

Tutorial 01

- 1 Under what conditions on a, b, c, d is $\begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$ a multiple m of $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$? Start with the two equations $c = ma$ and $d = mb$. By eliminating m , find one equation connecting a, b, c, d . You can assume no zeros in these numbers.
- 2 Going around a triangle from $(0, 0)$ to $(5, 0)$ to $(0, 12)$ to $(0, 0)$, what are those three vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$? What is $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$? What are their lengths $\|\mathbf{u}\|$ and $\|\mathbf{v}\|$ and $\|\mathbf{w}\|$? The length squared of a vector $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2)$ is $\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = u_1^2 + u_2^2$.
- 3 Describe geometrically (line, plane, or all of \mathbf{R}^3) all linear combinations of

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

(c) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$
- 4 Draw $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ and $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}$ in a single xy plane.
- 5 If $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$, compute and draw the vectors \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .
- 6 From $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, find the components of $3\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ and $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w}$.
- 7 Compute $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ and $2\mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$. How do you know $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ lie in a plane?

These lie in a plane because
 $\mathbf{w} = c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v}$. Find c and d

$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$

- 8 Every combination of $\mathbf{v} = (1, -2, 1)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (0, 1, -1)$ has components that add to _____. Find c and d so that $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w} = (3, 3, -6)$. Why is $(3, 3, 6)$ impossible?

- 9 In the xy plane mark all nine of these linear combinations:

$$c \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } c = 0, 1, 2 \quad \text{and } d = 0, 1, 2.$$

- 10 (Not easy) How could you decide if the vectors $\mathbf{u} = (1, 1, 0)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (0, 1, 1)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (a, b, c)$ are linearly independent or dependent?

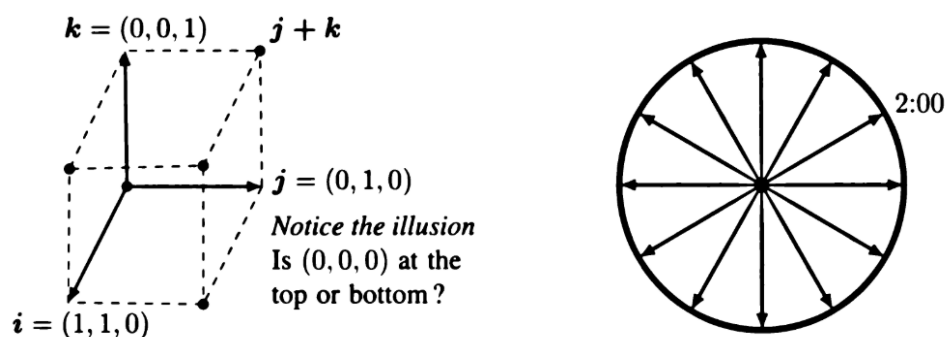


Figure 1.1: Unit cube from $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}$ and twelve clock vectors: all lengths = 1.

- 11 If three corners of a parallelogram are $(1, 1)$, $(4, 2)$, and $(1, 3)$, what are all three of the possible fourth corners? Draw those three parallelograms.

Problems 12–15 are about special vectors on cubes and clocks in Figure 1.1.

- 12 Four corners of this unit cube are $(0, 0, 0)$, $(1, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 0)$, $(0, 0, 1)$. What are the other four corners? Find the coordinates of the center point of the cube. The center points of the six faces have coordinates _____. The cube has how many edges?
- 13 *Review Question.* In xyz space, where is the plane of all linear combinations of $\mathbf{i} = (1, 0, 0)$ and $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} = (1, 1, 0)$?
- 14 (a) What is the sum \mathbf{V} of the twelve vectors that go from the center of a clock to the hours 1:00, 2:00, ..., 12:00?
 (b) If the 2:00 vector is removed, why do the 11 remaining vectors add to 8:00?
 (c) The components of that 2:00 vector are $\mathbf{v} = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$? What is θ ?

