

Linear Algebra

Chapter 1: Vectors

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Introduction to Linear Algebra

What is *algebra*(대수학:代數學)?

- ▶ “Algebra is the branch of mathematics concerning the study of the rules of **operations** and **relations**, and the constructions and concepts arising from them, including **terms**, **polynomials**, **equations** and **algebraic structures**...” (from [Wikipedia](#))
- ▶ **Elementary algebra**
 - ▶ operations(연산자): $+$, $-$, \times , ...
 - ▶ relations(관계): $>$, $<$, $=$, \leq , ...
 - ▶ variables/unknowns(미지수): x , y , ...
 - ▶ terms(항): ‘ $3x$ ’ and ‘ $4y$ ’ in “ $3x + 4y$ ”
 - ▶ polynomials(다항식): $ax^2 + by + cz$
 - ▶ **functions**
 - ▶ **algebraic structures**(대수적 구조): \mathbb{Z} (정수) under addition & multiplication

Introduction to Linear Algebra (cont'd)

What is *linear algebra*?

- ▶ “Linear algebra is a branch of mathematics that studies **vector spaces**, also called **linear spaces**, along with **linear functions** that input one vector and output another... (from [Wikipedia](#))
- ▶ Vector space is an algebraic structure. → operations?

What You've Already Learned in High School...

- ▶ 수학과 관련 교과목: 수학 (고1과정), 수학의 활용, 수학I, 미적분과 통계기본, 수학II, 적분과 통계, 기하와 벡터
- ▶ “7차 교육과정” (한국교육과정평가원)
- ▶ “대한민국의 고등학교 수학 교과목” (Wikipedia korea)

Related topics:

- ▶ 수학 (고1과정)
 - ▶ 수와 연산 (elementary algebra: 기초대수학)
- ▶ 수학I
 - ▶ 행렬 (matrices) 과 그래프
- ▶ 기하와 벡터
 - ▶ 일차변환 (linear transformations) 과 행렬 (matrices)
 - ▶ 공간도형 (three-dimensional geometries) 과 공간좌표 (three-dimensional coordinates)
 - ▶ 벡터 (vectors)

Review on Vectors

Let's refresh your memory...

- ▶ Definition
- ▶ Vector *representation* using coordinates
- ▶ Algebra of vectors
- ▶ Dot product (점곱) or scalar product (스칼라곱)
NOTE: Dot(scalar) product *is an* inner product (내적), but *not vice versa*.
- ▶ Length of a vector

→ Watch “**Vectors**” video on YouTube

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...Enjoy with your friends!

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Vectors

- ▶ Direction + magnitude
- ▶ **Displacement** from initial point (tail) to terminal point (head)
- ▶ Notation: \overrightarrow{AB} or \mathbf{v}
- ▶ Position vectors: 1-to-1 correspondence between points on the plane and (2D) **vectors**
- ▶ **Points \neq vectors**
- ▶ **Representation** \rightarrow Why?
 - ▶ **Coordinate system** (e.g., Cartesian, polar)
 - ▶ Components
 - ▶ **Ordered** pair of real numbers
 - ▶ Notation:
Row vector $[x, y]$ or column vectors $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$
cf) Notation for points: $P = (x, y)$
- ▶ Zero vector ($\mathbf{0}$)
- ▶ (Real) vector space \mathbb{R}^2 : “the set of all vectors with two components”

Vector Arithmetic

Let $\mathbf{u} := [u_1, u_2]$ and $\mathbf{v} := [v_1, v_2]$.

($\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}$)

- ▶ **Addition:** $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = [u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2]$
 - ▶ ‘Head-to-tail rule’ or ‘parallelogram rule’
- ▶ **Scalar multiplication:** $c\mathbf{u} = c[v_1, v_2] = [cv_1, cv_2]$
 - ▶ **Scalar:** constant
- ▶ **Subtraction:** $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{v}) = [u_1 - v_1, u_2 - v_2]$

Higher Dimensional Vectors

Vectors in \mathbb{R}^n

- ▶ **Ordered n -tuples** of real numbers

- ▶ $\mathbf{v} = [v_1, \dots, v_n] = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

- ▶ Geometric method doesn't work anymore
→ We need algebraic methods using n -tuples.

Theorem 1.1: Algebraic Properties of Vectors in \mathbb{R}^n

Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$.

