

SIT787: Mathematics for AI

Practical Week 2

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1. For these vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Find $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}, 2\mathbf{u} + 3\mathbf{v}$
- Find the cosine between these two vectors and their lengths
- Find the distance between them.

$$\vec{\mathbf{u}} + \vec{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0+1 \\ 4+0 \\ -1+3 \\ 2+(-1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{u}} - \vec{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0-1 \\ 4-0 \\ -1-3 \\ 2-(-1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2\vec{\mathbf{u}} + 3\vec{\mathbf{v}} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2(0) \\ 2(4) \\ 2(-1) \\ 2(2) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3(1) \\ 3(0) \\ 3(3) \\ 3(-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

a linear combination

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 9 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

cosine between two vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v}

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{u}| |\vec{v}|}$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = (0)(1) + (4)(0) + (-1)(3) + (2)(-1) \\ = 0 + 0 - 3 - 2 = -5$$

$$|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{(0)^2 + (4)^2 + (-1)^2 + (2)^2} = \sqrt{0+16+1+4} = \sqrt{21}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{(1)^2 + (0)^2 + (3)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{1+0+9+1} = \sqrt{11}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{21} \sqrt{11}} = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{231}}$$

$$\boxed{(\sqrt{a})(\sqrt{b}) = \sqrt{ab}}$$

The distance between two vectors

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{dist}(\vec{u}, \vec{v}) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (u_i - v_i)^2}$$

$$\text{dist}(\vec{u}, \vec{v}) = \sqrt{(0-1)^2 + (4-0)^2 + (-1+3)^2 + (2-(-1))^2} \\ = \sqrt{1+16+16+9} = \sqrt{42}$$

2. Are these vectors linearly independent?

①

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

②

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \\ -15 \end{bmatrix}$$

③

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let we have a set of vectors $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$. These vectors are called independent if a linear combination of vectors is zero vector, we can conclude that all the coefficients are zero.

If $c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \vec{v}_k = \vec{0}$, then $c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_k = 0$.

a linear combination

① Let $c_1 \vec{u} + c_2 \vec{v} = \vec{0}$

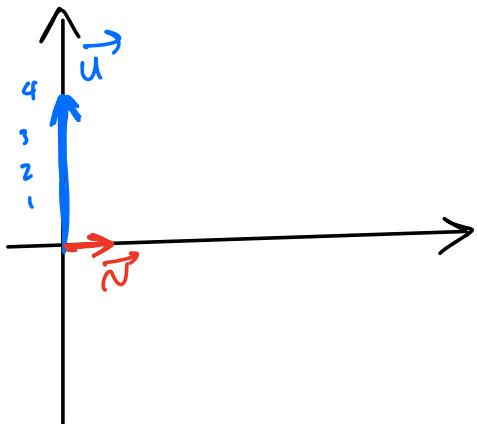
$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4c_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_2 \\ 4c_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_2 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow 4c_1 = 0 \rightarrow c_1 = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = 0$$

these two vectors are independent.



② Let $c_1 \vec{u} + c_2 \vec{n} = \vec{0}$

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4c_1 + 10c_2 \\ 2c_1 + 5c_2 \\ -6c_1 - 15c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 4c_1 + 10c_2 = 0 \\ 2c_1 + 5c_2 = 0 \\ -6c_1 - 15c_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

from the first equation $4c_1 + 10c_2 = 0$

$$4c_1 = -10c_2$$

$$c_1 = \frac{-10c_2}{4} = -\frac{5}{2}c_2$$

I plug this value in the 2nd equation

$$2c_1 + 5c_2 = 0 \rightarrow 2\left(-\frac{5}{2}c_2\right) + 5c_2 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow -5c_2 + 5c_2 = 0 \rightarrow 0 = 0$$

This is a trivial identity.

We need to try the third equation as well:

