

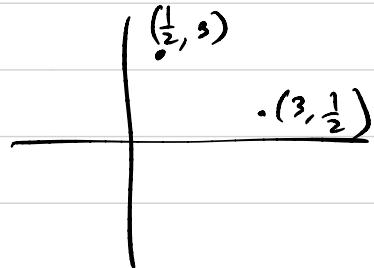
# Chapter 3 Vectors

Vector is a **n-tuple** of numbers:

$n=2$ .  $(\frac{1}{2}, 3)$      $(3, \frac{1}{2})$  are different vectors  
i.e. order matters

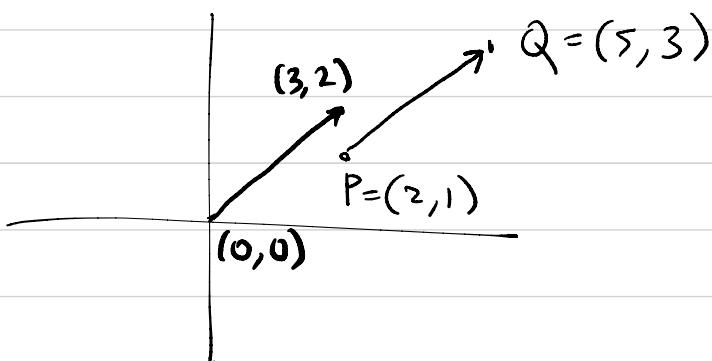
$n=3$      $(-1, 4, 5)$

$n=5$      $(1, \frac{1}{2}, \sqrt{2}, 4, 7)$



Another approach/definition of a vector is  
"geometric vector": arrow starting at a  
point  $P$  and ending at another point  $Q$

$\vec{PQ}$

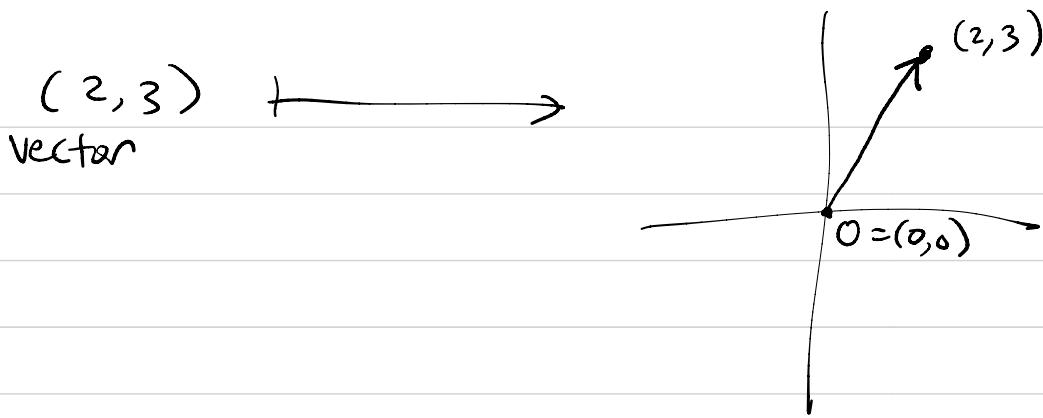


$$\begin{aligned} \vec{PQ} &= Q - P = (5, 3) - (2, 1) \\ &= (5-2, 3-1) \\ &= (3, 2) \end{aligned}$$

corresponds to 2-tuple

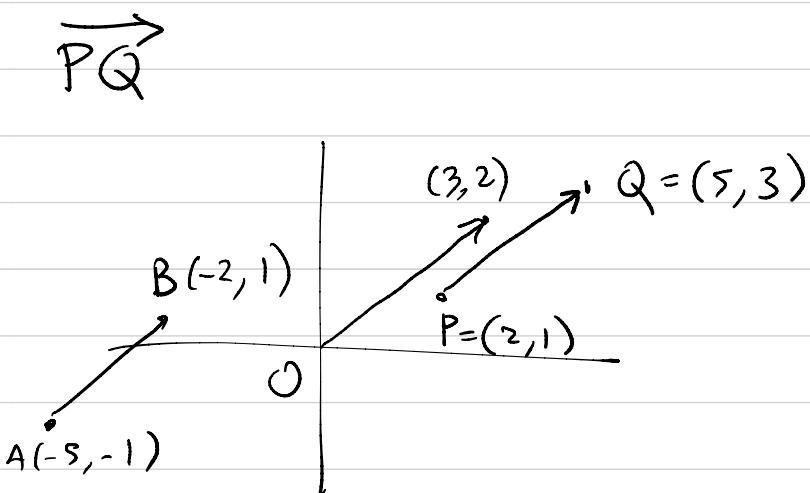
How to relate/reconcile these different definitions  
of vector?

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{given a vector} \\ \text{as an } n\text{-tuple} \\ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{array} \right\} \longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{arrow starting} \\ \text{at origin } O = (0, 0, \dots, 0) \\ \text{and ending at the point} \\ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{array} \right\}$$



Other way, from geometric vectors  $\vec{PQ}$  to vectors ( $n$ -tuple)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{PQ} \text{ arrow} \\ P = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n) \\ Q = (q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n) \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} n\text{-tuple} \\ Q - P = \\ (q_1 - p_1, q_2 - p_2, \dots, q_n - p_n) \end{array}$$

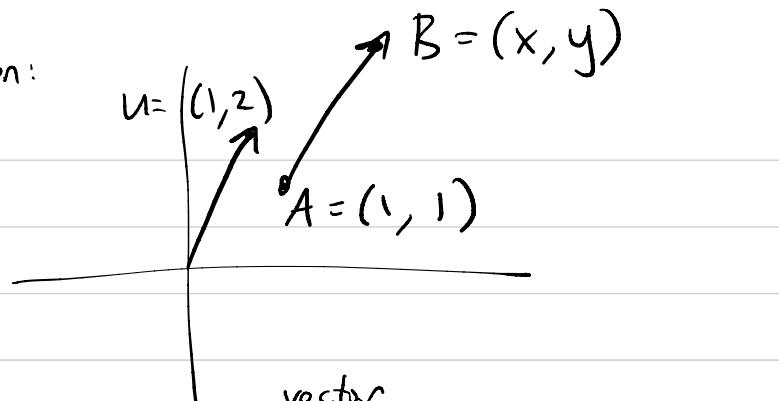


$$\begin{aligned} &\text{corresponds to 2-tuple} \\ &Q - P = (5, 3) - (2, 1) \\ &= (5-2, 3-1) \\ &= \underline{(3, 2)} \end{aligned}$$

Two vectors  $\vec{PQ}$  &  $\vec{AB}$  are equivalent if they have the same magnitude & direction, i.e  $Q - P = B - A$ .

5. Find the terminal point of the vector that is equivalent to  $u = (1, 2)$  & whose initial point (starting) is  $A(1, 1)$

Solution:



$$\overrightarrow{AB} \xrightarrow{\text{vector as a style}} B - A = (1, 2)$$

$$(x-1, y-1) = (1, 2)$$
$$x-1=1 \quad y-1=2$$
$$x=2 \quad y=3$$

Answer (2, 3)

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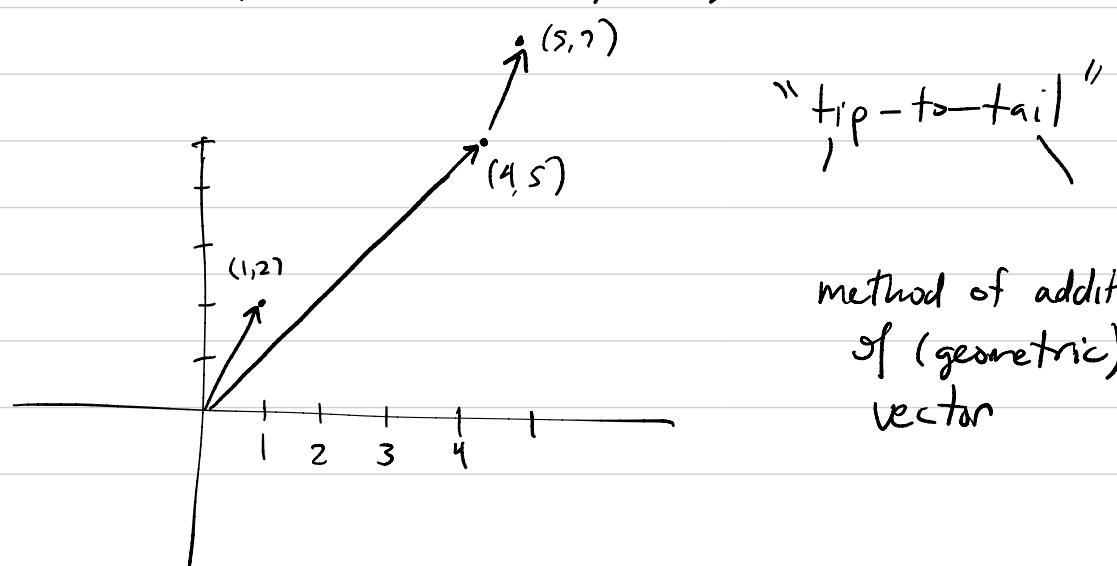
Two operations you can do to vectors:

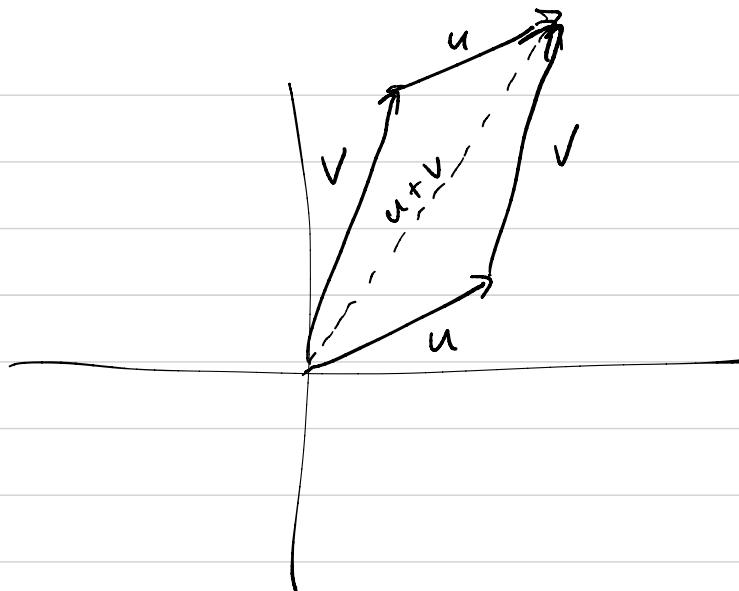
1) add them:

$$\underbrace{(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)}_{\vec{u}} + \underbrace{(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)}_{\vec{v}} = \underbrace{(u_1+v_1, u_2+v_2, \dots, u_n+v_n)}_{\vec{u} + \vec{v}}$$

$$(4, 5) + (1, 2) = (5, 7)$$

(definition)





parallelogram law  
of vector addition

2) multiplying a vector by a scalar  
a number

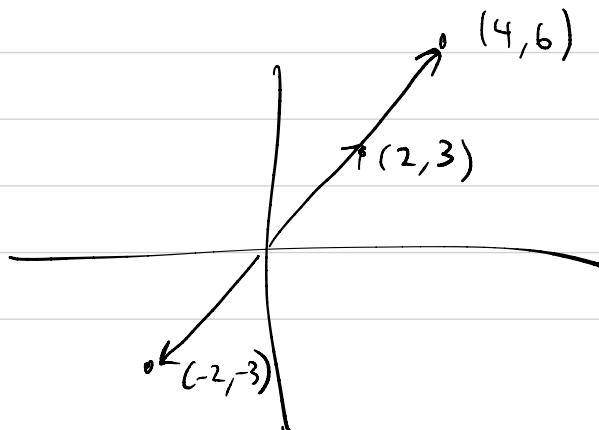
$$\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$$

$$k \cdot \vec{v} = (kv_1, kv_2, \dots, kv_n).$$

↑      ↑  
scalar    vector

Example :  $k = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\vec{v} = (4, 6)$

$$\frac{1}{2}\vec{v} = k \cdot \vec{v} = \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot 4, \frac{1}{2} \cdot 6\right) = (2, 3)$$



$$k = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$kv = (-2, -3)$$

Given vectors  $u, v, w$ , a linear combination of them  
is a vector of the form

$$k_1 \cdot u + k_2 \cdot v + k_3 \cdot w$$

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3.1 #14

$$\vec{u} = (-3, 2, 1, 0)$$

$$\vec{v} = (4, 7, -3, 2)$$

$$\vec{w} = (5, -2, 8, 1)$$

Find the components of the vector  $\vec{x}$  that satisfy the equation

$$2\vec{u} - \vec{v} + \vec{x} = 7\vec{x} + \vec{w}$$

$$\text{Solution: } 2\vec{u} - \vec{v} = 6\vec{x} + \vec{w}$$

$$2\vec{u} - \vec{v} - \vec{w} = 6\vec{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{6}(2\vec{u} - \vec{v} - \vec{w}) = \vec{x}$$

Now just plug in numbers for  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}$

$$\vec{x} = \frac{1}{6}((-6, 4, 2, 0) - (4, 7, -3, 2) - (5, -2, 8, 1))$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}((-6, 4, 2, 0) + (-4, -7, 3, -2) + (-5, 2, -8, 1))$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}((-15, -1, -3, -3))$$

