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# CMT1000 Visual Computing



I.3 Vectors and Matrices

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# Vectors

➤ A **vector** is a **directed line segment**, characterised by:

- Length
- Direction
- **But NOT Position**

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➤ A vector with length 0 is a **zero vector**, denoted by **0**

- Zero vectors doesn't have direction.

➤ A vector with length 1 is a **unit vector**.

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➤ A vector **u** with the same length but opposite direction of vector **v** is the **negative vector** of **v**, denoted by **u = -v**.

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➤ Two vectors are equal iff they have the same length and the same direction.

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- Two zero vectors are always equal, though their directions are undefined.

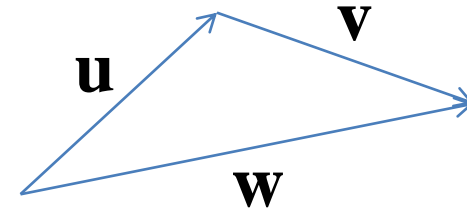
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# Vector Operations

- A vector  $\mathbf{u}$  multiplied by a scalar  $\alpha$  denoted by  $\alpha\mathbf{u}$  has the same direction of  $\mathbf{u}$  if  $\alpha > 0$  and the opposite direction if  $\alpha < 0$ . The length of  $\alpha\mathbf{u}$  is  $|\alpha|$  times of the length of  $\mathbf{u}$ .

- The **sum**  $\mathbf{w}$  of two vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ :

$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$$



follows the **head-to-tail** rule. That is,

if the head of  $\mathbf{u}$  is connected to the tail of  $\mathbf{v}$ , then  $\mathbf{w}$  is the directed line segment from the tail of  $\mathbf{u}$  to the head of  $\mathbf{v}$ .

- The **subtraction** of vector  $\mathbf{v}$  from vector  $\mathbf{w}$  is the addition of vector  $\mathbf{w}$  and vector  $-\mathbf{v}$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w} + (-\mathbf{v})$$

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# Vector Operations

- A  $n$ D vector is represented by:

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \cdots v_n]^T$$

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- The sum and subtraction of two vectors are:

$$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = [u_1 + v_1 \ u_2 + v_2 \ \cdots u_n + v_n]^T$$

$$\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} = [u_1 - v_1 \ u_2 - v_2 \ \cdots u_n - v_n]^T$$

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- The multiplication of a vector  $\mathbf{v}$  by a scalar  $\lambda$  is defined by

$$\lambda \mathbf{v} = [\lambda v_1 \ \lambda v_2 \ \cdots \lambda v_n]^T$$

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- The inner product (dot product, scalar product) of two vectors is:

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \cdots + u_n v_n$$

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# Vector Geometry

➤ A vector has direction and length.

- The **length** is defined by

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$$

- The **direction** is **parallel** to the direction from the origin to the point  $(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$  in Euclidean space.
- The angle  $\theta$  between two vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  is calculated by

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

➤ **Normalisation** of a vector  $\mathbf{v}$  gives a unit vector  $\mathbf{v}'$ , which has length 1:

$$\mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{v} / |\mathbf{v}|$$

➤ Vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are **orthogonal** if  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ , which means that they are **perpendicular** to each other, and the angle between these two vectors are  $90^\circ$ .

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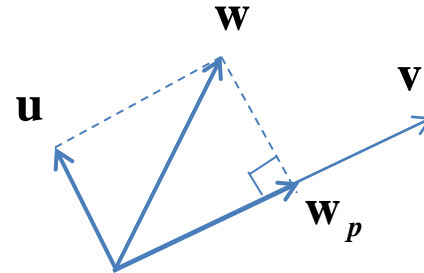


# Vector Projection

- The **vector projection**  $\mathbf{w}_p$  of a vector  $\mathbf{w}$  on a nonzero vector  $\mathbf{v}$  is a vector parallel to  $\mathbf{v}$ , defined by

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where  $\alpha$  is a scalar called the scalar projection of  $\mathbf{w}$  onto  $\mathbf{v}$ , given by



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- The vector  $\mathbf{w}$  then can be represented by the sum of  $\mathbf{w}_p$  and vector  $\mathbf{u}$ , which is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{v}$  (and  $\mathbf{w}_p$ ).

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$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0, \quad \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}_p = 0$$

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# Cross Product

- Denote two 3D vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  by  $\mathbf{v}_i = [x_i, y_i, z_i]^T$ , the **vector product** (also called **cross product**, **outer product**) of  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  is defined by

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 y_2 - x_1 z_2 \\ x_1 z_2 - x_2 y_1 \\ x_2 y_1 - z_1 y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- If  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$ , then the length is:

$$|\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2| = |\mathbf{v}_1| |\mathbf{v}_2| \sin \theta$$

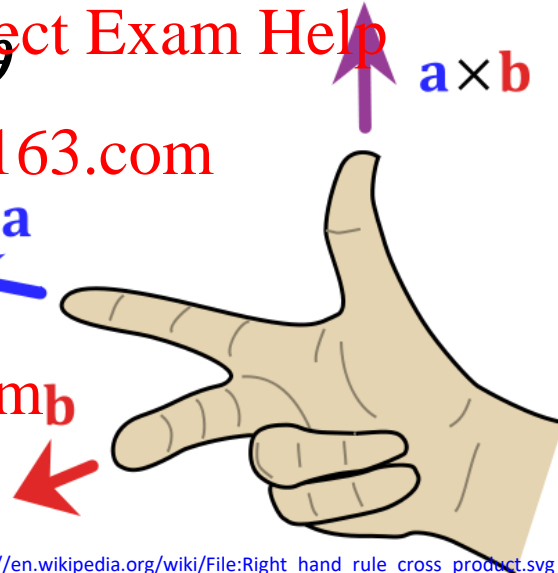
- The direction satisfies **right-hand rule**

- $\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2$  is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$ .

