

Section 3.1: Vectors in 2-Space, 3-Space, and n -Space

- Definition.** If n is a positive integer, then an **ordered n -tuple** is a sequence of n real numbers (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) . The set of all ordered n -tuples is called **n -space** and is denoted by \mathbf{R}^n .
- Definition.** Two vectors $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$ in \mathbf{R}^n are said to be **equivalent** (also **equal**) if $v_1 = w_1, v_2 = w_2, \dots, v_n = w_n$. We indicate this by writing $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w}$.
- Definition.** If $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$ are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , and if k is any scalar, then we define $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2, \dots, v_n + w_n)$; $k\mathbf{v} = (kv_1, kv_2, \dots, kv_n)$; $-\mathbf{v} = (-v_1, -v_2, \dots, -v_n)$; $\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w} + (-\mathbf{v}) = (w_1 - v_1, w_2 - v_2, \dots, w_n - v_n)$
- Theorem.** If \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , and if k and m are scalars, then:
- (a) $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$
 - (b) $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}$
 - (c) $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$
 - (d) $\mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$
 - (e) $k(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = k\mathbf{u} + k\mathbf{v}$
 - (f) $(k + m)\mathbf{u} = k\mathbf{u} + m\mathbf{u}$
 - (g) $k(m\mathbf{u}) = (km)\mathbf{u}$
 - (h) $1\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$
- Theorem.** If \mathbf{v} is a vector in \mathbf{R}^n and k is a scalar, then:
- (a) $0\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$
 - (b) $k\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$
 - (c) $(-1)\mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{v}$
- Definition.** If \mathbf{w} is a vector in \mathbf{R}^n , then \mathbf{w} is said to be a **linear combination** of the vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r$ in \mathbf{R}^n if it can be expressed in the form $\mathbf{w} = k_1\mathbf{v}_1 + k_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + k_r\mathbf{v}_r$ where k_1, k_2, \dots, k_r are scalars. These scalars are called the **coefficients** of the linear combination. In the case where $r = 1$, $\mathbf{w} = k_1\mathbf{v}_1$, so that a linear combination of a single vector is just a scalar multiple of that vector.

Section 3.2: Norm, Dot Product, and Distance in \mathbf{R}^n

- Definition.** If $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ is a vector in \mathbf{R}^n , then the **norm** of \mathbf{v} (also called the **length** of \mathbf{v} or the **magnitude** of \mathbf{v}) is denoted by $\|\mathbf{v}\|$, and is defined by the formula $\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$
- Theorem.** If \mathbf{v} is a vector in \mathbf{R}^n , and if k is any scalar, then: $\|\mathbf{v}\| \geq 0$, $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 0$ if and only if $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$, $\|k\mathbf{v}\| = |k| \|\mathbf{v}\|$
- unit vector $\mathbf{u} = (1/\|\mathbf{v}\|)\mathbf{v}$
 - $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) = v_1\mathbf{e}_1 + v_2\mathbf{e}_2 + \dots + v_n\mathbf{e}_n$
- Definition.** If $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ are points in \mathbf{R}^n , then we denote the distance between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} by $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$ and define it to be $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{(u_1 - v_1)^2 + (u_2 - v_2)^2 + \dots + (u_n - v_n)^2}$
- Definition.** If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are nonzero vectors in \mathbf{R}^2 or \mathbf{R}^3 , and if θ is the angle between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} , then the **dot product** (also called the **Euclidean inner product**) of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is denoted by $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ and is defined as $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| \cos \theta$. If $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ or $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$, then we define $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ to be 0.
- Definition.** If $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ are any vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , then the **dot product** (also called the **Euclidean inner product**) of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is denoted by $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ is defined by $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + \dots + u_nv_n$
- $\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v})}$
- Theorem.** If \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , and if k is a scalar, then:
- (a) $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}$ (symmetry property)
 - (b) $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$ (distributive property)
 - (c) $k(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = (k\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{v}$ (homogeneity property)
 - (d) $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \geq 0$ and $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ if and only if $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ (positivity property)
- Theorem.** If \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , and if k is a scalar, then:
- (a) $\mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{0} = 0$
 - (b) $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$
 - (c) $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$
 - (d) $(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$
 - (e) $k(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot (k\mathbf{v})$
- $\theta = \cos^{-1}[(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})/(\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|)]$
- Theorem.** **Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality:** If $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , then: $|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$
- Theorem.** If \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , then: $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$ (**Triangle Inequality for Vectors**) and $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \leq d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}) + d(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v})$ (**Triangle Inequality for Distances**)
- Theorem.** **Parallelogram Equation for Vectors:** If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , then: $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2 = 2(\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2)$

