

Week 3 - Pre-tut / Week 3 Lec exercises (proofs)

Anti-commutativity of cross product

$$\underline{a} = [a_1, a_2, a_3]$$

$$\underline{b} = [b_1, b_2, b_3]$$

$$\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = [a_2 b_3 - b_2 a_3, a_3 b_1 - b_3 a_1, a_1 b_2 - b_1 a_2]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{b} \times \underline{a} &= [b_2 a_3 - a_2 b_3, \dots] \\ &= [-(a_2 b_3 - b_2 a_3), \dots] \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \underline{a} \times \underline{b} = -(\underline{b} \times \underline{a})$$

Distributivity of cross product

$$\underline{a} \times (\underline{b} + \underline{c})$$

$$\text{let } \underline{d} = \underline{b} + \underline{c}$$

$$\begin{cases} \underline{a} = [a_1, a_2, a_3] \\ \underline{b} = [b_1, b_2, b_3] \\ \underline{c} = [c_1, c_2, c_3] \\ \underline{d} = [b_1 + c_1, b_2 + c_2, b_3 + c_3] \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{a} \times \underline{d} = [cp_1, cp_2, cp_3]$$

for any dimensional value for
the result of $\underline{a} \times \underline{d}$ represented as

$$= \underline{a}_n \underline{d}_m - \underline{d}_n \underline{a}_m \quad (n, m \in \{1, 2, 3\} \text{ and } n \neq m)$$

$$= a_n (b_m + c_m) - (b_m + c_m) a_m$$

$$= a_n b_m + a_n c_m - b_m a_m - c_m a_m$$

$$= (a_n b_m - b_m a_m) + (a_n c_m - c_m a_m)$$

$$= \underline{a} \times \underline{b} + \underline{a} \times \underline{c}$$

$$\therefore \underline{a} \times (\underline{b} + \underline{c}) = \underline{a} \times \underline{b} + \underline{a} \times \underline{c}$$

Orthogonality of Cross Product

$(\underline{a} \times \underline{b})$ is orthogonal to $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$

$(\underline{b} \times \underline{a})$

$$\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = [a_2b_3 - b_2a_3, a_3b_1 - b_3a_1, a_1b_2 - b_1a_2]$$

$$\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) = 0 \quad \therefore \underline{b} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{a}) = 0$$

$$(a_1a_2b_3 - a_1b_2a_3) + (a_2a_3b_1 - a_2b_3a_1) + (a_3a_1b_2 - a_3b_1a_2)$$

$$a_1a_2b_3 - a_1a_2b_3 + a_2a_3b_1 - a_2a_3b_1 + a_3a_1b_2 - a_3a_1b_2 = 0$$

$$\underline{b} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{a}) = 0$$

$(\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \perp \underline{a}$ and $(\underline{b} \times \underline{a}) \perp \underline{b}$

Constant Multiplication

$$c(\underline{a} \times \underline{b})$$

$$= [c(a_2b_3 - b_2a_3), c(a_3b_1 - b_3a_1), c(a_1b_2 - b_1a_2)]$$

$$= [a_2b_3c - b_2a_3c, a_3b_1c - b_3a_1c, a_1b_2c - b_1a_2c]$$

depending on how I group term

$$\text{eg. } a_n c = A_n$$

$$b_n c = B_n$$

$n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$

can be either

$$[A_2b_3 - b_2A_3, A_3b_1 - b_3A_1, A_1b_2 - b_1A_2]$$

$$[a_2B_3 - B_2a_3, a_3B_1 - B_3a_1, a_1B_2 - B_1a_2]$$

$$= \left[\begin{array}{l} \underline{A} \times \underline{b} = c \underline{a} \times \underline{b} \\ \underline{a} \times \underline{B} = \underline{a} \times c \underline{b} \end{array} \right] \quad \nabla \quad c(\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) = \left[\begin{array}{l} c(\underline{a}) \times \underline{b} \\ \text{or} \\ \underline{a} \times c(\underline{b}) \end{array} \right]$$

Week 3 - pretut



$$a = [2, -1, 2]$$

$$b = [1, 1, -1]$$

$$c = [3, 0, -4]$$

$$i) \underline{a \times b} = [-1, 4, 3]$$

$$ii) 90^\circ = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$iii) \|a \times b\| = \sqrt{1+16+9} = \sqrt{26}$$

$$iv) \sin \theta$$

θ : angle between a & b

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \overline{) 78} \\ 3 \overline{) 39} \\ \hline 13 \end{array}$$

$$\|a \times b\| = \|a\| \times \|b\| \times \sin \theta \quad 60 + 10$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{26}}{3 \times \sqrt{3}}}{1} = \frac{\sqrt{78}}{9}$$

line l (passes through $(2, 3, 5)$
direction of $[1, 3, -1]$

$$i) \underline{x} = [2, 3, 5] + t[1, 3, -1] \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$ii) \left. \begin{array}{l} x = 2 + t \\ y = 3 + 3t \\ z = 5 - t \end{array} \right) t \in \mathbb{R}$$