

# **Calculus III**

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# Introduction

Much of our focus will be on Stoke's Theorem.

# Three-Dimensional Space

In past math classes, we have been used to dealing in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  where we work with two degrees of freedom:  $x$  and  $y$ . Now, we will be working in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with three degrees of freedom:  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

## 2.1 Points

### Definition 2.1.1 ► Point

A **point** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  space is an  $n$ -tuple that specifies a location in that space.

$$p = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

### Definition 2.1.2 ► Distance

Given two points  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the **distance** between the two points is defined as:

$$d(a, b) := \sqrt{(b_1 - a_1)^2 + \dots + (b_n - a_n)^2}$$

### Example 2.1.1 ► Distance Between Points

Find the distance between  $p_1 = (-1, -1, 4)$  and  $p_2 = (-1, 4, -1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} d(p_1, p_2) &= \sqrt{(-1 - (-1))^2 + (4 - (-1))^2 + (-1 - 1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{0^2 + 5^2 + (-5)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{50} \end{aligned}$$

### Definition 2.1.3 ► Sphere

Given a point  $c = (h, k, l) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , a **sphere** is the set of all points  $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  that are a distance  $r$  from the point  $c = (h, k, l)$ .

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

Note that all the points of the sphere are equidistant to the center of the sphere. This means

the sphere is really a hollow shell.

### Example 2.1.2 ► Circle

Show that the following quadratic equation represents a circle by rewriting it in standard form. Find the center  $c = (h, k)$  and the radius  $r$ .

$$x^2 + y^2 + x = 0$$

To solve this, we will have to complete the square:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + x + y^2 &= 0 \\ \implies x^2 + x + \frac{1}{4} + y^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \\ \implies \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + y^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

### Definition 2.1.4 ► Cylinder

Given a planar curve  $c$ , the surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined by all parallel lines crossing the curve  $c$  is called a **cylinder**.

Similarly, the set of all points  $(x, y, z)$  such that  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy  $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$  forms a circular cylinder. Note that our broad definition of cylinder does not require the cylinder to be circular.

Regarding the quadrants:

$$Q1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x > 0, y > 0\}$$

$$Q4 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x > 0, y < 0\}$$

## 2.2 Vectors

### Definition 2.2.1 ► Vector

A **vector** is a mathematical object that contains multiple objects of the same type.

$$\vec{v} = \langle v_1, \dots, v_n \rangle \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

As customary in most mathematics textbooks, we will always denote vectors using the little

arrow thing. In the context of three-dimensional space, we will only be working with vectors with three components. In addition, we will think of vectors as having a magnitude and direction.

### Definition 2.2.2 ► Scalar Multiplication

Given a vector  $\vec{v}$  and scalar  $k$ , we define **scalar multiplication** as:

$$k \cdot \vec{v} := \langle kv_1, \dots, kv_n \rangle$$

Note that scalar multiplication is associative, commutative, and distributive.

- $a(b\vec{v}) = b(a(\vec{v})) = (ab)\vec{v}$
- $(k_1 + k_2)\vec{v} = k_1\vec{v} + k_2\vec{v}$
- $k(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = k\vec{v} + k\vec{w}$

### Definition 2.2.3 ► Norm

A vector's **norm** is its magnitude or length.

$$\|\vec{v}\| := \sqrt{v_1^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$$

### Definition 2.2.4 ► Unit Vector

A **unit vector** is a vector whose magnitude is 1.

We will introduce shorthand notation for the three standard unit vectors:

- $\hat{i} := \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$
- $\hat{j} := \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$
- $\hat{k} := \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$

These three vectors form the **standard basis** for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . That is, we can express any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  as a linear combination of  $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$ .

### Technique 2.2.1 ► Finding a Unit Vector from a Given Vector

Given a vector  $\vec{v} = \langle x, y, z \rangle \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , we can find the **unit vector**  $\vec{u}$  with the same direction

by:

$$\vec{u} = \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|} = \left\langle \frac{x}{\|\vec{v}\|}, \frac{y}{\|\vec{v}\|}, \frac{z}{\|\vec{v}\|} \right\rangle$$

### Definition 2.2.5 ► Dot Product

Given two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  whose cardinality are both  $n$ , we define the **dot product** of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  as:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} := a_1 b_1 + \cdots + a_n b_n$$

Like scalar multiplication, dot product is also associative, commutative, and distributive.

### Theorem 2.2.1 ► Angle Between Vectors

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are vectors and  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ , then:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\| \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

*Proof.* TODO: finish proof



### Definition 2.2.6 ► Parallel, Perpendicular

- Two vectors are **parallel** if the angle between the vectors is 0 deg.
- Two vectors are **perpendicular** if the angle between the vectors is 90 deg.

### Definition 2.2.7 ► Orthogonal

$\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are **orthogonal** if  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$ .

Given a vector  $\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$ , we have:

$$\frac{\vec{a}}{\|\vec{a}\|} = \langle \cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma \rangle$$

where:

- $\alpha = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{a_1}{\|\vec{a}\|} \right)$  (angle between  $\vec{a}$  and the x-axis)
- $\beta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{a_2}{\|\vec{a}\|} \right)$  (angle between  $\vec{a}$  and the y-axis)
- $\gamma = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{a_3}{\|\vec{a}\|} \right)$  (angle between  $\vec{a}$  and the z-axis)

**Definition 2.2.8 ► Work**

If  $F$  is a force moving a particle from a point  $p$  to a point  $q$ , the **work** performed by the force is given by:

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{PQ}$$

**Example 2.2.1 ► Finding Work**

Find the work done by a force  $\vec{F} = \langle 3, 4, 5 \rangle$  in moving an object from  $p = (2, 1, 0)$  to  $q = (4, 6, 2)$ .

First, we find  $\vec{pq}$  as such:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{pq} &= \langle 4 - 2, 6 - 1, 2 - 0 \rangle \\ &= \langle 2, 5, 2 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Then, we can find work:

$$\begin{aligned}W &= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{PQ} \\ &= \langle 3, 4, 5 \rangle \cdot \langle 2, 5, 2 \rangle \\ &= 6 + 20 + 10 \\ &= 36\end{aligned}$$



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