- a. $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$ (commutativity)
- b. $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})$ (associativity)
- c. $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{u}$
- d. $\mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$
- e. $c(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = c\mathbf{u} + c\mathbf{v}$ (distributivity)
- f. $(c + d)\mathbf{u} = c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{u}$ (distributivity)
- g. $c(d\mathbf{u}) = (cd)\mathbf{u}$
- h. $1\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$

→ Try to prove them yourselves!

Proof of “ $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$ ” of Theorem 1.1

Any vector can be *uniquely represented* by a coordinate. So let

$$\mathbf{u} := [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n] \text{ and } \mathbf{v} := [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n].$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} &= [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n] + [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n] \\ &= [u_1 + v_1, \dots, u_n + v_n] \\ &\quad \text{(by the definition of vector addition)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= [v_1 + u_1, \dots, v_n + u_n] \\ &\quad \text{(by the commutativity of addition of real numbers)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= [v_1, \dots, v_n] + [u_1, \dots, u_n] \\ &\quad \text{((by the definition of vector addition))}\end{aligned}$$

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

Linear Combination

Definition

A vector \mathbf{v} is a linear combination of vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$ if there are scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k such that

$$\mathbf{v} = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \mathbf{v}_j = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{v}_k.$$

The scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k are called the **coefficients** of the linear combination.

Linear Combination (cont'd)

- ▶ Do such scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k always exist for any \mathbf{v} and $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$?
- ▶ How many vectors do we need to represent any vector in \mathbb{R}^2 as a linear combination?
- ▶ Is it enough just to have sufficiently many vectors to represent any vector in \mathbb{R}^2 as a linear combination?
- ▶ How is the situation different between \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{R}^2 ?
- ▶ **Coordinate axes and coordinate grid**
- ▶ More in Chapter 6

Binary Vectors and Modular Arithmetic

- Binary arithmetic

+	0	1	·	0	1
0	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0	1

- Ternary arithmetic

+	0	1	2	·	0	1	2
0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
1	1	2	0	1	0	1	2
2	2	0	1	2	0	2	1

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Dot Product

Can we multiply a vector with another vector?

→ **Dot (scalar) product** and **cross product**

Definition

If

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$$

then the **dot product** $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is defined by

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \sum_{j=1}^n u_j v_j = u_1 v_1 + \cdots + u_n v_n \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- ▶ $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow$ a.k.a. **scalar product**
- ▶ The dot product is one of the more general **inner products**. (Chap. 7)

Properties of Dot Product

Theorem 1.2

Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

- a. $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}$ (commutativity)
- b. $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$ (distributivity)
- c. $(c\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = c(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})$
- d. $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} \geq 0$ and $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$ iff (if and only if) $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$.

→ Try to prove them yourselves!

▸ $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = ?$

Length

Definition

The **length** (or **norm**) of a vector $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the non-negative scalar $\|\mathbf{v}\|$ defined by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{v_1^2 + \cdots + v_n^2} \rightarrow \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

Theorem 1.3

Let $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

- a. $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 0$ iff $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$
- b. $\|c\mathbf{v}\| = |c|\|\mathbf{v}\|$

Unit Vectors

- ▶ Vectors with length 1
- ▶ **Normalization:** to make the length of a vector 1
 $\mathbf{v} \rightarrow (1/\|\mathbf{v}\|)\mathbf{v}$
- ▶ **Standard unit vectors**

Examples:

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

More on Length

Theorem 1.4: The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

For all vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$$

- ▶ Try Exercises 71 & 72 (p.31) (65 & 66 (p.27) for 2nd ed.)
- ▶ Is “ $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$ ” true?

Theorem 1.5: The triangle inequality

For all vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$$

Distance

- ▶ How can we *define* the distance of two vectors?

Definition

The **distance** $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$ between (position) vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is *defined* by

$$d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|$$

Angles

- ▶ Geometric view in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3
 - ▶ What is the relationship of \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and θ ?
 - ▶ How should we define θ ? See Fig 1.32 on p.24 (Fig 1.29 on p.21 for 2nd ed.)
 - ▶ What is the relationship of \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and $\cos \theta$? ← “the law of cosines”
- ▶ How can we *define* the angle between two vectors in \mathbb{R}^n ?

Definition: Angle

For nonzero vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

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

Orthogonality

- ▶ How can we generalize the concept of “perpendicularity” to \mathbb{R}^n ?