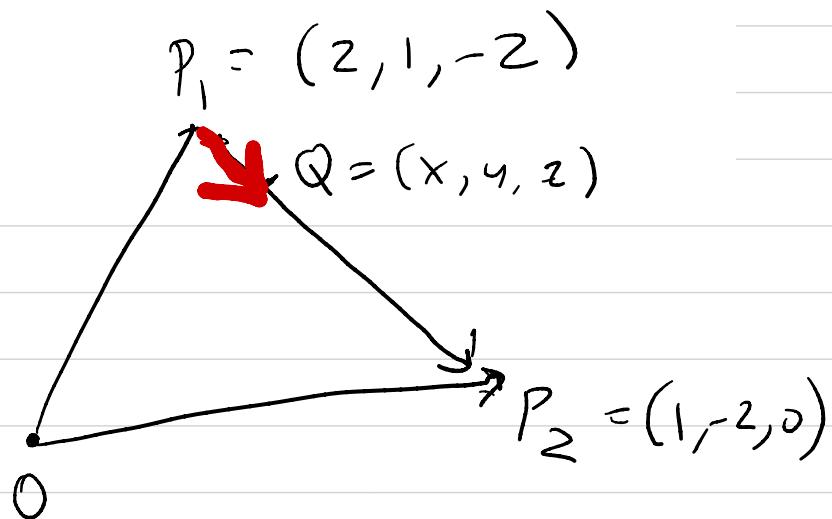
$$= \boxed{\left(-\frac{15}{6}, -\frac{1}{6}, -\frac{3}{6}, -\frac{3}{6}\right)}$$

**Exercise 4.1.14** Given  $P_1(2, 1, -2)$  and  $P_2(1, -2, 0)$ .

Find the coordinates of the point  $\bullet: Q$

a.  $\frac{1}{5}$  the way from  $P_1$  to  $P_2$

b.  $\frac{1}{4}$  the way from  $P_2$  to  $P_1$



idea:  $\overrightarrow{P_1Q} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \overrightarrow{P_1P_2}$

$$\begin{aligned} Q - P_1 &= \frac{1}{5} (P_2 - P_1) \\ (x, y, z) - (2, 1, -2) &= \frac{1}{5} ((1, -2, 0) - (2, 1, -2)) = \frac{1}{5} (-1, -3, 2) \\ \underbrace{(x-2, y-1, z+2)}_{Q} &= \frac{1}{5} (P_2 - P_1) + P_1 \\ &= \frac{1}{5} P_2 - \frac{1}{5} P_1 + P_1 \\ Q &= \frac{1}{5} P_2 + \frac{4}{5} P_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$(x-2, y-1, z+2) = \left(-\frac{1}{5}, -\frac{3}{5}, \frac{2}{5}\right)$$

$$x-2 = -\frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{5} + 2 = \boxed{\frac{9}{5}}$$

$$y-1 = -\frac{3}{5} \Rightarrow y = -\frac{3}{5} + 1 = \boxed{\frac{2}{5}}$$

$$z+2 = \frac{2}{5} \quad z = \frac{2}{5} - 2 = \frac{2-10}{5} = \boxed{-\frac{8}{5}}$$

$$(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{9}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, -\frac{8}{5}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{5}(1, -2, 0) + \frac{4}{5}(2, 1, -2)$$

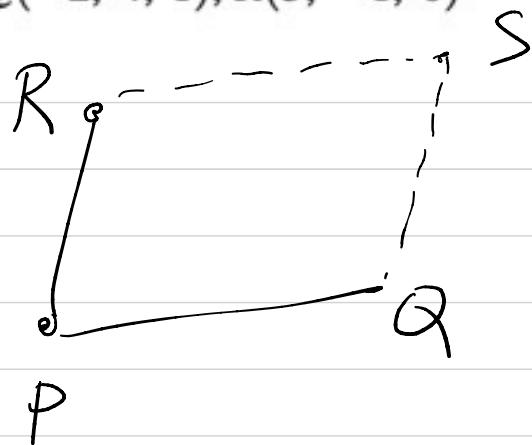
$$= \left( \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{2}{5}, 0 \right) + \left( \frac{8}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, -\frac{8}{5} \right)$$

$$Q = \left( \frac{9}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, -\frac{8}{5} \right)$$

**Exercise 4.1.20** Let  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and  $R$  be the vertices of a parallelogram with adjacent sides  $PQ$  and  $PR$ . In each case, find the other vertex  $S$ .

a.  $P(3, -1, -1)$ ,  $Q(1, -2, 0)$ ,  $R(1, -1, 2)$

b.  $P(2, 0, -1)$ ,  $Q(-2, 4, 1)$ ,  $R(3, -1, 0)$



$$\vec{PS} = \vec{PQ} + \vec{QS} = \vec{PQ} + \vec{PR} \quad \text{by Parallelogram law}$$

$$\vec{PS} = \vec{PQ} + \vec{PR} \quad \text{geometric vectors}$$

$$S - P = (Q - P) + (R - P) \quad n\text{-tuple vectors}$$

$$S - P = Q + R - 2P$$

$$S = Q + R - 2P + P$$

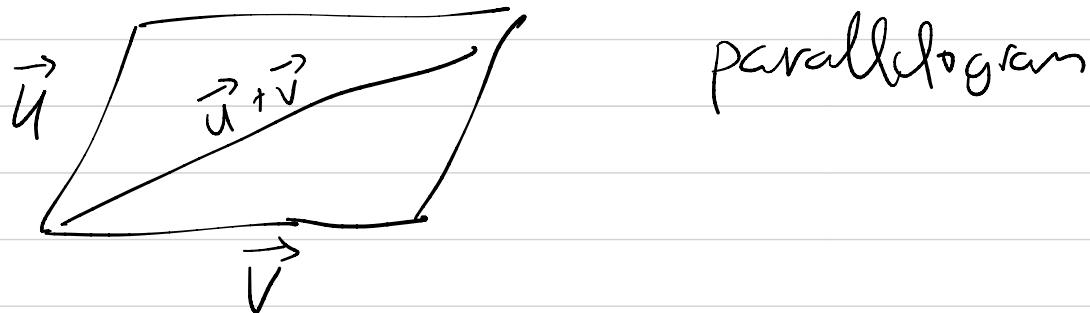
$$S = Q + R - P$$

now plug in values of  $P, Q, R$

$$= (1, -2, 0) + (1, -1, 2) - (3, -1, -1)$$

$$= (1, -2, 0) + (1, -1, 2) + (-3, 1, 1)$$

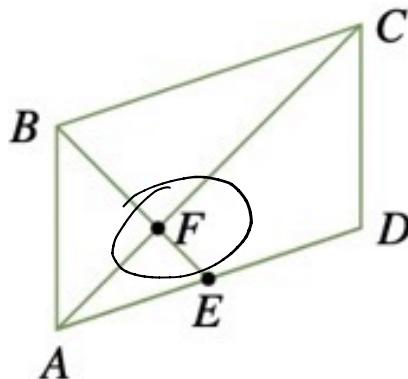
$$\boxed{S = (-1, -2, 3)}$$



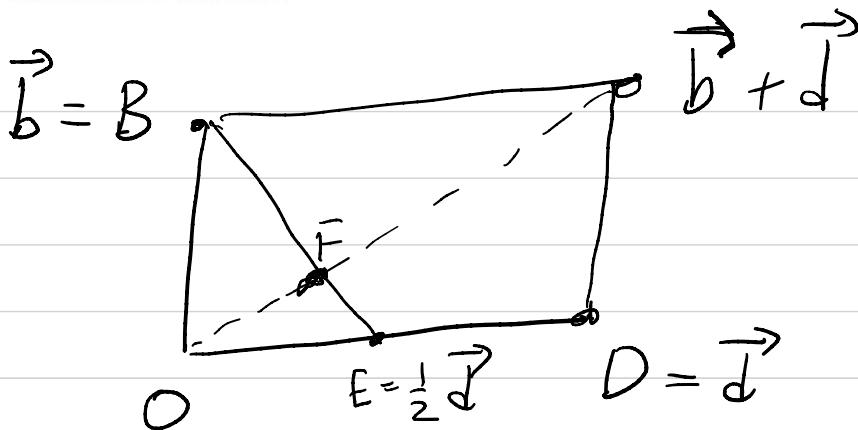
$$\text{diagonal vector} = \vec{u} + \vec{v} = \text{side } \vec{u} + \text{side } \vec{v}$$

But caution! We're not saying length of the diagonal is the sum of lengths of two sides.

**Exercise 4.1.33** Consider the parallelogram  $ABCD$  (see diagram), and let  $E$  be the midpoint of side  $AD$ .



Show that  $BE$  and  $AC$  trisect each other; that is, show that the intersection point is one-third of the way from  $E$  to  $B$  and from  $A$  to  $C$ . [Hint: If  $F$  is one-third of the way from  $A$  to  $C$ , show that  $2\vec{EF} = \vec{FB}$  and argue as in Example 4.1.2.]



$$\vec{F} = k_1(\vec{b} + \vec{d}) \quad \text{for } k_1 \text{ some scalar } k_1 \\ (\vec{F} \text{ is on diagonal})$$

$\vec{F}$  is on  $\overrightarrow{BE}$  means

$$\vec{EF} = k_2 \vec{EB} \quad \text{for some scalar } k_2$$

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$$F - E = k_2 (\vec{b} - E)$$

$$F = k_2 (\vec{b} - E) + E$$

$$F = k_2 (\vec{b}) - k_2 E + E$$

$$= k_2 (\vec{b}) + (1 - k_2) E$$

$$\vec{F} = \underbrace{k_2 (\vec{b})}_{\text{also } F = k_1 \vec{b}} + \underbrace{(1 - k_2) \frac{1}{2} \vec{d}}$$

also

$$F = k_1 \vec{b} + k_1 \vec{d} \quad (\text{from before})$$

$$k_1 = k_2$$

$$k_1 = (1 - k_2) \frac{1}{2}$$

2 equations, 2 variables!

$$2k_1 = 1 - k_2$$

$\downarrow$  since  $k_1 = k_2$

$$2k_1 = 1 - k_1$$

$$3k_1 = 1$$

$$k_1 = \frac{1}{3}, \quad k_2 = k_1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

16. For what values of  $t$  is the given vector parallel to  $\vec{u} = (4, -1)$

- a)  $(8t, -2)$
- b)  $(8t, 2t)$
- c)  $(1, t^2)$

a) For what value of  $t$  is  $\vec{v} = (8t, -2)$  parallel to  $\vec{u} = (4, -1)$ ?

/  
Same direction,  
but maybe not  
same magnitude

So  $\vec{v} = k\vec{u}$  for some scalar  $k$ .

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

$\Rightarrow (8t, -2) = k(4, -1)$   
 $(8t, -2) = (4k, -k)$

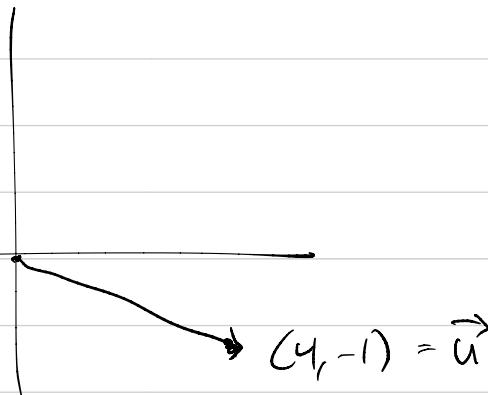
so  $-2 = -k$

so  $2 = k$

$(8t, -2) = k \cdot \vec{u} = 2 \cdot \vec{u} = (8, -2)$

$8t = 8$

$t = 1$

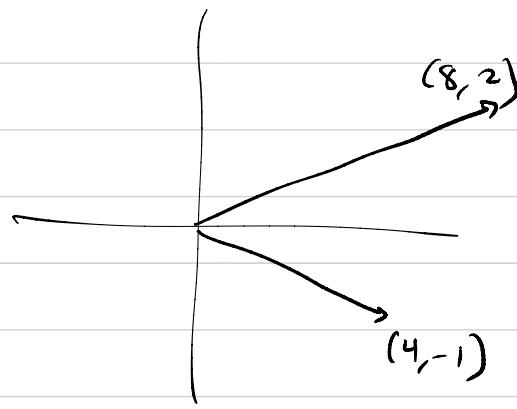


$$t \cdot (8, 2)$$

b)  $(8t, 2t) = k \cdot (4, -1)$ .

$$(8t, 2t) = (4k, -k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8t &= 4k \\ t &= \frac{4k}{8} \\ t &= \frac{1}{2}k \end{aligned}$$



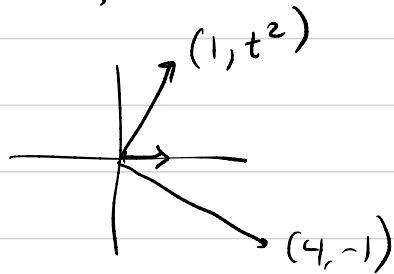
$$\frac{1}{2}k = -\frac{1}{2}k \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}k + \frac{1}{2}k = 0$$

no such value of  $t$  exists.

