

Linear Algebra

(MT-121T)

AFTAB ALAM

LECTURE # 3

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Quiz 1 Solution

Given vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Calculate the dot products $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$, $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$, $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})$ and $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v}$.
- (b) Compute the lengths $\|\mathbf{v}\|$ and $\|\mathbf{w}\|$.
- (c) Find the unit vectors of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .
- (d) Find the $\cos \theta$ between vectors \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \begin{bmatrix} 4/5 \\ 3/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \frac{\mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{5} \\ 2/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{v}\| \|\mathbf{w}\|} = \frac{(5)(2)}{5\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Answers:

a).

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = -6 \times 4 + 8 \times 3 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} = -6 \times 1 + 8 \times 2 = 10$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = -6 \times 5 + 8 \times 5 = 10$$

$$\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 1 \times 4 + 2 \times 3 = 10$$

b) .

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{6^2 + 8^2} = 10$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5$$

$$\|\mathbf{w}\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| = 0$$

$$|\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}| = 10$$

Problem 1

Given vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

a). Check the Schwarz inequalities

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq ||\mathbf{u}|| \, ||\mathbf{v}|| \text{ and}$$

$$|\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}| \leq ||\mathbf{v}|| \, ||\mathbf{w}||$$

b). Choose vectors **a**, **b** and **c** that make **0°**, **90°** and **180°** angles with **w**.

a) .

$$0 \leq 50$$

$$10 \leq 5\sqrt{5}$$

b) . Vector **a** that makes a 0° angle with **a** = $\lambda \mathbf{w}$, where λ is any scalar. Let's choose $\lambda = 2$, so **a** = (2, 4) .

Let's find a vector **b** such that **b**·**w** = 0, **b**·**w** = (x, y)·(1, 2) = x+2y = 0. We can choose x = -2 and y = 1, so **b** = (-2, 1) .

Vector **c** that makes a 180 ° angle with **w**

c = $-\lambda \mathbf{w}$, where λ is any scalar.

Let's choose $\lambda = 1$, so **c** = (-1, -2) .

Problem 2

Find the angle θ between the pairs of vectors,

a) $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$ and $w = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$;

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

$$\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = (1)(1) + (\sqrt{3})(0) = 1$$

Next, let's calculate the magnitudes of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} :

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{1^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{1 + 3} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$|\mathbf{w}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

Now, let's plug these values into the dot product formula to find $\cos \theta$:

$$1 = (2)(1) \cos \theta \qquad \theta = \arccos \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \qquad \theta = 60^\circ$$

Problem 2

Find the angle θ between the pairs of vectors,

$$\text{b) } v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } w = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = (2)(2) + (2)(-1) + (-1)(2) = 4 - 2 - 2 = 0$$

Next, let's calculate the magnitudes of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} :

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 4 + 1} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$|\mathbf{w}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{4 + 1 + 4} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

Now, let's plug these values into the dot product formula to find $\cos \theta$:

$$0 = (3)(3) \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \arccos(0)$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{0}{9} = 0$$

$$\theta = 90^\circ$$

Problem 2

Find the angle θ between the pairs of vectors,

$$\text{c) } v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } w = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{1^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{1 + 3} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$|\mathbf{w}| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{1 + 3} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

Now, let's plug these values into the dot product formula to find $\cos \theta$:

$$2 = (2)(2) \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Finally, we find θ by taking the arccosine of $\frac{1}{2}$:

$$\theta = \arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\theta = 60^\circ$$

Problem 2

Find the angle θ between the pairs of vectors,

$$d) \ v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } w = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = (3)(-1) + (1)(-2) = -3 - 2 = -5$$

Next, let's calculate the magnitudes of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} :

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{9 + 1} = \sqrt{10}$$

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

Now, let's plug these values into the dot product formula to find $\cos \theta$:

$$-5 = \sqrt{10} \cdot \sqrt{5} \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{10} \cdot \sqrt{5}} = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{50}}$$

Problem 3

The parallelogram with sides $\mathbf{v} = (4, 2)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (-1, 2)$ is a rectangle. Check the Pythagoras formula $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ which is for right triangles only,

$$(\text{length of } \mathbf{v})^2 + (\text{length of } \mathbf{w})^2 = (\text{length of } \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})^2$$

$$\|\mathbf{d}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

Given $\mathbf{v} = (4, 2)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (-1, 2)$:

$$\|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = 4^2 + 2^2 = 16 + 4 = 20$$

$$\|\mathbf{w}\|^2 = (-1)^2 + 2^2 = 1 + 4 = 5$$

So,

$$\|\mathbf{d}\|^2 = 20 + 5 = 25$$

Taking the square root of both sides gives us the length of \mathbf{d} :

$$\|\mathbf{d}\| = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

The length of the diagonal \mathbf{d} of the rectangle is 5 units.

Thus, the parallelogram with sides $\mathbf{v} = (4, 2)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (-1, 2)$ is indeed a rectangle, and the Pythagorean theorem holds for its diagonal.

