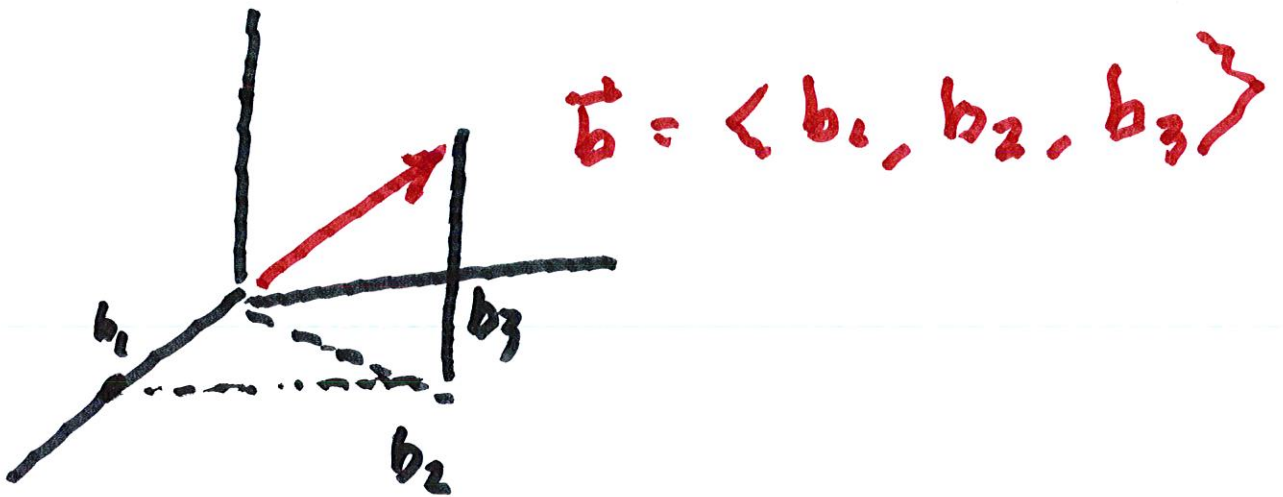
$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2}$$

absolute  
value

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if  $\vec{b} = \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle$ ,

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{b_1^2 + b_2^2 + b_3^2}$$



$\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are called  
position vectors.

$$\text{In } \mathbb{R}^2, \quad \vec{a} + \vec{b}$$

$$= \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle + \langle b_1, b_2 \rangle$$

$$= \langle a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2 \rangle$$

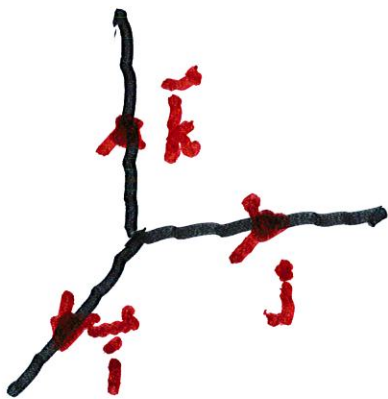
$$\text{and } c\vec{a} = c\langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \\ = \langle ca_1, ca_2 \rangle$$

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Standard Basis Vectors

$$\vec{i} = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle \quad \vec{j} = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\text{and } \vec{k} = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$



$\vec{v}$  is a unit vector if

$$|\vec{v}| = 1.$$

Ex. Find a vector  $\vec{w}$  of length

3 that points in the

opposite direction from

$$\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 3\vec{k}$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$\vec{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} (2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 3\vec{k})$$

is a unit vector

$$\vec{v} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}} (2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 3\vec{k})$$

has length 3.

$$\vec{w} = \frac{-3}{\sqrt{14}} (2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 3\vec{k})$$

