

## **UNIT1. VECTORS AND MATRICES**

### **L1. Dot Product**

$$\vec{A} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{A}| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}$$

-Dot Product

$$\text{Def: } \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = \sum a_i b_i = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3 \quad (\text{scalar})$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = \vec{B} \cdot \vec{A}$$

$$\text{Theorem: geometrically, } \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \cos \theta$$

### **L2. Determinants; cross product**

-Area

$$\text{Area of triangle} = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \sin \theta$$

$$\vec{A}' = \vec{A} \text{ rotated } 90^\circ \text{ counterclockwise} \quad \theta' = \pi/2 - \theta \quad \rightarrow$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{A}'| |\vec{B}| \cos \theta' = \frac{1}{2} \vec{A}' \cdot \vec{B}$$

$$\text{if } \vec{A} = \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle, \vec{A}' = \langle -a_2, a_1 \rangle \quad \rightarrow$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1)$$

-Determinant

$$\text{Def: } \det(\vec{A}, \vec{B}) = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1$$

$$\text{Geometrically: } \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} = \pm \text{ area of parallelogram}$$

$$\det(\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C}) = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 \begin{vmatrix} b_2 & b_3 \\ c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} - a_2 \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + a_3 \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ c_1 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

### -Cross-product

$$\text{Def: } \vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} a_3 & a_1 \\ b_3 & b_1 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Geometrically:  $|\vec{A} \times \vec{B}| = \text{area of space parallelogram with sides } \vec{A}, \vec{B}$

### -Triple product

volume of parallelepiped = area(base) · height =  $|\vec{B} \times \vec{C}|(\vec{A} \cdot \hat{n})$ , where  $\hat{n} = \vec{B} \times \vec{C} / |\vec{B} \times \vec{C}|$

So volume =  $\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \det(\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C})$

## L3. Matrices; inverse matrices

### -Matrices

Often quantities are related by linear transformations

$$\text{e.g. } \begin{cases} u_1 = 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 3x_3 \\ u_2 = 2x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3 \\ u_3 = x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AX = U$$

### -Matrix Product

matrix product = dot product between rows of A and columns of X. (here we multiply a 3x3 matrix by a column vector = 3x1 matrix)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cdot & 0 \\ \cdot & 3 \\ \cdot & 0 \\ \cdot & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cdot & 14 \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

Can set up:

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width of A  
must equal  
height of B

$$\begin{bmatrix} | \\ | \\ \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \text{ B}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} - & - & \rightarrow \\ & A & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bullet \\ \uparrow \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer

**-width of A must equal height of B**

$$(AB)X = A(BX)$$

**-Identity Matrix**

$$IX = X \quad I_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**-Rotation**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \end{bmatrix} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R^2 = -I$$

**-Inverse Matrix**

Def: Inverse of a matrix A (necessarily square) is a matrix  $M = A^{-1}$  such that  $AM = MA = I_n$ .

$$AX = B \quad \rightarrow \quad A^{-1}(AX) = A^{-1}B \quad \rightarrow \quad X = A^{-1}B$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A)$$

**1. matrix of minors; 2. cofactors; 3. transpose; 4. divide by det(A)**

#### **L4. Square systems; equations of planes**

plane through  $P_0 = (2, 1, -1)$  with normal vector  $N = \langle 1, 5, 10 \rangle$

$$N \cdot \overrightarrow{P_0P} = 0 \Leftrightarrow (x - 2) + 5(y - 1) + 10(z + 1) = 0,$$

$$x + 5y + 10z = -3$$

**(coefficients: normal vector, -3: plugin  $P_0$ )**

## **-Geometric Interpretation of 3x3 systems**

### **-the intersection of 3 planes**

$$AX = B \quad \rightarrow \quad X = A^{-1}B$$

If the line  $\mathcal{P}_1 \cap \mathcal{P}_2$  is contained in or parallel to  $\mathcal{P}_3$

$$\det(A) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad A \text{ is invertible}$$

$$\rightarrow \quad \det(N_1, N_2, N_3) = 0$$

$\rightarrow$  the parallelepiped formed by the  $N_i$  has no area

## **-Homogeneous systems**

$$AX = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad X = 0$$

if  $A = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad$  infinitely many solutions

if infinitely solutions:  $N_1 \times N_2$

## **L5. Parametric equations for lines and curves**

**-Parametric equation:** as trajectory of a moving point

e.g.  $Q_0 = (-1, 2, 2), Q_1 = (1, 3, -1)$

$$Q(t) : \quad Q_0 \text{ at } t = 0; \quad Q_1 \text{ at } t = 1$$

$$\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{Q_0 Q_1}; \quad \overrightarrow{Q_0 Q(t)} = t \overrightarrow{Q_0 Q_1}$$

$$\langle x + 1, y - 2, z - 2 \rangle = t \langle 2, 1, -3 \rangle$$

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = -1 + 2t \\ y(t) = 2 + t \\ z(t) = 2 - 3t \end{cases}$$

-General parametric curves

## L6. Velocity, acceleration; Kepler's second law

### -Kepler's second law

$$\text{area} \approx \frac{1}{2} |\vec{r} \times \Delta \vec{r}| \approx \frac{1}{2} |\vec{r} \times \vec{v}| \Delta t \quad \rightarrow$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\text{area}) = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{r} \times \vec{v}| \text{ is constant} \quad +$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\vec{r} \times \vec{v}) = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \times \vec{v} + \vec{r} \times \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \vec{v} \times \vec{v} + \vec{r} \times \vec{a} = \vec{r} \times \vec{a} \quad \rightarrow$$

Kepler's law  $\Leftrightarrow \vec{r} \times \vec{v} = \text{constant} \Leftrightarrow \vec{r} \times \vec{a} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \vec{a} // \vec{r} \Leftrightarrow$  the force  $\vec{F}$  is central