

§12.1 2d vectors

scalar / number

size / magnitude only

e.g. 7, -4.3, π

e.g. temperature, time
speed = length of velocity vector

notation $7, \pi \in \mathbb{R}$
 $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$

vector

size and direction

e.g.  length and direction

e.g. force, velocity

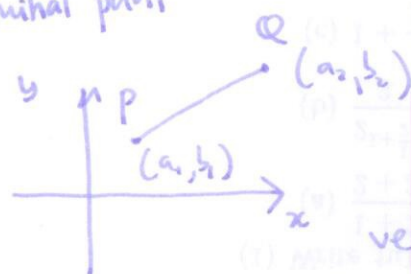
$\underline{v}$, $\vec{v}$

"length 4 in direction of the x-axis"

a vector $\underline{v}$ is determined by its initial and final points.

 Q final point
P initial point

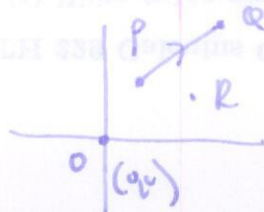
notation $\underline{v} = \vec{v} = \overrightarrow{PQ}$



Q: how long is the vector?

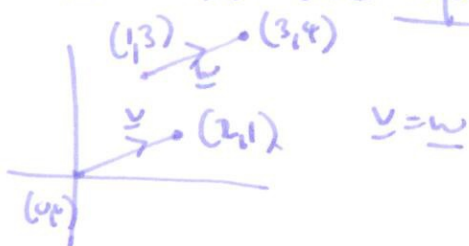
A: $\|\underline{v}\| = \|\overrightarrow{PQ}\| = \sqrt{(a_2 - a_1)^2 + (b_2 - b_1)^2}$

vectors vs points



every point corresponds to a special position vector from $O = (0,0)$ to R
 $\overrightarrow{OR}$

- two vectors are equal if they have the same length and direction (2)

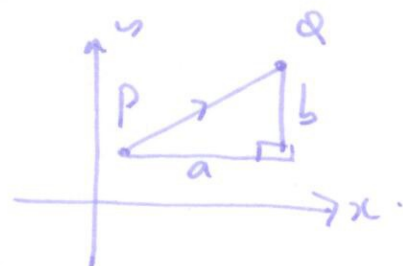


- two vectors are parallel if they have the same or opposite direction

observation: every vector $\underline{v}$ is equal to a unique position vector $\underline{v}_0$ based at the origin $O = (0,0)$

Defn the components of a vector $\underline{v} = \overrightarrow{PQ}$

$P = (a_1, b_1)$ $Q = (a_2, b_2)$ are $\underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle$



$$a = a_2 - a_1, \quad b = b_2 - b_1$$

x-component y-component note • $\|\underline{v}\| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

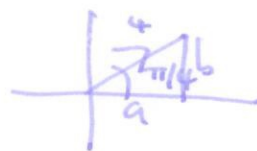
- the components $\langle a, b \rangle$ determine length and directions, so two vectors are equal $\Leftrightarrow$ they have the same components.
- $\underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle$ does not determine an initial point.

convention all vectors based at O unless otherwise stated.

special vector $\underline{0} = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$ zero vector.

Example A vector $\underline{v}$ has length 4, lies in first quadrant, makes angle of $\pi/4$ with x-axis. find components.

$$\underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle = \langle 4 \cos \frac{\pi}{4}, 4 \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \rangle$$



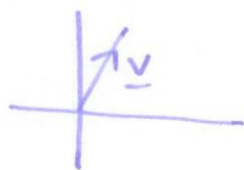
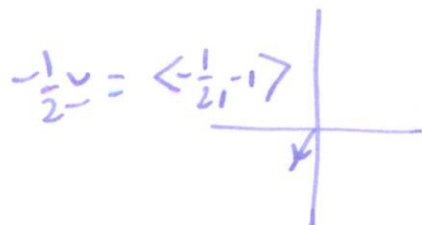
Vector addition and scalar multiplication

scalar multiplication

λ number/scalar
 $\underline{v}$ vector

$\lambda \underline{v}$ is the vector with the same direction as $\underline{v}$ but length $|\lambda| |\underline{v}|$ ③
 if $\lambda > 0$
 if $\lambda < 0$
 opposite

