

MA 261

Multivariate Calculus

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The class web page has a link to the official course web site. The official web site lists course ground rules and other course information.

We use WebAssign for homework

HW from Friday and Monday
lectures is due Tuesday by
11:00 pm

HW from Wednesday lecture is
due Thursday by 11:00 pm

No makeups for HW
or quizzes

3 lowest HW scores and 3 lowest QUIZ scores will be dropped.

Please read Ground Rules at the official course web site and look at the course calendar.

All lectures will be posted at our class web site

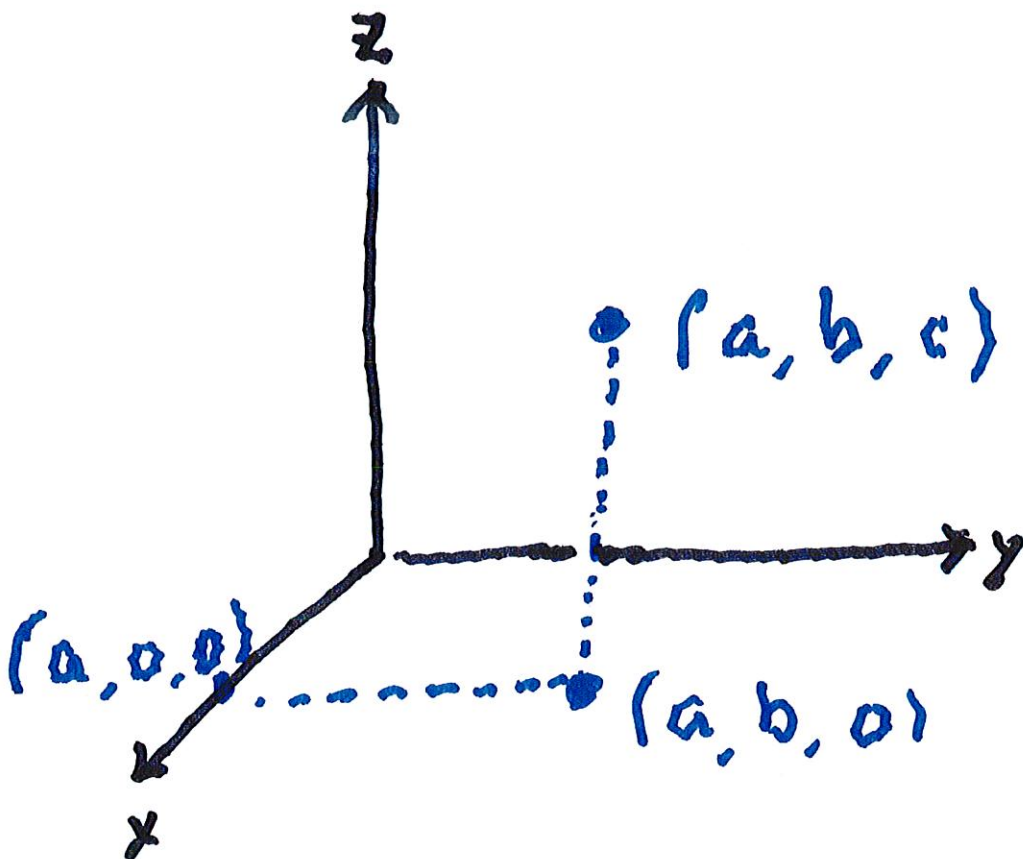
12.1 — 12.4

Review

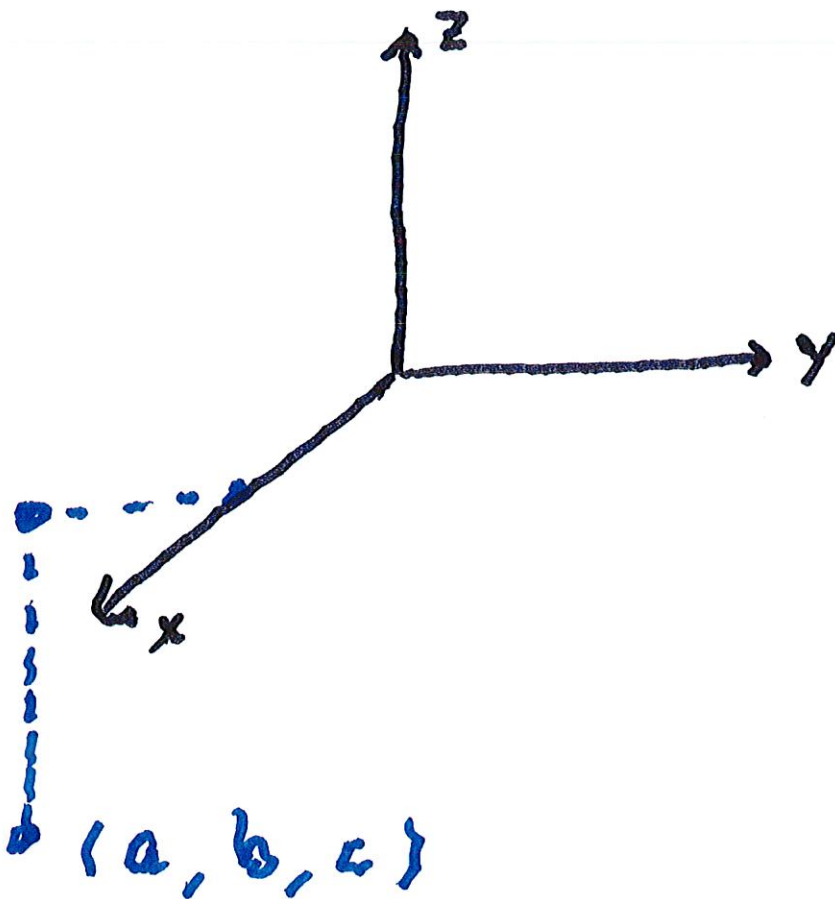
12.1 3-dimensional coordinates

Each point in 3-dim. space

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



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

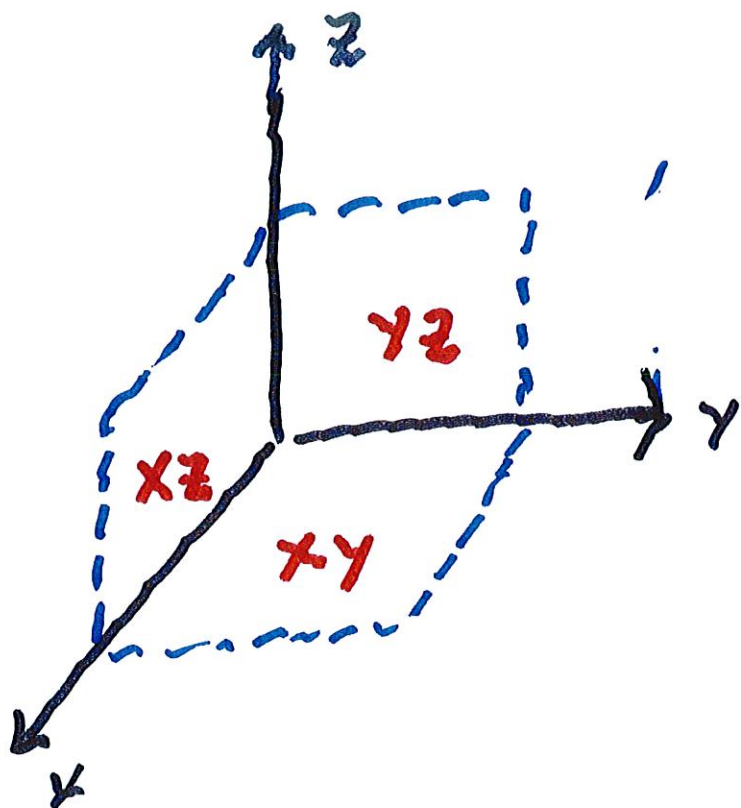


Note that the xy -plane

is $z = 0$

The xz -plane is $y = 0$

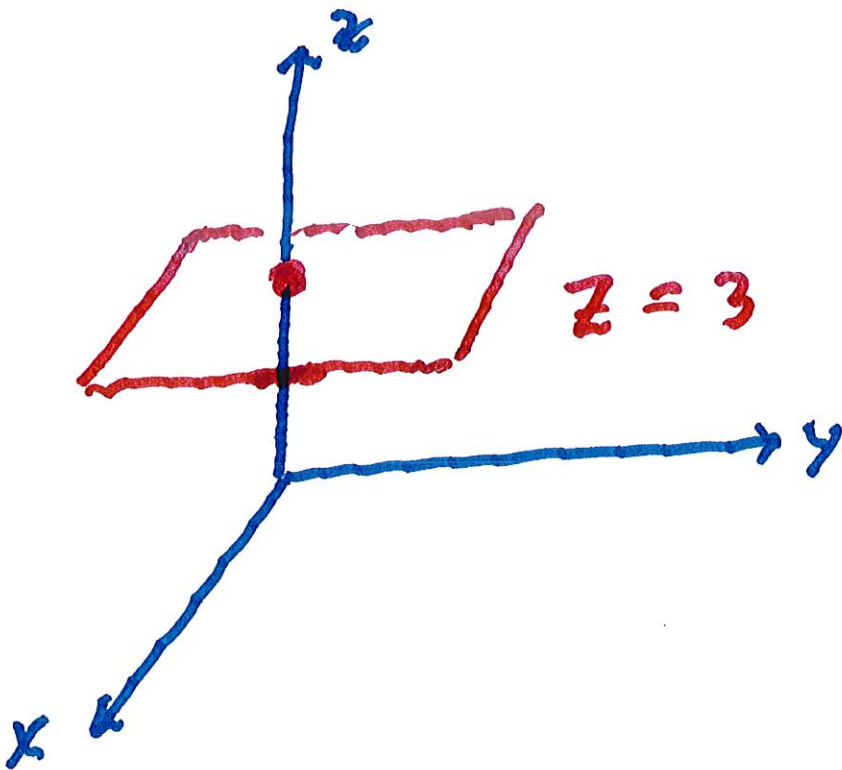
The yz -plane is $x = 0$



