

# Math 120 QR

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# Chapter 1

## 1.1 Day 1 notes

### Definition 1.1.1: Distance Formula

Defintion:

$$|P_1P_2| = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$$



### Definition 1.1.2: Equation of a sphere

Defintion: An equation of a sphere with center  $C(h, k, l)$ , and radius  $r$  is

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 + (z - l)^2$$

In particular, if the center is the origin  $O$ , than an equation of the sphere is

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$



## 1.2 Day 2 Notes

### Definition 1.2.1: The lenght/magnitude of a vecotr

In 2D,  $\vec{v} = \langle a, b \rangle$ :  $|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

In 3D,  $\vec{v} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ :  $|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$

A unit vector is a vector of length 1



### Question 1

If  $\vec{v}$  is a vector and  $a$  is a scalar, then what is  $|a\vec{v}|$

**Solution:**

$$|a\vec{v}| = |a||\vec{v}|$$

### Definition 1.2.2: Vectors in $\mathbf{R}^3$

The standard basis vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  are

$$i = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$j = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$k = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$



### Question 2

What is special about  $i, j, k$ ?

**Solution:**

- Cannot make any of them as a linear combination of the other three.
- Any vector  $\vec{v} \in \mathbf{R}^3$  can be written uniquely as a linear combination of  $i, j, k$

### Example 1.2.1:

$$\vec{v} + \vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{v} + \vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \\ u_3 + v_3 \end{pmatrix}$$



### Definition 1.2.3: Dot product

A dot product between  $v$  and  $w$  is:

In 2D:  $v \cdot w = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2$

In 3D:  $v \cdot w = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + v_3 w_3$

Geometric definition:

$|u \cdot w| = |u||w| \cos(\theta)$  where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $v$  and  $w$



### Example 1.2.2: Why the 2 definitions are the same

$$v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 = |v||w| \cos(\theta) = p|v|$$

$$p = |w| \cos(\theta)$$

$$v_1 = |v| \cos(\theta)$$

$$v_2 = |v| \sin(\theta)$$

$$w_1 = |w| \cos(\theta)$$

$$w_2 = |w| \sin(\theta)$$

$$\text{LHS} = |v||w| (\cos(\alpha) \cos(\beta) + \sin(\alpha) \sin(\beta))$$

$$\text{LHS} = |v||w| \sin(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$\text{LHS} = |v||w| \cos(\theta) = \text{RHS}$$



### Example 1.2.3: what does the def mean

How much effect of  $\vec{w}$  act along  $\vec{v}$

Work:  $w = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{S}$



### Question 3

Find a relation between  $|v|$  and  $v \cdot v$

**Solution:**  $|v|^2 = v \cdot v$

### Question 4

$v, w$  of fixed lengths when is  $v \cdot w$  largest?

**Solution:**  $v$  parallel:  $\theta = 0$

$\cos(\theta) = 1$

### Example 1.2.4: Projections

Given  $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$

The project of  $w$  on  $v$  is  $\text{proj } w = \left( \frac{\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} \right) \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|}$

Direction of  $v$  is  $\frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|}$

Dir project of  $w$  with direction is:

$$\vec{w} \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|}$$



### Question 5

TRUE or False:

$u, v, w$ : vectors  $(u \cdot v)w = u(v \cdot w)$

**Solution:** false

### Question 6

TRUE or FALSE:

$|v - w| = |v| - |w|$  if  $v \parallel w$

**Solution:** false

### Question 7

When is this ideal square sum happening?

$$|v + w|^2 = |v|^2 + |w|^2$$

**Solution:** when  $v \perp w$

### Definition 1.2.4: Cross Product

The cross product of two vectors  $v$  and  $w$ ,  $v \times w$  is a vector  $u$  defined by  $u \perp v$  and  $u \perp w$ .

Direction of  $u$  is given by the right hand rule

Magnitude:  $|u| = \text{Area of the parallelogram spanned by } v \text{ and } w$ .



## 1.3 Day 2 Reading notes

### Definition 1.3.1: Vector Addition

If  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are vectors positioned so the initial point of  $\mathbf{v}$  is at the terminal point of  $\mathbf{u}$ , then the **sum**  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  is the vector from the initial point of  $\mathbf{u}$  to the terminal point of  $\mathbf{v}$ .



### Definition 1.3.2: Scalar Multiplication

If  $c$  is a scalar and  $\mathbf{v}$  is a vector, then the **scalar multiple**  $c\mathbf{v}$  is the vector whose length is  $|c|$  times the length of  $\mathbf{v}$  and whose direction is the same as  $\mathbf{v}$  if  $c > 0$  and is opposite to  $\mathbf{v}$  if  $c < 0$  or  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $c\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ .



### Example 1.3.1:

Given the points  $A(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2, z_2)$ , the vector  $\mathbf{a}$  with representation  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  is:

$$\mathbf{a} = \langle x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1, z_2 - z_1 \rangle$$



### Example 1.3.2:

If  $\mathbf{a} = \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \langle b_1, b_2 \rangle$ , then:

$$\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \langle a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = \langle a_1 - b_1, a_2 - b_2 \rangle$$

$$c\mathbf{a} = \langle ca_1, ca_2 \rangle$$

Similarly, for three dimensional vectors,

$$\langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle + \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle = \langle a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, a_3 + b_3 \rangle$$

$$\langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle - \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle = \langle a_1 - b_1, a_2 - b_2, a_3 - b_3 \rangle$$

$$c\langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle = \langle ca_1, ca_2, ca_3 \rangle$$



### Note:-

Properties of vectors: If  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$ , and  $\mathbf{c}$  are vectors in  $V_n$  and  $c$  and  $d$  are scalars then

- $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a}$
- $\mathbf{a} + (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{c}$
- $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{a}$
- $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a} + -\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$

- $c(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) = c\mathbf{a} + c\mathbf{b}$

- $(c + d)\mathbf{a} = c\mathbf{a} + d\mathbf{a}$

- $(cd)\mathbf{a} = c(d\mathbf{a})$

- $l\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}$