Example $\underline{v} = \langle 1, 2 \rangle$

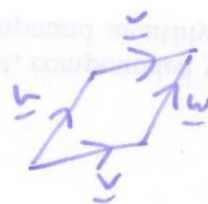
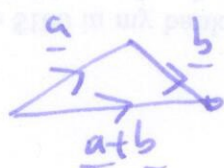


$$2\underline{v} = \langle 2, 4 \rangle$$



def: $\underline{v}$ is parallel to $\underline{w}$ iff $\underline{v} = \lambda \underline{w}$ for some λ .

vector addition



$$\underline{v} + \underline{w} = \underline{w} + \underline{v}$$

$$\underline{v} - \underline{w} = \underline{v} + (-\underline{w})$$

• $\underline{v}, \underline{w}$ vectors, translate $\underline{w}$ so that beginning of $\underline{w}$ is end of $\underline{v}$, then $\underline{v} + \underline{w}$ is vector from beginning of $\underline{v}$ to end of $\underline{w}$.

vector operations in components

$$\text{if } \underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle \quad \underline{w} = \langle c, d \rangle$$

$$\text{then } \lambda \underline{v} = \langle \lambda a, \lambda b \rangle$$

$$\bullet \underline{v} + \underline{w} = \langle a, b \rangle + \langle c, d \rangle = \langle a+c, b+d \rangle$$

$$\bullet \underline{v} - \underline{w} = \langle a-c, b-d \rangle$$

$$\bullet \underline{v} + \underline{0} = \langle a, b \rangle + \langle 0, 0 \rangle = \langle a, b \rangle$$

important

$$\underline{v} - \underline{v} = \underline{0} = \langle 0, 0 \rangle \quad \text{zero vector not not zero number.}$$

useful properties

$\underline{u}, \underline{v}, \underline{w}$ vectors λ scalar

- $\underline{u} + \underline{v} = \underline{v} + \underline{u}$ (commutative)
- $\underline{u} + (\underline{v} + \underline{w}) = (\underline{u} + \underline{v}) + \underline{w}$ (associative)
- $\lambda(\underline{v} + \underline{w}) = \lambda\underline{v} + \lambda\underline{w}$ (distributive)
- length $\|\lambda\underline{v}\| = |\lambda| \|\underline{v}\|$

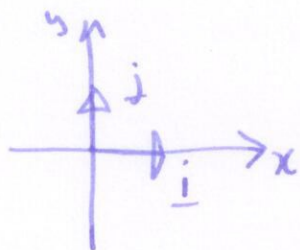
important: $\lambda + \underline{v}$ does not make sense!

unit vectors: a vector of length 1 is called a unit vector

if $\underline{v} \neq \underline{0}$ then $\underline{\hat{v}} = \underline{\hat{e}_v} = \frac{1}{\|\underline{v}\|} \underline{v}$ is a unit vector.

check: $\|\frac{1}{\|\underline{v}\|} \underline{v}\| = |\frac{1}{\|\underline{v}\|}| \|\underline{v}\| = \frac{\|\underline{v}\|}{\|\underline{v}\|} = 1$.

special vectors



$\underline{i} = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$ unit vector in x-direction

$\underline{j} = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$ unit vector in y-direction

$\underline{i}, \underline{j}$ called standard basis vectors

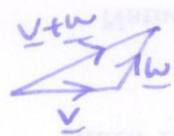
linear combinations

$\underline{v}, \underline{w}$ vectors, r, s scalars, then $r\underline{v} + s\underline{w}$ is a linear combination of $\underline{v}$ and $\underline{w}$.

every vector can be written as a linear combination of $\underline{i}$ and $\underline{j}$.