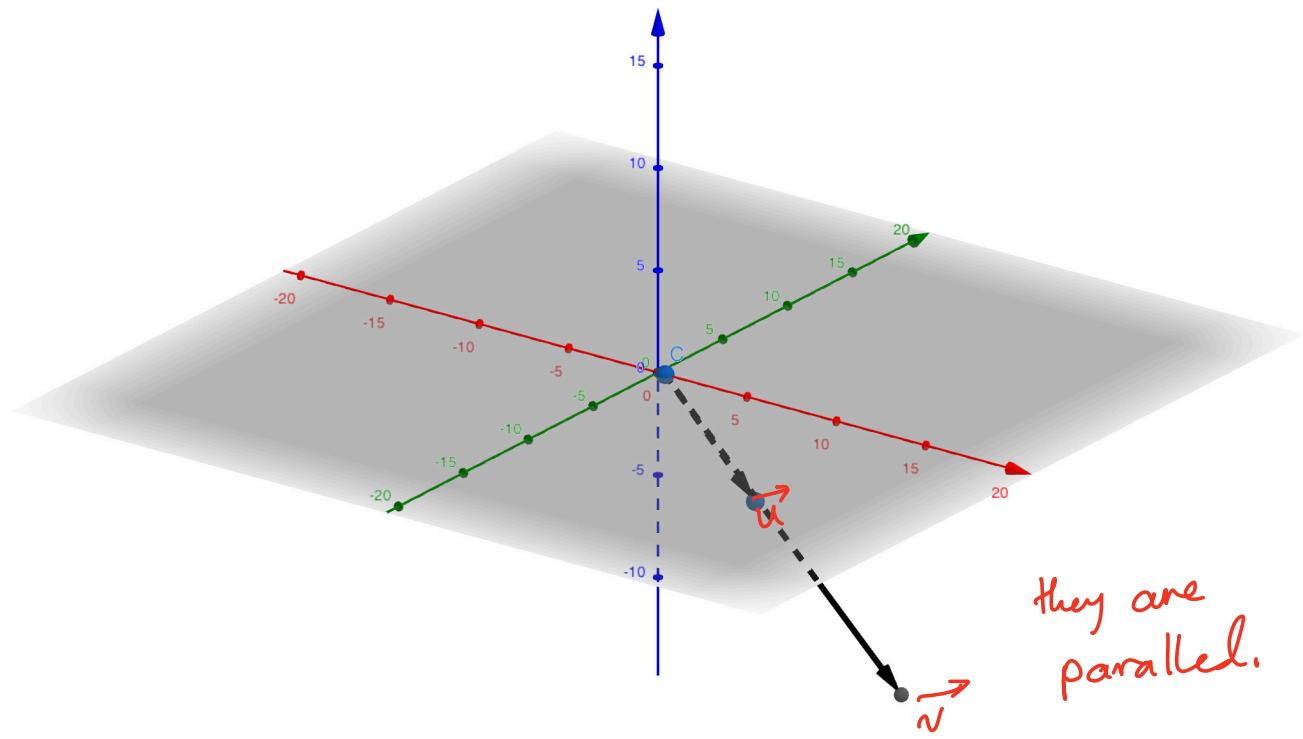
If I plug $c_1 = -\frac{5}{2}c_2$ in the third equation, I will get

$$-6c_1 - 15c_2 = 0$$

$$-6\left(-\frac{5}{2}c_2\right) - 15c_2 = 0$$

$$15c_2 - 15c_2 = 0 \rightarrow 0 = 0$$

This is a trivial identity. We did not conclude that $c_1 = c_2 = 0$. therefore, these two vectors are not independent.



The reason we need to check all the equations is seen in the following example. Imagine, the vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v} are defined as follows:

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \\ -14 \end{bmatrix}$$

I just slightly altered the 3rd component of \vec{v} to check their linear dependency, I

need to solve the following system:

$$\begin{cases} 4C_1 + 10C_2 = 0 \rightarrow C_1 = -\frac{5}{2}C_2 \\ 2C_1 + 5C_2 = 0 \quad \textcircled{II} \\ -6C_1 - 14C_2 = 0 \quad \textcircled{III} \end{cases}$$

If I plug $C_1 = -\frac{5}{2}C_2$ in the second equation, I get $0=0$. However, if I plug $C_1 = -\frac{5}{2}C_2$ in the third equation, I get

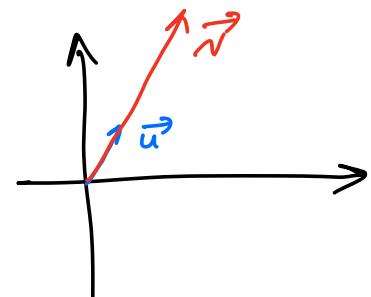
$$-6\left(-\frac{5}{2}C_2\right) - 14C_2 = 0 \rightarrow 15C_2 - 14C_2 = 0 \\ \rightarrow \boxed{C_2 = 0} \quad \text{if } C_2 \geq 0 \text{ then } C_1 = -\frac{5}{2}C_2 = 0.$$

Then we get $C_1 = C_2 = 0$ and \vec{u}, \vec{v} are independent. So, we need to check all the equations.

$$③ \text{ Let } c_1 \vec{u} + c_2 \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_1 + 3c_2 \\ 2c_1 + 6c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 + 3c_2 = 0 \\ 2c_1 + 6c_2 = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow c_1 = -3c_2 \quad \text{plug in the 2nd eq.}$$



$$2(-3c_2) + 6c_2 = 0 \rightarrow -6c_2 + 6c_2 = 0 \rightarrow 0=0.$$

We did not conclude that $c_1 = c_2 = 0 \rightarrow$ they are not indep.

