

PART I: Vectors

§ 1.1. Vectors in two and three dimensions

△ Vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 : Algebraic notations

A vector in \mathbb{R}^2 : (a_1, a_2) [eg. $(1, 2)$ or $(\pi, \sqrt{17})$]

= \mathbb{R}^3 : (a_1, a_2, a_3) [eg. $(\pi, \sqrt{2}, \sin(5))$]

~ an ordered (有序) pair or triple of real numbers

~ Single real numbers = scalars 标量

~ notations: \vec{A} or $A = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$

$$\vec{A} = (a_1, a_2), \vec{B} = (b_1, b_2), \vec{A} = \vec{B} \Leftrightarrow a_1 = b_1 \text{ and } a_2 = b_2$$

Ex. $\vec{a} = (1, 2), \vec{b} = (3/3, 6/3) \Rightarrow \vec{a} = \vec{b}$

$\vec{c} = (1, 2, 3), \vec{d} = (2, 1, 3) \Rightarrow \vec{c} \neq \vec{d}$

△ Vector addition (加法) and scalar multiplication (乘法)

$$\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3), \vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$$

The sum (和) of \vec{a} and \vec{b} is $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, a_3 + b_3)$

~ $(0, 1, 3) + (\sqrt{17}, \pi, -1) = (\sqrt{17}, 1 + \pi, 2)$

~ Properties: 1. $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{b} + \vec{a}$

2. $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) + \vec{c} = \vec{a} + (\vec{b} + \vec{c})$

3. Null or zero vector: $\vec{a} + \vec{0} = \vec{a}$ for any \vec{a}
 $\vec{0} = (0, 0, 0)$ in \mathbb{R}^3

$$\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3) \text{ is a vector in } \mathbb{R}^3, k \in \mathbb{R} \text{ is a scalar,}$$
$$k\vec{a} = (ka_1, ka_2, ka_3)$$

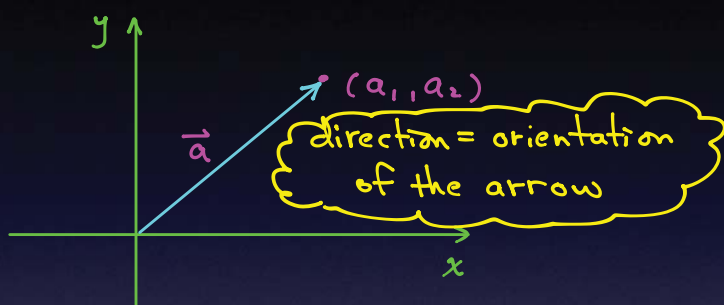
~ $k=7, \vec{a} = (2, 0, \sqrt{2}) \Rightarrow k\vec{a} = (14, 0, 7\sqrt{2})$

~ Properties: $k, l \in \mathbb{R}$, 1. $(k+l)\vec{a} = k\vec{a} + l\vec{a}$

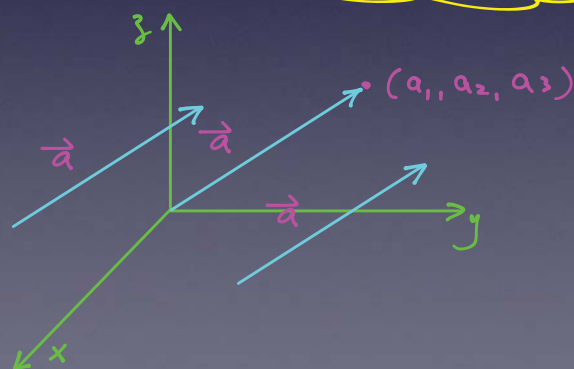
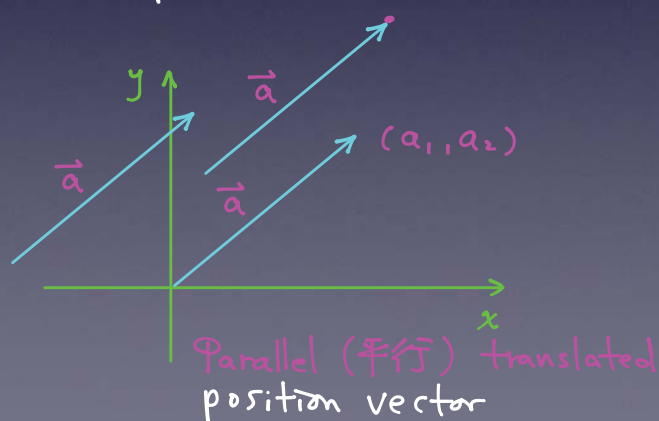
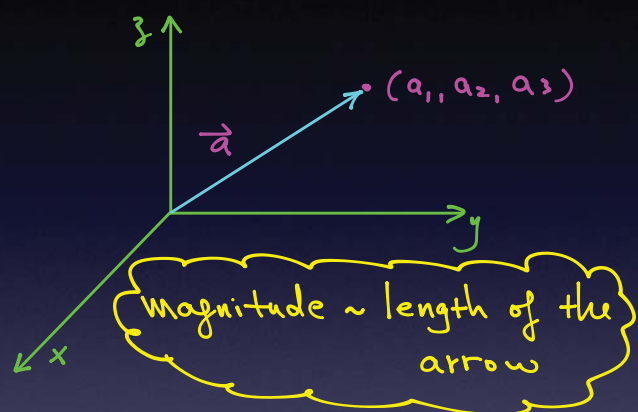
2. $k(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) = k\vec{a} + k\vec{b}$, 3. $k(l\vec{a}) = (kl)\vec{a} = l(k\vec{a})$

△ Vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 : The geometric (几何) notation

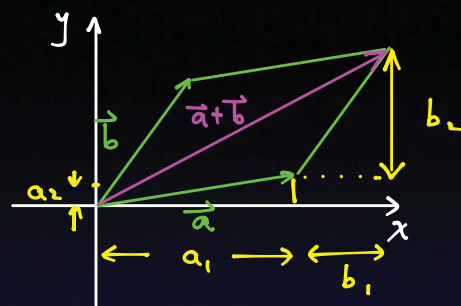
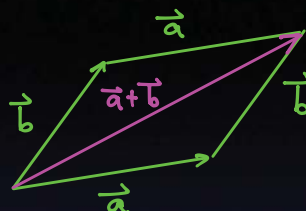
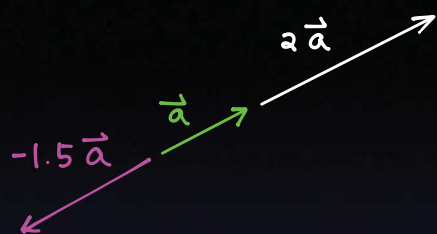
A vector in \mathbb{R}^2 (\mathbb{R}^3) corresponds to a point in \mathbb{R}^2 (\mathbb{R}^3)



The position vector of the point (a_1, a_2)



○ The relation between the geometric and algebraic notions:



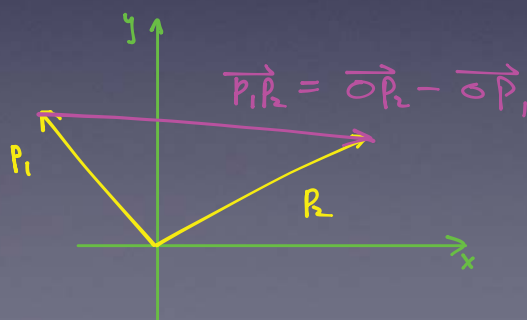
$$-\vec{b} \equiv -1 \cdot \vec{b}, \quad \vec{a} - \vec{b} = \vec{a} + (-\vec{b})$$

○ Displacement vectors (位移向量) vs. Position (位置) vectors

Given two points $P_1: (x_1, y_1, z_1)$, $P_2: (x_2, y_2, z_2)$ in \mathbb{R}^3

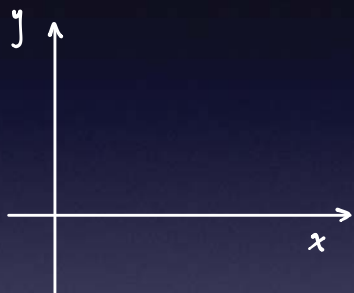
The displacement vector from P_1 to P_2 is

$$\overrightarrow{P_1 P_2} \equiv (x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1, z_2 - z_1)$$



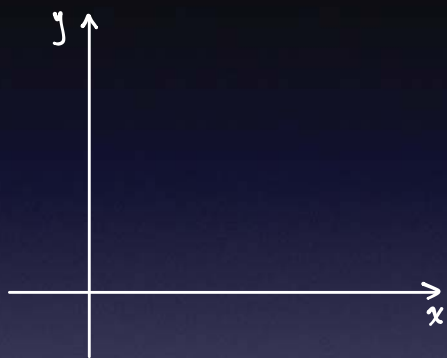
△ More examples and exercises:

1. Graph the vectors, $\vec{a} = (3, 2)$, $\vec{b} = (-1, 1)$,
Also calculate and graph $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$, $\frac{1}{2}\vec{a}$, $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$
What are the magnitudes of the above vectors?



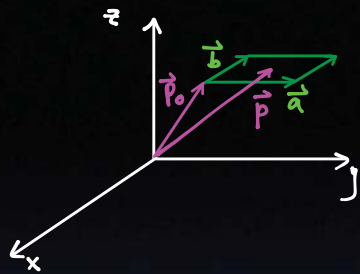
2. If $(-12, 9, z) + (x, 7, -3) = (2, y, 5)$, what are x, y , and z ?

