# Section 1

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### 1 $\mathbb{R}^n$ as a Vector Space

- What is a vector?
  - A magnitude and a direction? (not all vectors in the real world can be added, so not entirely true)
  - For our course, vectors exist in vector spaces  $(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^3, \dots, \mathbb{R}^n)$
  - $-\overline{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n \rangle$
  - $-\mathbb{R}^1$  represents scalars, while  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , ...,  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are vectors
- Properties of Vectors
  - Can be added
    - $* \overline{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \rangle + \overline{w} = \langle w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n \rangle = \langle v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2, \dots, v_n + w_n \rangle$
    - \* If forming a parallelogram from the vectors, the diagonal is the sum,  $\overline{v} + \overline{w}$ , of two vectors
  - Can be scaled (scalar multiplication)
    - $* 2\overline{v} = \langle 2v_1, 2v_2, \dots, 2v_n \rangle$
    - \* Magnitude is multiplied by the factor
  - Can find magnitude (length)
    - $* |\overline{v}| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$
    - \* Ex.  $\overline{v} = \langle 2, -3 \rangle \Rightarrow |\overline{v}| = \sqrt{(2)^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{13}$
  - A vector divided by its own magnitude becomes a vector of magnitude 1 (unit vector)
    - $* |\frac{\overline{v}}{|\overline{v}|}| = 1$
    - \* Unit vectors are dimensionless (no units)
    - $\ast\,$  A vector that is by itself of length 1 is not a unit vector
    - \* A unit vector is simply a direction (all unit vectors from a given point form a circle)
  - Any non-zero vector is the product of its magnitude and its direction
    - $* \overline{v} = |\overline{v}| \cdot \frac{\overline{v}}{|\overline{v}|}$
- Linear Combinations
  - $-\overline{v}_1, \overline{v}_2, \ldots, \overline{v}_s$
  - A linear combination of  $\overline{v}_i$  is any sum of the form  $r_1\overline{v}_1 + r_2\overline{v}_2 + \cdots + r_n\overline{v}_n$ , where  $r_i$  are scalars
- Basis Vectors

$$- \mathbb{R}^n \text{ standard basis vectors: } \overline{e}_1, \overline{e}_2, \dots, \overline{e}_n \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \overline{e}_1 = \langle 1, 0, \dots, 0 \rangle \\ \overline{e}_2 = \langle 0, 1, \dots, 0 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \overline{e}_n = \langle 0, 0, \dots, 1 \rangle \end{array} \right.$$

- Any vector is a linear combination of the standard basis vectors

$$- \overline{w} = \langle w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n \rangle = w_1 \overline{e}_1 + w_2 \overline{e}_2 + \dots + w_n \overline{e}_n$$

- Ex. 
$$\overline{v} = \langle 2, -3 \rangle = 2\langle 1, 0 \rangle + -3\langle 0, 1 \rangle$$

#### • Dot Product

- The dot product of two vectors is always a scalar
- Geometric Definition:  $\overline{v} \cdot \overline{w} = |\overline{v}| |\overline{w}| \cos(\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\overline{v}$  and  $\overline{w}$

\* 
$$\overline{v} \cdot \overline{w} = 0$$
 when  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

\* 
$$\overline{v} \cdot \overline{w} > 0$$
 when  $\theta$  is acute

\* 
$$\overline{v} \cdot \overline{w} < 0$$
 when  $\theta$  is obtuse

- Algebraic Definition: 
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \overline{v} = \langle v_1, \, v_2, \, \dots, \, v_n \rangle \\ \overline{w} = \langle w_1, \, w_2, \, \dots, \, w_n \rangle \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \overline{v} \cdot \overline{w} = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + \dots + v_n w_n$$

\* 
$$Ex.$$
  $\begin{cases} \overline{v} = \langle 4, 9, 5 \rangle \\ \overline{w} = \langle 4, 10, 3 \rangle \end{cases} \Rightarrow \overline{v} \cdot \overline{w} = 4(4) + 9(10) + 5(3) = 121$ 