3. For these vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Find the projection of \mathbf{v} over \mathbf{u} : $\mathbf{a}_1 = \text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}}^{\mathbf{v}}$
- Find $\mathbf{a}_2 = \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{a}_1$ using the definition.
- Are \mathbf{a}_1 and \mathbf{a}_2 perpendicular (orthogonal)?
- The formulas

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} \right) \mathbf{u}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 = \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{a}_1 = \mathbf{v} - \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} \right) \mathbf{u}$$

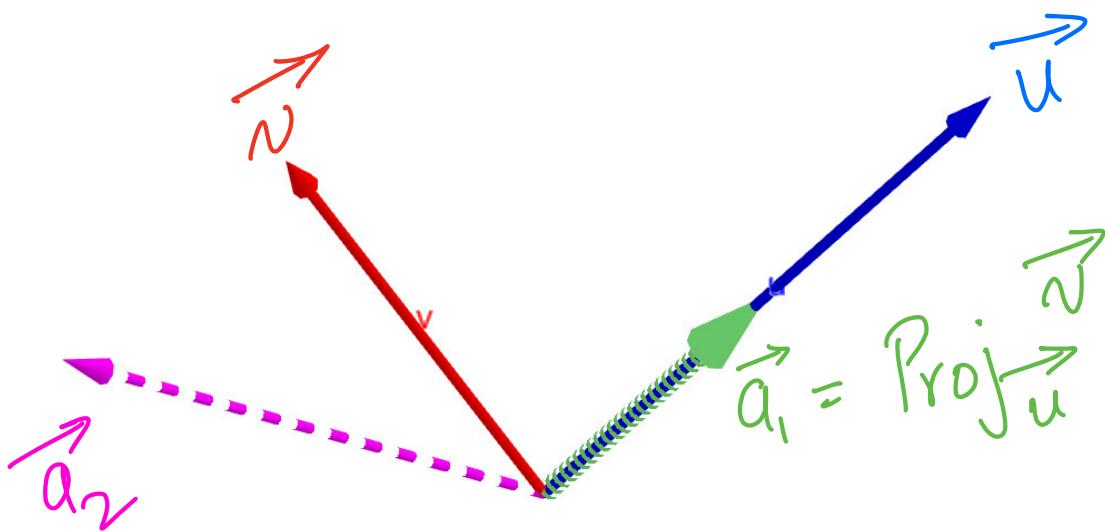
$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = (1)(0) + (0)(-1) + (1)(1) = 0 + 0 + 1 = 1$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} = (1)(1) + (0)(0) + (1)(1) = 1 + 0 + 1 = 2$$

$$\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ -1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$



To show that \vec{a}_1 and \vec{a}_2 are perpendicular,
 I need to show that their dot product is
 zero. Let's check it:

$$\vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ -1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + (0)(-1) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} + 0 + \frac{1}{4} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_1 \perp \vec{a}_2$$

4. which two vectors are more similar considering both the distance and cosine of an angle between them?

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Table of cos(angle)

