

# Advanced Engineering Mathematics Vectors, Matrices, and Vector Calculus by Dennis G. Zill Problems

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# 1 Vectors

## 1.1 Vectors in 2-Space

### 1.1.1

- (a)  $3\mathbf{a} = 6\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j}$
- (b)  $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}$
- (c)  $\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = 3\mathbf{i}$
- (d)  $\|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}\| = \sqrt{1 + 8^2} = \sqrt{65}$
- (e)  $\|\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}\| = 3$

### 1.1.9

- (a)  $4\mathbf{a} - 2\mathbf{b} = \langle 6, -14 \rangle$
- (b)  $-3\mathbf{a} - 5\mathbf{b} = \langle 2, 4 \rangle$

### 1.1.15

$$\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} = \langle 2, 5 \rangle$$

### 1.1.19

$$(1, 18)$$

### 1.1.21

- (a) Yes
- (b) Yes
- (c) Yes
- (d) No
- (e) Yes
- (f) Yes

### 1.1.25

- (a)  $\frac{\mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|} = \frac{\langle 2, 2 \rangle}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \langle 2, 2 \rangle = \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle$
- (b)  $\langle -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle$

### 1.1.31

$$2 \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|} = 2 \frac{\langle 3, 7 \rangle}{\sqrt{3^2 + 7^2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{58}} \langle 3, 7 \rangle = \langle \frac{6}{\sqrt{58}}, \frac{14}{\sqrt{58}} \rangle$$

**1.1.37**

$$\mathbf{x} = -(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})$$

**1.1.41**

$$\mathbf{a} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{i} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})$$

$$\mathbf{j} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{c})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a} &= 2\left(\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})\right) + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{c})\right) \\ &= \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c} + \frac{3}{2}\mathbf{b} - \frac{3}{2}\mathbf{c} \\ &= \frac{5}{2}\mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}\end{aligned}$$

**1.1.43**

$$y = \frac{1}{4}x^2 + 1$$

$$y(2) = 2$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$y'(2) = 1$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \pm\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$$

**1.1.45**

(a)

$$\mathbf{F}_n = \mathbf{F} \cos \theta$$

$$\mathbf{F}_g = \mathbf{F} \sin \theta$$

$$||\mathbf{F}_f|| = \mu ||\mathbf{F}_n||$$

$$||-\mathbf{F}_g|| = \mu ||\mathbf{F}_n||$$

$$||-\mathbf{F} \sin \theta|| = \mu ||\mathbf{F} \cos \theta||$$

$$||\mathbf{F}|| \sin \theta = \mu ||\mathbf{F}|| \cos \theta$$

$$\tan \theta = \mu$$

(b)  $\theta = \arctan \mu \approx 31^\circ$

### 1.1.47

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_x &= \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{-a}^a \frac{L dy}{2a(L^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \\
 &= \frac{LqQ}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{-a}^a (L^2 + y^2)^{-3/2} dy \\
 &= \frac{LqQ}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2a}{L^2\sqrt{a^2 + L^2}} \\
 &= \frac{aqQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 L\sqrt{a^2 + L^2}} \\
 F_y &= -\frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{-a}^a \frac{y dy}{2a(L^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \\
 &= 0 \\
 \mathbf{F} &= \left\langle \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qQ}{L\sqrt{a^2 + L^2}}, 0 \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

### 1.1.49

Let the three sides of the triangle be vectors **a**, **b**, and **c**. The triangle is closed so it must be the case that

$$\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c} = 0.$$

This gives

$$\mathbf{c} = -(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}).$$

The vector from the midpoint of side **a** to the midpoint of side **b** is

$$\left(\mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{b}\right) - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})$$

which is parallel with **c** and half its length.

## 1.2 Vectors in 3-Space

### 1.2.7

A plane at  $z = 5$  parallel with the  $x$ - $y$  plane.

### 1.2.9

A line parallel to the  $z$  axis at  $x = 2$  and  $y = 3$ .

**1.2.13**

(a)  $(0, 5, 4), (-2, 0, 4), (-2, 5, 0)$

(b)  $(-2, 5, -2)$

(c)  $(3, 5, 4)$

**1.2.15**

The planes  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ , and  $z = 0$ .

**1.2.17**

$(-1, 2, -3)$

**1.2.19**

The planes  $z = \pm 5$ .