- 3.(a) Let $\vec{a} = (2, 0)$ and $\vec{b} = (1, 1)$. For $0 \leq s \leq 1$ and $0 \leq t \leq 1$, consider the vector $\vec{x} = s\vec{a} + t\vec{b}$. Explain why the vector \vec{x} lies in the parallelogram (平行四边形的) determined by \vec{a} and \vec{b} .



- (b) Now suppose that $\vec{a} = (2, 2, 1)$ and $\vec{b} = (0, 3, 2)$
Describe the set of vectors $\{\vec{x} = s\vec{a} + t\vec{b}, 0 \leq s \leq 1, 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$

(c)



Point $P_0: (x_0, y_0, z_0)$

$$\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3), \quad \vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$$

由 \vec{a}, \vec{b} 所圍平行四邊形範圍內之點 $P: (x, y, z)$ 該如何以 P_0, \vec{a}, \vec{b} 描述?

4. Given two forces: $\vec{F}_1 = (2, 7, -1)$ and $\vec{F}_2 = (3, -2, 5)$, act on an object,

(a) What is the resultant (or) net force? (A/S)

(b) Suppose there is a third force \vec{F}_3 , such that there is no net force, $\vec{F}_3 = ?$

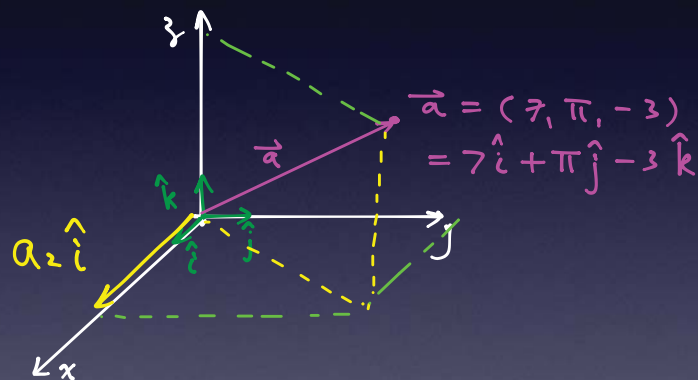
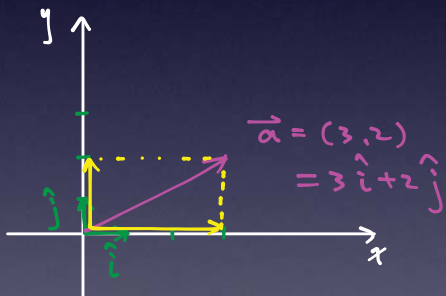
§ 1.2. More about vectors:

□ The standard basic vectors (基底向量)

$$\text{In } \mathbb{R}^2, \quad \hat{i} \equiv (1, 0), \quad \hat{j} \equiv (0, 1), \quad \vec{a} = (a_1, a_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} = (a_1, 0) + (0, a_2) = a_1(1, 0) + a_2(0, 1)$$

$$= a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j}$$

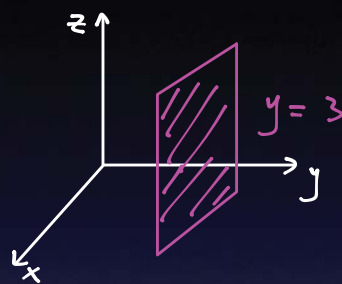
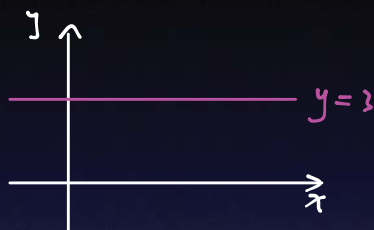


$$\text{In } \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \hat{i} \equiv (1, 0, 0), \quad \hat{j} \equiv (0, 1, 0), \quad \hat{k} \equiv (0, 0, 1)$$

$$\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3) = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$$

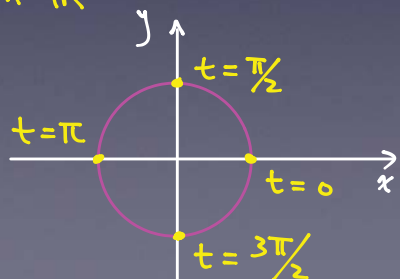
a_1, a_2, a_3 are the vector components (分量) along the x -, y -, and z -axes.

□ Parametric equations of lines (直線的參數方程式)
 In \mathbb{R}^2 , $y = mx + b$ or $Ax + By = c$ describes straight lines. Is this still true in \mathbb{R}^3 ?



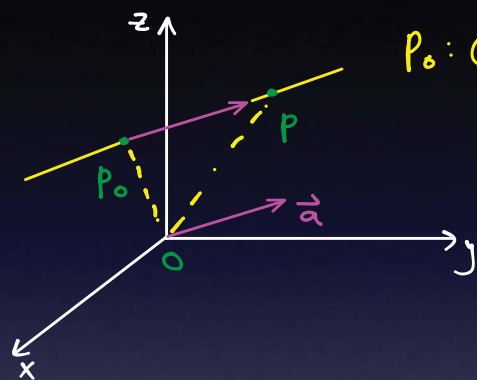
A curve: a one-dimensional object \sim a function of one variable (變數)

The points on the curve (x, y) in \mathbb{R}^2 : $\begin{cases} x = f(t) \\ y = g(t) \end{cases}$, t : a real parameter (variable)



$x^2 + y^2 = 4 \sim$ a parametric equation $\begin{cases} x = 2 \cos t \\ y = 2 \sin t \end{cases}$, $0 \leq t < 2\pi$

\sim a curve in \mathbb{R}^3 : $\begin{cases} x = f(t) \\ y = g(t) \\ z = h(t) \end{cases}$



$P_0: (x_0, y_0, z_0)$, $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$

$\vec{OP}_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0) \sim$ position vector

$P: (x, y, z) \in$ the line, $\vec{r} = \vec{OP} = (x, y, z)$

$\vec{r} = \vec{OP} = \vec{OP}_0 + t\vec{a}$

\Rightarrow The vector parametric equation for the line through the point $P_0: (b_1, b_2, b_3)$, and parallel to $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ is

$\vec{r}(t) = \vec{b} + t\vec{a}$

\Rightarrow $\begin{aligned} x &= a_1t + b_1 \\ y &= a_2t + b_2 \\ z &= a_3t + b_3 \end{aligned}$

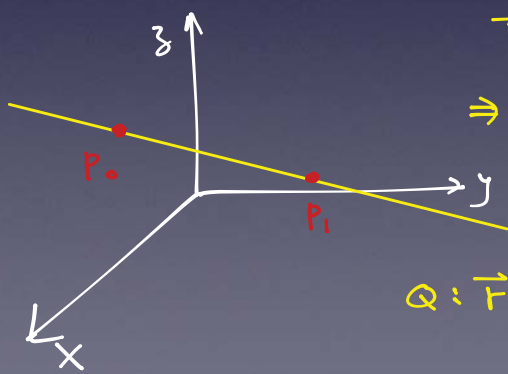
This can be easily generalized to \mathbb{R}^n !

Ex. The parametric equation of the line through $(1, -2, 3)$ and parallel to the vector $\pi \hat{i} - 3 \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

$$\vec{r}(t) = (1, -2, 3) + t(\pi, -3, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = t\pi + 1 \\ y = -3t - 2 \\ z = t + 3 \end{cases}$$

Ex. The parametric equation of the line through the points $P_0: (1, -2, 3)$, $P_1: (0, 5, -1)$



$$\vec{r} = \vec{OP}_0 + t \vec{P_0P_1}, \quad \vec{P_0P_1} = (-1, 7, -4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 1 - t \\ y = -2 + 7t \\ z = 3 - 4t \end{cases}$$

Q: $\vec{r} = \vec{OP}_1 + u \vec{P_0P_1}$, find the relation between the parameters u and t .

□ The parametric equations for a line (or curve) are never unique (不可唯一)

$$\vec{r}(t) = \vec{OP}_0 + t \vec{P_0P_1} = \vec{OP}_1 + u \vec{P_0P_1} = \vec{a} + v \vec{b}, \quad \vec{b} \parallel \vec{P_0P_1}$$

The symmetric form of a line (in \mathbb{R}^3):

$$\begin{aligned} x &= a_1 + v b_1 \\ y &= a_2 + v b_2 \\ z &= a_3 + v b_3 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} v &= \frac{x - a_1}{b_1} \\ v &= \frac{y - a_2}{b_2} \\ v &= \frac{z - a_3}{b_3} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{x - a_1}{b_1} = \frac{y - a_2}{b_2} = \frac{z - a_3}{b_3}}$$

In the previous example: $\frac{x-1}{-1} = \frac{y+2}{7} = \frac{z-3}{-4}$

Subtracting 1 from each side of the above

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{-1} = \frac{y-5}{7} = \frac{z+1}{-4} \sim \text{the same line}$$

Ex. The intersection (交點) of a line and a plane (平面)

The line: $\begin{cases} x = t + 5 \\ y = -2t - 4 \\ z = 3t + 7 \end{cases}$, The plane: $3x + 2y - 7z = 2$

$$3(t+5) + 2(-2t-4) - 7(3t+7) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow -22t = 2 + 49 + 8 - 15 = 44, t = -2$$