~~$k \neq 0$~~

c)  $(1, t^2) = k(4, -1)$

no such value of  $t$  exists



23. Let  $P$  be the point  $(2, 3, -2)$  and  $Q$  the point  $(7, -4, 1)$ .

a. Find the midpoint of the line segment connecting the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

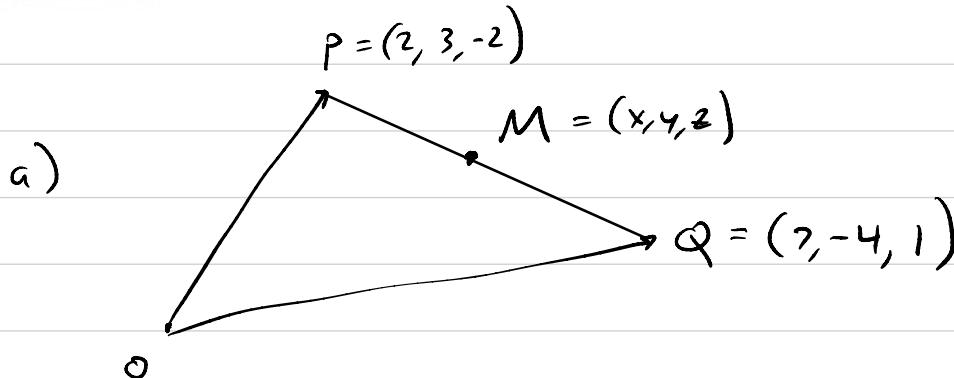
› Answer

› Solution

b. Find the point on the line segment connecting the points  $P$  and  $Q$  that is  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the way from  $P$  to  $Q$ .

› Answer

› Solution



$$\text{Insight: } \vec{PM} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{PQ}$$

$$M - P = \frac{1}{2} (Q - P)$$

$$(x, y, z) - (2, 3, -2) = \frac{1}{2} ((7, -4, 1) - (2, 3, -2))$$

$$(x, y, z) - (2, 3, -2) = \frac{1}{2} (5, -7, 3)$$

$$(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{2} (5, -7, 3) + (2, 3, -2)$$

$$= (2.5, -3.5, 1.5) + (2, 3, -2)$$

$$= (4.5, -0.5, -0.5)$$

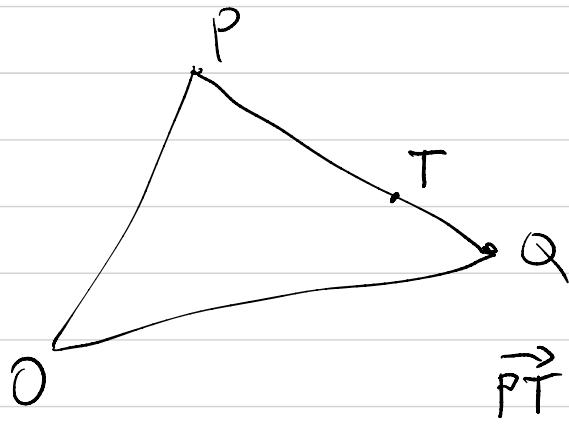
$$M = \frac{1}{2}(Q - P) + P$$

$$= \left( \frac{9}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}Q + \frac{1}{2}P$$

$$M = \frac{1}{2}(P+Q) = \frac{1}{2} ((2, 3, -2) + (7, -4, 1)) = \frac{1}{2} (9, -1, -1)$$

b) Find point  $\frac{3}{4}$ ths of the way from P to Q



$$\vec{PT} = \frac{3}{4} \vec{PQ}$$

$$T - P = \frac{3}{4} (Q - P)$$

$$T - P = \frac{3}{4}Q - \frac{3}{4}P$$

$$T = \frac{3}{4}Q - \frac{3}{4}P + P$$

$$T = \frac{3}{4}Q + \frac{1}{4}P$$

$$= \frac{3}{4}(7, -4, 1) + \frac{1}{4}(2, 3, -2)$$

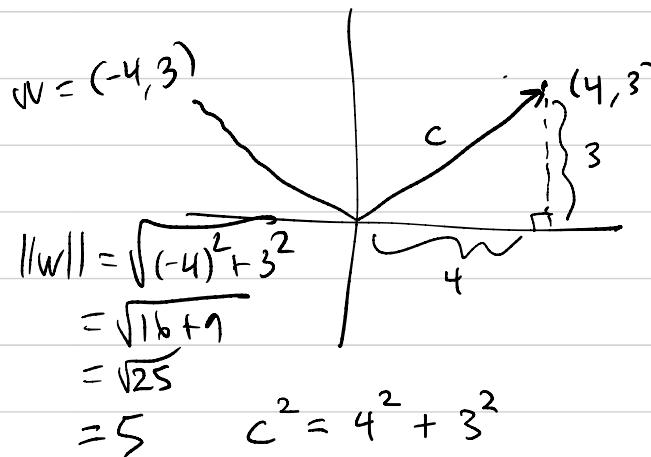
### 3.2 Norm, dot product, distance in $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

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

Norm / length of a vector  $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$   
magnitude

is  $\|v\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2} \neq v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_n$   
or  $|v|$   
(this is not the same as  $v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_n$ !)



$$v = (4, 3)$$

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 + 9} = \sqrt{25}$$

$$\|v\| = 5$$

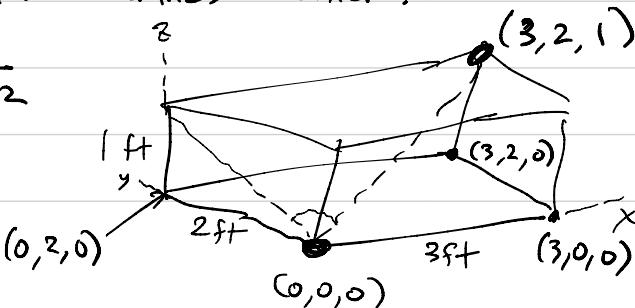
A box has dimensions  $2 \text{ ft}, 3 \text{ ft}, 1 \text{ ft}$   
length, width, height

Find the distance between two farthest corners.

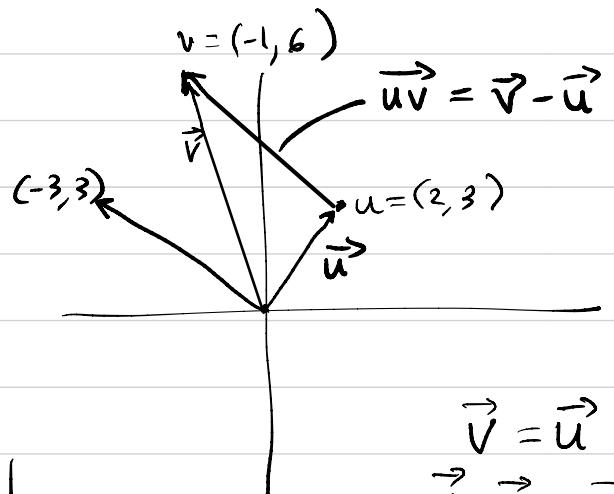
$$\text{Answer: } \|(3, 2, 1)\| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 1^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9 + 4 + 1}$$

$$= \boxed{\sqrt{14}} \text{ ft}$$



Find the distance between the points  $u = (2, 3)$   $v = (-1, 6)$



$$\|\vec{uv}\| = \|\vec{v} - \vec{u}\|$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} &= \vec{u} + \vec{uv} \\ \vec{v} - \vec{u} &= \vec{uv}\end{aligned}$$

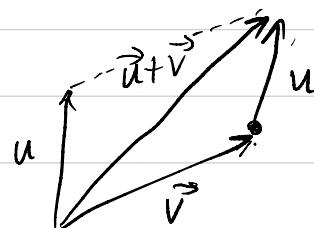
$$= \|(-1, 6) - (2, 3)\|$$

$$= \|(-1-2, 6-3)\|$$

$$= \|(-3, 3)\| = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{9+9} = \sqrt{18}$$

Distance formula :  $P_1 = (x_1, y_1)$   $P_2 = (x_2, y_2)$

$$\|P_1 P_2\| = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$$



Dot product of vectors  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$$

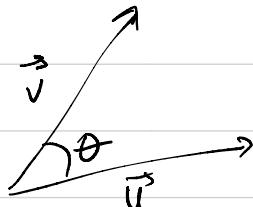
$$\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$$

$$\underbrace{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}_{\substack{\text{number} \\ \text{not a vector}}} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n \in \mathbb{R}$$

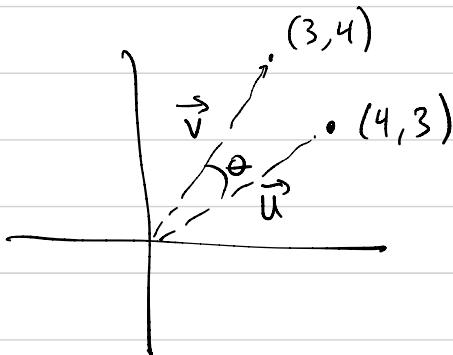
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Key fact about dot product is

$$\underbrace{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}_{\substack{\text{number} \\ \text{angle between} \\ \text{the two vectors } \vec{u}, \vec{v}}} = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$



Example Find angle between



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} &= u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 && \text{definition} \\ &= 4 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 \\ \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} &= 12 + 12 = 24 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also } \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} &= \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta \\ 24 &= (\sqrt{4^2+3^2})(\sqrt{3^2+4^2}) \cos \theta \\ 24 &= 5 \cdot 5 \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{24}{25} = \cos \theta$$

$$\arccos \left( \frac{24}{25} \right) = \theta$$

$$16.3^\circ = \theta$$

12. Find the Euclidean distance & the angle between the vectors

$$u = (1, 2, -3, 0) \quad v = (5, 1, 2, -2)$$

Solution  $\|u-v\| = \|(1-5, 2-1, -3-2, 0--2)\|$

$$= \|(-4, 1, -5, 2)\|$$

$$= \sqrt{(-4)^2 + 1^2 + (-5)^2 + 2^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 + 1 + 25 + 4}$$

$$= \boxed{\sqrt{46}}$$
 Euclidean distance

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{u}\| \cdot \|\vec{v}\| \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$1 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 1 + (-3)2 + 0(-2) = 5 + 2 + -6 + 0$$

$$1 = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-3)^2 + 0^2} \sqrt{5^2 + 1^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2}$$

$$1 = \sqrt{1+4+9} \sqrt{25+1+4+4} \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{14} \sqrt{34}} = \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \arccos \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{14} \sqrt{34}} \right)$$

$$\approx 87.37^\circ \text{ or } 1.5 \text{ radians}$$

Example  $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$

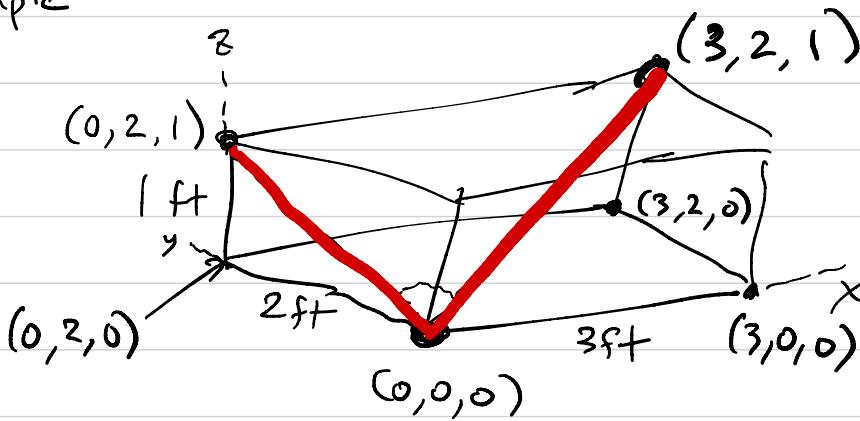
$$v \cdot v = v_1 \cdot v_1 + \dots + v_n \cdot v_n$$

$$v \cdot v = v_1^2 + \dots + v_n^2 = \|v\|^2$$

$$v \cdot v = \|v\|^2$$

$$v \cdot v = \|v\| \cdot \|v\| \underbrace{\cos \theta}_1 = \|v\|^2$$

Example



Find the angle between the two diagonals in red.  
use dot product

Solution:  $\vec{u} = (3, 2, 1)$   
 $\vec{v} = (0, 2, 1)$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|u\| \|v\| \cos \theta$$

$$3 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 1 = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} \sqrt{0^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} \cos \theta$$

$$4 + 1 = \sqrt{9 + 4 + 1} \sqrt{5} \cos \theta$$

$$5 = \sqrt{14} \sqrt{5} \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{5}{\sqrt{70}} = \cos \theta$$

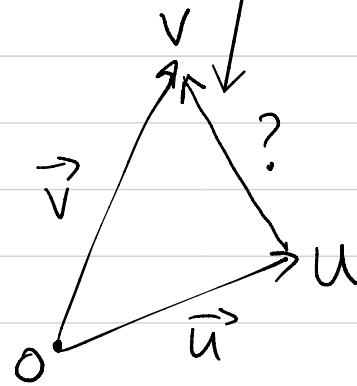
$$\arccos\left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{70}}\right) = \theta \rightarrow \theta = 53.3 \text{ degrees}$$

3.2 11b Find the Euclidean distance between  $\vec{u}$  &  $\vec{v}$  & the cosine of angle between them. State whether angle is acute/obtuse /  $90^\circ$ .

$$\vec{u} = (0, -2, -1, 1)$$

$$\vec{v} = (-3, 2, 4, 4)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} - \vec{u} &= (-3, 2 - (-2), 4 - (-1), 4 - 1) \\ &= (-3, 4, 5, 3)\end{aligned}$$



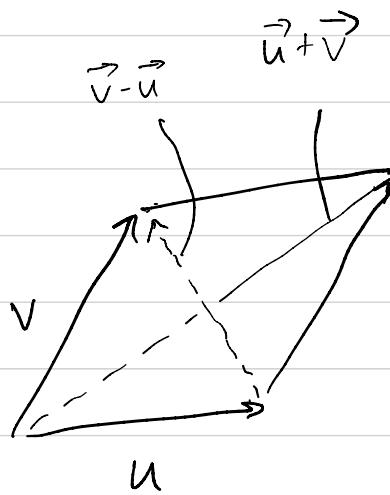
Find the  $\|\vec{uv}\|$

$$= \|\vec{v} - \vec{u}\|$$

$$= \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (4)^2 + (5)^2 + (3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9 + 16 + 25 + 9}$$

$$= \boxed{\sqrt{59}}$$



$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

$$0 - 4 - 4 + 4 = \sqrt{4+1+1} \sqrt{9+4+16+16} \cos \theta$$

$$-4 = \sqrt{6} \sqrt{45} \cos \theta$$

$$\boxed{\frac{-4}{\sqrt{6} \sqrt{45}} = \cos \theta}$$

Since  $\cos \theta$  is negative,  $\theta$  is obtuse.