- Together, the two definitions yield  $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\overline{v}\cdot\overline{w}}{|\overline{v}||\overline{w}|}\right)$ 
  - \* Ex. Given  $\overline{v}$  and  $\overline{w}$  above, find the angle:  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{121}{\sqrt{122}\sqrt{125}}\right)\approx .2 \text{ rad}$
- Vector Projection
  - \* Assuming  $\overline{u}$  is a unit vector, the projection of  $\overline{F}$  onto  $\overline{u}$  can be found using:  $\operatorname{proj}_{\overline{u}}\overline{F} = (\overline{F} \cdot \overline{u}) \overline{u}$
  - \* In general, because  $\overline{u} = \frac{\overline{v}}{|\overline{v}|}$ , the formula becomes:  $\operatorname{proj}_{\overline{v}} \overline{F} = \left(\overline{F} \cdot \frac{\overline{v}}{|\overline{v}|}\right) \frac{\overline{v}}{|\overline{v}|} = \left(\frac{\overline{F} \cdot \overline{v}}{|\overline{v}|^2}\right) \overline{v}$

#### $\bullet$ Work

- $\overline{F}$  is a constant vector,  $\overline{d}$  represents the displacement work is defined as  $\overline{F}\cdot\overline{d}$
- $-W = \overline{F} \cdot \overline{d} = |\overline{F}||\overline{d}|\cos(\theta)$

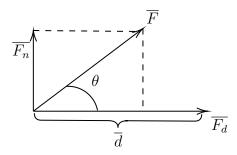


Figure 1: Diagram of Work

### 2 Lines, Planes, and Hyperplanes

### • Lines and Planes

– Ex. Given a point in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $(x_o, y_o) = p$  and a vector  $\overline{n} = \langle a, b \rangle$ , find an equation of a line passing through p and  $\perp$  to  $\overline{n}$ 

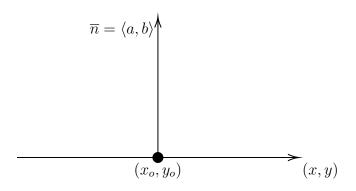


Figure 2: Finding an Equation for a Line

\* Create a vector:  $\langle x - x_o, y - y_o \rangle$ , then, by definition, dot product becomes:  $\langle a, b \rangle \cdot \langle x - x_o, y - y_o \rangle = 0$ , which yields  $ax + by - ax_o - by_o = 0$ , which can be simplified to ax + by + c = 0

- In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :  $\langle a, b, c \rangle \cdot \langle x x_o, y y_o, z z_o \rangle$  becomes  $a(x x_o) + b(y y_o) + c(z z_o) = 0$  and then ax + by + cz + d = 0, this forms a plane through point p (in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )
- Parametric Description of a Line

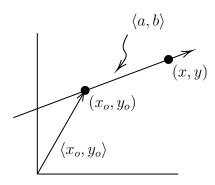


Figure 3: Parametrization

$$-\begin{cases} x(t) = x_o + ta \\ y(t) = y_o + tb \end{cases}$$
$$- \text{In } \mathbb{R}^3 : \begin{cases} x(t) = x_o + ta \\ y(t) = y_o + tb \\ z(t) = z_o + tc \end{cases}$$

- The general equation can be summed up as  $\overline{r}(t) = \overline{r}_o + t\overline{v}$ , where  $\overline{r}(t)$  generates a parametrized equation,  $\overline{r}_o$  is a position vector, t is the parameter, and  $\overline{v}$  is a vector parallel to a given equation
- To parametrize a line segment from point p to point q:

$$\overline{r}(t) = (1-t)\overline{p} + t\overline{q}, \ 0 \le t \le 1, \text{ or } 0 \xrightarrow{t} 1$$