$$\underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle = a \langle 1, 0 \rangle + b \langle 0, 1 \rangle = a\underline{i} + b\underline{j}.$$

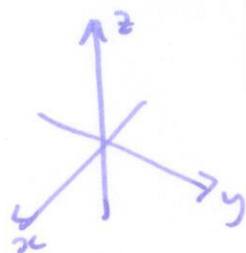
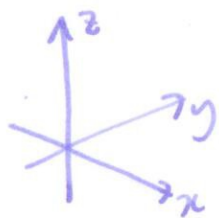
triangle inequality



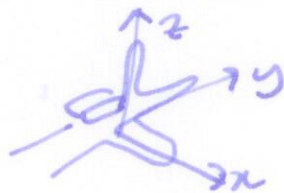
$$\|\underline{v} + \underline{w}\| \leq \|\underline{v}\| + \|\underline{w}\|$$

§12.2 Vectors in 3d

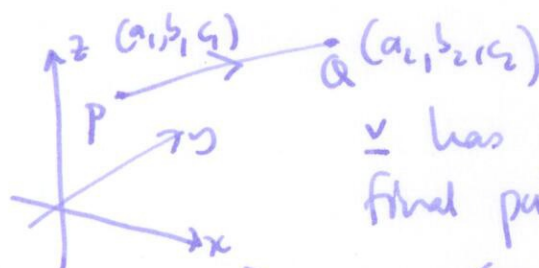
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right hand rule



only use right handed coordinate systems.



$\underline{v}$ has length and direction; determined by initial and final points

$$\underline{PQ} = \underline{v} = \langle \underset{a}{a_2 - a_1}, \underset{b}{b_2 - b_1}, \underset{c}{c_2 - c_1} \rangle \quad ||\underline{v}|| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

• vector addition

$$\underline{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$$

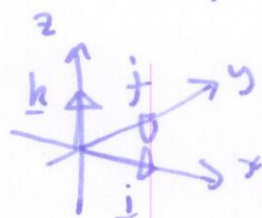
$$\underline{w} = \langle w_1, w_2, w_3 \rangle$$

$$\underline{v+w} = \langle v_1+w_1, v_2+w_2, v_3+w_3 \rangle$$

• scalar multiplication

$$\lambda \underline{v} = \langle \lambda v_1, \lambda v_2, \lambda v_3 \rangle$$

• standard basis vectors



$$\underline{i} = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$$

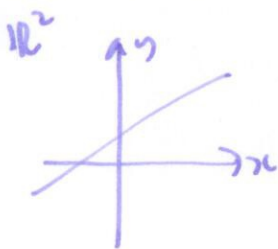
$$\underline{j} = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\underline{k} = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$

• every vector is a linear combination of standard basis vectors

$$\underline{v} = \langle a, b, c \rangle = a\underline{i} + b\underline{j} + c\underline{k} = a\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + b\langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle + c\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle a, b, c \rangle$$

Equations of lines in $\mathbb{R}^3$

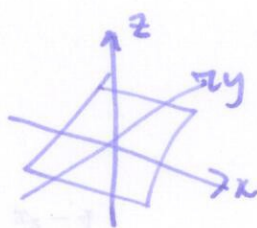


$$y = mx + b$$

$$ax + by = c$$

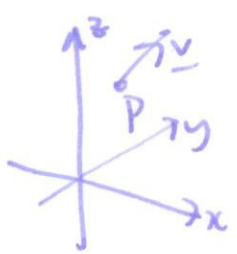
equation of line

$\mathbb{R}^3$



$ax + by + cz = d$
equation of plane

for lines in $\mathbb{R}^3$ we can use a parametric equation $\underline{r}(t)$



a line L is determined by: a point P on L
a direction $\underline{v}$

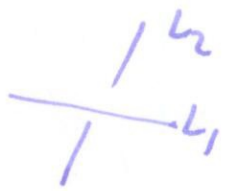
any point on L is then of the form $\underline{r}(t) = \overrightarrow{OP} + t\underline{v}$

t is called the parameter if $\overrightarrow{OP} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$
 $\underline{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$