The equation $z = 3$

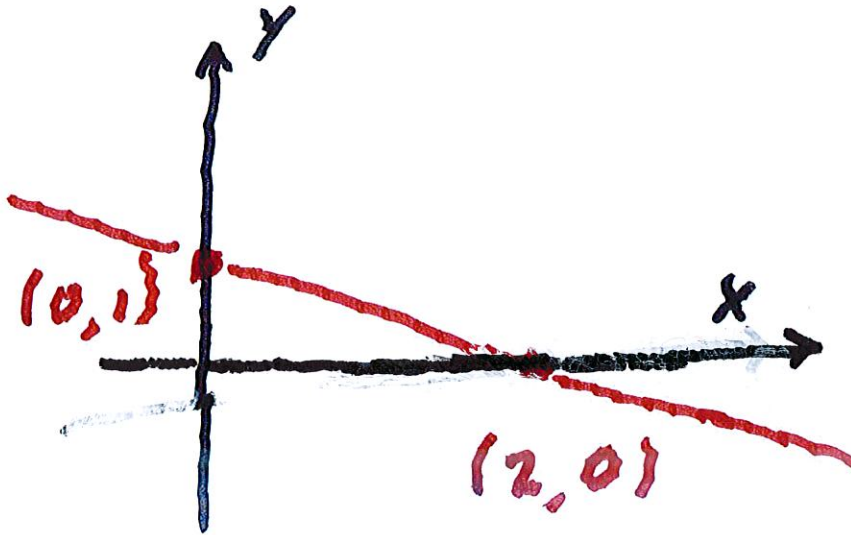
defines a flat plane

through $(0, 0, 3)$

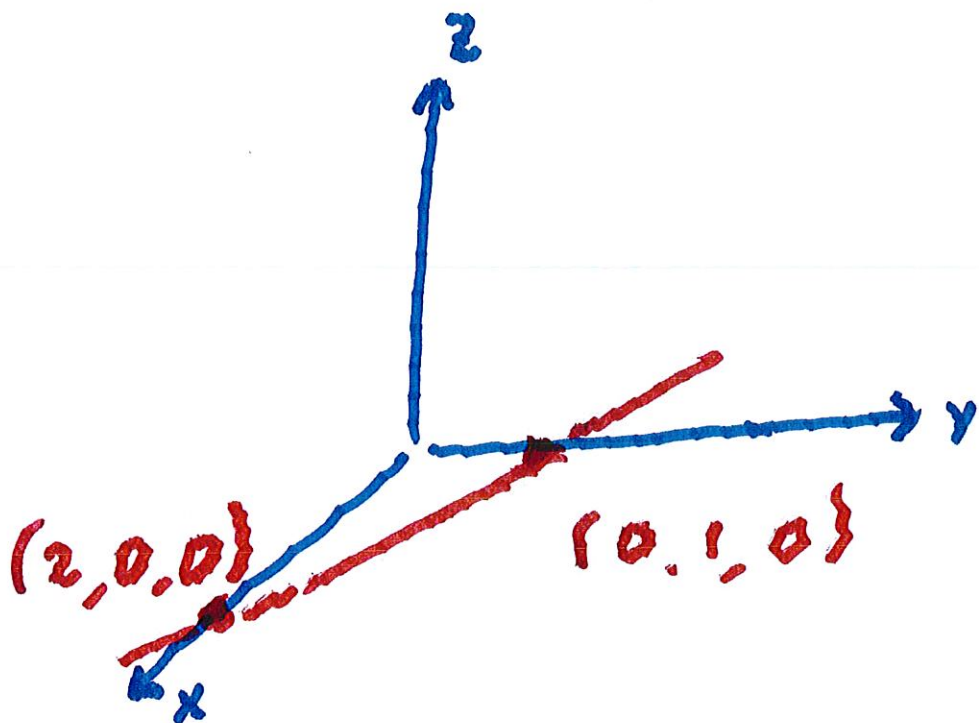


Ex. sketch $x + 2y = 2$

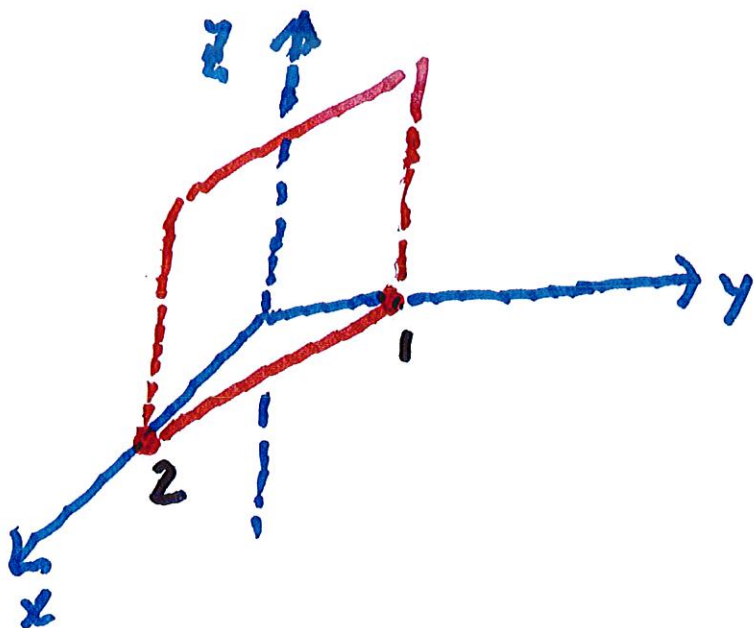
(ind. of z)



Put this line in xy -plane:

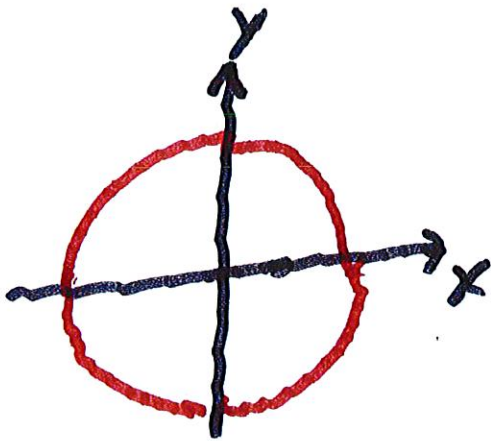


Slide the line up and down



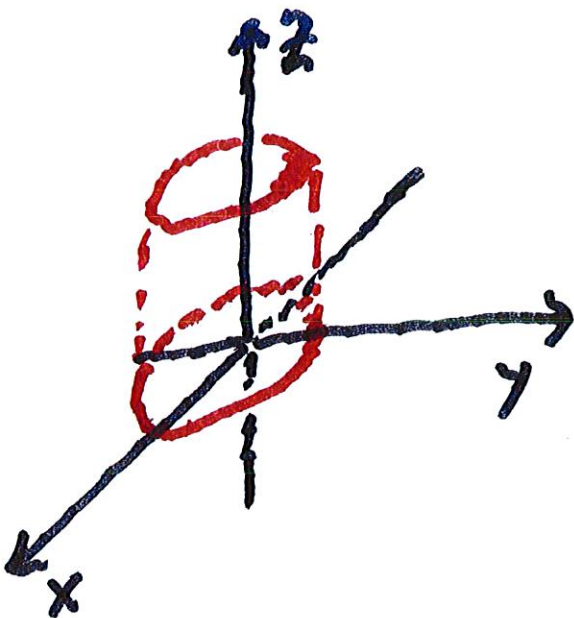
Ex. Sketch $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

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

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

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

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

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

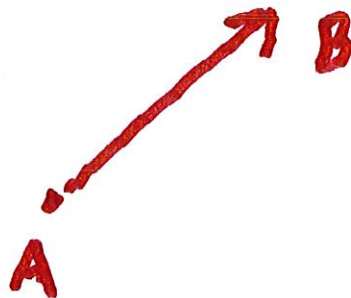
$$\text{center} = (-1, 2, -2)$$

12.2 Vectors

Given points A and B,

we can form a displacement

vector \vec{AB}



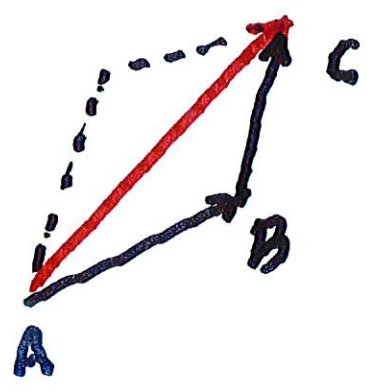


If \overrightarrow{AB} is a translate
of \overrightarrow{CD} , we consider
 \overrightarrow{AB} and \overrightarrow{CD} to be the
same vector.