**1.2.21**

$$\sqrt{(6-3)^2 + (4+1)^2 + (8-2)^2} = \sqrt{9+25+36} = \sqrt{70}$$

**1.2.31**

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{(2-x)^2 + (1-2)^2 + (1-3)^2} &= \sqrt{21} \\ (2-x)^2 + 1 + 4 &= 21 \\ (2-x)^2 &= 16 \\ 2-x &= \pm 4 \\ x &= 2 \pm 4 \\ &= -2 \text{ or } 6\end{aligned}$$

**1.2.33**

$(4, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2})$

**1.2.37**

$(-3, -6, 1)$

**1.3 Dot Product****1.3.1**

$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 12$

**1.3.11**

$$\left(\frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b}}\right) \mathbf{b} = \frac{12}{30} \mathbf{b} = \left\langle -\frac{2}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 2 \right\rangle$$

**1.3.13**

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \cos \theta = 25\sqrt{2}$$

**1.3.17**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{v} &= 0 \\ 3x_1 + y_1 - 1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{v} &= 0 \\ -3x_1 + 2y_2 + 2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3y_2 + 1 &= 0 \\ y_2 &= -\frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x_1 - \frac{1}{3} - 1 &= 0 \\ x_1 &= \frac{4}{9} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \left\langle \frac{4}{9}, -\frac{1}{3}, 1 \right\rangle$$

**1.3.19**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c} &= \mathbf{a} \cdot \left( \mathbf{b} - \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} \mathbf{a} \right) \\ &= \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} - \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**1.3.21**

$$||\mathbf{a}|| = \sqrt{3^2 + 1^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{10}$$

$$||\mathbf{b}|| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{8}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 4$$

$$\theta = \arccos \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{||\mathbf{a}|| ||\mathbf{b}||}$$

$$= \arccos \frac{4}{(\sqrt{10})(2\sqrt{2})}$$

$$= \arccos \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\approx 63^\circ$$

**1.3.25**

$$||\mathbf{a}|| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{14}$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}$$

$$\alpha \approx 75^\circ$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}$$

$$\beta \approx 58^\circ$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$$

$$\gamma \approx 37^\circ$$



1.3.29

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overrightarrow{AD} &= \langle s, -s, s \rangle \\
 \|\overrightarrow{AD}\| &= s\sqrt{3} \\
 \overrightarrow{AB} &= \langle s, 0, 0 \rangle \\
 \|\overrightarrow{AB}\| &= s \\
 \theta &= \arccos \frac{\overrightarrow{AD} \cdot \overrightarrow{AB}}{\|\overrightarrow{AD}\| \|\overrightarrow{AB}\|} \\
 &= \arccos \frac{s^2}{s^2\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \arccos \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\
 &\approx 55^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

1.3.33

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{comp}_{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{a} &= \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{b}\|} \\
 &= \frac{5}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

1.3.37

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{comp}_{\overrightarrow{OP}} \mathbf{a} &= \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \overrightarrow{OP}}{\|\overrightarrow{OP}\|} \\
 &= \frac{72}{\sqrt{109}}
 \end{aligned}$$

1.3.39

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{proj}_{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{a} &= \left( \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b}} \right) \mathbf{b} \\
 &= \frac{35}{25} \mathbf{b} \\
 &= \left\langle -\frac{21}{5}, \frac{28}{5} \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

**1.3.43**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} &= \langle 3, 4 \rangle \\
\text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}+\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{a} &= \left( \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})}{(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})} \right) (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \\
&= \frac{24}{25} (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \\
&= \left\langle \frac{72}{25}, \frac{96}{25} \right\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

**1.3.45**

$$W = \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{d} = Fd \cos \theta = 1000$$

**1.3.47**

(a)  $W = 0$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{d}\| &= \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} \\
&= 5
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = F \hat{\mathbf{d}}$$

$$= F \frac{\mathbf{d}}{\|\mathbf{d}\|}$$

$$= F \left\langle \frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5} \right\rangle$$

$$= \langle 24, 18 \rangle$$

$$W = \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{d}$$

$$= 150 \text{ J}$$

**1.4 Cross Product****1.4.1**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= -5\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}
\end{aligned}$$

**1.4.11**

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{P_1P_2} \times \overrightarrow{P_1P_3} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ -2 & 2 & -4 \\ -3 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 6\mathbf{i} + 14\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}\end{aligned}$$

**1.4.17**

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}\end{aligned}$$

**1.4.19**

$2\mathbf{k}$

**1.4.21**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{k} \times (2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}) &= (\mathbf{k} \times 2\mathbf{i}) - (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{j}) \\ &= \mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}\end{aligned}$$

**1.4.23**

$$\begin{aligned}[(2\mathbf{k}) \times (3\mathbf{j})] \times (4\mathbf{j}) &= (-6\mathbf{i}) \times (4\mathbf{j}) \\ &= -24\mathbf{k}\end{aligned}$$

**1.4.37**

$12\mathbf{i} - 9\mathbf{j} + 18\mathbf{k}$

**1.4.53**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ -2 & 6 & -6 \\ \frac{5}{2} & 3 & \frac{1}{2} \end{vmatrix} \\
&= 21\mathbf{i} - 14\mathbf{j} - 21\mathbf{k} \\
\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) &= 4 \times 21 + 6 \times (-14) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

They are coplanar.