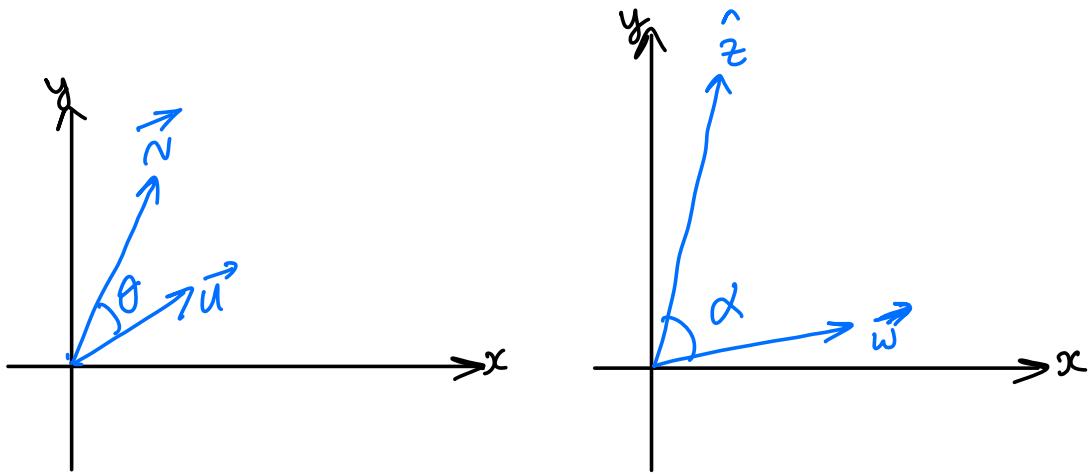
Angle	cos(a)
0.0	1.00
1.0	.9998
2.0	.9994
3.0	.9986
4.0	.9976
5.0	.9962
6.0	.9945
7.0	.9926
8.0	.9903
9.0	.9877
10.0	.9848
11.0	.9816
12.0	.9781
13.0	.9744
14.0	.9703
15.0	.9659
16.0	.9613
17.0	.9563
18.0	.9511
19.0	.9455
20.0	.9397
21.0	.9336
22.0	.9272
23.0	.9205
24.0	.9135

Angle	cos(a)
25.0	.9063
26.0	.8988
27.0	.8910
28.0	.8829
29.0	.8746
30.0	.8660
31.0	.8571
32.0	.8480
33.0	.8387
34.0	.8290
35.0	.8191
36.0	.8090
37.0	.7986
38.0	.7880
39.0	.7772
40.0	.7660
41.0	.7547
42.0	.7431
43.0	.7314
44.0	.7193
45.0	.7071

Angle	cos(a)
46.0	.6947
47.0	.6820
48.0	.6691
49.0	.6561
50.0	.6428
51.0	.6293
52.0	.6157
53.0	.6018
54.0	.5878
55.0	.5736
56.0	.5592
57.0	.5446
58.0	.5299
59.0	.5150
60.0	.5000
61.0	.4848
62.0	.4695
63.0	.4540
64.0	.4384
65.0	.4226
66.0	.4067
67.0	.3907
68.0	.3746
69.0	.3584
70.0	.3420

Angle	cos(a)
71.0	.3256
72.0	.3090
73.0	.2924
74.0	.2756
75.0	.2588
76.0	.2419
77.0	.2249
78.0	.2079
79.0	.1908
80.0	.1736
81.0	.1564
82.0	.1392
83.0	.1219
84.0	.1045
85.0	.0872
86.0	.0698
87.0	.0523
88.0	.0349
89.0	.0174
90.0	0.0

As the angle getting closer and closer to zero, the cosine is getting closer and closer to 1.



as $\theta < \alpha$, then \vec{u} and \vec{v} are more similar than \vec{w} and \vec{z} .

$$| > \cos(\theta) > \cos(\alpha).$$

To solve this problem, we find cos of angle between each pair of vectors, and observe which one is closer to 1.