Definition: Orthogonality

Two vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are **orthogonal** to each other ($\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v}$) if $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$.

- ▶ What if one vector is $\mathbf{0}$? \rightarrow The zero vector is orthogonal to every vector!

Theorem 1.6: Pythagoras' Theorem

For all vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$$

iff $\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v}$.

- ▶ More in Chapter 5

Projections

- ▶ How to find the distance from a point to a line?
- ▶ How can we represent p using u and v in Fig 1.37 on p.27 (Fig 1.34 on p.24 for 2nd ed.)?

Definition

If $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $u \neq 0$, the the **projection of v onto u** is the vector $\text{proj}_u(v)$ defined by

$$\text{proj}_u(v) = \left(\frac{u \cdot v}{u \cdot u} \right) u$$

- ▶ $\text{proj}_u(v)$ is a vector. $(\text{proj}_u(v) \in \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow$ length & direction?
- ▶ Is “ $\text{proj}_u(v) = \text{proj}_v(u)$ ” true?
- ▶ Parallel to u
- ▶ What if v is the zero vector?
- ▶ What if the angle is obtuse?
- ▶ What if u is a unit vector?

Cartesian Coordinate System

- ▶ Standard unit vectors $\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- ▶ Any (point) vector $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ can be represented as a **linear combination** of the standard unit vectors:

$$\mathbf{v} = \sum_{j=1}^n \text{proj}_{\mathbf{e}_j}(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{j=1}^n (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_j) \mathbf{e}_j = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_1) \mathbf{e}_1 + \dots + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_n) \mathbf{e}_n.$$

- ▶ Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ The Cartesian coordinate of a (point) vector \mathbf{v} is

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

- ▶ More on §5.1

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Line Equations

Think geometrically!!!

- ▶ “slope-intercept form” $y = mx + k$ (lines on the plane)
 - ▶ m : slope
 - ▶ k : y -intercept
- ▶ $ax + by = c$ (lines on the plane)
- ▶ $\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} = 0$ (**normal form** of lines passing through the origin)
 - ▶ \mathbf{x} : position vectors on the line
 - ▶ \mathbf{n} : **normal vector**
- ▶ $\mathbf{x} = t\mathbf{d}$ (**vector form** of lines passing through the origin)
 - ▶ \mathbf{d} : direction vector

Line Equations (cont'd)

- ▶ What if a line does not pass through the origin?
- ▶ (Fig 1.58 on p.36 (Fig 1.55 on p.33 for 2nd ed.)) For all points \mathbf{x} on the line ℓ , $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$ is orthogonal to \mathbf{n} .

Definition

The normal form of the equation of a line ℓ in \mathbb{R}^2 is

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) = 0 \text{ or } \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p}$$

where \mathbf{p} is a specific point on ℓ and $\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}$ is a normal vector for ℓ .

The general form of the equation of ℓ is

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = ax + by = c$$

where \mathbf{n} is a normal vector for ℓ .

- ▶ What is the geometric meaning of c in the equation $\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} = c$ when $\|\mathbf{n}\| = 1$?

Line Equations (cont'd)

Definition

The **vector form of the equation of a line** ℓ in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{p} + t\mathbf{d}$$

where \mathbf{p} is a specific point on ℓ and $\mathbf{d} \neq \mathbf{0}$ is a direction vector for ℓ .

The equation corresponding to the components of the vector form of the equation are called **parametric equations** of ℓ .

- ▶ What is the parametric equation of the line passing through two points P and Q ? Let $\mathbf{p} = \overrightarrow{OP}$ and $\mathbf{q} = \overrightarrow{OQ}$.

Plane Equations

- ▶ How can we generalize the general form of the line equation to \mathbb{R}^3 ? Does it still represent a line?

Definition

The normal form of the equation of a plane \mathcal{P} in \mathbb{R}^3 is

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) = 0 \text{ or } \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p}$$

where \mathbf{p} is a specific point on \mathcal{P} and $\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}$ is a normal vector for \mathcal{P} .

The general form of the equation of \mathcal{P} is

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = ax + by + cz = d$$

where \mathbf{n} is a normal vector for \mathcal{P} .