\Rightarrow The point is $(3, 0, 1)$

Ex. Determine whether the two lines $\begin{cases} x = t + 1 \\ y = 5t + 6 \\ z = -2t \end{cases}$ and $\begin{cases} x = 3t - 3 \\ y = t \\ z = t + 1 \end{cases}$

intersect?

$$\begin{cases} t_1 + 1 = 3t_2 - 3 \\ 5t_1 + 6 = t_2 \\ -2t_1 = t_2 + 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -2t_1 &= (5t_1 + 6) + 1, \\ \Rightarrow 7t_1 &= -7, t_1 = -1, t_2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

代入第(1)式 $(-1) + 1 = 3 \cdot 1 - 3$
 \Rightarrow 確實相交, 且交點為 $(0, 1, 2)$

□ Parametric equations in general:

Ex A cycloid (擺線):

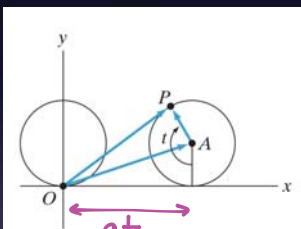
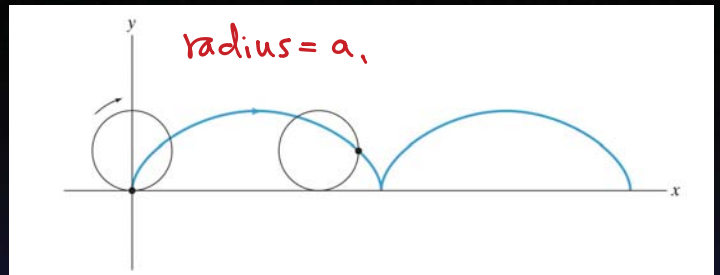


Figure 1.27 The result of the wheel in Figure 1.26 rolling through a central angle of t .

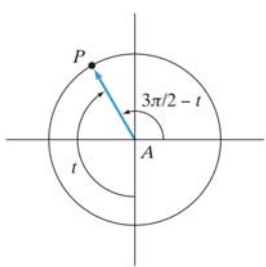


Figure 1.28 \vec{AP} with its tail at the origin.

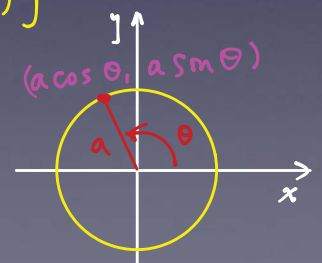
key: P 點之運動 = 圓心 A 之平移 + AP 之轉動 (圓)

$$\vec{OP} = \vec{OA} + \vec{AP}$$

$$\vec{OA} = at \hat{i} + a \hat{j} \quad (\text{弧長} = \text{半徑} \times \text{角度})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AP} &= a \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - t\right) \hat{i} + a \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - t\right) \hat{j} \\ &= -a \sin t \hat{i} - a \cos t \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = a(t - \sin t) \\ y = a(1 - \cos t) \end{cases}$$



Exercises:

1 $\vec{a}_1 = (1, 1)$, $\vec{a}_2 = (1, -1)$

(a) $\vec{b} = (3, 1) = c_1 \vec{a}_1 + c_2 \vec{a}_2$. Find c_1, c_2

(b) Repeat part (a) for a vector $\vec{b} = (3, -5)$

(c) Show that any vector in \mathbb{R}^2 may be written as $c_1 \vec{a}_1 + c_2 \vec{a}_2$ for appropriate choice of the scalars c_1 and c_2

(This means \vec{a}_1 and \vec{a}_2 form a basis vector in \mathbb{R}^2)

2. Find the equations for the lines so described:

a) The line through $(2, -1, 5)$ and parallel to vector $\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$

b) The line in \mathbb{R}^3 through the points $(2, 1, 2)$ and $(3, -1, 5)$

c) The symmetric form for the line: $x = 5 - 2t$, $y = 3t + 1$, $z = 6t - 4$

3. (a) Are the two lines with symmetric form

$$\frac{x-1}{5} = \frac{y+2}{-3} = \frac{z+1}{4} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{x-4}{10} = \frac{y-1}{-5} = \frac{z+5}{8}$$

the same? why or why not?

(b) $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y-1}{7} = \frac{z}{5}$ and $\frac{x+a}{-6} = \frac{y+b}{-14} = \frac{z+5}{-10}$ represent

the same lines. Find a, b

4. (a) Find where the line having the symmetric form

$$\frac{x-3}{6} = \frac{y+2}{3} = \frac{z}{5}$$

intersects the plane $3x + 3y + z = 22$

(b) Do the lines $l_1: x = 2t + 1, y = -3t, z = t - 1$ and $l_2: x = 3t + 1, y = t + 5, z = 7 - t$ intersect? Explain your answer.

§ 1.3 The Dot Product

- Two useful concepts of vector product:

i) The Euclidean inner product or dot product

ii) The "cross" or vector product (Only for vectors in \mathbb{R}^3)

△ The dot product of two vectors

$\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$, $\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^3

The dot product of \vec{a} and \vec{b} is $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \equiv a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$

- For vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 , $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2)$, $\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2)$, $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2$

Ex. $(1, -2, 5) \cdot (2, 1, 3) = 2 - 2 + 15 = 15$

$$(3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) = 3 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 0 + (-1)(-2) = 5$$

- The dot product is also known as the scalar product

- the scalar product of two vectors produces a single real number.

△ Properties of dot product:

\vec{a} , \vec{b} are two vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 (or \mathbb{R}^2), and $k \in \mathbb{R}$ is any scalar, we have

i) $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} \geq 0$, and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$ if and only if $\vec{a} = \mathbf{0}$

ii) $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}$

iii) $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$

iv) $(k\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{b} = k(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = \vec{a} \cdot (k\vec{b})$

Proof of i): Let $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$, $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 \geq 0$

$$a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow a_1 = 0, a_2 = 0, a_3 = 0$$

△ Definition:

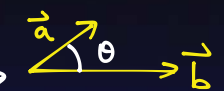
The length (or norm, or magnitude) of a vector $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$

$$\|\vec{a}\| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2} \quad (\text{or } |\vec{a}|)$$

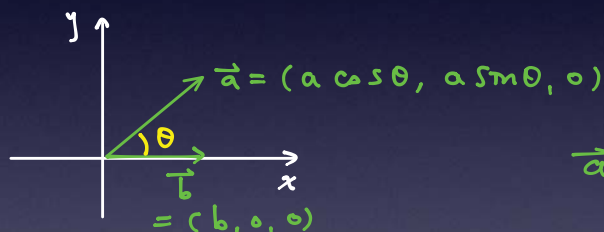
- It is nothing but the length of the arrow

- Obviously, we have $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = |\vec{a}|^2$

- If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are any two vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 , then


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


Proof:



$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = ab \cos \theta \quad \#$$

△ It is important to realize that the result product is coordinate independent!


$$|\vec{c}|^2 = (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$$

coord. indep. coord. indep. $\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ is coord. indep., too!

~ The law of Cosine: $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos \theta$

△ 內積有什麼用?

1. Angle between two vectors:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}$$

Ex. $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$, $\vec{b} = \hat{j} - \hat{k}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot (-1) = 1, |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}, |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

- $\cos \theta = 0 \Leftrightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$ ($|\vec{a}|, |\vec{b}| \neq 0$)

Vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} are perpendicular (垂直) or orthogonal (正交) when $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

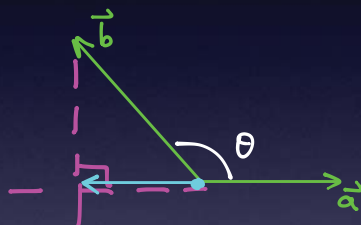
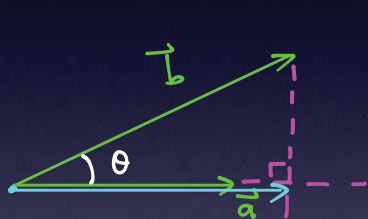
Ex: The vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ and the vector $\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ are orthogonal:

$$(\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 1 - 1 + 0 = 0$$

- Note that by definition, $\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = 1$
 $\hat{i} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{k} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{i} = 0 \rightarrow$ 正交基底

2. Vector projection (向量投影)

The projection of \vec{b} onto \vec{a} (denoted by \dashrightarrow below)



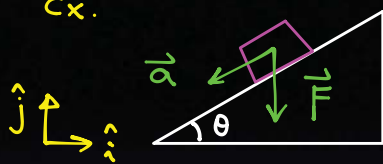
$$|k\vec{u}| = k|\vec{u}|$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{norm} = |\vec{b}| \cos \theta \\ \text{unit vector } \hat{a} \equiv \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{the projection} = |\vec{b}| \cos \theta \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \vec{a} = \left(\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}} \right) \vec{a}$$

Ex.