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

Vector Addition is defined by the

Parallelogram Law:

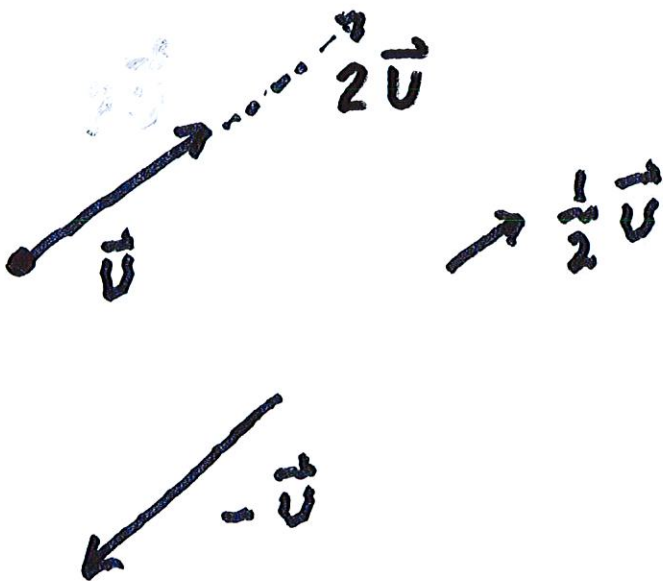


$$\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} = \vec{AC}$$



$$\therefore \vec{U} + \vec{V} = \vec{V} + \vec{U}$$

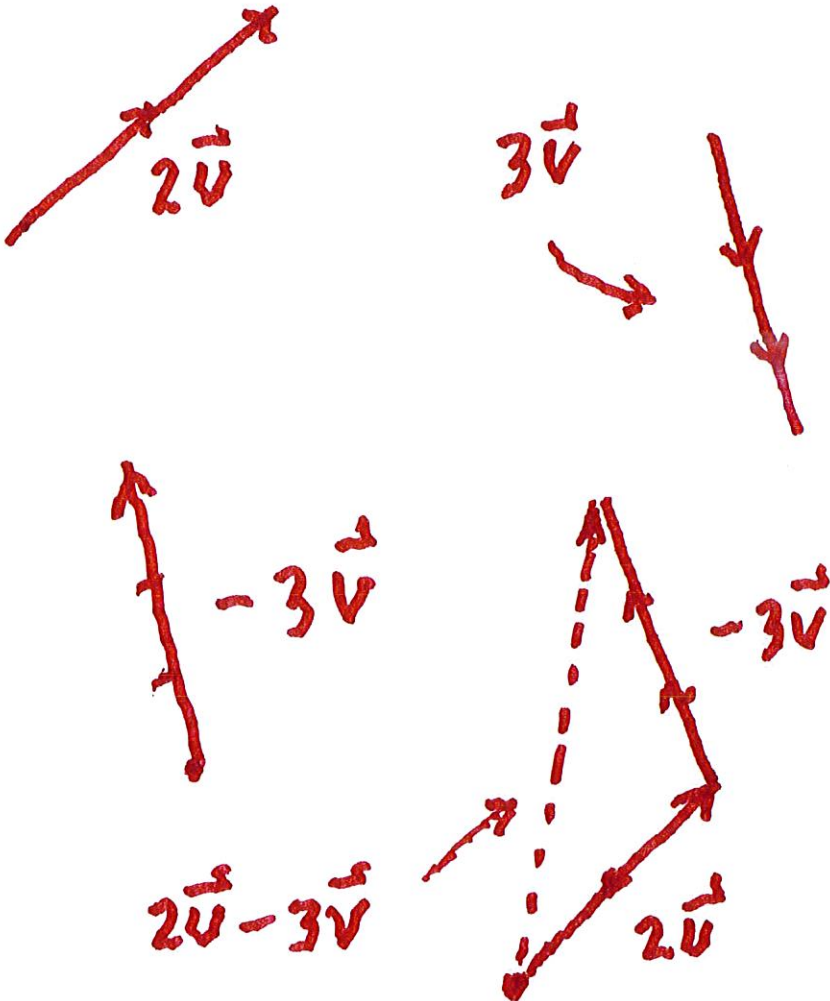
We can multiply \vec{v} by
any number c



If \vec{u} is 

and \vec{v} is 

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



Components

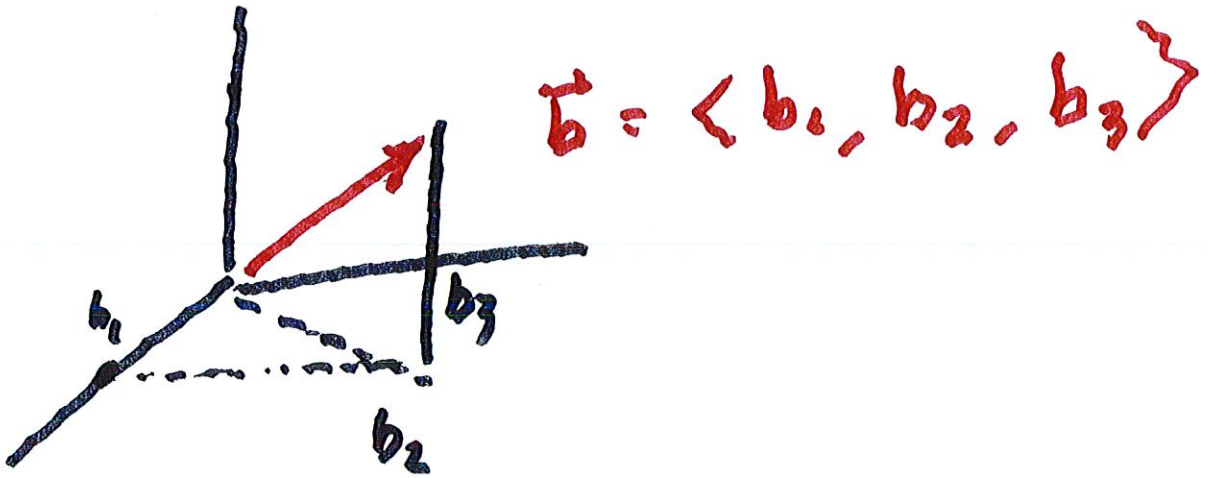
For vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 :



$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2} \quad \text{absolute value}$$

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.