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# 3D Vector Geometry

- A point in 3D space can be represented by a 3D vector:

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$$\mathbf{p} = [x \ y \ z]^T$$

- A directed line segment from  $\mathbf{p}_1$  to  $\mathbf{p}_2$  can be represented by vector:



- Let  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are two directed line segments on a plane, then the normal direction is determined by the cross product of  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$ :

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$$\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2$$

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# Matrices

- A **matrix** is a rectangular array of scalars, arranged in **rows** and **columns**. The individual items in a matrix are called its **elements** or **entries**. The number of rows and columns are referred to as the **row** and **column dimension**.
- The following matrix has row dimension  $m$  and column dimension  $n$ , or simply,  $m \times n$  dimension.  $a_{ij}$  is an element of the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

- The **transpose** of an  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{A}^T$ , is the  $n \times m$  matrix obtained by interchanging the rows and columns of  $\mathbf{A}$ .
- To save the space, the matrix is often written as  $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$ , or simply,  $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$ , if the dimension of the matrix is implicitly known.

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# Special Matrices

- A **square matrix** is a matrix which has the same row and column dimension.
- A **symmetric matrix** is a square matrix that is equal to its transpose. Let  $\mathbf{A}=[a_{ij}]$  be a symmetric matrix, then  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^T$ . Its elements satisfy

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- A **diagonal matrix** is a matrix (usually square matrix) in which the elements outside the main diagonal are all zero, i.e.,  $\mathbf{A}=[a_{ij}]$ ,

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$$a_{ij} = 0, \text{ if } i \neq j$$

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- An **identity matrix**, denoted by  $\mathbf{I}$ , is a square diagonal matrix with 1's on the diagonal and 0's elsewhere

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$$\mathbf{I} = [a_{ij}], \quad a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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# Special Matrices

- A **row matrix** is a matrix of dimension  $1 \times n$ . It is also called a **row vector**.

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$$\mathbf{a} = [a_1 \ a_2 \ \cdots \ a_n]$$

- A **column matrix** is a matrix of dimension  $m \times 1$ , also called a **column vector**.

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Matrix Operations

- **Scalar-Matrix multiplication** is defined by multiplying each element by the scalar

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- $\alpha \mathbf{A} = [\alpha a_{ij}]$



- **Matrix-Matrix Addition** of two matrices of the same dimension is defined by adding corresponding elements of the two matrices

- $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}]$

- **Matrix-Matrix Multiplication** of an  $m \times l$  dimensional matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  and an  $l \times n$  dimensional matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  is defined by

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- $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB} = [c_{ij}]$

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- Where  $c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^l a_{ik} b_{kj}$

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- **Inverse of a Square Matrix**  $\mathbf{A}$  is a square matrix  $\mathbf{B}$ , such that

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$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}$$

- Denote by  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$

# Orthogonal Matrix

- An **orthogonal matrix** is a square matrix with real entries whose columns and rows are **orthonormal vectors**.  
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- Equivalently, a matrix is orthogonal if its transpose is equal to its inverse:



$$Q^{-1} = Q^T$$

which entails

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$$QQ^T = Q^TQ = I$$

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# Determinant

- The **determinant** is a value associated with a **square matrix**, denoted by  $\det(\mathbf{A})$ ,  $\det \mathbf{A}$ , or  $|\mathbf{A}|$ . It is defined as

$$|\mathbf{A}| = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} |\mathbf{A}_{ij}|$$

- where  $\mathbf{A}_{ij}$  is the  $(i-1) \times (j-1)$  matrix of  $\mathbf{A}$ , which is obtained by deleting the  $i$ th row and the  $j$ th column of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

- The determinant of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix is calculated by


$$|\mathbf{A}| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

- The determinant of a  $3 \times 3$  matrix is calculated by

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{A}| &= \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}|\mathbf{A}_{11}| - a_{12}|\mathbf{A}_{12}| + a_{13}|\mathbf{A}_{13}| = a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{22}a_{31} \end{aligned}$$

# Cross Product Using Determinant

- The cross product of two 3D vectors can be calculated using determinant as follows:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ x_1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & z_2 \end{vmatrix} = (y_1 z_2 - y_2 z_1)\mathbf{i} + (z_1 x_2 - z_2 x_1)\mathbf{j} + (x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1)\mathbf{k}$$


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# Summary

- What are the characteristics of a vector?
- What operations are defined for vectors.
- How to calculate vector projection onto another vector.
- How to calculate cross product? What is the geometric meaning of cross product?
- How to do matrix operations?
- What is an orthogonal matrix?
- How to calculate determinant?



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