**1.5 Lines and Planes in 3-Space****1.5.1**

$$\mathbf{r} = \langle 1, 2, 1 \rangle + t\langle 2, 3, -3 \rangle$$

**1.5.7**

$$\begin{aligned}
x &= 2 + 4t \\
y &= 3 - 4t \\
z &= 5 + 3t
\end{aligned}$$

**1.5.13**

$$\begin{aligned}
x &= 1 + 9t \\
y &= 4 + 10t \\
z &= -9 + 7t \\
\frac{x-1}{9} &= \frac{y-4}{10} = \frac{z+9}{7}
\end{aligned}$$

**1.5.19**

$$\begin{aligned}
x &= 4 + 3t \\
y &= 6 + \frac{1}{2}t \\
z &= -7 - \frac{3}{2}t \\
\frac{x-4}{3} &= \frac{y-6}{1/2} = -\frac{z+7}{3/2}
\end{aligned}$$

**1.5.23**

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 6 + 2t \\y &= 4 - 3t \\z &= -2 + 6t\end{aligned}$$

**1.5.25**

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 2 + t \\y &= -2 \\z &= 15\end{aligned}$$

**1.5.29**

$$(0, 5, 15), (5, 0, \frac{15}{2}), (10, -5, 0)$$

**1.5.31**

$$\begin{aligned}4 + t_x &= 6 + 2t_x \\t_x &= -2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}5 + t_y &= 11 + 4t_y \\t_y &= -2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}-1 + 2t_z &= -3 + t_z \\t_z &= -2\end{aligned}$$

$$(2, 3, -5)$$

**1.5.35**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a} &= \langle -1, 2, -2 \rangle \\||\mathbf{a}|| &= 3 \\\mathbf{b} &= \langle 2, 3, -6 \rangle \\||\mathbf{b}|| &= 7 \\\theta &= \arccos \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{||\mathbf{a}|| ||\mathbf{b}||} \\&\approx 40.37^\circ\end{aligned}$$

1.5.37

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{a} &= \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \\
 \mathbf{b} &= \langle -2, 1, -5 \rangle \\
 \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \langle -6, 3, 3 \rangle \\
 x &= 4 - 6t \\
 y &= 1 + 3t \\
 z &= 6 + 3t
 \end{aligned}$$

1.5.39

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle 2, -3, 4 \rangle \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \langle 5, 1, 3 \rangle) &= 0 \\
 2(x - 5) - 3(y - 1) + 4(z - 3) &= 0 \\
 2x - 3y + 4z - 19 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

1.5.45

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{a} &= \langle 3, 5, 2 \rangle \\
 \mathbf{b} &= \langle 2, 3, 1 \rangle \\
 \mathbf{c} &= \langle -1, -1, 4 \rangle \\
 \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c} &= \langle 4, 6, -2 \rangle \\
 \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{c} &= \langle 3, 4, -3 \rangle \\
 (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}) \times (\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{c}) &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ 4 & 6 & -2 \\ 3 & 4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \langle -10, 6, -2 \rangle \\
 \mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{c}) &= 0 \\
 \langle -10, 6, -2 \rangle \cdot (\langle x, y, z \rangle - \langle -1, -1, 4 \rangle) &= 0 \\
 -10(x + 1) + 6(y + 1) - 2(z - 4) &= 0 \\
 -10x + 6y - 2z + 4 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

1.5.51

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle 1, 1, -4 \rangle \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \langle 2, 3, -5 \rangle) &= 0 \\
 (x - 2) + (y - 3) - 4(z + 5) &= 0 \\
 x + y - 4z &= 25
 \end{aligned}$$

**1.5.63**

- (a) Not perpendicular
- (b) Not perpendicular
- (c) Perpendicular
- (d) Perpendicular

**1.5.65**

$$5x - 4y - 9t = 8$$

$$x + 4y + 3t = 4$$

$$6x - 6t = 12$$

$$x = 2 + t$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} - t$$

$$z = t$$

**1.5.69**

$$2(1 + 2t) - 3(2 - t) + 2(-3t) = -7$$

$$t = -3$$

$$x = -5$$

$$y = 5$$

$$z = 9$$

1.5.73

$$x + y - 4t = 2$$

$$2x - y + t = 10$$

$$3x - 3t = 12$$

$$x = 4 + t$$

$$2(4 + t) - y + t = 10$$

$$8 + 2t - y + t = 10$$

$$y = -2 + 3t$$

$$z = t$$

$$x = 5 + t$$

$$y = 6 + 3t$$

$$z = -12 + t$$

1.5.75

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \langle -6, 2, 4 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \langle 4, 0, 1 \rangle) = 0$$

$$-6(x - 4) + 2y + 4(z - 1) = 0$$

$$-6x + 2y + 4z = -20$$

$$3x - y - 2z = 10$$