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

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

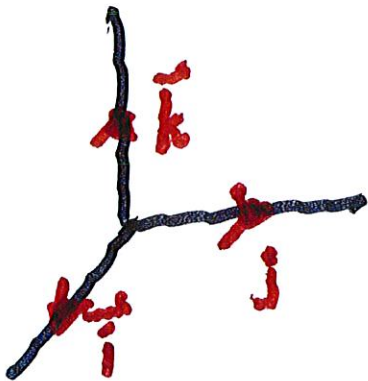
$$= \langle a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2 \rangle$$

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

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

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

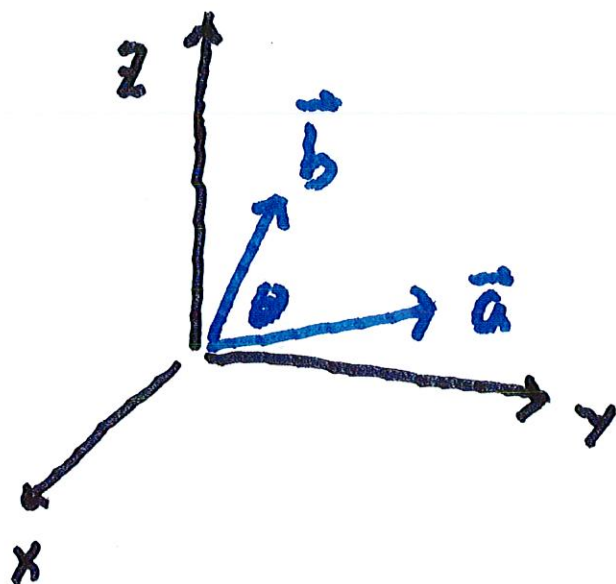
$$\vec{b} = \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle$$

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 θ 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 θ 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.