Let \vec{a} be a unit vector

$$\vec{a} = a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j} = -\cos \theta \hat{i} - \sin \theta \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{F} = -mg \hat{j} = \text{gravitational force}$$

The projection of \vec{F} along the direction of the ramp \vec{a} :

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{F} = \frac{\vec{F} \cdot \vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \vec{a} = +mg \sin \theta \vec{a} = -mg \sin \theta (\cos \theta \hat{i} + \sin \theta \hat{j})$$

$$\text{For } \theta = 30^\circ = \frac{\pi}{6} \quad \vec{F} = \frac{1}{4} mg (\sqrt{3} \hat{i} + \hat{j})$$

$$|\text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{F}| = mg \cos \theta$$

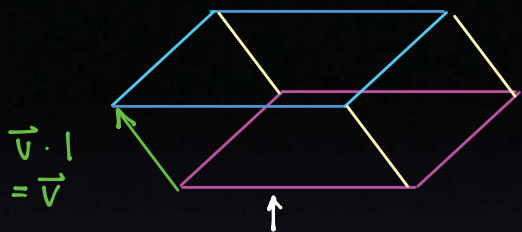
Ex.



A fluid is flowing across a plane with uniform velocity \hat{v}

Q: What is the volume of the fluid that passes through the unit area of the plane in unit time?

\sim flux (通量)



After one unit time, the fluid passing across the area will have filled the box

Volume of the box = (area of base) · (height)

$$\text{height} = |\text{proj}_{\hat{n}} \vec{v}| = \left| \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \hat{n}}{|\hat{n}|^2} \hat{n} \right| = |\vec{v} \cdot \hat{n}| \quad (|\hat{n}| = k \Rightarrow |\hat{n}|^2 = k^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{the flux} \equiv \vec{v} \cdot \hat{n}$$

△ 利用向量証明一些基本的几何問題:

Ex.

$$\overline{M_1 M_2} \parallel \overline{BC} \Rightarrow \frac{\overline{AM_1}}{\overline{AB}} = \frac{\overline{AM_2}}{\overline{AC}} \quad (\equiv \alpha)$$

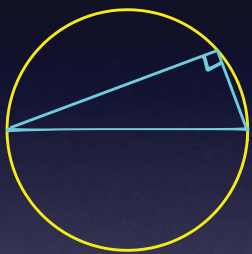
$$\text{則 } \frac{\overline{M_1 M_2}}{\overline{BC}} = \alpha$$

Proof: $\vec{AM_1} = \alpha \vec{AB}, \vec{AM_2} = \alpha \vec{AC}$

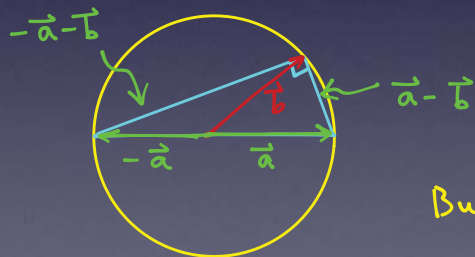
$$\vec{M_1 M_2} = \vec{AM_2} - \vec{AM_1} = \alpha (\vec{AC} - \vec{AB}) = \alpha \vec{BC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\overline{M_1 M_2}}{\overline{BC}} = \frac{|\vec{M_1 M_2}|}{|\vec{BC}|} = \alpha$$

Ex



Every angle inscribed in a semicircle is a right angle.



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

$$= -(|\vec{a}|^2 - |\vec{b}|^2)$$

$$\text{But } |\vec{a}| = r = |\vec{b}| \Rightarrow -\vec{a} - \vec{b} \perp \vec{a} - \vec{b} \quad \#$$

□ Exercises:

- Calculate $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$, $|\vec{a}|$, $|\vec{b}|$, the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} , $\text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{b}$, for vectors listed below:
 - $\vec{a} = (2, 1, 0)$, $\vec{b} = (1, -2, 3)$
 - $\vec{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{i} + \hat{j})$, $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$
- Give a unit vector that point in the same direction as the vector $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$
- Determine the cosine of the angles between \vec{a} and, respectively the x-, y-, z- axes. $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$
- show that the vector $|\vec{b}|\vec{a} + |\vec{a}|\vec{b}$ and $|\vec{b}|\vec{a} - |\vec{a}|\vec{b}$ are orthogonal.
 - Show that $|\vec{b}|\vec{a} + |\vec{a}|\vec{b}$ bisects the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} .

§ 1.4 The Cross Product:

The cross product of two vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 takes two vectors and produces a third one. \rightarrow vector product
 Definition (定義): (几何定义)

\vec{a} and \vec{b} are two vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 (not \mathbb{R}^2), and the cross/vector product of \vec{a} and \vec{b} , denoted by $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$, is the vector whose length and direction are given as follows:

i) length/norm $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \sin \theta$

θ is the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b}

ii) direction: right-hand rule \Rightarrow

$$\vec{a} \perp (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \text{ and } \vec{b} \perp (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$$

$$\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b} \Rightarrow \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{0}$$

$\vec{0} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0}$ for any \vec{a}
 the area of the parallelogram is $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

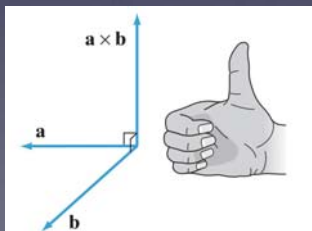
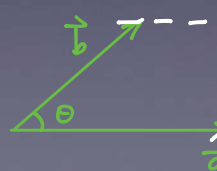
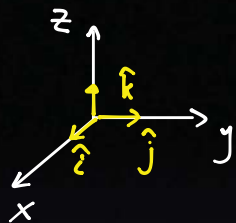


Figure 1.52 The right-hand rule for finding $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$.



Ex.



For the standard basis $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$, we have

$$\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}, \quad \hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}, \quad \hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j}$$

$$|\hat{i} \times \hat{j}| = |\hat{i}| |\hat{j}| \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1$$

Properties of the cross product:

$\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 , and $k \in \mathbb{R}$ is a scalar,

1. $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -\vec{b} \times \vec{a}$
2. $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{a} \times \vec{c}$
3. $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} = \vec{a} \times \vec{c} + \vec{b} \times \vec{c}$
4. $k(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = (k\vec{a}) \times \vec{b} = \vec{a} \times (k\vec{b})$

The first is obvious, the rest will be proved later.

Note that i) $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \neq \vec{b} \times \vec{a}$

ii) $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} \neq \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$

check: $(\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) \times \hat{j} = \hat{k} \times \hat{j} = -\hat{i}$
 $\hat{i} \times (\hat{j} \times \hat{j}) = \hat{i} \times \vec{0} = \vec{0}$

iii) $\vec{a} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}, \vec{b} = b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}) \times (b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k})$$

$$= a_1 \hat{i} \times (b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k}) \rightarrow a_1 b_2 \hat{k} - a_1 b_3 \hat{j}$$

$$+ a_2 \hat{j} \times (b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k}) \rightarrow -a_2 b_1 \hat{k} + a_2 b_3 \hat{i}$$

$$+ a_3 \hat{k} \times (b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k}) \rightarrow a_3 b_1 \hat{j} - a_3 b_2 \hat{i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \underbrace{(a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2)}_{(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})_1} \hat{i} + \underbrace{(a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3)}_{(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})_2} \hat{j} + \underbrace{(a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1)}_{(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})_3} \hat{k}$$

可視為 cross product 之代數定義

$$\text{Ex. } (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \times (2\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$= (3 \cdot 2 - 2 \cdot 0)\hat{i} + (-2 \cdot 2 - 1 \cdot 2)\hat{j} + (1 \cdot 0 - 3 \cdot 2)\hat{k}$$

$$= 6\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 6\hat{k} \#$$

△ Matrices and determinant (矩陣與行列式)

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix},$$

2x3
row column

M_{23}

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

N_{31}
3x2

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3th column

2nd row

P_{33} 4x4

△ The determinant (行列式) of a 2x2 and 3x3 matrix.

$$\bullet A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} \equiv ad - bc$$

$$\bullet A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}, |A| = a \begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix}$$

key fact: If $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$, then

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

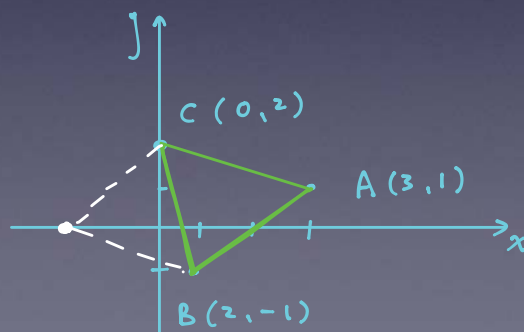
$$\text{Ex: } (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

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

$$= \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

△ Areas and volumes (面積與體積)

The area of the triangle (≡ 三角形) ABC:



$$\text{Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}|$$

$$\vec{AB} = (-1, -2) = -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}, \quad \vec{AC} = (-3, 1) = -3\hat{i} + \hat{j}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} \times \vec{AC} &= (-2 \cdot 0 - 0 \cdot (-3))\hat{i} + (0 \cdot (-3) - (-1) \cdot 0)\hat{j} + (-1 \cdot 1 - (-2) \cdot (-3))\hat{k} \\ &= -7\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{7}{2} \#$$

Of course, you may use $\frac{1}{2} (\vec{BA} \times \vec{BC})$ to calculate this area.

Ex.

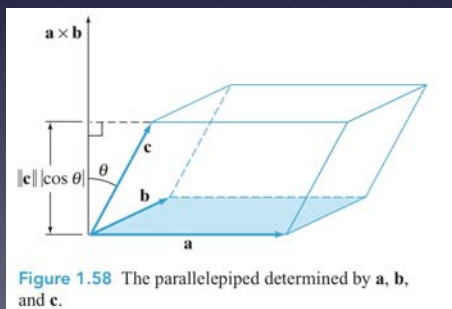


Figure 1.58 The parallelepiped determined by a, b, and c.