\* Ex. Line segment from (2,1) to (3, -4): 
$$\overline{r}(t) = (1-t)\langle 2, 1 \rangle + t\langle 3, -4 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle 2+t, 1-5t \rangle$$

### • Parametric Planes

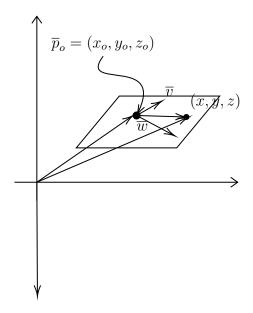


Figure 4: Parametrization of a Plane

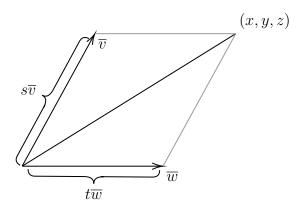


Figure 5: Specific View of Parametrization of a Plane

$$-\ \overline{r}=\overline{p}_o+s\overline{v}+t\overline{w},\ -\infty\xrightarrow{s,t}\infty$$

\*  $\overline{v}$  and  $\overline{w}$  must not be parallel to each other

## 3 The Cross Product

• Cross Product

- $-\overline{v} \times \overline{w}$  produces a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- Geometric Definition:
  - \* Magnitude:  $|\overline{v}||\overline{w}|\sin(\theta)$ ,  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$
  - \* Direction:  $\overline{v} \times \overline{w}$  is  $\perp$  to both  $\overline{v}$  and  $\overline{w}$ 
    - · Direction is uniquely determined by the right-hand rule
  - $* \overline{v} \parallel \overline{w} \Leftrightarrow \overline{v} \times \overline{w} = 0$
  - \*  $|\overline{v} \times \overline{w}|$  = the area of a parallelogram formed by  $\overline{v}$  and  $\overline{w}$
- Algebraic Definition:
  - \* A matrix is a rectangular array of numbers
  - \* Determinants:

$$\cdot \det([c]) = c$$

$$\cdot \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = ad - bc$$

$$\cdot \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}\right) = a(ei - fh) - b(di - fg) + c(dh - eg)$$

$$* \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \overline{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle \\ \overline{w} = \langle w_1, w_2, w_3 \rangle \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow$$

$$\overline{v} \times \overline{w} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{i} & \overline{j} & \overline{k} \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{bmatrix} = \langle v_2 w_3 - v_3 w_2, -v_1 w_3 - v_3 w_1, v_1 w_2 - v_2 w_1 \rangle$$

### 4 Functions of a Single Variable

- $f'(t) = \lim_{h \to 0} \left( \frac{f(t+h) f(t)}{h} \right)$
- Ex.  $f(t) = \langle t^2, t^3 \rangle \Rightarrow f'(t) = \langle 2t, 3t^2 \rangle$ 
  - Distance is found with arc length

$$\operatorname{dist} = \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \sum |\overline{p}'(t)| \, \Delta t = \int_a^b s(t) \, dt \Rightarrow \int_0^1 \sqrt{(2t)^2 + (3t^2)^2} \, dt = \frac{1}{27} \left( 13^{1.5} - 8 \right)$$

- If p(t) is position, then  $\begin{cases} p'(t) = \text{velocity} \\ p''(t) = \text{acceleration} \end{cases}$
- Ex. Given  $\overline{p}(t) = \langle \cos(t), \sin(t), t \rangle$ , find velocity and acceleration:

$$\overline{v}(t) = \overline{p}'(t) = \langle -\sin(t), \cos(t), 1 \rangle \Rightarrow \overline{a}(t) = \overline{p}''(t) = \langle -\cos(t), -\sin(t), 0 \rangle$$

$$-$$
 Speed  $= |\overline{v}(t)|$ 

$$|\overline{v}(t)| = \sqrt{(-\sin(t))^2 + (\cos(t))^2 + 1} = \sqrt{2}$$