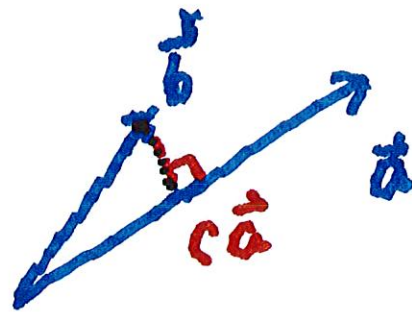
$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 2 \cdot 1 - 3 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 = 0$$

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

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

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

$\frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$ 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

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

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

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

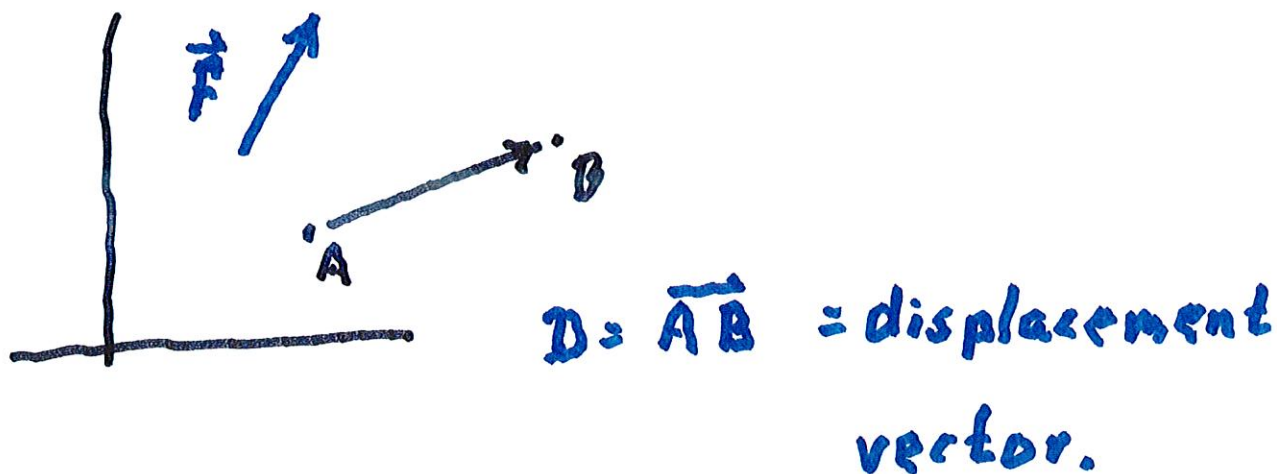
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$\text{comp}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b}$

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

Work

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



The work done by the force is

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

12.4 Cross Product

Suppose $\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$

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

vectors in \mathbb{R}^3

We define

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \langle a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2, a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3, a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1 \rangle$$

cross product

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -\vec{b} \times \vec{a}$$

$$\text{or } \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \vec{i} - \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \vec{j} + \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} \vec{k}$$

Ex. Compute $\langle 2, 1, -2 \rangle \times \langle 1, 3, -1 \rangle$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \vec{k}$$

$$= (-1 + 6) \vec{i} - (-2 + 2) \vec{j} + (6 - 1) \vec{k}$$

$$= \underline{5 \vec{i} + 5 \vec{k}}$$

Fact: $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ is \perp to \vec{a}

and $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ is \perp to \vec{b}

$$(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{a}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} a_1 - \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} a_2 + \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} a_3$$

$$= (a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2) a_1 - (a_1 b_3 - a_3 b_1) a_2$$

$$+ (a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1) a_3 = 0.$$

$\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ is \perp to \vec{a}

Similarly

$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ is \perp to \vec{b}

Ex. Find a vector \vec{v} that
is \perp to

$\langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$ and $\langle 2, 2, -1 \rangle$.

\vec{a} \uparrow

\vec{b} \nearrow

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

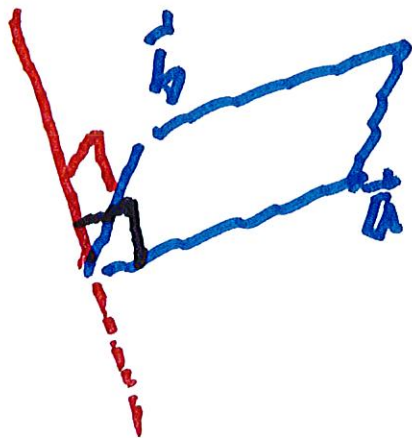
$$= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{i} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \vec{j} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \vec{k}$$

$$= -8\vec{i} - (-1-6)\vec{j} + (2-4)\vec{k}$$

$$= -8\vec{i} + 7\vec{j} - 2\vec{k} = \vec{v}$$

$\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ lies on line

that is \perp to \vec{a} and \vec{b}



Fact: $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \sin \theta$

where θ = angle between

\vec{a} and \vec{b} .