The volume of the parallelepiped (平行六面体) determined by the vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume} &= (\text{area of base}) (\text{height}) \\ &= |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| |c| \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Volume} = | \vec{c} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) | \quad \text{triple scalar product.}$$

$$\text{Note that } i) |(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}| = |(\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \cdot \vec{a}| = |(\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{b}|$$

If fact, if you examine the directions carefully, you may convince yourself that

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

$$ii) (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = c_1 (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})_1 + c_2 (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})_2 + c_3 (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})_3$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \leftarrow \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

Δ Some physical applications:

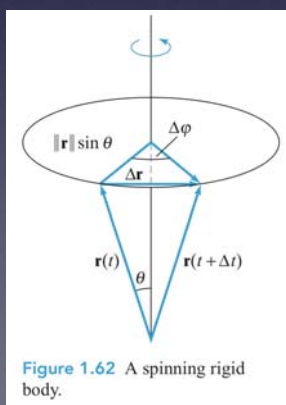
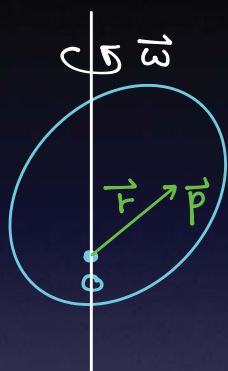
i) The torque vector (力矩向量)

$$\vec{\tau} \equiv \vec{r} \times \vec{F} \quad (\vec{\tau} = 0 \text{ if } \vec{r} \parallel \vec{F})$$

$$\left(\vec{\tau} = \frac{d\vec{L}}{dt}, \quad \vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p} \right)$$

ii) Rotation of a rigid body (剛體):

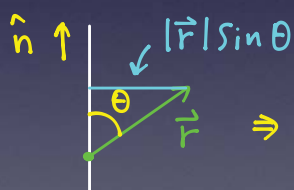
- Angular velocity 角速度:



$$\vec{r}(t) = \vec{OP}$$

$$\vec{v} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t} \quad \text{the velocity of } \vec{P}$$

$$\text{For } \Delta t \rightarrow 0, |\Delta \vec{r}| \approx |\vec{r}| \sin \theta \Delta \varphi$$



$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t} \right| \approx |\vec{r}| \sin \theta \frac{\Delta \varphi}{\Delta t}$$

$$\text{角速度 } \vec{\omega} \equiv \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \varphi}{\Delta t} \hat{n} \quad \leftarrow \text{轉軸之方向}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{v}| = |\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}| \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{\vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}}$$

Appendix: Proof of $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{a} \times \vec{c}$

i) 用分量代換檢查 (以代數定義出發)

$$\begin{aligned} [\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} + \vec{c})]_1 &= a_2 (\vec{b} + \vec{c})_3 - a_3 (\vec{b} + \vec{c})_2 \\ &= a_2 (b_3 + c_3) - a_3 (b_2 + c_2) \\ &= (a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2) + (a_2 c_3 - a_3 c_2) \\ &= (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})_1 + (\vec{a} \times \vec{c})_1 \end{aligned}$$

ii) 以几何定义出发:

$$\begin{aligned} [\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} + \vec{c})] \cdot \vec{x} &= (\vec{x} \times \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) \\ &= (\vec{x} \times \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{b} + (\vec{x} \times \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{c} \\ &= (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{x} + (\vec{a} \times \vec{c}) \cdot \vec{x} \\ &= [(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) + (\vec{a} \times \vec{c})] \cdot \vec{x} \end{aligned}$$

This is true for any \vec{x} in $\mathbb{R}^3 \Rightarrow \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{a} \times \vec{c}$

□ Exercises:

1. 計算行列式: $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$, $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & 7 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$

2. 計算 cross product: i) $(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$
ii) $(\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \times (-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j})$

3. $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \times (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = ?$

4. 四邊形頂點座標為 $(1, 2, 3)$, $(4, -2, 1)$, $(-3, 1, 0)$, $(0, -3, 2)$: i) 請檢查是否為平行四邊形
ii) 計算其面積.

5. 計算頂點為 $(1, 0, 1)$, $(0, 2, 3)$, $(-1, 5, 2)$ 三角形之面積.

6. 求出由向量 $3\hat{i} - \hat{j}$, $-2\hat{i} + \hat{k}$, $\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ 所圍平行六面體 (parallelepiped) 之體積.

7. 對非零向量 $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, 構造出以下物件:

i) A vector orthogonal to \vec{a} and \vec{b}

ii) A vector of length 2, orthogonal to \vec{a} and \vec{b}

iii) The vector projection of \vec{b} onto \vec{a}

iv) A vector with the length of \vec{b} and the direction of \vec{a}

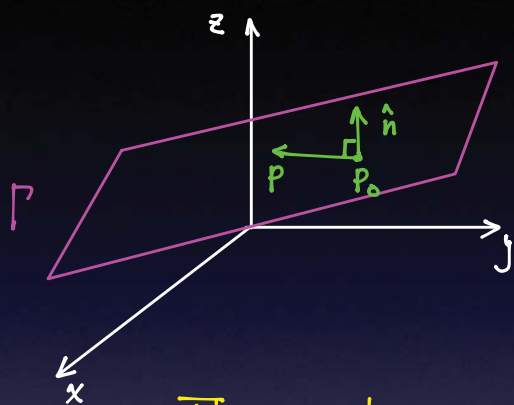
v) A vector orthogonal to \vec{a} and $\vec{b} \times \vec{c}$

f) A vector in the plane determined by \vec{a} and \vec{b} , and perpendicular (垂直) to \vec{c}

8. Suppose that $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$, and \vec{d} are vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 . Indicate which of the following expressions are vectors, which are scalars, and which are nonsense

- i) $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c}$
- ii) $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}$
- iii) $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \times (\vec{c} \cdot \vec{d})$
- iv) $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}$
- v) $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \times (\vec{c} \times \vec{d})$
- vi) $\vec{a} \times [(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{d}]$
- vii) $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{d})$
- viii) $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{c} - (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$

§ 1.5 Equations for planes; Distance problems



A plane in \mathbb{R}^3 :

- i) $P_0(x_0, y_0, z_0) \in$ the plane Γ
- ii) $\vec{n} = A\hat{i} + B\hat{j} + C\hat{k}$ is perpendicular (normal) to the plane

The vector equation of the plane:

$$\vec{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{P_0P} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (A\hat{i} + B\hat{j} + C\hat{k}) \cdot ((x-x_0)\hat{i} + (y-y_0)\hat{j} + (z-z_0)\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\text{or } A(x-x_0) + B(y-y_0) + C(z-z_0) = 0$$

$$\sim Ax + By + Cz = D, \quad (D = Ax_0 + By_0 + Cz_0)$$

Ex. The plane through the point $(3, 2, 1)$ with normal vector

$$2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k} :$$

$$(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot ((x-3)\hat{i} + (y-2)\hat{j} + (z-1)\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(x-3) - (y-2) + 4(z-1) = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2x - y + 4z = 8$$

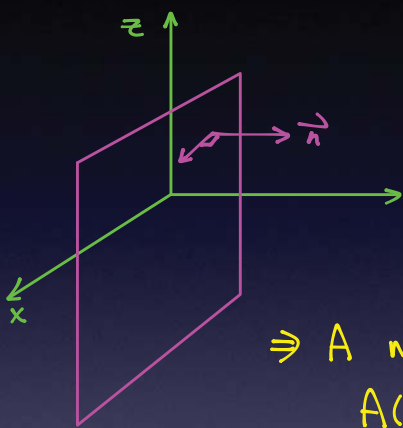
Ex: Given the plane with equation $7x + 2y - 3z = 1$, find a normal vector to the plane and identify three points that lie on the plane.

$$\vec{n} = 7\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} \text{ (or any vector parallel to it.)}$$

$$\text{Take } y=z=0 \Rightarrow 7x=1, x=1/7 \sim (1/7, 0, 0)$$

Similarly, $(0, 1/2, 0)$ and $(0, 0, -1/3)$ lie on the plane.

Ex. Let the z -axis points vertically in \mathbb{R}^3 , what is the general form of the equation of a non-vertical plane?



Vertical plane \sim a horizontal \vec{n} (normal vector) : $\vec{n} = (A, B, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow A(x-x_0) + B(y-y_0) + 0(z-z_0) = 0$$

\Rightarrow A non-vertical plane:

$$A(x-x_0) + B(y-y_0) + C(z-z_0) = 0, \quad \boxed{C \neq 0}$$

Ex. A plane is determined by 3 (non collinear) points.

$$P_0(1, 2, 0), P_1(3, 1, 2), P_2(0, 1, 1)$$

The plane that contains the above points:

Method 1: The equation of the plane: $Ax + By + Cz = D$

$$P_0: A + 2B = D$$

$$P_1: 3A + B + 2C = D$$

$$P_2: B + C = D$$

← 3 equations and 4 unknowns

either no solution or infinitely many solutions

↑ our case!

$(A, B, C, D) \rightarrow$ a solution

$\Rightarrow \alpha(A, B, C, D) \rightarrow$ also a sol.