- 15 Suppose the twelve vectors start from 6:00 at the bottom instead of (0,0) at the center. The vector to 12:00 is doubled to (0, 2). The new twelve vectors add to ____.
- 16 Draw vectors u , v , w so that their combinations $cu + dv + ew$ fill only a line. Find vectors u , v , w in 3D so that their combinations $cu + dv + ew$ fill only a plane.
- 17 What combination $c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ produces $\begin{bmatrix} 14 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$? Express this question as two equations for the coefficients c and d in the linear combination.

Problems 18–19 go further with linear combinations of v and w (see Figure 1.2a).

- 18 Figure 1.2a shows $\frac{1}{2}v + \frac{1}{2}w$. Mark the points $\frac{3}{4}v + \frac{1}{4}w$ and $\frac{1}{4}v + \frac{3}{4}w$ and $v + w$. Draw the line of all combinations $cv + dw$ that have $c + d = 1$.
- 19 Restricted by $0 \leq c \leq 1$ and $0 \leq d \leq 1$, shade in all the combinations $cv + dw$. Restricted only by $c \geq 0$ and $d \geq 0$ draw the “cone” of all combinations $cv + dw$.

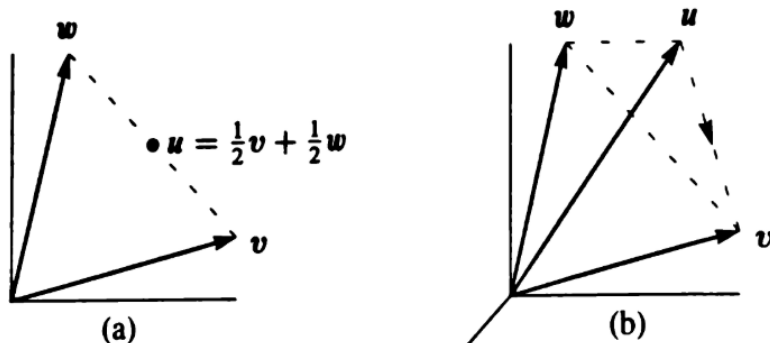


Figure 1.2: Problems 18–19 in a plane Problems 20–23 in 3-dimensional space

Problems 20–23 deal with u , v , w in three-dimensional space (see Figure 1.2b).

- 20 Locate $\frac{1}{3}u + \frac{1}{3}v + \frac{1}{3}w$ and $\frac{1}{2}u + \frac{1}{2}w$ in Figure 1.2 b. Challenge problem: Under what restrictions on c, d, e , will the combinations $cu + dv + ew$ fill in the dashed triangle? To stay in the triangle, one requirement is $c \geq 0, d \geq 0, e \geq 0$.
- 21 The three dashed lines in the triangle are $v - u$ and $w - v$ and $u - w$. Their sum is _____. Draw the head-to-tail addition around a plane triangle of (3, 1) plus (−1, 1) plus (−2, −2).
- 22 Shade in the pyramid of combinations $cu + dv + ew$ with $c \geq 0, d \geq 0, e \geq 0$ and $c + d + e \leq 1$. Mark the vector $\frac{1}{2}(u + v + w)$ as inside or outside this pyramid.
- 23 If you look at *all* combinations of those u , v , and w , is there any vector that can't be produced from $cu + dv + ew$? Different answer if u, v, w are all in _____.

- 24** How many corners $(\pm 1, \pm 1, \pm 1, \pm 1)$ does a cube of side 2 have in 4 dimensions? What is its volume? How many 3D faces? How many edges? Find one edge.
- 25** Find *two different combinations* of the three vectors $\mathbf{u} = (1, 3)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (2, 7)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (1, 5)$ that produce $\mathbf{b} = (0, 1)$. Slightly delicate question: If I take any three vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ in the plane, will there always be two different combinations that produce $\mathbf{b} = (0, 1)$?
- 26** The linear combinations of $\mathbf{v} = (a, b)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (c, d)$ fill the plane unless _____. Find four vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}$ with four nonzero components each so that their combinations $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} + e\mathbf{w} + f\mathbf{z}$ produce all vectors in four-dimensional space.
- 27** Write down three equations for c, d, e so that $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} + e\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{b}$. Write this also as a matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. Can you somehow find c, d, e for this \mathbf{b} ?

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$