If  $\theta = 90^\circ$ ,  $\cos \theta = 0$  (and conversely)

### 3.3 Orthogonality perpendicular

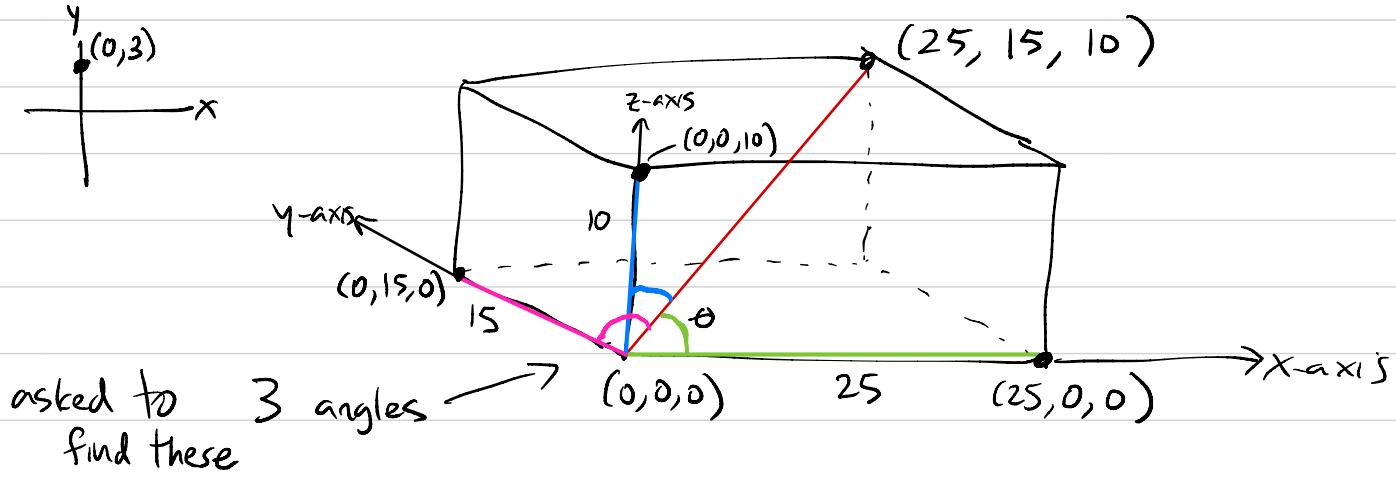
non-zero  $\vec{U}, \vec{V}$  are orthogonal (i.e perpendicular) if and only if  
 $\vec{U} \cdot \vec{V} = 0.$

$$\|U\| \|V\| \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\cos \theta = 0$$

$$\theta = 90^\circ$$

25. Estimate to the nearest degree the <sup>three</sup> angles that the diagonal of a box with dimensions  $10\text{ cm} \times 15\text{ cm} \times 25\text{ cm}$  makes with the edges of the box.



Find the angle between  $\vec{u} = (25, 0, 0)$  &  $\vec{v} = (25, 15, 10)$ .

Solution:  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{u}\| \cdot \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$  is the formula to use.

$$25 \cdot 25 + 0 + 0 = \|\sqrt{25^2}\| \|\sqrt{25^2 + 15^2 + 10^2}\| \cos \theta$$

$$25 \cdot 25 = 25 \cdot \sqrt{950} \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{25}{\sqrt{950}} = \cos \theta$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 625 \\ 225 \\ \hline 100 \\ \hline 950 \end{array}$$

$$\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{25}{\sqrt{950}} \right) = \theta$$

$$35.8^\circ = \theta$$

(or round  $36^\circ$ )

7 Let  $\vec{v} = (-2, 3, 0, 6)$  Find all scalars  $k$  such that  
 $\|k\vec{v}\| = 5$

Solution.  $k\vec{v} = (-2k, 3k, 0, 6k)$

$$\|k\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{(-2k)^2 + (3k)^2 + 0^2 + (6k)^2} = 5$$

$$\sqrt{4k^2 + 9k^2 + 0 + 36k^2} = 5$$

$$\sqrt{49k^2} = 5$$

$$\sqrt{49} \sqrt{k^2}$$

$$7k$$

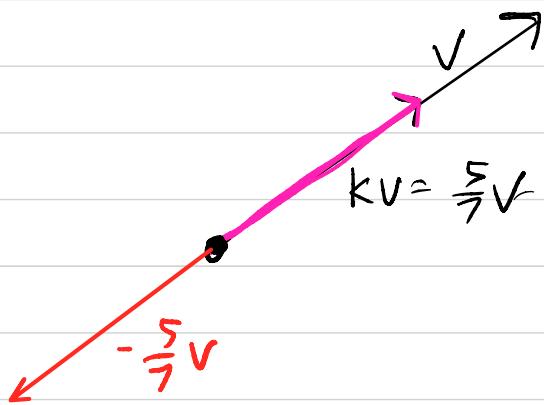
$$49k^2 = 5^2$$

$$49k^2 = 25$$

$$k^2 = \frac{25}{49}$$

$$k = \pm \sqrt{\frac{25}{49}}$$

$$\boxed{k = \pm \frac{5}{7}}$$



$\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  (or  $\mathbb{R}^2$ )

$$\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3) \quad \vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$$

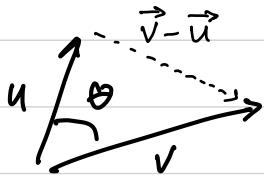


Dot Product  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + u_3 v_3$

Theorem. Let  $\theta$  be the angle between  $\vec{u}$  &  $\vec{v}$ . Then

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

Proof. Apply Law of cosines to the triangle



$$\|\vec{v} - \vec{u}\|^2 = \|\vec{u}\|^2 + \|\vec{v}\|^2 - 2\|\vec{u}\|\|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

$$\vec{v} - \vec{u} = (v_1 - u_1, v_2 - u_2, v_3 - u_3)$$

$$(v_1 - u_1)^2 + (v_2 - u_2)^2 + (v_3 - u_3)^2 = (\underbrace{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2}_{v_1^2 - 2v_1u_1 + u_1^2} + \underbrace{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2}_{v_2^2 - 2v_2u_2 + u_2^2} + \underbrace{v_3^2 - 2v_3u_3 + u_3^2}_{v_3^2 - 2v_3u_3 + u_3^2}) - 2\|\vec{u}\|\|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

The terms that are squared cancel, left with

$$-2v_1u_1 - 2v_2u_2 - 2v_3u_3 = -2\|\vec{u}\|\|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

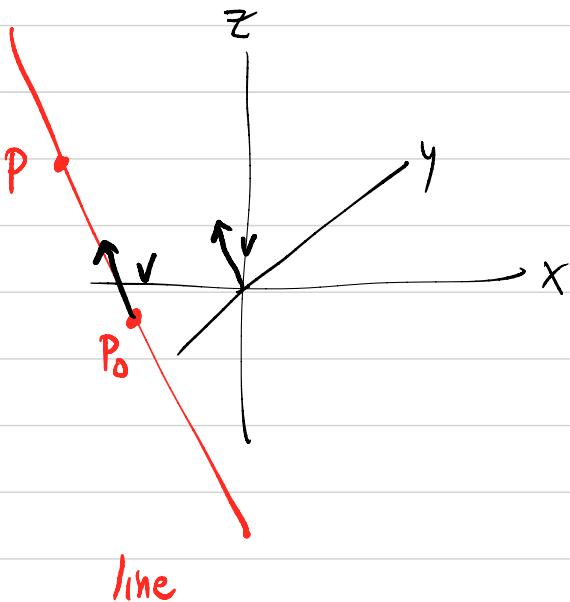
$$-\cancel{2(v_1u_1 + v_2u_2 + v_3u_3)} = -\cancel{2\|\vec{u}\|\|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta}$$

$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$

$$= \|\vec{u}\|\|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

□

### 3.4 Geometry of lines & planes



$$\overrightarrow{P_0 P} = t \cdot \vec{v}$$

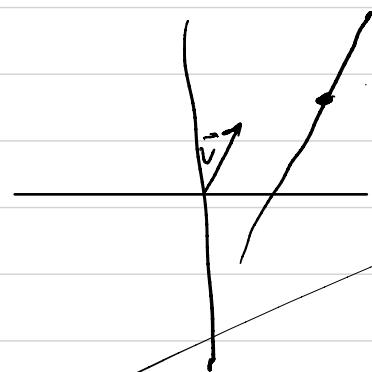
$\vec{v}$  = direction vector of line

$$P - P_0 = t \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{P} = t \cdot \vec{v} + P_0 = P_0 + t \cdot \vec{v}}$$

vector equation of a line

Example Find the vector and parametric equations of the line containing the point \$(1, 2, 2)\$ & in direction of \$\vec{v} = (-1, 0, 3)\$



$$\vec{P} = (x, y, z)$$

$$\text{Solution } \boxed{\vec{P} = (1, 2, 2) + t(-1, 0, 3)}$$

vector form of equation of a line

Parametric form of equation of line

$$x = 1 - t$$

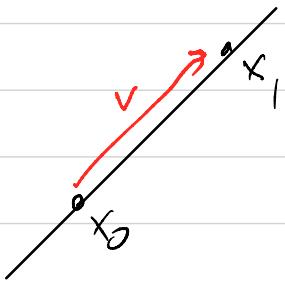
$$y = 2 + 0t = 2$$

$$z = 2 + 3t$$

Given two points  $x_0$  &  $x_1$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

e.g.  $x_0 = (1, 0, 2)$      $x_1 = (-1, 2, 3)$

what is an equation of the line through them?

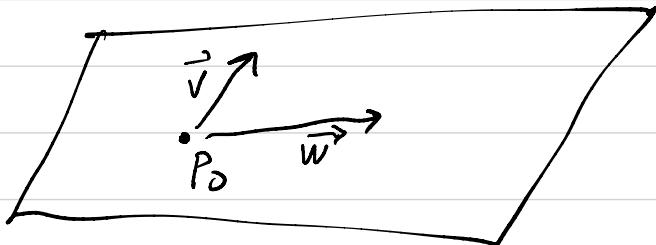


A direction vector for this line is  
 $v = \vec{x_0 x_1} = x_1 - x_0$   
 $= (-1, 2, 3) - (1, 0, 2)$

$$\vec{v} = (-2, 2, 1)$$

So line is  $\boxed{\vec{P} = (1, 0, 2) + t(-2, 2, 1)}$

is a vector form of equation of a line.



Plane  $\vec{P} = P_0 + t\vec{v} + s\vec{w}$  vector equation of plane

Example Plane passing through  
 $P_0 = (1, 0, 1)$

not parallel to  $\vec{v} = (2, 1, 1)$      $\vec{w} = (0, -1, -1)$

has vector equation

$$\boxed{\vec{P} = (1, 0, 1) + t(2, 1, 1) + s(0, -1, -1)}$$

or

$$x = 1 + 2t$$

$$y = 0 + t - s$$

$$z = 1 + t - s$$

parametric form

so take  $t=2, s=3$  then

$$x = 1 + 2 \cdot 2 = 5$$

$$y = t - s = 2 - 3 = -1$$

$$z = 1 + 2 \cdot 3 = 0$$

so  $(x, y, z) = (5, -1, 0)$  is one point on this plane.

Last time: equation of plane

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

has normal vector  $\vec{n} = (a, b, c)$

Example

$$x + 2y + 3z + 5 = 0$$

$$2y = -5 - x - 3z$$

$$y = -\frac{5}{2} - \frac{x}{2} - \frac{3z}{2}$$

$$x = -5 - 2y - 3z$$

$$y = \quad y$$

$$z = \quad z$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

3.4

22. Find a homogeneous linear system of two equations in 3 variables consisting of those vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  that are orthogonal to  $\vec{a} = (-3, 2, 1)$  &  $\vec{b} = (0, -2, -2)$

/

perpendicular

dot product = 0

$$\vec{v} = (x, y, z)$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \Rightarrow (-3, 2, 1) \cdot (x, y, z) = 0 \Rightarrow -3x + 2y + z = 0$$

$$\vec{b} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \Rightarrow (0, -2, -2) \cdot (x, y, z) = 0 \Rightarrow -2y - 2z = 0$$

$$-3x + 2y + z = 0$$

$$-2y - 2z = 0$$

Equation of plane with normal vector  $\vec{n} = (a, b, c)$  is

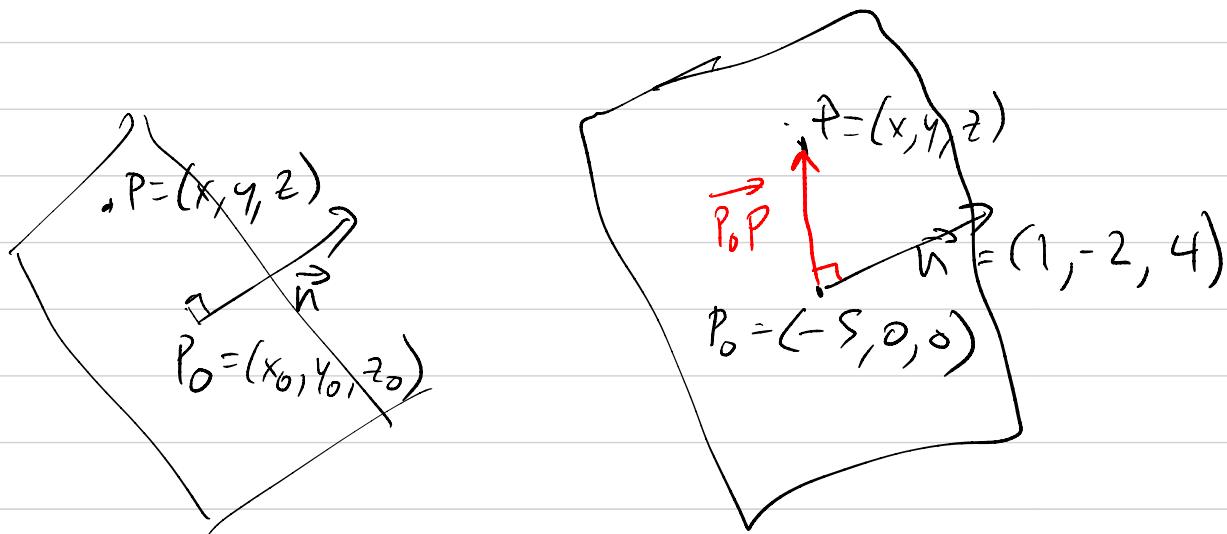
$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

For example the planes with normal vector  $\vec{n} = (1, -2, 4)$  is

$$x - 2y + 4z + d = 0$$

where  $d$  is any fixed number. e.g.  $d = 5$ .