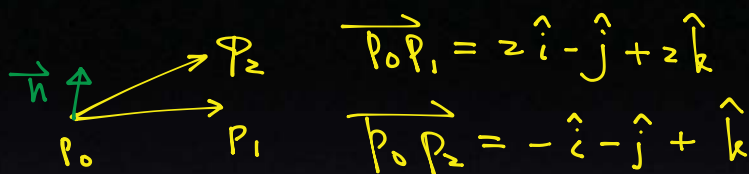
$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{-1}{7}D, B = \frac{4}{7}D, C = \frac{3}{7}D$$

$$\Rightarrow (-x + 4y + 3z) \frac{1}{7}D = D$$

$D \neq 0$ (Otherwise, we get $A=B=C=0$!)

$$\Rightarrow x - 4y - 3z = -7$$

Method 2: Use vectors



$$\vec{P_0P_1} = z\hat{i} - \hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{P_0P_2} = -\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{n} = \vec{P_0P_1} \times \vec{P_0P_2} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ z & -1 & z \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

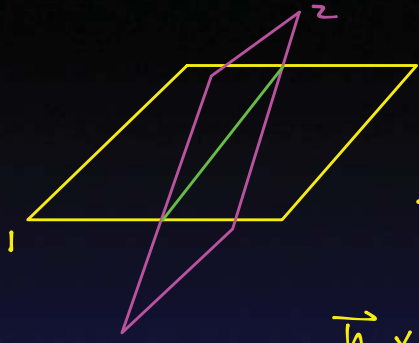
$$\Rightarrow x - 4y - 3z = D$$

$$P_0: (1, 2, 0) \wedge \lambda: 1 - 8 + 0 = D = -7 \Rightarrow x - 4y - 3z = -7 \#$$

Ex. Consider the two planes having equations $x - 2y + z = 4$ and $2x + y + 3z = -7$. This equation of the line of their intersection:

$$1. \begin{cases} x - 2y + z = 4 \\ 2x + y + 3z = -7 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = x(z) \\ y = y(z) \end{cases} \text{ or } \begin{cases} x = x(t) \\ y = y(t) \\ z = t \end{cases}$$

z. Use vector cross product:



$$\vec{n}_1 = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{n}_2 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

The vector parallel to the line:

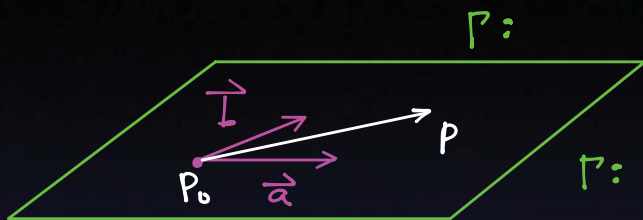
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n}_1 \times \vec{n}_2 &= (-2 \cdot 3 - 1 \cdot 1)\hat{i} + (1 \cdot 2 - 1 \cdot 3)\hat{j} + (1 \cdot 1 - (2) \cdot 2)\hat{k} \\ &= -7\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 5\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}(t) = P_0 + t(-7\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$$

P_0 : Take $z=0$, $\begin{cases} x-2y=4 \\ z+x+y=-7 \end{cases} \Rightarrow x=-2, y=-3 \Rightarrow (-2, -3, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = -7t - 2 \\ y = -t - 3 \\ z = 5t \end{cases}$$

Δ Parametric equations of planes:



$$\vec{x} = \vec{P_0 P}$$

$$P: \{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \vec{x} = s\vec{a} + t\vec{b}, s, t \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$\vec{OP} \equiv \vec{r} \Rightarrow \vec{r}(s, t) = \vec{OP}_0 + s\vec{a} + t\vec{b} \quad \leftarrow \text{two parameters}$$

In terms of x, y, z :

$$\begin{cases} x = sa_1 + tb_1 + x_0 \\ y = sa_2 + tb_2 + y_0 \\ z = sa_3 + tb_3 + z_0 \end{cases} \quad \leftarrow P_0: (x_0, y_0, z_0)$$

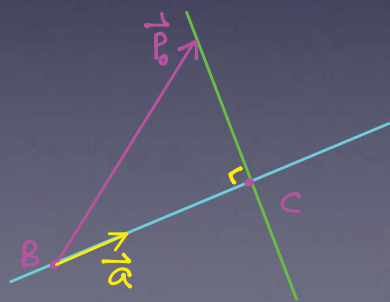
Ex: The plane that passes through the point $(1, 0, -1)$ and is parallel to the vectors $3\hat{i} - \hat{k}$ and $2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$:

$$\vec{r} = s(3\hat{i} - \hat{k}) + t(2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + (\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 3s + 2t + 1 \\ y = 5t \\ z = 2t - s - 1 \end{cases}$$

Δ Distance problems: (投影觀念之應用)

Ex. The distance between a point and a line:



$$\text{distance} = |\vec{CP}_0|$$

$$\vec{CP}_0 = \vec{BP}_0 - \vec{BC}, \quad \vec{BC} = \text{Proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{BP}_0$$

The point $P_0: (2, 1, 3)$

The line: $\vec{r}(t) = t(-1, 1, 2) + (2, 3, -2)$
 taken as $B: \vec{OB} = \vec{r}(t=0)$

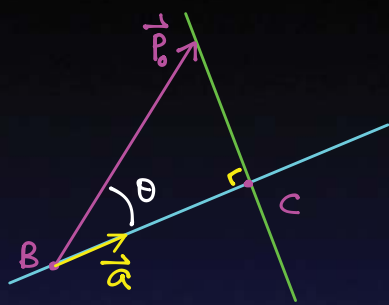
$$\vec{BP}_0 = (0, -2, 5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{BC} &= \text{Proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{BP}_0 = (\vec{BP}_0 \cdot \hat{a}) \hat{a} = \frac{\vec{BP}_0 \cdot \vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \vec{a} \\ &= \frac{(0, -2, 5) \cdot (-1, 1, 2)}{(-1, 1, 2) \cdot (-1, 1, 2)} (-1, 1, 2) = \frac{-12}{6} (-1, 1, 2) \\ &= (+2, -2, +4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{CP}_0 = \vec{BP}_0 - \vec{BC} = (0, -2, 5) - (+2, -2, +4) = (-2, 0, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{CP}_0| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 0^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5} \neq$$

You may also calculate it as follows: (specific to 3D)



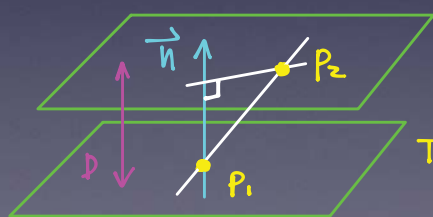
$$|\vec{c}| = |\vec{BP}_0| \sin \theta$$

$$|\vec{BP}_0 \times \vec{a}| = |\vec{BP}_0| |\vec{a}| \sin \theta$$

$$\text{From } \vec{BP}_0 \times \vec{a} = \hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{BP}_0| \sin \theta = \frac{|\vec{BP}_0 \times \vec{a}|}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{\sqrt{30}}{\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{5}$$

Ex: Distance between parallel planes:



$$\Pi_2: z - x - 2y + z = 20 \Rightarrow \vec{n} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{n} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\Pi_1: z - x - 2y + z = 5$$

$$\text{Take } x=y=0,$$

$$\Rightarrow (0, 0, 5) \in \Pi_1 \sim P_1$$

$$(0, 0, 20) \in \Pi_2 \sim P_2$$

$$\vec{P}_1 \vec{P}_2 = (0, 0, 15)$$

$$\text{Proj}_{\vec{n}} \vec{P}_1 \vec{P}_2 = (\vec{P}_1 \vec{P}_2 \cdot \hat{n}) \hat{n} = \left(\frac{\vec{P}_1 \vec{P}_2 \cdot \vec{n}}{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{n}} \right) \vec{n} = \frac{(0, 0, 15) \cdot (2, -2, 1)}{(2, -2, 1) \cdot (2, -2, 1)} (2, -2, 1)$$

$$= \frac{-15}{9} (2, -2, 1) = -\frac{5}{3} (2, -2, 1)$$

$$D = \left| \text{Proj}_{\vec{n}} \vec{P}_1 \vec{P}_2 \right| = \frac{5}{3} \cdot \sqrt{9} = 5 \#$$

Ex: Distance between two skew lines (非平行且不相交)

$$\vec{l}_1(t) = t(2, 1, 3) + (0, 5, -1), \quad \vec{l}_2(t) = t(1, -1, 0) + (-1, 2, 0)$$

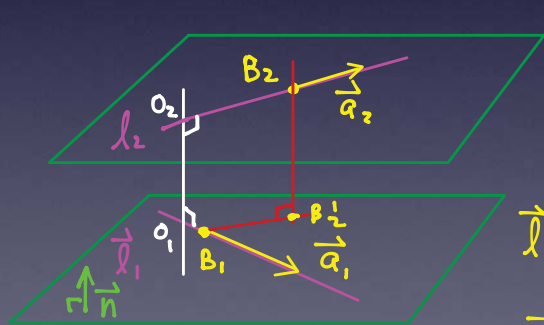
$$\vec{l}_1(t_1) = \vec{l}_2(t_2) : \text{No solution} \sim \text{No intersection}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2t_1 = t_2 - 1 & \rightarrow t_2 = 2t_1 + 1 = \frac{5}{3} \\ t_1 + 5 = -t_2 + 2 \\ 3t_1 - 1 = 0 & \rightarrow t_1 = \frac{1}{3} \end{cases}$$

