

17C3

Last Day

Triple product:

$$\underline{\vec{u}} \cdot (\underline{\vec{v}} \times \underline{\vec{w}})$$

- always a scalar quantity

determinant!

$$\underline{\vec{u}} \cdot (\underline{\vec{v}} \times \underline{\vec{w}}) = \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} = \det [\underline{\vec{u}} | \underline{\vec{v}} | \underline{\vec{w}}]$$

$$\text{If any of } \underline{\vec{u}}, \underline{\vec{v}}, \underline{\vec{w}} = \underline{\vec{0}} \Rightarrow \underline{\vec{u}} \cdot (\underline{\vec{v}} \times \underline{\vec{w}}) = 0$$

$$\text{If any of } \underline{\vec{u}}, \underline{\vec{v}}, \underline{\vec{w}} \text{ parallel} \Rightarrow \underline{\vec{u}} \cdot (\underline{\vec{v}} \times \underline{\vec{w}}) = 0$$

$$\text{Swap any 2 vector} \Leftrightarrow \underline{\text{swap 2 rows}} \Leftrightarrow \underline{\text{sign change}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\vec{u}} \cdot (\underline{\vec{v}} \times \underline{\vec{w}}) &= -\underline{\vec{v}} \cdot (\underline{\vec{u}} \times \underline{\vec{w}}) = \underline{\vec{w}} \cdot (\underline{\vec{u}} \times \underline{\vec{v}}) \\ &= -\underline{\vec{w}} \cdot (\underline{\vec{v}} \times \underline{\vec{u}}) \end{aligned}$$

& don't forget  $|\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w})| =$  <sup>volume</sup> ~~area~~ of parallelepiped  
generated by  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}$ .

eg. Find the volume of the parallelepiped generated by  
 $\vec{u} = (1, -1, 2)$      $\vec{v} = (0, 1, 3)$      $\vec{w} = (2, 0, 0)$

Solution

$$\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \cdot (-3 - 2) \\ = -10$$

$$\text{Area} = |\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w})| = |-10| = \boxed{10}$$

## Real Vector Space Axioms

V is a set  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in V, \quad k, l \in \mathbb{R}.$

V is a real vector space (& its elements are vectors) iff.

Addition

1)  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in V$

"closed under addn."

2)  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$

3)  $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$   
 $= \vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w}$

4) There exists a unique  $\vec{0}$   
such that  $\vec{u} + \vec{0} = \vec{u}$

5) For each  $\vec{u}$ , there exists a " $-\vec{u}$ "  
such that  $\vec{u} + (-\vec{u}) = \vec{0}$

Multiplication (by scalar)

6)  $k\vec{u} \in V$

"closed under scalar multn."

7)  $k(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = k\vec{u} + k\vec{v}$

8)  $(k+l)\vec{u} = k\vec{u} + l\vec{u}$

9)  $(kl)\vec{u} = k(l\vec{u})$

10)  $1\vec{u} = \vec{u}$

Examples

$$\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^n,$$

$$M_{mn}$$

(space of  $m \times n$  matrices!)

$$\mathbb{R}^2, \{ \vec{0} \}$$

e.g.

$\mathbb{C}$

- usual addition

- scalar mult. by real  $k$

Check by explicitly testing each of 10 axioms! (checklist!)

$$\text{e.g. } \underline{\text{for}} \quad k(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = k\vec{u} + k\vec{v}$$

$$\vec{u} = a + ib \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \vec{v} = c + id \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \underline{k \in \mathbb{R}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.S.} \quad k(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) &= k(a + ib + c + id) = k(a + c + i(b + d)) \\ &= ka + kc + ikb + ikd. \end{aligned}$$

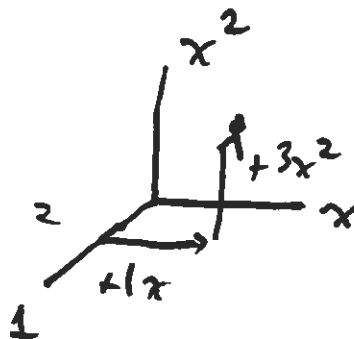
notice Computed in order gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_S &= k\vec{u} + k\vec{v} = k(a+ib) + k(c+id) \\ &= ka + ikb + kc + ikd = \underline{L_S} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{R_S = L_S} \quad \text{H} > \text{ holds}$$

9. Parabolas are a vector space!  
(and low order)

$$\text{ie } \mathbb{P}_2 = \{ ax^2 + bx + c, a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \}$$



$$\underline{(c, b, a)} = \underline{c \cdot 1 + b \cdot x + a \cdot x^2}$$

$$\underline{(2, 1, 3)} = \underline{2 + x + 3x^2}$$

eg.  $IP_1, IP_4, IP_n =$  polynomial space order  $n$ .

$IP_\infty = \underline{\text{Taylor series space}}$

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eg Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^+ = \{x \mid x > 0\}$

Let  $\vec{x} = x \in \mathbb{R}^+, \vec{y} = y \in \mathbb{R}^+$

Define  $\vec{x} + \vec{y} = xy$       Define  $k\vec{x} = x^k$

Check axiom 5 "Is there a unique  $\vec{0}$ ?"

Let  $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$ , if it exists

$$\Rightarrow \vec{u} + \vec{b} = \underline{u} \underline{b} = \underline{u} = \vec{u}$$

$$\underline{b=1}$$

$$1 \in \mathbb{R}^+ \checkmark$$

uniquely!

$$\vec{1} = \vec{0}$$