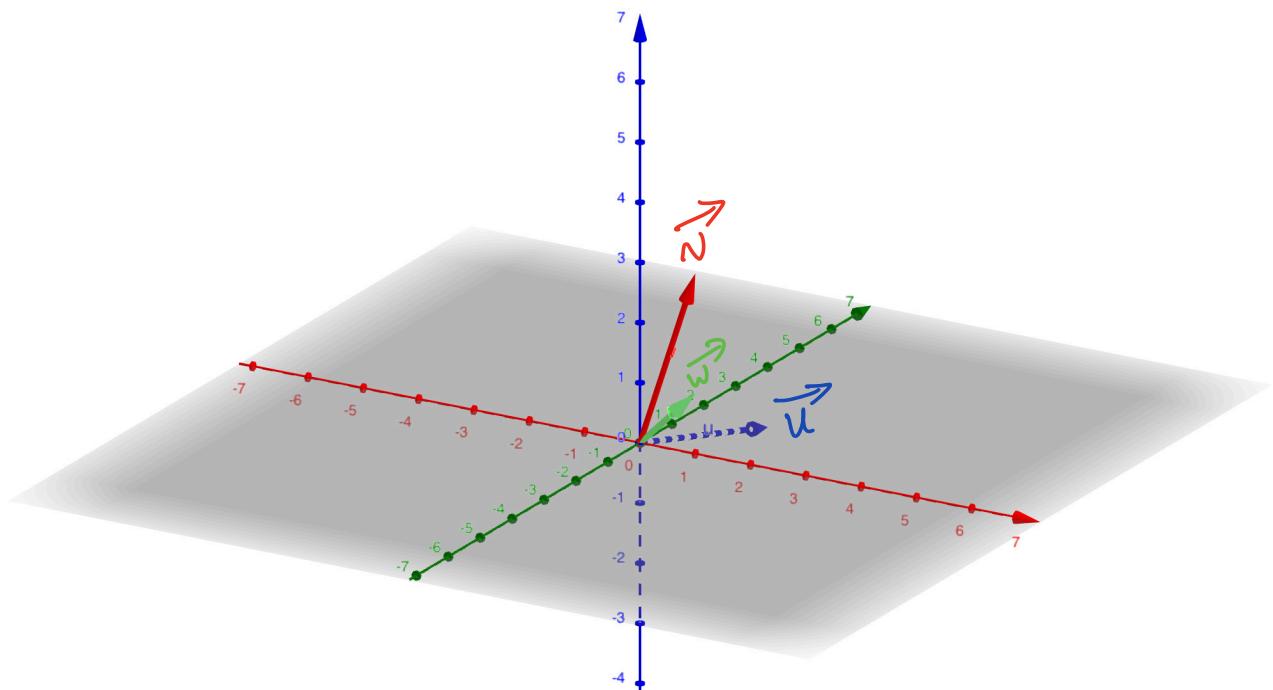
$$\cos(\theta_{u,v}) = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{u}| |\vec{v}|} = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{21} \sqrt{11}} = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{231}} \approx -0.3 \quad \theta_{u,v} \approx 109.2^\circ$$

$$\cos(\theta_{u,w}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{21} \sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{63}} \approx 0.12 \quad \theta_{u,w} \approx 82.7^\circ$$

$$\cos(\theta_{v,w}) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{11} \sqrt{3}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{33}} \approx 0.5 \quad \theta_{v,w} \approx 58.5^\circ$$

vectors \vec{N} and \vec{w} are more similar

as the angle with them is smaller
than others. Equivalently, the cosine of
angle between \vec{v} and \vec{w} is closer to 1
regarding others.



5. Find all the norms for these vectors:

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

norms that we learnt :

For $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

- 1-norm

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$$

- 2-norm (Euclidean norm)

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

- p -norm

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad p \geq 1$$

- ∞ -norm or max norm

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = \max_{i=1,\dots,n} |x_i|$$

$$\|\vec{u}\|_1 = (|0| + |4| + |-1| + |2|) = (0 + 4 + 1 + 2) = 7$$

$$\|\vec{u}\|_2 = \sqrt{(0)^2 + (4)^2 + (-1)^2 + (2)^2} = \sqrt{0 + 16 + 1 + 4} = \sqrt{21}$$

$$\|\vec{u}\|_p = \sqrt[p]{|0|^p + |4|^p + |-1|^p + |2|^p} = \sqrt[p]{4^p + 2^p + 1}$$

$$\|\vec{u}\|_\infty = \max \{|0|, |4|, |-1|, |2|\} = \max \{0, 4, 1, 2\} = 4$$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_1 = |1| + |0| + |3| + |-1| = 1 + 0 + 3 + 1 = 5$$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_2 = \sqrt{|1|^2 + |0|^2 + |3|^2 + |-1|^2} = \sqrt{1+0+9+1} = \sqrt{11}$$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_p = \sqrt[p]{|1|^p + |0|^p + |3|^p + |-1|^p} = \sqrt[p]{1+0+3^p+1} = \sqrt[p]{3^p+2}$$