$x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$  is the equation of a plane.



What is the equation of the plane passing through  $(-5, 0, 0)$

& with normal vector  $\vec{n} = (1, -2, 4)$ ?

$\vec{P_0P}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{n} = (1, -2, 4)$

$$\vec{P_0P} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(P - P_0) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x, y, z) - (-5, 0, 0) \\ \end{array} \right\} \cdot (1, -2, 4) = 0$$

$$(x+5, y, z) \cdot (1, -2, 4) = 0$$

$$(x+5) \cdot 1 + y \cdot (-2) + z \cdot 4 = 0$$

$$x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$$

Notice that the coefficients of  $x, y, z$ , in this case  
 $1, -2, 4$  give the normal vector

Example Find equation of plane through  $P = (2, -3, 5)$  and parallel to  $3x - 2y - z = 0$

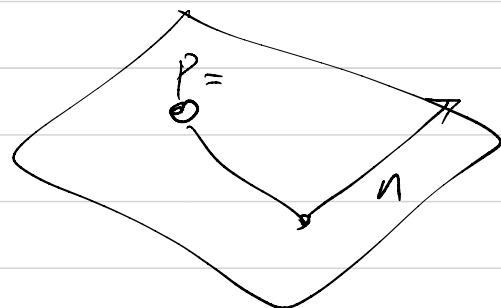
Solution Normal vector is  $\vec{n} = (3, -2, -1)$

$$P_0 = (x, y, z)$$

$$\overrightarrow{P_0 P} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(P - P_0) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(2, -3, 5) - (x, y, z) \cdot (3, -2, -1) = 0$$



$$(2-x, -3-y, 5-z) \cdot (3, -2, -1) = 0$$

$$3(2-x) + (-2)(-3-y) + (-1)(5-z) = 0$$

$$6 - 3x + 6 + 2y - 5 + z = 0$$

$$-3x + 2y + z + 7 = 0$$

$$\text{or } 3x - 2y - z - 7 = 0$$

2<sup>nd</sup> way: we know the equation of any plane parallel to

$$3x - 2y - z = 0$$

is of the form  $3x - 2y - z + d = 0$  for some number  $d$ .

(Since they have same normal vector  $(3, -2, -1)$ .)

So we just have to find out what  $d$  is

We know  $P=(2, -3, 5)$  is on this plane, so

$$3(2) - 2(-3) - 5 + d = 0$$

$$6 + 6 - 5 + d = 0$$

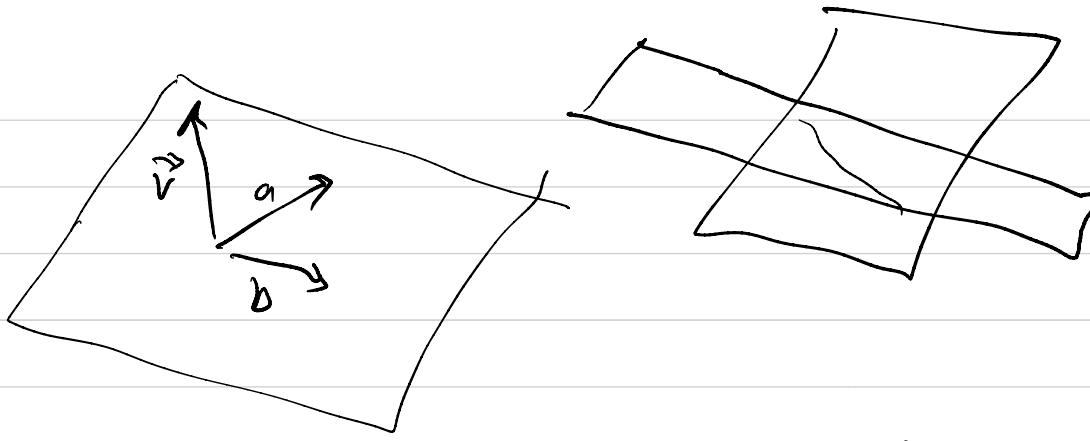
$$12 - 5 + d = 0$$

$$7 + d = 0$$

$$d = -7$$

$$3x - 2y - z - 7 = 0$$

so  
answer is



### 3.5 Cross product (only in $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

$$\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3) = v_1 i + v_2 j + v_3 k$$

$$\vec{w} = (w_1, w_2, w_3)$$

Cross product  $\underbrace{\vec{v} \times \vec{w}}_{\substack{\text{a vector in} \\ \mathbb{R}^3}} = ( \quad, \quad, \quad )$   
given by the following formula

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} = i \left( \begin{vmatrix} v_2 & v_3 \\ w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} \right) - j \left( \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} \right) + k \left( \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ w_1 & w_2 \end{vmatrix} \right)$$

$\uparrow$   
determinant

Example Find cross product of  $\vec{a} = (-3, 2, 1)$   $\vec{b} = (0, -2, -2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \times \vec{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = i \left( \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \right) - j \left( \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \right) + k \left( \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \right) \\ &= i(-4+2) - j(6-0) + k(6-0) \end{aligned}$$

$$= -2\mathbf{i} - 6\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \boxed{(-2, -6, 6)}$$

Fact :  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{a}$  & to  $\vec{b}$  for any vectors a and b

(Proof: compute  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{a} = 0$

in above example,

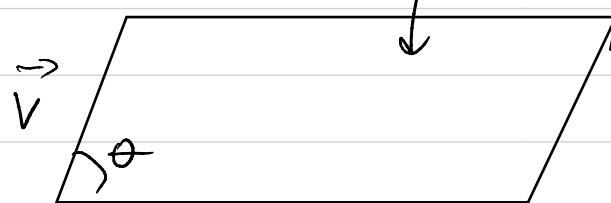
$$\begin{aligned} (-2, -6, 6) \cdot (-3, 2, 1) &= (-2)(-3) + (-6)(2) + 6 \cdot 1 \\ a \times b &= 6 - 12 + 6 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Lagrange's identity

$$\|v \times w\|^2 = \|v\|^2 \|w\|^2 - (v \cdot w)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \|v \times w\|^2 &= \|v\|^2 \|w\|^2 (\|w\|^2 - \|v\|^2 \cdot \|w\|^2 \cos^2 \theta) \\ &= \|v\|^2 \|w\|^2 (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \\ &= \|v\|^2 \|w\| \sin^2 \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\|v \times w\| = \|v\| \|w\| |\sin \theta| \quad \text{Area of the parallelogram}$$



So norm of cross product of  $\vec{v}$  &  $\vec{w}$  is area of parallelogram  $v, w$  make.

In Exercises 11–12, find the area of the parallelogram with the given vertices.

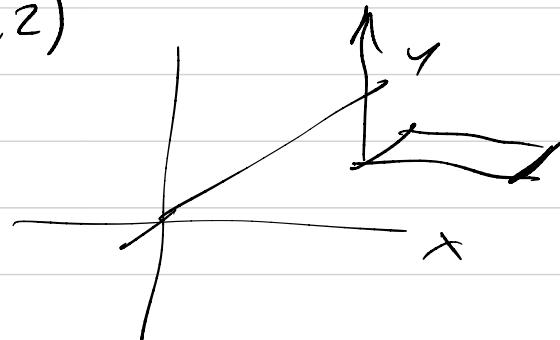
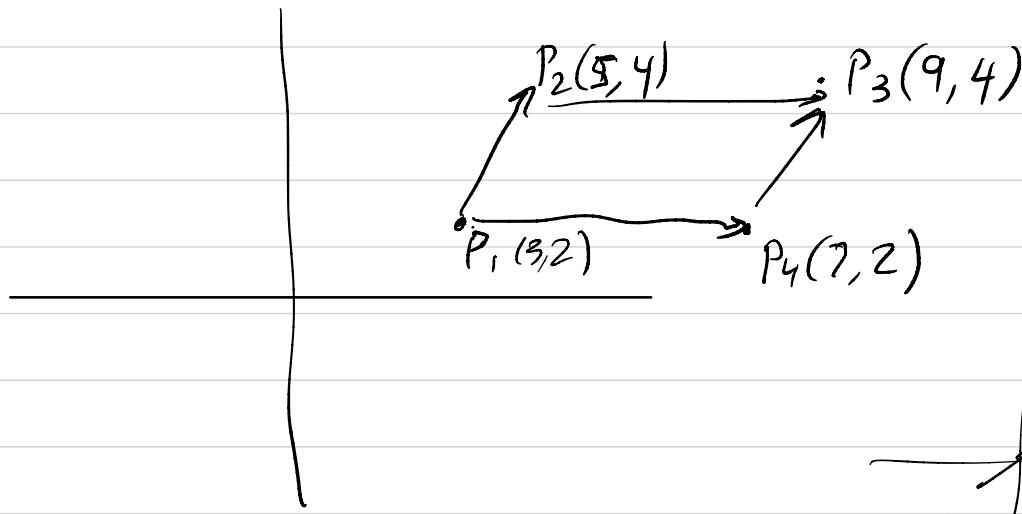
11.  $P_1(1, 2), P_2(4, 4), P_3(7, 5), P_4(4, 3)$

Answer

Solution

12.  $P_1(3, 2), P_2(5, 4), P_3(9, 4), P_4(7, 2)$

12.



Solution: Find  $\|\vec{P_1P_2} \times \vec{P_1P_4}\|$

$$\vec{P_1P_2} = P_2 - P_1 = (5, 4) - (3, 2) = (2, 2)$$

$$\vec{P_1P_4} = P_4 - P_1 = (7, 2) - (3, 2) = (4, 0)$$

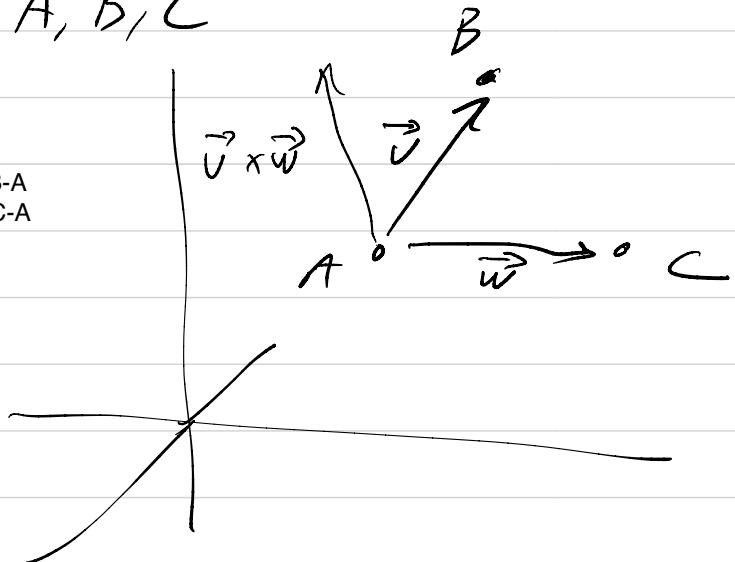
$$\begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = i(0) - j(0) + k(0 - 8) \\ = -8k = (0, 0, -8)$$

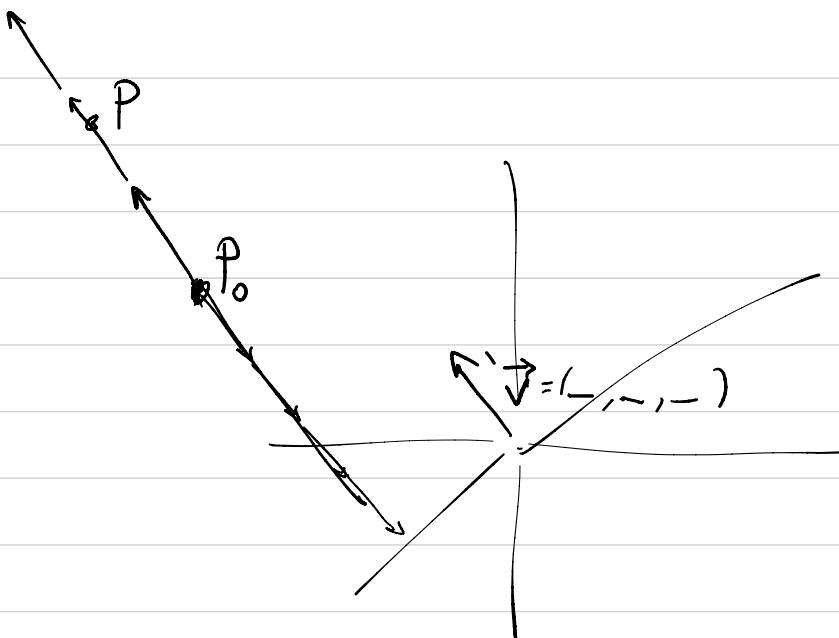
$$\|(0, 0, -8)\| = \sqrt{0^2 + 0^2 + (-8)^2} = [8] \quad \text{Area of parallelogram}$$

$A, B, C$

$$v = AB = B - A$$

$$w = AC = C - A$$





$$\vec{P}_0 P = t \cdot \vec{v}$$

↑  
scalar

$$\vec{P} - \vec{P}_0 = t \vec{v}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{P} = \vec{P}_0 + t \vec{v}}$$

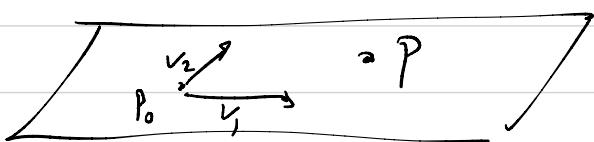
vector form of the equation of  
a line through  $P_0$  & in the direction  
of  $\vec{v}$

Planes : Same idea as for lines but two direction vectors

$$P = P_0 + s \cdot \vec{v}_1 + t \cdot \vec{v}_2$$

↑  
vectors      ↑  
                vector

$s, t \in \mathbb{R}$   
scalars



**Exercise 4.2.21** Find the equation of all planes:

- a. Perpendicular to the line

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

direction vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(same as  
(2, 1, 3))

- b. Perpendicular to the line

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- c. Containing the origin.