Problem 4

Find nonzero vectors \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} that are perpendicular to $(1, 0, 1)$ and to each other.

Let's denote $\mathbf{v} = (a, b, c)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (d, e, f)$.

We need to satisfy the following conditions:

- \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} must be perpendicular to $(1, 0, 1)$.
 - The dot product of \mathbf{v} and $(1, 0, 1)$ should be zero: $[a + 0 + c = 0 \rightarrow a = -c]$
 - The dot product of \mathbf{w} and $(1, 0, 1)$ should be zero: $[d + 0 + f = 0 \rightarrow d = -f]$
- \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} must be perpendicular to each other. $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0$ $[ad + be + cf = 0]$

Let's ($c = 1$) and ($d = 1$), then

$$a = -1 \text{ and } f = -1 \quad (\text{since } a = -c \text{ and } d = -f).$$

For simplicity, let's set ($b = 2$).

Therefore, one possible solution is: $[\mathbf{v} = (-1, 2, 1)]$ $[\mathbf{w} = (1, 1, -1)]$

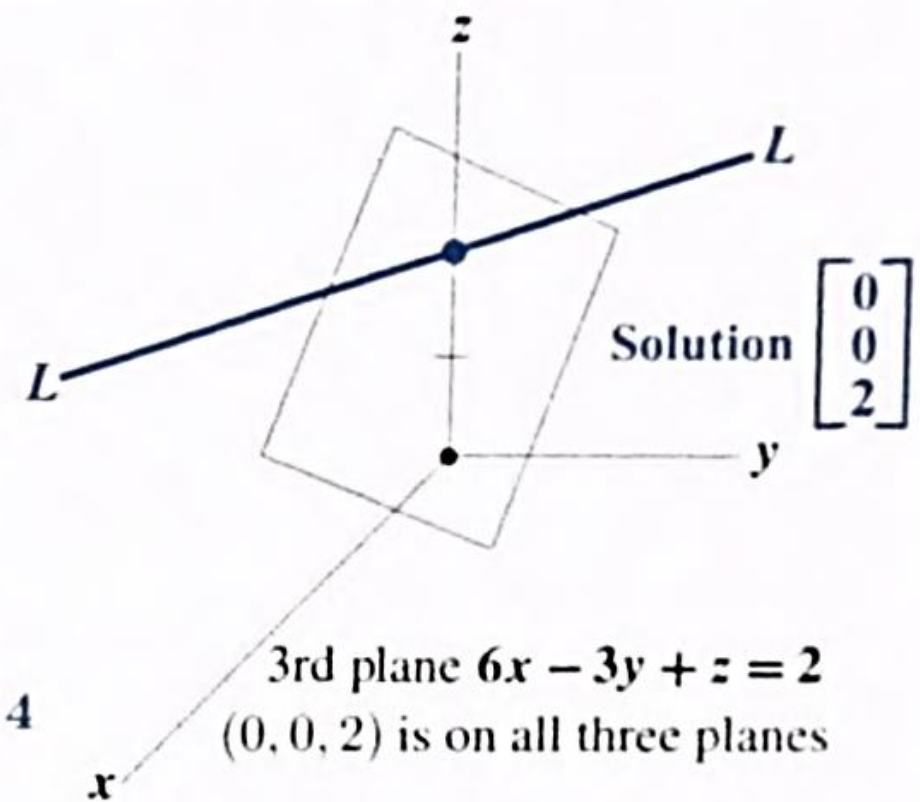
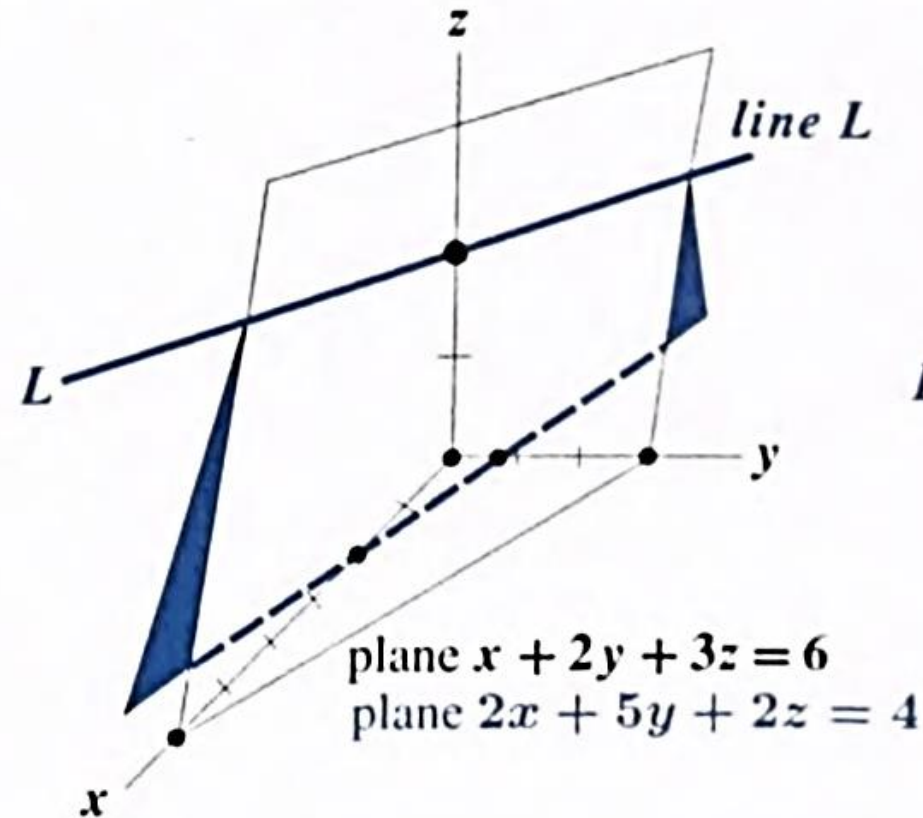
These vectors are nonzero, perpendicular to $(1, 0, 1)$, and perpendicular to each other.