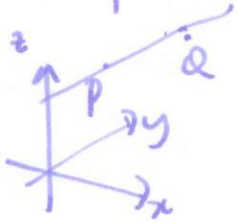
then $\underline{r}(t) = \langle a, b, c \rangle + t \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle = \langle a + tv_1, b + tv_2, c + tv_3 \rangle$

$\mathbb{R}^2$: any two lines either intersect or are parallel

$\mathbb{R}^3$: two lines may intersect, or be parallel, or neither (skew)



Two points determine a line:



$P = (p_1, p_2, p_3)$
 $Q = (q_1, q_2, q_3)$

$\underline{v} = \overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle q_1 - p_1, q_2 - p_2, q_3 - p_3 \rangle$

so $\underline{r}(t) = \langle p_1, p_2, p_3 \rangle + t \langle q_1 - p_1, q_2 - p_2, q_3 - p_3 \rangle$
 $= \overrightarrow{OP} + t \overrightarrow{PQ} = \overrightarrow{OP} + t\underline{v}$

note same line has many different parameterizations.

useful fact: $\underline{r}(t) = \overrightarrow{OP} + t\underline{v}$

$t=0$ get $\overrightarrow{OP}$
 $t=1$ get $\overrightarrow{OQ}$
 $t=\frac{1}{2}$ get midpoint of PQ .

§12.3 Dot products and angles

Defn geometric: $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = \|\underline{v}\| \|\underline{w}\| \cos \theta$



components: $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + v_3 w_3$

useful properties:

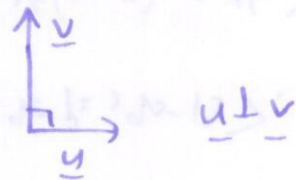
- $\underline{0} \cdot \underline{v} = 0$
- $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = \underline{w} \cdot \underline{v}$ (commutativity)
- $\lambda \underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = \underline{v} \cdot \lambda \underline{w} = \lambda (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w})$ (scalar dist. associativity)

- $\underline{u} \cdot (\underline{v} + \underline{w}) = \underline{u} \cdot \underline{v} + \underline{u} \cdot \underline{w}$ (distributivity)

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- length $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v} = \|\underline{v}\|^2$

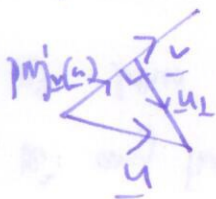
Defn $\underline{u}, \underline{v}$ are perpendicular (orthogonal) if $\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v} = 0$



Projections

can write $\underline{u}$ as a sum of a vector parallel to $\underline{v}$ and (projection) a vector perpendicular to $\underline{v}$.

$$\underline{u} = \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{u}) + \underline{u}_{\perp}$$



Q: how to find these? $\text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{u}) = \lambda \underline{v}$ for some λ .

$$\underline{u}_{\perp} = \underline{u} - \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{u})$$

use $\underline{u}_{\perp} \cdot \underline{v} = 0$: $(\underline{u} - \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{u})) \cdot \underline{v} = 0$

$$\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v} - \lambda \underline{v} \cdot \underline{v} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v}}{\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}}$$

so $\text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{u}) = \frac{\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v}}{\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}} \underline{v}$ $\underline{u}_{\perp} = \underline{u} - \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{u})$

this is called the component of $\underline{u}$ in the direction $\underline{v}$.

Example $\underline{u} = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$
 $\underline{v} = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{u}) &= \frac{\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v}}{\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}} \underline{v} = \frac{1+2+3}{1+1+1} \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \\ &= 2 \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle = \langle 2, 2, 2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{u}_{\perp} = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle - \langle 2, 2, 2 \rangle = \langle -1, 0, 1 \rangle$$

check $\underline{u}_{\perp} \cdot \underline{v} = 0$.