Also, $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \text{area of}$

parallelogram spanned

by \vec{a} and \vec{b}

Ex. Find the area of
the triangle with
vertices at

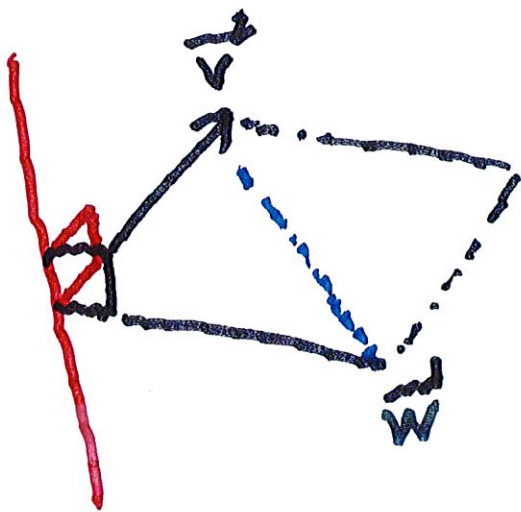
$P(2, 1, -1)$ $Q(1, 1, 2)$ and

$R(3, 2, 1)$.

$$\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{PQ} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{w} = \overrightarrow{PR}$$

$$\vec{v} = \langle -1, 0, 3 \rangle \quad \text{and}$$

$$\vec{w} = \langle 1, 1, 2 \rangle$$



$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ is \perp
to plane
spanned by
 \vec{v} and \vec{w}

Area of Δ spanned by

$$\vec{v} \text{ and } \vec{w} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\text{Area of Parallelogram} \right)$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -3\vec{i} - (-5)\vec{j} + (-1)\vec{k}$$

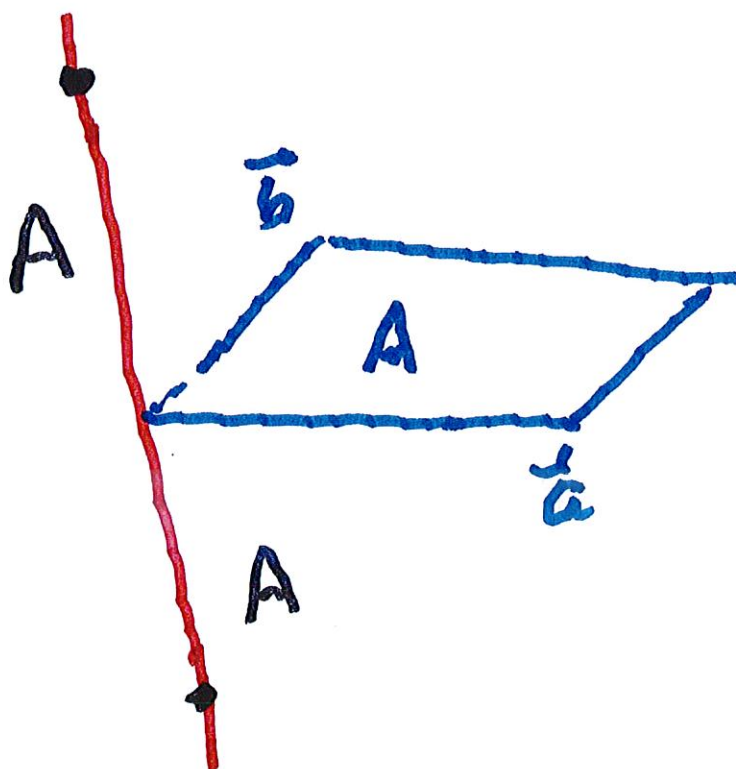
$$= -3\vec{i} + 5\vec{j} - \vec{k}$$

$$|\vec{v} \times \vec{w}| = \sqrt{9 + 25 + 1}$$

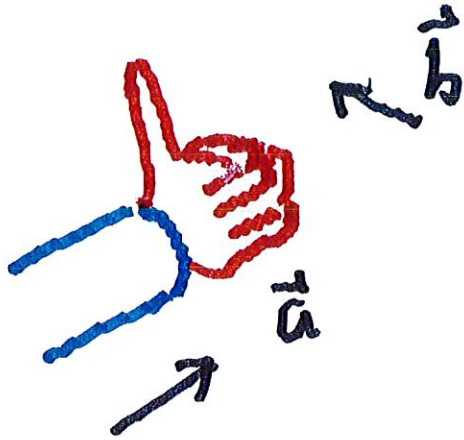
$$\text{Area of } \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{35}$$

Now we know $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$

lies at one of 2 locations



Right Hand Rule



Fingers curl from \vec{a} to \vec{b}

$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ points in

direction of thumb

Triple Product

Given vectors

\vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} ,

$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$ (the triple product)

equals volume of
parallelepiped
spanned by
 \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c}