兩系點之間的距離 = 2 系點上的最接近的距離

$= |\vec{r}_1(t_1) - \vec{r}_2(t_2)|$ 的極小值 \rightarrow calculus

几何观点: 找一組分別包含 \vec{r}_1 及 \vec{r}_2 , 且彼此相互平行的平面. 則此二平面間的距離, 即為兩系點間的距離



$$\vec{r}_1 = t\vec{a}_1 + \vec{B}_1$$

$$\text{normal vector } \vec{n} = \vec{a}_1 \times \vec{a}_2$$

$$\vec{r}_2 = t\vec{a}_2 + \vec{B}_2$$

$$\vec{O}_1\vec{O}_2 = \vec{B}_2'\vec{B}_1$$

$$\vec{B}_2'\vec{B}_2 = \text{Proj}_{\vec{n}} \vec{B}_1\vec{B}_2$$

$$\vec{B}_1\vec{B}_2 = (-1, 2, 0) - (0, 5, -1) = (-1, -3, 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n} &= \vec{a}_1 \times \vec{a}_2 = (2, 1, 3) \times (1, -1, 0) = (1 \cdot 0 - 3 \cdot (-1), 3 \cdot 1 - 2 \cdot 0, 2 \cdot (-1) - 1 \cdot 1) \\ &= (+3, 3, -3) = 3(1, 1, -1) \equiv 3\vec{n}' \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Proj}_{\vec{n}} \vec{B}_1\vec{B}_2 = \frac{\vec{n}' \cdot \vec{B}_1\vec{B}_2}{\vec{n}' \cdot \vec{n}'} \vec{n}' = \frac{(1, 1, -1) \cdot (-1, -3, 1)}{(1, 1, -1) \cdot (1, 1, -1)} (1, 1, -1)$$

$$= \frac{-5}{3} (1, 1, -1)$$

$$\text{Distance} = \frac{5}{3} \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (-1)^2} = \frac{5}{3} \sqrt{3} \quad \#$$

□ Exercises :

1. Find the equation for the plane that

a) containing the point $(3, -1, 2)$ and perpendicular to $\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

b) containing the point $(3, -1, 2)$, $(2, 0, 5)$ and $(1, -2, 4)$

c) passes through the point $(2, -1, 2)$ and is parallel to the plane $5x - 4y + z = 1$

d) contains two lines, $l_1: x = t + 2, y = 3t - 5, z = 5t + 1$
 $l_2: x = 5 - t, y = 3t - 10, z = 9 - 2t$

(Make sure that these two lines intersect first!)

2. The plane, given parametrically by $x = 3s - t + 2$,
 $y = 4s + t, z = s + 5t + 3$, satisfies the equation

$Ax + By + Cz = D$. Find A, B, C, D

3. Find the distance between

a) the two planes: $x - 3y + 2z = 1, x - 3y + 2z = 8$

b) the point $(-11, 10, 20)$ and the line: $x = 5 - t, y = 3, z = 7t + 8$

c) the two lines =

$\vec{r}_1(t) = (t - 7)\hat{i} + (5t + 1)\hat{j} + (3 - 2t)\hat{k}, \vec{r}_2(t) = 4t\hat{i} + (2 - t)\hat{j} + (8t + 1)\hat{k}$

4. Show that the distance d between the two parallel planes $Ax + By + Cz = D_1$ and $Ax + By + Cz = D_2$ is

$$d = \frac{|D_1 - D_2|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$$

5. Suppose that two lines: $\vec{l}_1(t) = \vec{a}_1 t + \vec{b}_1$, $\vec{l}_2(t) = \vec{a}_2 t + \vec{b}_2$ are skew lines in \mathbb{R}^3 , show that the distance between the two lines is given by

$$D = \frac{|(\vec{a}_1 \times \vec{a}_2) \cdot (\vec{b}_2 - \vec{b}_1)|}{|\vec{a}_1 \times \vec{a}_2|}$$

§ 1.6 Some n -dimensional Geometry, matrices and determinants

Definition: A vector in \mathbb{R}^n is an ordered n -tuple of real numbers.

No arrows, No $\sin \theta$, $\cos \theta \dots$ for $n > 3$

$$A = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \sim \text{a vector in } \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$B = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \sim \text{another vector in } \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$A = B \iff a_i = b_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$A + B = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, \dots, a_n + b_n)$$

$$kA = (ka_1, ka_2, \dots, ka_n), k \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$A \cdot B = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$|A| \equiv \sqrt{A \cdot A}$$

With the above definitions,

— The distance between two points in $\mathbb{R}^n = |\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|$

— $A \cdot B = 0 \Leftrightarrow A$ is orthogonal to B

(We may still define $\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{A \cdot B}{|A||B|}$ as the angle between

A and B since $-1 \leq \frac{A \cdot B}{|A||B|} \leq 1$ ← will be proved later!)

— Standard basis vectors in \mathbb{R}^n :

$\hat{e}_1 = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$, $\hat{e}_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$, \dots , $\hat{e}_n = (0, 0, 0, \dots, 1)$

$A = (a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) = a_1 \hat{e}_1 + a_2 \hat{e}_2 + \dots + a_n \hat{e}_n$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \hat{e}_i$$

— Note that there is no simple generalization of the cross product for $n \neq 3$.

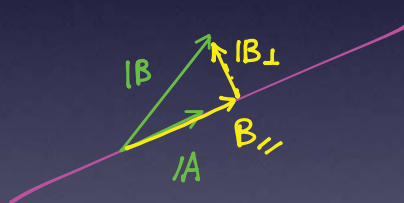
△ Two famous inequalities:

1. The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:

For all vectors A and B in \mathbb{R}^n , we have

$$|A \cdot B| \leq |A| |B|$$

↙ Geometric picture (even though $n > 3$)


$$B = B_{\parallel} + B_{\perp} = \text{Proj}_A B + B_{\perp}$$
$$= \frac{B \cdot A}{|A||A|} A + B_{\perp}$$

Note that: $B_{\perp} \equiv B - B_{\parallel} \Rightarrow B_{\perp} \cdot A = B \cdot A - \frac{B \cdot A}{|A||A|} \underbrace{A \cdot A}_{|A|^2} = 0$

This confirms that $\text{Proj}_A B$ is indeed the projection of B on A .

Now, $|B_{\perp}|^2 \geq 0$ (We use $B = |B|$, $A = |A|$)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \left(B - \frac{B \cdot A}{A^2} A \right) \cdot \left(B - \frac{B \cdot A}{A^2} A \right) \\ &= \underbrace{B \cdot B}_{B^2} - \frac{(B \cdot A)^2}{A^2} \cdot 2 + \frac{B \cdot A}{A^2} \underbrace{A \cdot A}_{A^2} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow B^2 \geq \frac{(B \cdot A)^2}{A^2}$$

$$\text{or } |B| |A| \geq |B \cdot A| \quad \#$$

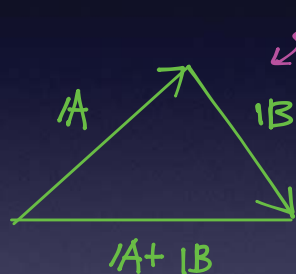
When does the equality sign hold true?

$|B_{\perp}|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow B_{\perp}$ is a null vector, i.e. $B \parallel A \sim B = c A$

2. The triangle inequality:

For any vectors A and B in \mathbb{R}^n , we have

$$|A+B| \leq |A| + |B|$$



Geometric picture:

$$(A+B)^2 = (A+B) \cdot (A+B)$$

$$= A \cdot A + B \cdot B + 2 A \cdot B$$

$$= A^2 + B^2 + 2 A \cdot B$$

$$\leq A^2 + B^2 + 2 AB \quad \leftarrow \text{Schwarz inequality}$$

$$\Rightarrow |A+B|^2 \leq (|A| + |B|)^2$$

$$\text{or } |A| + |B| \geq |A+B| \quad \#$$

$$" = " \sim A = h B, h \in \mathbb{R}$$

△ Matrices

A $m \times n$ matrix: m rows and n columns

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = (\text{shorthand}) (a_{ij})$$

Vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n \sim$ a $1 \times n$ matrix or a row matrix/vector

$$\alpha = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$$

or more typically, a column matrix/vector

$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = \text{a } n \times 1 \text{ matrix}$$

- A $m \times n$ matrix = a "vector of vectors"

$\sim m$ row vectors in \mathbb{R}^n $\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & \dots & a_{2n} \end{bmatrix}$

$\sim n$ column vectors in \mathbb{R}^m $\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} \dots$

△ Matrix addition: A and B are two $m \times n$ matrices,

$$(A+B)_{ij} = A_{ij} + B_{ij}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A+B = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 10 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, A+C \text{ is not defined!}$$

$$- A+B = B+A$$

$$- (A+B)+C = A+(B+C)$$

△ Scalar multiplication: $k \in \mathbb{R}$, $(kA)_{ij} = k A_{ij}$

$$\Rightarrow - (k+l)A = kA + lA$$

$$- k(A+B) = kA + kB$$

$$- k(lA) = (kl)A = l(kA)$$

$$k, l \in \mathbb{R}$$

A, B are $m \times n$ matrices

△ Matrix multiplication

A is a $m \times n$ matrix, B is a $n \times p$ matrix. The matrix product AB is a $m \times p$ matrix such that

$$(AB)_{ij} = A_{i1}B_{1j} + A_{i2}B_{2j} + \dots + A_{in}B_{nj} \quad \begin{array}{l} i = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, p \end{array}$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik} B_{kj}$$

= the inner between the i th row vector in A
and the j th column vector in B

The diagram shows a row vector $\begin{bmatrix} \text{---} \end{bmatrix}$ with an arrow pointing to it labeled "ith row". This is multiplied by a column vector $\begin{bmatrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{bmatrix}$ with an arrow pointing to it labeled "jth column". The result is a scalar value $\begin{bmatrix} \bullet \end{bmatrix}$ with an arrow pointing to it labeled " $(AB)_{ij}$ ".