- d. Containing  $P(3, 2, -4)$ .

- e. Containing  $P(1, 1, -1)$  and  $Q(0, 1, 1)$ .

- f. Containing  $P(2, -1, 1)$  and  $Q(1, 0, 0)$ .

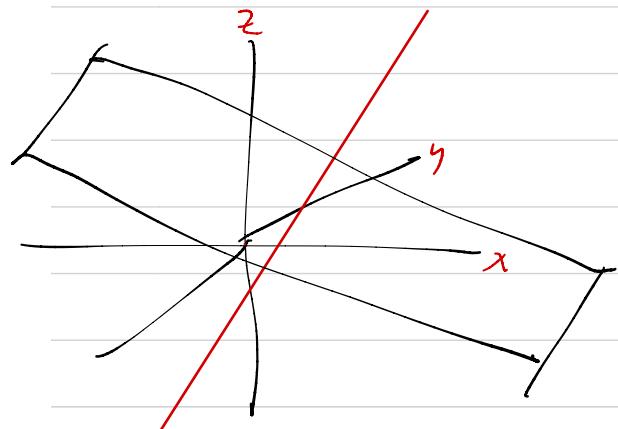
- g. Containing the line

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- h. Containing the line

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

because that's the vector  
that has a  $t$  in front  
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
Scalar



$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

equation of plane.

normal vector to this  
plane is  $(a, b, c)$

a) So  $(a, b, c) = (2, 1, 3)$  (or some scalar multiple)

$$2x + 1y + 3z + d = 0$$

$d$  can be any number.

c)  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$  origin =  $(0, 0, 0)$

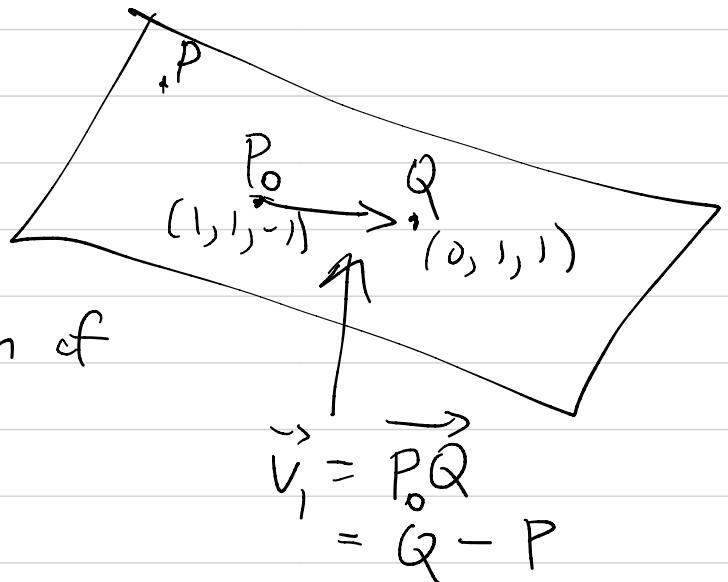
$$a \cdot 0 + b \cdot 0 + c \cdot 0 + d = 0$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{a \cdot 0 + b \cdot 0 + c \cdot 0 + d = 0}}_0$

$d = 0$

$$[ax + by + cz = 0]$$

c)



Let try to find vector form of equation of all planes

vector form of eqn of plane

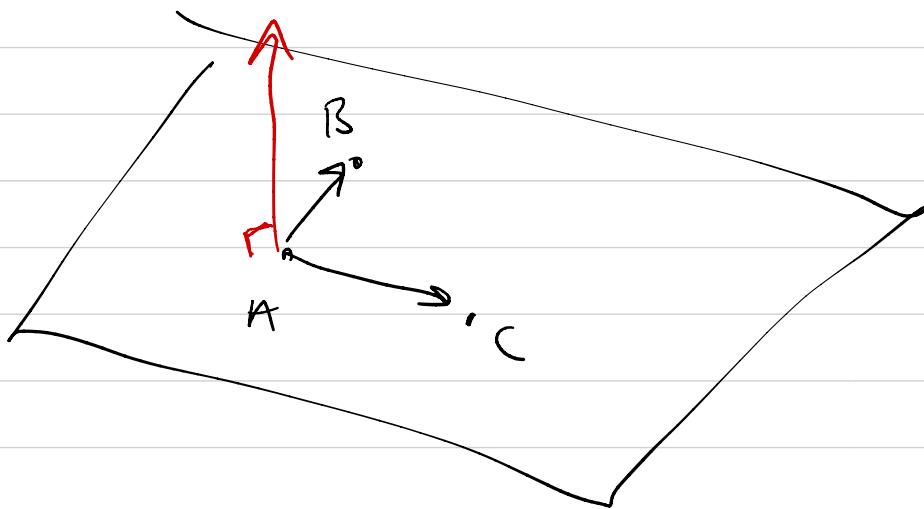
$$P = P_0 + s \cdot \vec{V}_1 + t \cdot \vec{V}_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{V}_1 &= \vec{PQ} \\ &= (0, 1, 1) - (1, 1, -1) \\ &= (-1, 0, 2) \end{aligned}$$

$$[P = (1, 1, -1) + s(-1, 0, 2) + t \cdot \vec{V}_2]$$

**Exercise 4.2.14** Find an equation of each of the following planes. → Find the normal vector first

- Passing through  $A(2, 1, 3)$ ,  $B(3, -1, 5)$ , and  $C(1, 2, -3)$ .
- Passing through  $A(1, -1, 6)$ ,  $B(0, 0, 1)$ , and  $C(4, 7, -11)$ .

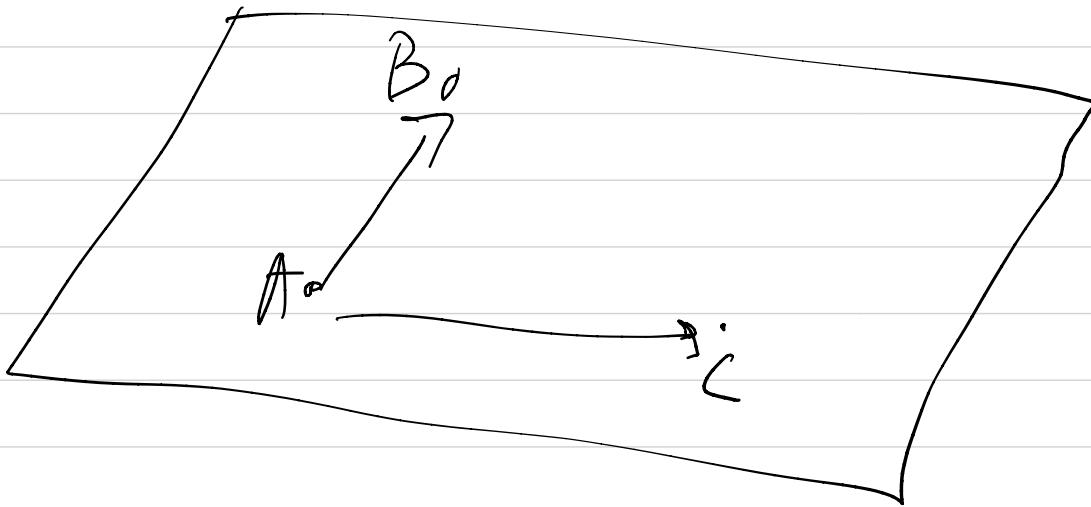


→ We need to find a vector perpendicular to  $\vec{AB}$  &  $\vec{AC}$

(because that will be normal vector  $(a, b, c)$ )  
in  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$   
eqn of plane

This is what cross product is built for!

$$A = (2, 1, 3) \quad B = (3, -1, 5) \quad C = (1, 2, -3)$$



$$\vec{AB} = B - A = (3, -1, 5) - (2, 1, 3)$$

$$\vec{AB} = (1, -2, 2)$$

$$\vec{AC} = C - A = (1, 2, -3) - (2, 1, 3)$$

$$\vec{AC} = (-1, 1, -6)$$

$$\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= i(12 - 2) - j(-6 - (-2)) + k(1 - 2)$$

$$= \mathbf{i}(10) - \mathbf{j}(-4) + \mathbf{k}(-1)$$

$$= (10, 4, -1) \text{ is cross product}$$

So equation of our plane is

$$10x + 4y - 1z + d = 0$$

To find  $d$ , substitute any of the points

Let's plug in  $A=(2, 1, 3)$

$$10x + 4y - z + d = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 10 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot 1 - 3 + d = 0 \end{matrix}$$

$$20 + 4 - 3 + d = 0$$

$$21 + d = 0$$

$$d = -21$$

$$\boxed{10x + 4y - z - 21 = 0}$$

Is  $B=(3, -1, 5)$  on this plane?

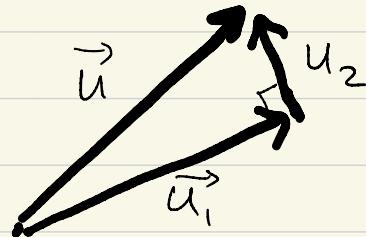
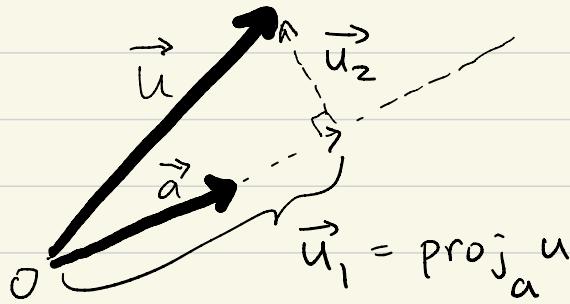
$$10 \cdot 3 + 4(-1) - 5 - 21 = 0$$

$$30 - 4 - 5 - 21 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$\vec{u}, \vec{a}$  two vectors ( $\vec{a}$  non-zero)

$\vec{u}$  can be expressed uniquely as  $\vec{u} = \vec{u}_1 + \vec{u}_2$   
where

- $\vec{u}_1$  is parallel to  $\vec{a}$  ( $\vec{u}_1$  is the orthogonal proj. of  $\vec{u}$  on  $\vec{a}$ )
- $\vec{u}_2$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{a}$ .  
short for projection



Formulas:

$$\vec{u}_1 = \text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \vec{u} = \left( \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{a}}{\|\vec{a}\|^2} \right) \vec{a}$$

number

$$\vec{u}_2 = \vec{u} - \vec{u}_1$$

Proof.  $\vec{u}_1 = k\vec{a}$  for some scalar  $k$ , since  $\vec{u}_1$  is parallel to  $\vec{a}$ .

Since  $\vec{u} = \vec{u}_1 + \vec{u}_2$ ,  $\vec{u} - \vec{u}_1 = \vec{u}_2$

Since  $\vec{u}_2$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{a}$ , we have  $\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{a} = 0$ .

$$\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

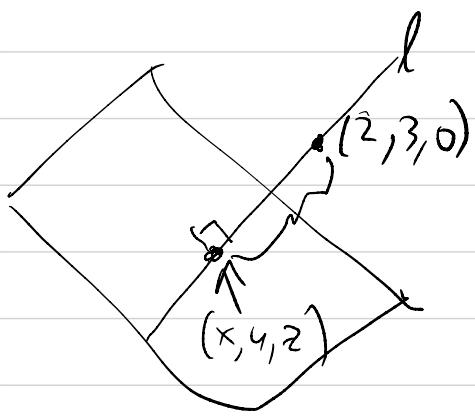
$$(\vec{u} - \vec{u}_1) \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

$$(\vec{u} - k\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{a} - k \underbrace{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}}_{\|\vec{a}\|^2} = 0$$

3. Find the shortest distance from the point  $P=(2, 3, 0)$

& the plane  $5x+y+z=1$ .



What point on the plane  $5x+y+z=1$  is closest to  $(2, 3, 0)$ ?