- Theorem.** If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n with the Euclidean inner product, then $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{4} \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 - \frac{1}{4} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2$
- $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{u}$
 - $A \mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \bullet A^T \mathbf{v}$
 - $\mathbf{u} \bullet A \mathbf{v} = A^T \mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v}$

Section 3.3: Orthogonality

- Definition.** Two nonzero vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} in \mathbf{R}^n are said to be **orthogonal** (or **perpendicular**) if $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = 0$. We will also agree that the zero vector in \mathbf{R}^n is orthogonal to every vector in \mathbf{R}^n . A nonempty set of vectors in \mathbf{R}^n is called an **orthogonal set** if all pairs of distinct vectors in the set are orthogonal. An orthogonal set of unit vectors is called an **orthonormal set**.
- **Point-Normal Form of the Equation of a Line** for $P_0(x_0, y_0)$ and $\mathbf{n} = (a, b)$: $a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) = 0$
 - **Point-Normal Form of the Equation of a Plane** for $P_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ and $\mathbf{n} = (a, b, c)$: $a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(z - z_0) = 0$
- Theorem.** (a) If a and b are constants that are not both zero, then an equation of the form $ax + by + c = 0$ represents a line in \mathbf{R}^2 with normal $\mathbf{n} = (a, b)$.
 (b) If a , b , and c are constants that are not all zero, then an equation of the form $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ represents a plane in \mathbf{R}^3 with normal $\mathbf{n} = (a, b, c)$.
- $\mathbf{n} \bullet \mathbf{x} = 0$
- Theorem.** **Projection Theorem:** If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{a} are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , and if $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$, then \mathbf{u} can be expressed in exactly one way in the form $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_2$, where \mathbf{w}_1 is a scalar multiple of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{w}_2 is orthogonal to \mathbf{a} .
- $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{a} / \|\mathbf{a}\|^2) \mathbf{a}$ (vector component of \mathbf{u} along \mathbf{a})
 - $\mathbf{u} - \text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{a} / \|\mathbf{a}\|^2) \mathbf{a}$ (vector component of \mathbf{u} orthogonal to \mathbf{a})
 - $\|\text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{u}\| = |\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{a}| / \|\mathbf{a}\| = \|\mathbf{u}\| |\cos \theta|$ where θ is the angle between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{a} .
- Theorem.** **Theorem of Pythagoras in \mathbf{R}^n :** If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal vectors in \mathbf{R}^n with the Euclidean inner product, then $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$
- Theorem.** (a) In \mathbf{R}^2 , the distance between the point $P_0(x_0, y_0)$ and the line $ax + by + c = 0$ is $D = |ax_0 + by_0 + c| / \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$
 (b) In \mathbf{R}^3 , the distance between the point $P_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ and the plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ is $D = |ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0 + d| / \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$