$$\|\vec{v}\|_\infty = \max \{|1|, |0|, |3|, |-1|\} = \{1, 0, 3, 1\} = 3$$

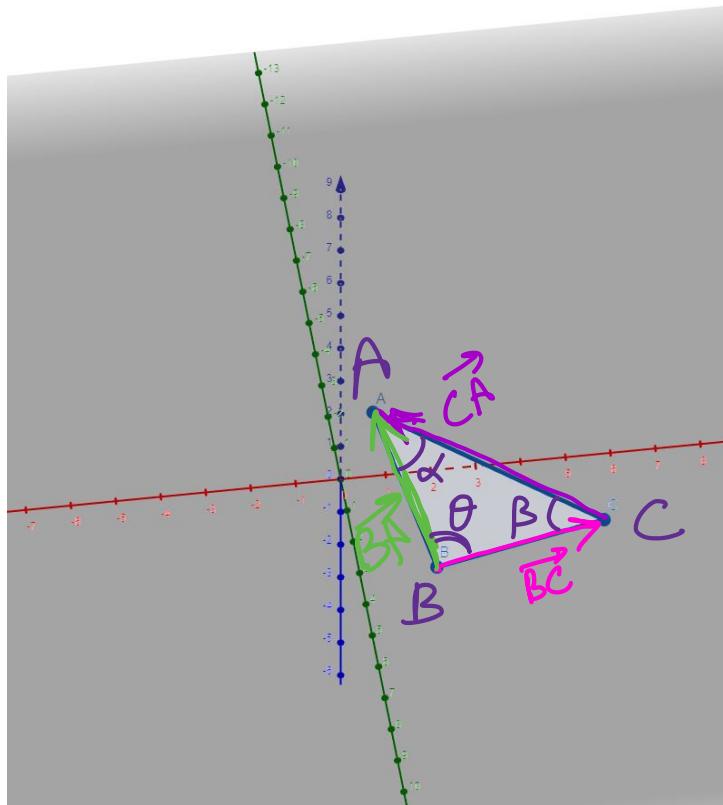
$$\|\vec{\omega}\|_1 = |1| + |0| + |1| + |1| = 3$$

$$\|\vec{\omega}\|_2 = \sqrt{|1|^2 + |0|^2 + |1|^2 + |1|^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\|\vec{\omega}\|_p = \sqrt[p]{|1|^p + |0|^p + |1|^p + |1|^p} = \sqrt[p]{1+0+1+1} = \sqrt[4]{3}$$

$$\|\vec{\omega}\|_\infty = \max \{|1|, |0|, |1|, |1|\} = 1$$

6. Which of the angles (if any) of triangle $\triangle ABC$, with $A = (1, -2, 0)$, $B = (2, 1, -2)$ and $C = (6, -1, -3)$ is a right angle?



the vector from B to A

$$\overrightarrow{BA} = \begin{bmatrix} x_A - x_B \\ y_A - y_B \\ z_A - z_B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2 \\ -2 - 1 \\ 0 - (-2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

the vector from B to C

$$\overrightarrow{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

the vector from C to A

$$\overrightarrow{CA} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

we need to see any pair of these vectors are perpendicular. In other words, is the dot product between them is zero.

$$\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC} = (-1)(-4) + (-3)(2) + (2)(1) = 4 - 6 + 2 = 0$$

$$\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{CA} = (-1)(-5) + (-3)(-1) + (2)(3) = 5 + 3 + 6 = 14$$

$$\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{CA} = (-4)(-5) + (2)(-1) + (1)(3) = 20 - 2 + 3 = 21$$

$$\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC} = 0 \implies \vec{BA} \perp \vec{BC}$$

the angle \hat{B} is a right angle.

Let's find the angles between the vectors:

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC}}{\|\vec{BA}\| \|\vec{BC}\|} = \frac{0}{\|\vec{BA}\| \|\vec{BC}\|} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$$

angle between \vec{BA} and \vec{CA}

$$\cos(\alpha) = \frac{\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{CA}}{\|\vec{BA}\| \|\vec{CA}\|} = \frac{14}{\sqrt{14} \sqrt{35}} = \frac{14}{22.13}$$

$$\|\vec{BA}\| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-3)^2 + (2)^2} \\ = \sqrt{1+9+4} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$\|\vec{CA}\| = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (-1)^2 + (3)^2} \\ = \sqrt{25+1+9} = \sqrt{35}$$

$$\simeq 0.63$$

$$\alpha = \arccos(0.63)$$

$$\alpha \simeq 51^\circ$$

Angle between \vec{BC} and \vec{CA}

$$\cos(\beta) = \frac{\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{CA}}{\|\vec{BC}\| \|\vec{CA}\|} = \frac{21}{\sqrt{21} \sqrt{35}}$$

$$\|\vec{BC}\| = \sqrt{(-4)^2 + (2)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{16+4+1} = \sqrt{21}$$

$$\|\vec{CA}\| = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (-1)^2 + (3)^2} = \sqrt{35}$$

$$\cos(\beta) = \frac{21}{\sqrt{21} \sqrt{35}} \simeq \frac{21}{27.11} \simeq 0.77$$

$$\beta \simeq \arccos(0.77) = 39^\circ$$

check point: $\alpha + \beta + \theta =$

$$51^\circ + 39^\circ + 90^\circ = 180^\circ \checkmark$$