Solving a Linear System

$$x + 2y + 3z = 6$$

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

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



Row picture: Two planes meet at a line L . Three planes meet at a point.

Column Picture

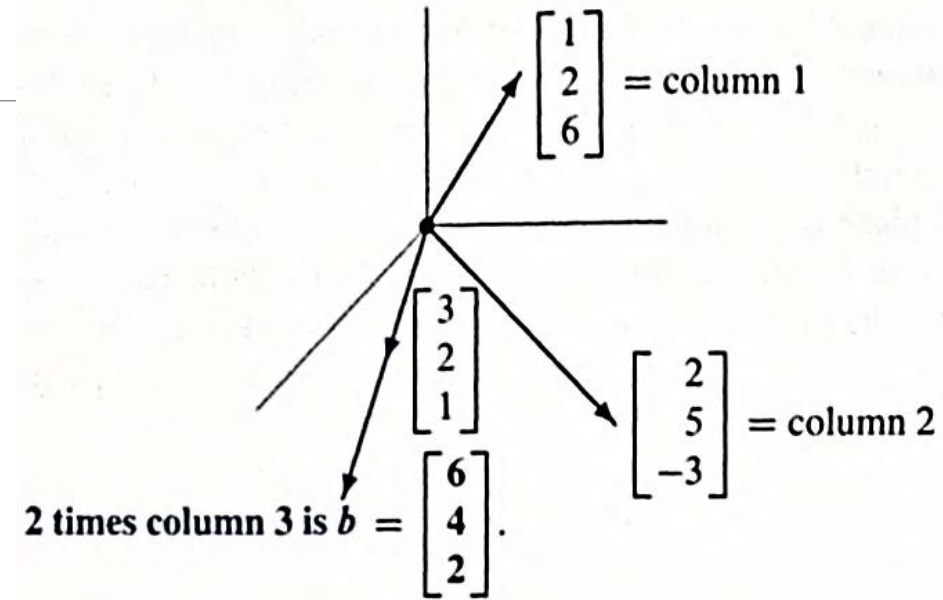
Column picture: Combine the columns with weights $(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 2)$.

- The column picture combines three columns to produce $b = (6, 4, 2)$
- The column picture starts with the vector form of the equations $Ax = b$

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = b$$

Correct Combination $x, y, z = (0, 0, 2)$

$$0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = b$$



Example 1

Describe the column picture of these three equations, and solve by careful inspection of the columns.

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

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

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

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

By careful inspection, we find that $(x, y, z) = (0, -1, 0)$

Example 2 (a)

The first of these equations plus the second equals the third:

$$x + y + z = 2$$

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

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

a) The first two planes meet along a line. The third plane contains that line, because if x, y, z satisfy the first two equations then they also _____.

satisfy the equation of the third plane.

Example 2 (b)

The first of these equations plus the second equals the third:

$$x + y + z = 2$$

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

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

b) The equations have infinitely many solutions (the whole line **L**). Find three solutions on **L**.

Substituting $x = 0$ into these equations, we get: $y + z = 2$ and $2y + z = 3 \Rightarrow y = 1, z = 1$

Substituting $x = 1$ into these equations, we get: $1 + y + z = 2$ and $1 + 2y + z = 3 \Rightarrow y = 1, z = 0$

Substituting $x = -1$ into these equations, we get: $-1 + y + z = 2$ and $-1 + 2y + z = 3 \Rightarrow y = 2, z = 1$

So the three solutions are $(0, 1, 1)$, $(1, 1, 0)$ and $(-1, 2, 1)$.

Example 2 (c)

3rd Equation slightly changed.

- $x + y + z = 2$
- $x + 2y + z = 3$
- $2x + 3y + 2z = 9$

Now the three equations have no solution, why not?

The given system of equations has no solution because the third equation is inconsistent with the first two equations.

Example 2 (d)

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

In the given system of equations, the columns are $(1,1,2)$ and $(1,2,3)$ and $(1,1,2)$. This is a singular matrix because the third column is _____.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Swap the columns and rows, then the 3rd column will be a linear combination of the first and second columns.