Section 3.4: The Geometry of Linear Systems

- Theorem.** Let L be the line in \mathbf{R}^2 or \mathbf{R}^3 that contains the point \mathbf{x}_0 and is parallel to the nonzero vector \mathbf{v} . Then the equation of the line through \mathbf{x}_0 that is parallel to \mathbf{v} is $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 + t\mathbf{v}$. If $\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{0}$, then the line passes through the origin and the equation has the form $\mathbf{x} = t\mathbf{v}$.
- Theorem.** Let W be the plane in \mathbf{R}^3 that contains the point \mathbf{x}_0 and is parallel to the noncollinear vectors \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 . Then an equation of the plane through \mathbf{x}_0 that is parallel to \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 is given by $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 + t_1\mathbf{v}_1 + t_2\mathbf{v}_2$. If $\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{0}$, then the plane passes through the origin and the equation has the form $\mathbf{x} = t_1\mathbf{v}_1 + t_2\mathbf{v}_2$.
- Definition.** If \mathbf{x}_0 and \mathbf{v} are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , and if \mathbf{v} is nonzero, then the equation $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 + t\mathbf{v}$ defines the **line through \mathbf{x}_0 that is parallel to \mathbf{v}** . In the special case that $\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{0}$, the line is said to **pass through the origin**.
- Definition.** If \mathbf{x}_0 , \mathbf{v}_1 , and \mathbf{v}_2 are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , and if \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 are not collinear, then the equation $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 + t_1\mathbf{v}_1 + t_2\mathbf{v}_2$ defines the **plane through \mathbf{x}_0 that is parallel to \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2** . In the special case that $\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{0}$, the line is said to **pass through the origin**.
- Definition.** If \mathbf{x}_0 and \mathbf{x}_1 are vectors in \mathbf{R}^n , then the equation $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 + t(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0)$, ($0 \leq t \leq 1$), defines the **line segment from \mathbf{x}_0 to \mathbf{x}_1** . When convenient, this equation can be written as $\mathbf{x} = (1 - t)\mathbf{x}_0 + t\mathbf{x}_1$, ($0 \leq t \leq 1$).
- Theorem.** If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then the solution set of the homogeneous linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ consists of all vectors in \mathbf{R}^n that are orthogonal to every row vector of A .
- Theorem.** The general solution of a consistent linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ can be obtained by adding any specific solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ to the general solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.

Section 3.5: Cross Product

- Definition.** If $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ are vectors in 3-space, then the **cross product** $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$ is the vector defined by $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = (u_2v_3 - u_3v_2, u_3v_1 - u_1v_3, u_1v_2 - u_2v_1)$.
- Theorem.** **Relationships Involving Cross Product and Dot Product:** If \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} are vectors in 3-space, then:
- (a) $\mathbf{u} \bullet (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = 0$ ($\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$ is orthogonal to \mathbf{u})
 - (b) $\mathbf{v} \bullet (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = 0$ ($\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$ is orthogonal to \mathbf{v})
 - (c) $\|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 - (\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v})^2$ (Lagrange's Identity)
 - (d) $\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{w})\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v})\mathbf{w}$ (relationship between cross and dot products)
 - (e) $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \times \mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{w})\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{w})\mathbf{u}$ (relationship between cross and dot products)
- Theorem.** **Properties of Cross Product:** If \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} are any vectors in 3-space and k is any scalar, then:
- (a) $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = -(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u})$
 - (b) $\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w})$

$$(c) (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \times \mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w}) + (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$$

$$(d) k(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = (k\mathbf{u}) \times \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \times (k\mathbf{v})$$

$$(e) \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} \times \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$(f) \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$$

Theorem. Area of a Parallelogram: If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are vectors in 3-space, then $\|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}\| = \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| \sin \theta$ is equal to the area of the parallelogram determined by \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

Definition. If \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} are vectors in 3-space, then $\mathbf{u} \bullet (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix}$ is called the **scalar triple product** of \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} .

Theorem. (a) The absolute value of the determinant $\det \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is equal to the area of the parallelogram in 2-space determined by the vectors $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2)$.

(b) The absolute value of the determinant $\det \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{bmatrix}$ is equal to the volume of the parallelepiped in 3-space determined by the vectors $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$, $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$, and $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2, w_3)$.

Theorem. If the vectors $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$, $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$, and $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2, w_3)$ have the same initial point, then they lie in the same plane if and only if $\mathbf{u} \bullet (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = 0$.