Plane has normal  $\vec{n} = (5, 1, 1)$

$$l = (2, 3, 0) + t(5, 1, 1)$$

equation of line  $l$

$$l = (2, 3, 0) + (5t, t, t)$$

$$l = (2+5t, 3+t, t)$$

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

} is equation(s) of line  $l$ .

$5x+y+z=1$  equation of plane

$$5(2+5t) + 3+t + t = 1$$

$$10 + 25t + 3 + 2t = 1$$

$$27t + 13 = 1$$

$$27t = 1 - 13$$

$$27t = -12$$

$$t = \frac{-12}{27} = \frac{-3 \cdot 4}{3 \cdot 9} = -\frac{4}{9}$$

$$x = 2 + 5t$$

$$y = 3 + t$$

$$z = t$$

$$x = 2 - 5\left(\frac{4}{9}\right) = \frac{18}{9} - \frac{20}{9} = -\frac{2}{9}$$

$$y = 3 - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{27}{9} - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{23}{9}$$

$$z = \frac{4}{9}$$

So  $\left(-\frac{2}{9}, \frac{23}{9}, \frac{4}{9}\right)$  is the point on the plane closest to  $P = (2, 3, 0)$

How to find the shortest distance?

• Find the distance between  $\left(-\frac{2}{9}, \frac{23}{9}, \frac{4}{9}\right)$  and  $P_0 = (2, 3, 0)$ .

$$\vec{P_0P_1} = P_1 - P_0 = \left(-\frac{20}{9}, -\frac{4}{9}, \frac{4}{9}\right)$$

$$= (5, 1, 1) \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)}_{t} \quad \text{scalar product}$$

$$\|P_0P_1\| = \sqrt{\left(-\frac{20}{9}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{4}{9}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{4}{9}\right)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{-4}{9}\right)^2 (5^2 + 1^2 + 1^2)}$$

$$= \frac{4}{9} \sqrt{25 + 1 + 1} = \frac{4}{9} \sqrt{27} = \frac{4}{9} \sqrt{3 \cdot 3^2}$$

$$= \frac{4}{9} \cdot 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{4}{3} \sqrt{3}}$$

2<sup>nd</sup> way: formula for distance between

$P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  & the plane

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

is

$$\boxed{\frac{ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0 + d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}}$$

$$a=5, b=1, c=1, d=-1$$

$$(x_0, y_0, z_0) = (2, 3, 0)$$

so distance is

$$\left| \frac{5 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 0 - 1}{\sqrt{5^2 + 1^2 + 1^2}} \right|$$

$$= \frac{12}{\sqrt{27}} = \frac{12\sqrt{27}}{\sqrt{27} \cdot \sqrt{27}}$$

$$= \frac{12}{27} \cdot 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$= \frac{4}{9} \cdot 3\sqrt{3}$$

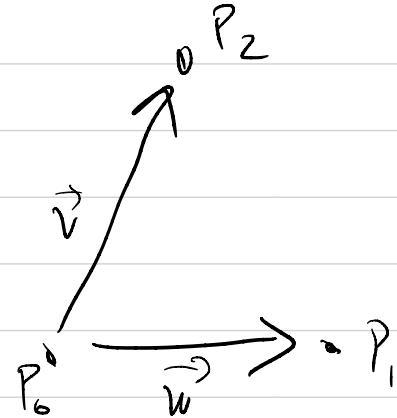
$$= \frac{4}{3}\sqrt{3}.$$

2. Find equation of plane passing through

$$P_0 = (2, 1, 3)$$

$$P_1 = (3, -1, 5)$$

$$P_2 = (1, 2, -3)$$



$$P = P_0 + t\vec{v} + s\vec{w} \leftarrow \text{parametric form}$$

$$= (2, 1, 3) + t(\vec{P_0 P_2}) + s(\vec{P_0 P_1})$$

$$= (2, 1, 3) + t(P_2 - P_0) + s(P_1 - P_0)$$

$$= (2, 1, 3) + t(1-2, 2-1, -3) + s(3-2, -1-1, 5-3)$$

$$P = (2, 1, 3) + t(-1, 1, -2) + s(1, -2, 2)$$

$\nwarrow$  vector equation of plane.

$$x = 2 - t + s$$

$$y = 1 + t - 2s$$

$$z = 3 - 6t + 2s$$

parametric form of  
equation of plane

What is the equation of the plane in the form  
 $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ ?

$$P_0 = (2, 1, 3)$$

$$P_1 = (3, -1, 5)$$

$$P_2 = (1, 2, -3)$$

are on the plane.

$$2a + b + 3c + d = 0$$

$$3a - b + 5c + d = 0$$

$$a + 2b - 3c + d = 0$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Now find RREF;  
I did the first couple of steps  
by hand but then  
decided to use SageMath

optional to write since

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -7 & 14 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A.\text{ref}() = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{21} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{4}{21} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{21} & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

via SageMath

a, b, c pivot variable

$$a + \frac{10}{21}d = 0 \Rightarrow a = -\frac{10}{21}d$$

$$b + \frac{4}{21}d = 0 \Rightarrow b = -\frac{4}{21}d$$

$$c - \frac{1}{21}d = 0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{21}d$$

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

$$\left(-\frac{10}{21}d\right)x + \left(-\frac{4}{21}d\right)y + \frac{1}{21}d \cdot z + d = 0$$

$$-\frac{10}{21}x + \frac{-4}{21}y + \frac{z}{21} + 1 = 0 \quad (\text{divided through by } -\frac{1}{7})$$

$$-10x - 4y + z + 21 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P_0 = (2, 1, 3)$$

$$-10 \cdot 2 - 4 \cdot 1 + 3 + 21 = 0 \quad ?$$

$$-20 - 4 + 3 + 21 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{a} = k \cdot \|\vec{a}\|^2$$

$$\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{a}}{\|\vec{a}\|^2} = k$$

$$\text{so } \vec{u}_1 = k \vec{a} = \left( \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{a}}{\|\vec{a}\|^2} \right) \vec{a}$$

$$\vec{u}_2 = \vec{u} - \vec{u}_1.$$

□

**Exercise 4.2.11** In each case, write  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{u}_2$ , where  $\mathbf{u}_1$  is parallel to  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2$  is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{v}$ .

a.  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

b.  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution. a)  $\vec{u}_1 = \left( \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \right) \cdot \vec{v}$

$$= \frac{2 \cdot 1 + (-1)(-1) + 1 \cdot 3}{1^2 + (-1)^2 + 3^2} \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$\vec{u}_1 = \frac{6}{11} \cdot \vec{v} = \frac{6}{11} (1, -1, 3) = \left( \frac{6}{11}, -\frac{6}{11}, \frac{18}{11} \right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u}_2 &= \vec{u} - \vec{u}_1 = (2, -1, 1) - \left( \frac{6}{11}, -\frac{6}{11}, \frac{18}{11} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{22}{11}, -\frac{11}{11}, \frac{11}{11} \right) - \left( \frac{6}{11}, -\frac{6}{11}, \frac{18}{11} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{16}{11}, -\frac{5}{11}, -\frac{7}{11} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\uparrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $5 = -11 + 6 \quad 11 - 18 = -7$

Two vectors  $u, v$  are orthogonal/perpendicular if  
 $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$

Example:

Anton 1d:  $\vec{u} = (5, -4, 0, 3)$   
 $\vec{v} = (-4, 1, -3, 7)$

Are  $\vec{u}$  &  $\vec{v}$  orthogonal?

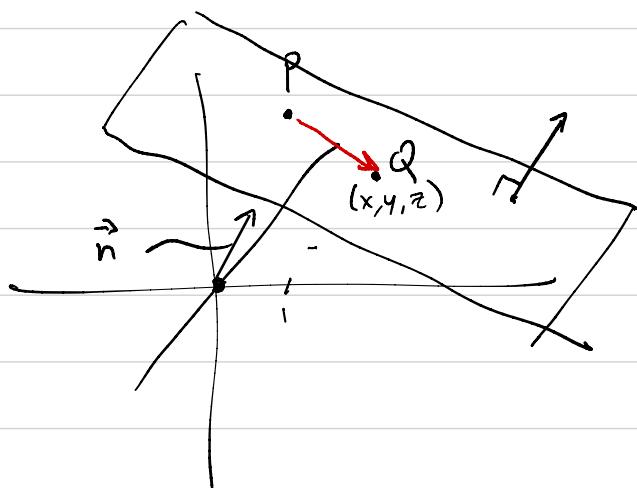
Solution:  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 5(-4) + (-4) \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot (-3) + 3 \cdot 7$   
 $= -20 - 4 + 0 + 21$   
 $= (-4) = -3$   
not zero  
so  $u, v$  are not orthogonal.

Anton 3-6

Find the point-normal form of the equation of the plane passing through the given point  $P$  having  $\vec{n}$  as a normal=perpendicular

4:  $P = (1, 1, 4)$        $\vec{n} = (1, 9, 8)$

let  $Q = (x, y, z)$ .



$$\vec{PQ} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

$$(Q - P) \cdot \vec{n} \\ ((x, y, z) - (1, 1, 4)) \cdot (1, 9, 8) = 0$$

$$(x-1, y-1, z-4) \cdot (1, 9, 8) =$$

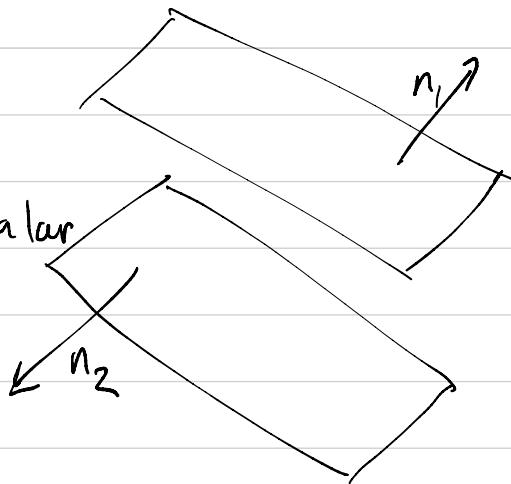
$$1(x-1) + 9(y-1) + 8(z-4) = 0$$

$$x - 1 + 9y - 9 + 8z - 32 = 0$$

$$x + 9y + 8z - 42 = 0$$

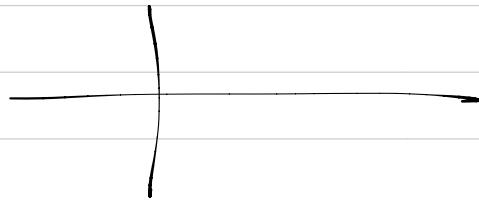
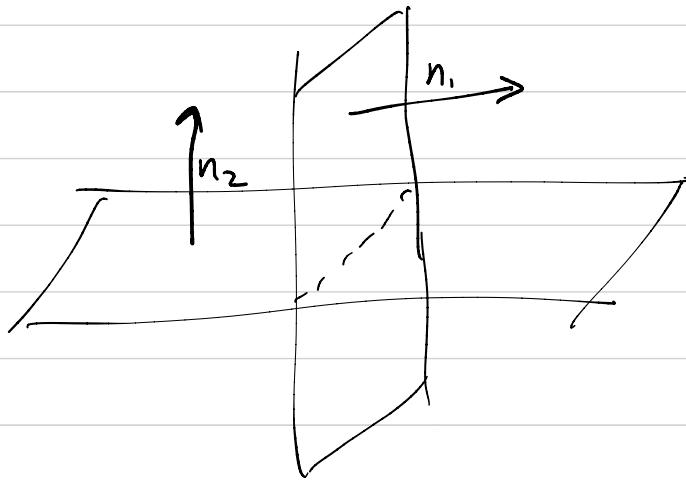
The normal vector to a plane allows one to determine if two planes are

- parallel  
if  $\vec{n}_1$  &  $\vec{n}_2$  are scalar multiples of each other.



(3-D analog of parallel lines )

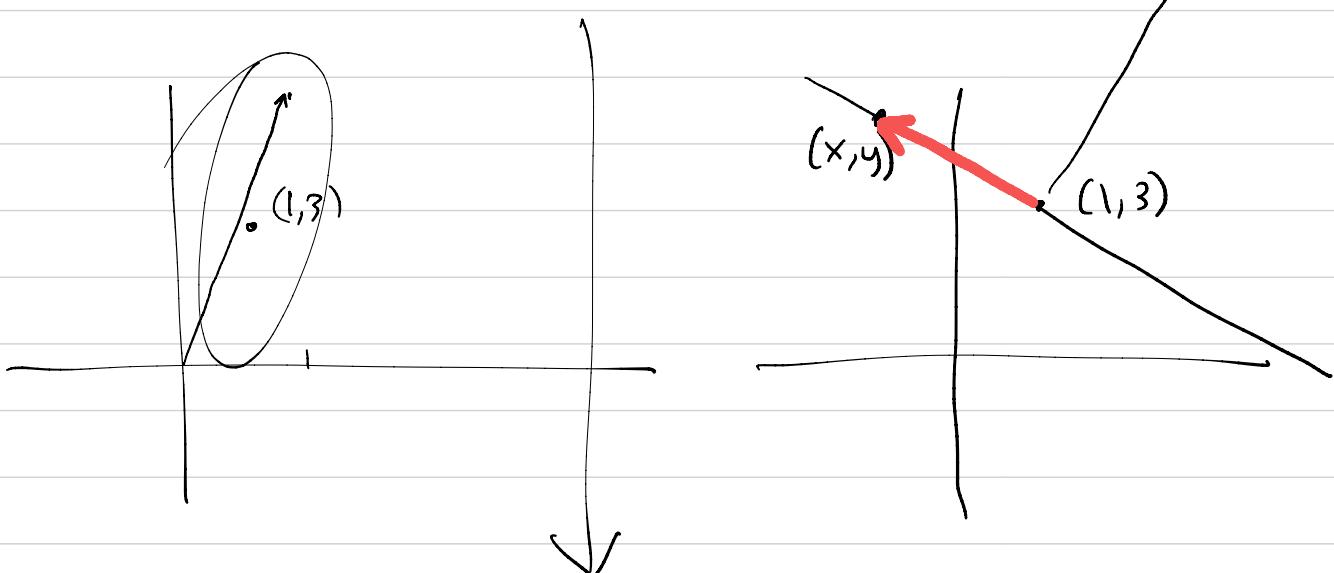
- perpendicular  
if  $\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = 0$   
(i.e  $\vec{n}_1$  &  $\vec{n}_2$  are perpendicular).