## 12.3 Dot Product

Suppose

$$\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle \quad \text{and}$$

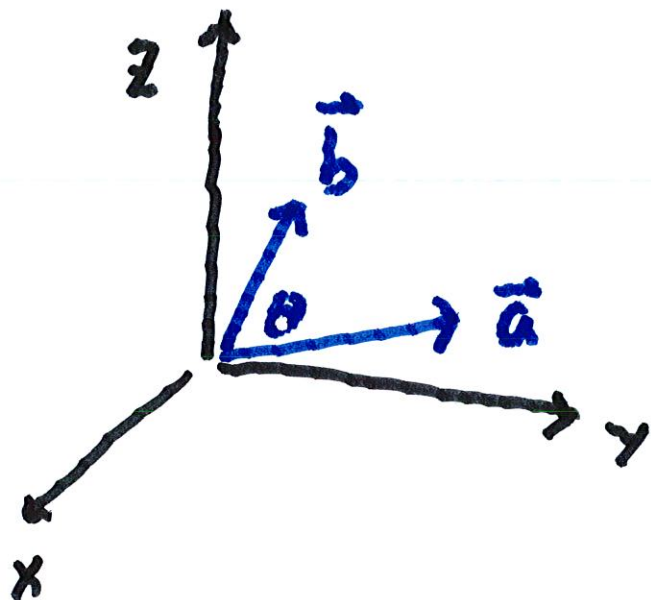
$$\vec{b} = \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle$$

The dot product of

$\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$$

## Geometric Meaning



Let  $\theta$  be the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ . Then

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta \quad (1)$$

If  $\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle$  and  $\vec{b} = \langle b_1, b_2 \rangle$

then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2$

and (1) is still true.

Ex. Find the angle  $\theta$  between

$\vec{a} = \langle 3, -1 \rangle$  and  $\vec{b} = \langle 2, 2 \rangle$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 3 \cdot 2 + (-1) \cdot 2 = 4$$



$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{9+1} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{4+4} = \sqrt{8}$$

$$\therefore 4 = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

$$= \sqrt{10} \sqrt{8} \cos \theta$$

$$\rightarrow 4 = \sqrt{80} \cos \theta$$

$$4 = 4\sqrt{5} \cos \theta$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad \theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

Suppose  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  satisfy

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \Rightarrow |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$\therefore \vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are perpendicular

Conversely, if  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are

perpendicular, then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

Ex. Show  $\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} + \vec{k}$

and  $\vec{b} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$

are perpendicular.

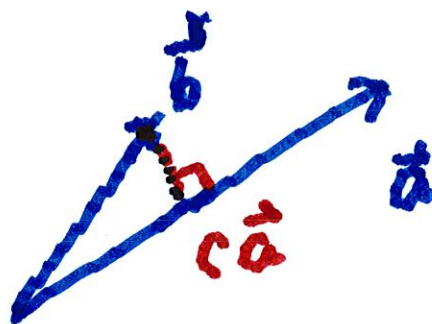
$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 2 \cdot 1 - 3 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

## Scalar Projections

Find  $c$  so that

$\vec{b} - c\vec{a}$  is  $\perp$  to  $\vec{a}$



$$(\vec{b} - c\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} - c\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

$$\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|^2} = c$$

$$\left( \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 \right)$$

$$\therefore \text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b} = c\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \vec{a}$$

This is the vector projection

of  $\vec{b}$  onto  $\vec{a}$

We can also write

$$c\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|} \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} = \text{comp}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b}$$

$\frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$  is a unit vector

$\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|}$  is the scalar projection

It gives the size of  $\text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b}$   
in the direction of  $\vec{a}$

Ex. Find  $\text{comp}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b}$  if

$$\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{b} = 3\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$$

$$\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{6+2}{\sqrt{4+1}} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{5}}$$

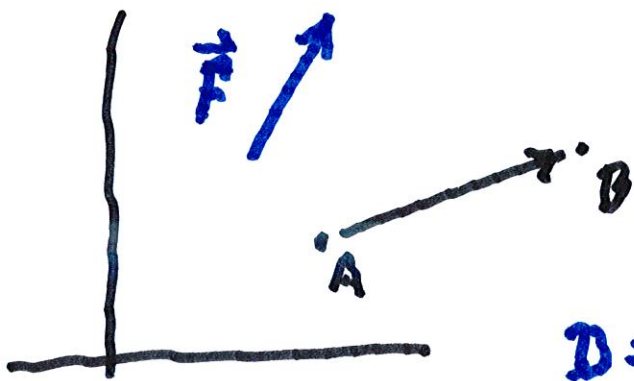
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$\text{comp}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b}$

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b} = \frac{8}{5} (2\vec{i} + \vec{k})$$

## Work

Suppose that there is a constant force  $\vec{F}$  and that a particle moves from A to B



$D = \vec{AB}$  = displacement vector.

The work done by the force is

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{D}$$