- ▶ Hyperplanes

Plane Equations (cont'd)

- ▶ Fig 1.61 on p.39 (Fig 1.58 on p.36 for 2nd ed.)
- ▶ Any vector in \mathbb{R}^2 is a linear combination of two non-zero vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 if they are NOT parallel each other. \rightarrow Can be generalized to vectors parallel to a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 !

Definition

The **vector form of the equation of a plane** \mathcal{P} in \mathbb{R}^3 is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{p} + s\mathbf{u} + t\mathbf{v}$$

where \mathbf{p} is a point on \mathcal{P} and \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are direction vectors for \mathcal{P} (\mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are non-zero and parallel to \mathcal{P} , but not parallel to each other).

The equations corresponding to the components of the vector form of the equation are called **parametric equations** of \mathcal{P} .

- ▶ What is the parametric equation of the plane passing through three points P , Q and R ? Let $\mathbf{p} = \overrightarrow{OP}$, $\mathbf{q} = \overrightarrow{OQ}$ and $\mathbf{r} = \overrightarrow{OR}$.

Lines and Planes: Summary

	normal form	vector form
lines in \mathbb{R}^2	$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$ “ $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$ is orthogonal to \mathbf{n} ”	$\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p} = t\mathbf{d}$ “ $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$ is parallel to \mathbf{d} ” “ $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$ is a l.c. of \mathbf{d} ”
lines in \mathbb{R}^3	$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_1 = 0$ $(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_2 = 0$ “ $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$ is orthogonal to both \mathbf{n}_1 and \mathbf{n}_2 ”	$\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p} = t\mathbf{d}$ “ $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$ is parallel to \mathbf{d} ”
planes in \mathbb{R}^3	$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$ “ $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$ is orthogonal to \mathbf{n} ”	$\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p} = s\mathbf{u} + t\mathbf{v}$ “ $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$ is a l.c. of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} ”

* l.c.: linear combination

Distance between a Point and a Hyperplane

Distance between a point and a line in 2D

- ▶ General form of line equation of ℓ : $ax + by = c$
- ▶ Point $B = (x_0, y_0)$
- ▶ Proof: Let $X = (p, q)$ be the shortest point on ℓ to B .
 1. The vector $X - B$ is parallel to the vector (a, b) . (Why?) \rightarrow
$$\begin{bmatrix} p-x_0 \\ q-y_0 \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$
 2. X satisfies the line equation. $\rightarrow ap + bq = c \rightarrow$
$$a(x_0 + ka) + b(y_0 + kb) = c$$
 3. $\|X - B\|$ is the distance. \rightarrow
$$\|X - B\| = \sqrt{(p - x_0)^2 + (q - y_0)^2} = |k| \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$d(B, \ell) = \frac{|ax_0 + by_0 - c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

Distance between a point and a plane in 3D

- ▶ General form of plane equation of \mathcal{P} : $ax + by + cz = d$
- ▶ Point $B = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$

$$d(B, \mathcal{P}) = \frac{|ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0 - d|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

Cross Product

Definition

The **cross product** of

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

is the vector $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$ defined by

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2 \\ u_3 v_1 - u_1 v_3 \\ u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Defined only for the vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 .
- ▶ Show that $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \perp \mathbf{u}$ and $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \perp \mathbf{v}$
- ▶ $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 + \|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}\|^2 = ?$
- ▶ $\|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}\| = ?$
- ▶ What is the geometric meaning of $\|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}\|$?

Scalar Triple Product

Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Then the **scalar triple product** of the three vectors is defined as

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$$

- ▶ $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{w} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})$
- ▶ $\mathbf{w} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = -\mathbf{w} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u})$
- ▶ Geometric meaning: (signed) volume of the parallelepiped defined by \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .

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Code Vectors

- ▶ Example 1.40 (1.37 for 2nd ed.) - UPS (Universal Product Code)
 - ▶ $\in \mathbb{Z}_{10}^{12}$: 10-ary vector of length 12
 - ▶ check vector $\mathbf{c} = [3, 1, 3, 1, 3, 1, 3, 1, 3, 1, 3, 1]$
 - ▶ Detects all single errors and most adjacent transposition errors.
- ▶ Example 1.41 (1.38 for 2nd ed.) - ISBN-10 (International Standard Book Number)
 - ▶ $\in \mathbb{Z}_{11}^{10}$ (X denotes 10)
 - ▶ check vector $\mathbf{c} = [10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1]$
 - ▶ Detects all single errors and adjacent transposition errors.