Example: Line through  $(1, 3)$  with normal vector  $(2, 5)$   
has what equation?

Solution  $\underline{((x,y) - (1,3)) \cdot (2,5) = 0}$

$$(x-1, y-3) \cdot (2, 5) = 0$$



$$\text{Line } L_1: 2(x-1) + 5(y-3) = 0 \\ 2x - 2 + 5y - 15 = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + 5y - 17 = 0$$

Suppose we had another line 2:

$$4x + 10y = 7$$

Are  $L_1$  &  $L_2$  parallel?

normal vector  
 $(4, 10)$

normal vector of line 1 is  $n_1 = (2, 5)$

" line 2  $n_2 = (4, 10)$

Are  $n_1$  &  $n_2$  scalar multiples of each other?

is there a number  $k$   $k n_1 = n_2$

$$k(2, 5) = (4, 10)$$

$$(2k, 5k) = (4, 10)$$

$$2k=4 \quad \text{and} \quad 5k=10$$

$$k=2 \qquad \qquad k=2$$

so  $k=2$  works.

Anton 9. Determine if planes

$$2y = 8x - 4z + 5 \quad \text{and} \quad x = \frac{1}{2}z + \frac{1}{4}y$$

are parallel.

Solution: Determine normal vectors.

$$0 = 8x - 2y - 4z + 5$$

$$0 = -x + \frac{1}{4}y + \frac{1}{2}z$$

$$\vec{n}_1 = (8, -2, -4)$$

$$\vec{n}_2 = (-1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$k \cdot \vec{n}_1 = \vec{n}_2$$

$$k(8, -2, -4) = (-1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$(8k, -2k, -4k) = (-1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$8k = -1$$

$$-2k = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$-4k = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$k = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$k = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$k = -\frac{1}{8}$$

All these values of  $k$  agree, so the planes are parallel.

**Exercise 4.2.12** Calculate the distance from the point  $P$  to the line in each case and find the point  $Q$  on the line closest to  $P$ .

a.  $P(3, 2, -1)$

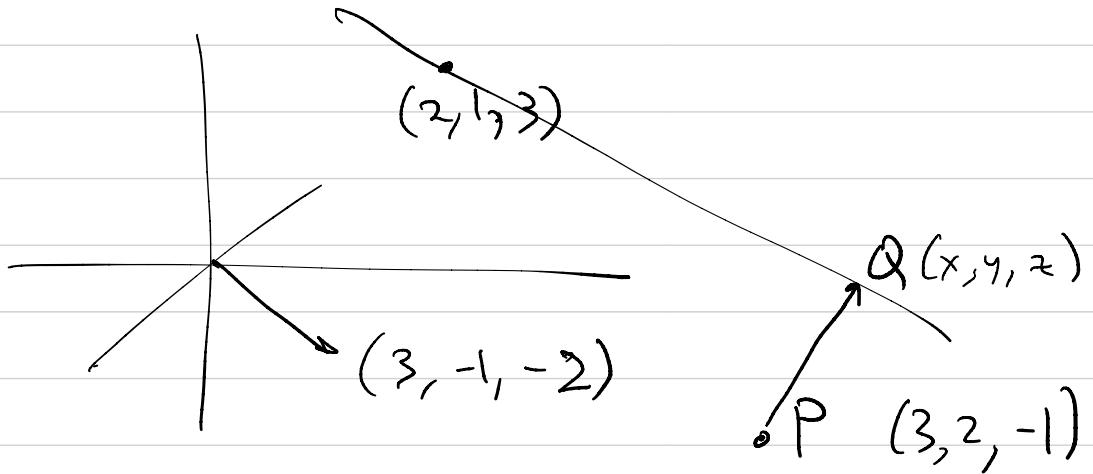
$$\text{line: } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

← direction vector of the line

b.  $P(1, -1, 3)$

$$\text{line: } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

a)



$$P_0 = (2, 1, 3)$$

$$\vec{a} = (3, -1, -2)$$

$$\vec{u}$$

$$P_0Q$$

$$P_0Q = \text{proj}_{\vec{a}} \overrightarrow{P_0P}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{a}}{\|\vec{a}\|^2} \right) \vec{a}$$

$$\vec{u} = \overrightarrow{P_0 P}$$

$$= P - P_0$$

$$= (3, 2, -1) - (2, 1, 3)$$

$$\vec{u} = (1, 1, -4)$$

$$\vec{a} = (3, -1, -2)$$

$$\vec{P_0 Q} = \left( \frac{10}{14} \right) \vec{a}$$

$$Q - P_0 = \frac{5}{7} \vec{a}$$

$$Q = \frac{5}{7} \vec{a} + P_0$$

$$= \frac{5}{7} (3, -1, -2) + (2, 1, 3)$$

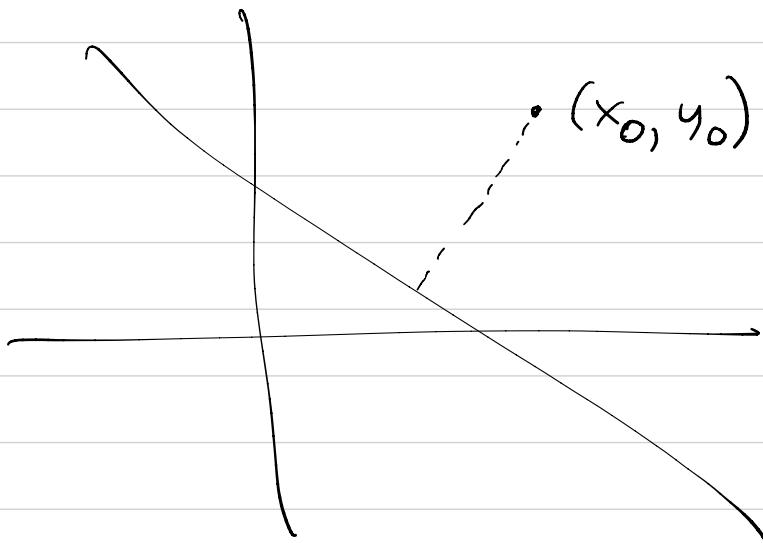
$$Q = \left( \frac{15}{7}, -\frac{5}{7}, -\frac{10}{7} \right) + \left( \frac{14}{7}, \frac{7}{7}, \frac{21}{7} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{29}{7}, \frac{2}{7}, \frac{11}{7} \right)$$

$$\text{distance } PQ = |Q - P|$$

Formula for distance  $\checkmark$  between a point  $(x_0, y_0)$

& the line  $ax + by + c = 0$



$$D = \left| \frac{ax_0 + by_0 + c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \right|$$

Q22. Find distance between point  $(-1, 4)$  & line

$$x - 3y + 2 = 0.$$

Solution:  $D = \frac{|(-1) + -3 \cdot 4 + 2|}{\sqrt{1^2 + (-3)^2}}$

$a = 1$   
 $b = -3$

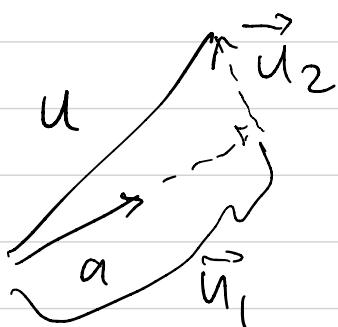
$$= \left| \frac{-1 - 12 + 2}{\sqrt{10}} \right| = \left| \frac{-11}{\sqrt{10}} \right| = \boxed{\left| \frac{11}{\sqrt{10}} \right|}$$

Anton 16 : Find vector component

of  $\vec{u}$  along  $\vec{a}$   
 $\vec{u}_1$

vector component of  $\vec{u}$   
orthogonal to  $\vec{a}$

$$\vec{u}_2 = \vec{u} - \vec{u}_1$$



$$\vec{u}_1 = \left( \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{a}}{\|\vec{a}\|^2} \right) \vec{a}$$

$$\text{where } \vec{u} = (-1, -2) \quad \vec{a} = (-2, 3)$$

Solution:  $\vec{u}_1 = \left( \frac{2 - 6}{(-2)^2 + 3^2} \right) \vec{a}$

$$\vec{u}_1 = \left( \frac{-4}{13} \right) \vec{a}$$

$$= \left( -\frac{4}{13} \right) (-2, 3)$$

$$\boxed{\vec{u}_1 = \left( \frac{8}{13}, -\frac{12}{13} \right)}$$

vector component  
of  $\vec{u}$  along  $\vec{a}$

$$\vec{u}_2 = \vec{u} - \vec{u}_1 = (-1, -2) - \left( \frac{8}{13}, -\frac{12}{13} \right)$$

$$= \left( -\frac{13}{13}, -\frac{26}{13} \right) - \left( \frac{8}{13}, -\frac{12}{13} \right)$$

$$= \left( -\frac{21}{13}, -\frac{26 + 12}{13} \right)$$

$$U_2 = \left( -\frac{21}{13}, -\frac{14}{13} \right)$$

Shortest distance  $D$  from a point  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  to the plane  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$

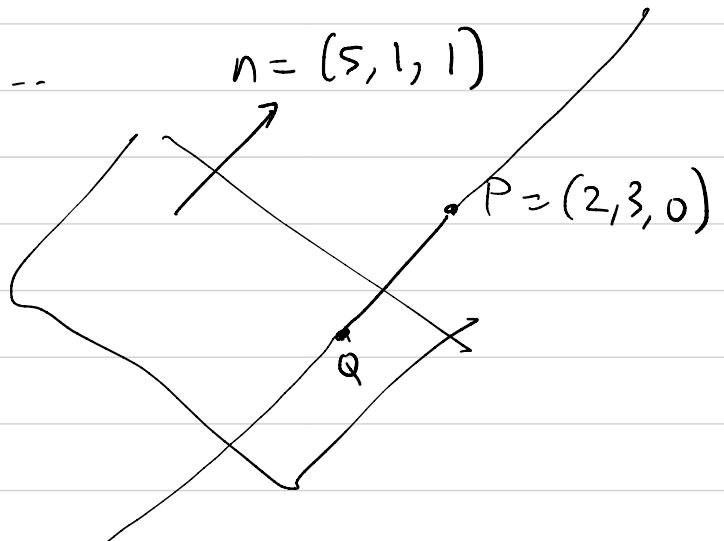
is 
$$D = \left| \frac{ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0 + d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}} \right|$$

**Exercise 4.2.16** In each case, find the shortest distance from the point  $P$  to the plane and find the point  $Q$  on the plane closest to  $P$ .

- a.  $P(2, 3, 0)$ ; plane with equation  $5x + y + z = 1$ .
- b.  $P(3, 1, -1)$ ; plane with equation  $2x + y - z = 6$ .

a) use formula to find distance ..

$$n = (5, 1, 1)$$



Line through  $P$  in direction  $\vec{n}$

is

$$\vec{x} = P + t\vec{n}$$

$Q$  is the intersection of this line & plane!

$$\vec{x} = \vec{P} + t\vec{n}$$

$$(x, y, z) = (2, 3, 0) + t(5, 1, 1)$$

$$= (2, 3, 0) + (5t, t, t)$$

$$(x, y, z) = (5t+2, 3+t, t)$$

are the points on the line

The point Q is on the plane  $5x+y+z=1$

Plug in  $x = 5t+2$  info  $\rightarrow$   
 $y = 3+t$   
 $z = t$

$$5(5t+2) + (3+t) + t = 1$$

$$25t + 10 + 3 + t + t = 1$$

$$27t + 13 = 1$$

$$27t = 1 - 13 = -12$$

$$t = -\frac{12}{27} \quad \text{corresponds to the point } Q.$$

$$Q : x = 5t+2 = 5\left(-\frac{12}{27}\right) + 2$$

$$y = 3+t = 3 + \frac{-12}{27}$$

$$z = t = -\frac{12}{27}$$

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Find all planes containing  $P_0(2, -1, 1)$  &  $Q(1, 0, 0)$

Solution:  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$

$$\text{plug in } (x, y, z) = (2, -1, 1) \rightarrow 2a - b + c + d = 0$$

$$\text{plug in } (x, y, z) = (1, 0, 0) \rightarrow a + d = 0$$

In this system we can solve by inspection, in general you might have to row reduce to find free variables, etc

$$a + d = 0 \Rightarrow d = -a$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2a - b + c + d = 0 &\Rightarrow c = -2a + b - d \\ &= -2a + b - (-a) \\ &= -2a + b + a \\ c &= -a + b \end{aligned}$$

So we've expressed  $c$  &  $d$  in terms of  $a$  &  $b$  ...  $a$  &  $b$  turn out to be free variables. (But it's also possible to express  $a$  &  $b$  in terms of free variables  $c$  &  $d$ :  $a = -d$   
 $b = 2a + c + d$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $= 2(-d) + c + d$   
 $b = c - d$ )

So  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$  becomes

$$ax + by + (-a + b)z - a = 0 \quad \text{which is equivalent to}$$

the textbook's answer.