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 7 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 7 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 13 \\ 47 & 28 \end{bmatrix}$$

$(AB)_{12}$
 $1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 0 + 3 \cdot 4 = 13$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 7 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 14 & 21 \\ 18 & 24 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$$

$(BA)_{23}$
 $7 \cdot 3 + 0 \cdot 6 = 21$

Note that for matrix product, we have in general

$$\boxed{AB \neq BA}, \text{ and}$$

– $(AB)C = A(BC)$

– $k(AB) = (kA)B = A(kB)$, $k \in \mathbb{R}$

– $A(B+C) = AB + AC$

– $(A+B)C = AC + BC$

△ The transpose of a matrix (轉置矩陣)

The transpose of a $m \times n$ matrix A is a $n \times m$ matrix such that

$$(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji}$$

Ex. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$(A^T)_{12} = A_{21}$, $(A^T)_{11} = A_{11}$, $(A^T)_{12} = A_{21}$
 $(A^T)_{32} = A_{23}$... etc.

— $(A^T)^T = A$ $((A^T)^T)_{ij} = A^T_{ji} = A_{ij}$

— $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$ $(AB)^T_{ij} = (AB)_{ji} = \sum_k A_{jk} B_{ki}$

$(A^T)_{kj}$ $(B^T)_{ik}$

$= \sum_k (B^T)_{ik} (A^T)_{kj} = (B^T \cdot A^T)_{ij}$

Note that the inner product between two vectors can be written in matrix form:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n = [a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n] \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = \vec{a}^T \vec{b}$$

△ A linear mapping in \mathbb{R}^n :

A linear function of a single variable: $f(x) = ax$

Generalization to \mathbb{R}^n : $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, $F(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ A : a constant $m \times n$ matrix

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_m \end{bmatrix}$$

linear: $F(k\vec{x}) = k F(\vec{x}) \sim A(k\vec{x}) = k(A\vec{x})$

$F(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = F(\vec{x}) + F(\vec{y}) \quad k(x+y) = kx + ky$

matrix multiplication = the composition of linear mappings:

$$G: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p \quad G(y) = \underbrace{B}_{p \times m} \underbrace{y}_{m \times 1}, \quad F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \quad F(x) = \underbrace{A}_{m \times n} \underbrace{x}_{n \times 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow G \circ F(x) = G(F(x)) = G(Ax) = B(Ax) = (BA)x$$

i.e. $G \circ F$ is a linear mapping from $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$

△ A hyperplane in \mathbb{R}^n ($n > 3$)

$$A_1(x_1 - b_1) + A_2(x_2 - b_2) + \dots + A_n(x_n - b_n) = 0 \quad \text{vs.} \quad A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0$$

~ a $(n-1)$ dimensional object

$$\sim A \cdot (X - b) = 0 \quad A = (A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n), \quad X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \quad b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$$

↑ "normal vector"

△ The determinant of a $n \times n$ matrix:

$$2 \times 2: A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \det A = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

$$3 \times 3: A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det A = a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cancel{a_{11}} & \cancel{a_{12}} & \cancel{a_{13}} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

C_{11}

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cancel{a_{11}} & \cancel{a_{12}} & \cancel{a_{13}} \\ a_{21} & \cancel{a_{22}} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & \cancel{a_{33}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$-C_{12}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cancel{a_{11}} & \cancel{a_{12}} & \cancel{a_{13}} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$+C_{13}$

\Rightarrow cofactor

Cofactor C_{ij} of a_{ij} :

The cofactor $C_{ij} \equiv (-1)^{i+j} M_{ij}$

M_{ij} = the determinant of the submatrix obtained by eliminating the i th row and j th column of A .

$$\det A = a_{11} C_{11} + a_{12} C_{12} + a_{13} C_{13} = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{1i} C_{1i}$$

We may generalize this definition to any $n \times n$ matrix :

Ex $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is a 4×4 matrix

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &\equiv \sum_{i=1}^4 a_{1i} C_{1i} = 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &+ 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 1 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \cdot (-1)^{1+4} \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -132 \end{aligned}$$

Δ Properties of determinants

1. Transpose : $\det(A^T) = \det A$

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 8 & -29 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$, $\det A = \det A^T = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 28 & 1 & -2 \\ -29 & -4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = -3$

2. Scale factor: If every element of any row or column of the matrix A is multiplied by a scalar k , then the determinant is $k \det A$

Ex. $\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ k a_{11} & k a_{12} & k a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = k \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 99 & 1 \\ 2 & 33 & -2 \\ 3 & 55 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 11 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 9 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -924$$

3. Row/Column exchange:

If B is obtained from A by interchanging two rows (or columns), then $\det B = -\det A$

\Rightarrow If A is a $n \times n$ matrix with two identical rows/columns $\det A = 0$

$$\text{Ex } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Ex: } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-1) \cdot (-1)^{1+2} \cdot 2 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 10$$

4. Expansion by any row or column (from 1. and 3.)

Ex: A is a 3×3 matrix

$$\det A = a_{11} C_{11} + a_{12} C_{12} + a_{13} C_{13}$$

$$= a_{31} C_{31} + a_{32} C_{32} + a_{33} C_{33} \leftarrow \text{3th row}$$

$$= a_{12} C_{12} + a_{22} C_{22} + a_{32} C_{32} \leftarrow \text{2nd column}$$

5. If the matrix B is constructed from A by adding k times one row (or column) to another row (column)

then $\det B = \det A$

$$\text{Ex: } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \nearrow \times k \\ \nwarrow + \end{matrix}$$

$$\det B = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} + k a_{11} & a_{32} + k a_{12} & a_{33} + k a_{13} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\det B = (a_{31} + k a_{11}) C_{31} + (a_{32} + k a_{12}) C_{32} + (a_{33} + k a_{13}) C_{33}$$

$$= a_{31} C_{31} + a_{32} C_{32} + a_{33} C_{33} \Rightarrow \det A$$

$$+ k (a_{11} C_{31} + a_{12} C_{32} + a_{13} C_{33})$$

$$- \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \end{vmatrix} = 0 !$$

$$C_{31} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{22} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{12} & a_{13} \end{vmatrix}, \quad C_{32} = - \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} = + \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{11} & a_{13} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$C_{33} = + \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{11} & a_{12} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det B = \det A$$

5.1 If the rows or columns of A are linearly dependent, then $\det A = 0$

6. A and B are two $n \times n$ matrices,

$$\boxed{\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B}$$

7. The inverse of a $n \times n$ matrix:

$$A \equiv \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{we define } \text{adj } A \equiv \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{21} & C_{31} \\ C_{12} & C_{22} & C_{32} \\ C_{13} & C_{23} & C_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{That is, } (\text{adj } A)_{ij} = C_{ji}$$

$$(A \cdot \text{adj } A)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} (\text{adj } A)_{kj} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} \cdot C_{jk}$$

For $i=j$ (say, $=2$)

$$\sum_{k=1}^3 a_{2k} C_{2k} = a_{21} C_{21} + a_{22} C_{22} + a_{23} C_{23}$$

$$= \det A \quad (\text{Expanded by the 2nd row})$$

For $i \neq j$ (say, $i=1, j=2$)

$$\sum_{k=1}^3 a_{1k} C_{2k} = a_{11} C_{21} + a_{12} C_{22} + a_{13} C_{23}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{replace the 2nd row} \\ \text{by } [a_{11} \ a_{12} \ a_{13}] \end{array} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$= 0$

$$\Rightarrow A \cdot \text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} \det A & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \det A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \det A \end{bmatrix} = (\det A) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= (\det A) \cdot I \leftarrow \text{Identity or unit matrix}$$

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Definition: The inverse of A , denoted by A^{-1} , is a matrix such that

$$A \cdot A^{-1} = I = A^{-1} \cdot A$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} (\text{adj } A)} \Leftrightarrow \det A = 0 \sim A^{-1} \text{ does not exist!}$$

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \det A = -4 \quad (A^{-1} \text{ exists!})$$

$$C_{11} = -3, \quad C_{12} = -1, \quad C_{13} = -1$$

$$C_{21} = 5, \quad C_{22} = -1, \quad C_{23} = 3$$

$$C_{31} = -1, \quad C_{32} = 1, \quad C_{33} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{-1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 5 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise:

1. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & k \\ k & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Find $\det A$, and the value of k for which $\det A = 0$

2. The determinant $D_n = \begin{vmatrix} x & a & a & \dots & a \\ a & x & a & \dots & a \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a & a & a & \dots & x \end{vmatrix}$ has n rows.

Factorize D_n in terms of x

3. Find all values of x for which $\begin{vmatrix} x & a & b & c \\ a & x & b & c \\ a & b & x & c \\ a & b & c & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$

4. Use property 6 to show that

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det A}, \quad \det(\operatorname{adj} A) = (\det A)^{n-1}$$

$$[\det(kA) = k^n(\det A)]$$