# **APPLIED MATHEMATICS I**



# **Scalar and Vector**

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Ex: speed, distance, time, power, work, volume and etc.

**Definition:** Vector is a physical quantity that has both magnitude and direction.

Ex: displacement, velocity, acceleration and etc. Vector in  $R^2$  and  $R^3$ 

**Definition:** A vector  $\vec{u}$  in  $R^2$  (2-space) is any ordered pair of real numbers,

 $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2)$ , where  $u_1, u_2 \in R$ 

A vector  $\vec{u}$  in  $R^3$  (3-space) is any ordered triple of real numbers,

 $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$ , where  $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in R$ 

Vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n (n - space)$ 

**Definition:** An ordered n -tuples of numbers  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3, ..., u_n)$  is called a vector where  $u_1, u_2, u_3, ..., u_n \in R$  (called component of  $\vec{u}$ ) denoted by  $R^n$ Definition: The vector with initial point at the origin is called position vector.

**Definition:** Any vector with initial point *P* and terminal point *Q*, denoted by  $\overrightarrow{PQ}$  is called directed vector from *P* to *Q* and obtained by:  $\overrightarrow{PQ} = Q - P$ 

Example 1: Find a vector  $\vec{u}$  directed from *P* to *Q* where P = (4, -3, 1) and Q = (6, 2, 5)Solution:  $\vec{u} = \vec{PQ} = Q - P = (6, 2, 5) - (4, -3, 1) = (2, 5, 4)$ 

Example 2: Let  $\overrightarrow{PQ} = (6,2,4)$ . If the midpoint of the segment  $\overline{PQ} = (1,2,3)$ , then find the coordinate of *P* and *Q*.

Solution: Let P(x, y, z) and Q(a, b, c), then

 $\overrightarrow{PQ} = Q - P = (a - x, b - y, c - z) = (6,2,4)$  $\Rightarrow a = x + 6, b = y + 2, c = z + 4 \dots \dots (*)$ 

From the midpoint of the segment  $\overline{PQ}$ , we have

$$\overline{PQ} = \frac{P+Q}{2} = \left(\frac{x+a}{2}, \frac{y+b}{2}, \frac{z+c}{2}\right) = (1,2,3)$$

$$\Rightarrow x + a = 2, y + b = 4, z + c = 6 \dots \dots (**). \quad \text{using (*) in (**)}$$

$$x + x + 6 = 2, y + y + 2 = 4, z + z + 4 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -2, y = 1, z = 1 \dots \dots (***) \text{ substitute (***) in (*), we get}$$

$$a = 4, b = 3, c = 5. \text{ As a result, } P = (-2,1,1) \text{ and } Q = (4,3,5)$$
Equality of Vectors
Definition: Two vectors  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n)$  and
$$\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n) \text{ iff } u_i = v_i, \forall i = 1,2,3, \dots, n$$

Example 3: Find the values of a, b, c if  $\vec{u} = (6, a - b, c + 3)$  and  $\vec{v} = (a + b, -4, 9)$  are equal.

Solution: Since 
$$\vec{u} = \vec{v} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a+b=6\\ a-b=-4\\ c+3=9 \end{cases} \Rightarrow a = 1, b = 5, c = 6$$

#### **Addition and Scalar Multiplication**

**Definition:** Let  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n)$  and  $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n)$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^{n}$ , then addition and scalar multiplication is *i.*  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = (u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2, u_3 + v_3 + \dots + u_n + v_n)$ ii.  $k\vec{u} = (ku_1, ku_2, ku_3, \dots, ku_n)$  where  $k \in R$ Definition:  $\vec{u}/\vec{v} \Leftrightarrow \vec{u} = k\vec{v}$  where  $k \in R$  $\checkmark$  k > 0, then  $\vec{v}$  and  $k\vec{v}$  have the same direction.  $\checkmark$  k < 0, then  $\vec{v}$  and  $k\vec{v}$  have opposite direction. Two vectors  $\overrightarrow{PQ}$  and  $\overrightarrow{RS}$  are said to be parallel if there exist scalar k **Definition:** such that  $\overrightarrow{PQ} = k\overrightarrow{RS} \Rightarrow Q - P = k(S - R)$ By: Abayneh Kebede Example 4: If  $\vec{u} = (0,2,4)$  and  $\vec{v} = (1,3,5)$ , then find abayk400@gmail.com abaykeb@dtu.edu.et a.  $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$  b.  $2\vec{v}$  c.  $\vec{u} - \frac{2}{2}\vec{v}$ 

Solution: a.  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = (0 + 1.2 + 3.4 + 5) = (1.5.9)$ b.  $\overrightarrow{2u} = (2.0, 2.2, 2.4) = (0.4.8)$ c.  $\vec{u} - \frac{2}{2}\vec{v} = \vec{u} = (0,2,4) - \frac{2}{2}(1,3,5) = (-\frac{2}{3},0,\frac{2}{3})$ Determine whether the following set of vectors are parallel or not Example 5: a.  $\vec{u} = (-8, 6, 1)$  and  $\vec{v} = (-2, 3, 1)$  b.  $\vec{u} = (0, 2, 4)$  and  $\vec{v} = (1, -3, 5)$ , *a.*  $\vec{u}/\vec{v}$  since  $\vec{u} = 4\vec{v}$ Solution: b. Not // since  $\vec{u} \neq k\vec{v}$ **Example 6:** Show that  $\overrightarrow{PQ}$  and  $\overrightarrow{RS}$  are parallel where P = (-5, 0), Q = (0, 5), R = (0, 0), S = (5, 5). Solution:  $\overrightarrow{PQ} = Q - P = (0, 5) - (-5, 0) = (5, 5)$  $\overrightarrow{RS} = S - R = (5, 5) - (0, 0) = (5, 5)$  $\Rightarrow \overrightarrow{PO} / / \overrightarrow{RS}$ **Example 7:** Let  $\vec{u} = (x, 4, 6)$  and  $\vec{v} = (2, y, -3)$ , then find x and y such that  $\vec{u} / / \vec{v}$ Solution Since  $\vec{u} / \vec{v} \Leftrightarrow \exists k \in R$  such that  $\vec{u} = \mathbf{k}\vec{v}$  $\Leftrightarrow$  (x, 4, 6) = k(2, y, -3)  $\Leftrightarrow x = 2k, 4 = ky, 6 = -3k$  $\Rightarrow$  k = -2, x = -4, y = -2. By: Abayneh Kebede abayk400@gmail.com abaykeb@dtu.edu.et

#### Scalar (Dot) Product

**Definition:** Let  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n)$  and  $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n)$  be vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then, the scalar or dot product of  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is denoted by  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$  and defined by:

$$\vec{u}.\vec{v} = u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + u_3v_3 + \dots + u_nv_n = \sum_{i=1}^n u_iv_i$$

Note: The dot product of two vector is scalar.

Example 1:  $\vec{u} = (3, -2, 1), \ \vec{v} = (1, -5, 6) \text{ and } \vec{w} = (1, 2, 4, 3).$  Then find a.  $\vec{u}. \vec{v}$  b.  $\vec{v}. \vec{u}$  c.  $\vec{u}. \vec{w}$  d.  $(\vec{u}. \vec{v}) \vec{w}$  e.  $(\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \vec{w}$ Solution: a.  $\vec{u}. \vec{v} = 3(1) + (-2)(-5) + 1(6) = 3 + 10 + 6 = 19$ b.  $\vec{v}. \vec{u} = 1(3) + (-5)(-2) + 6(1) = 3 + 10 + 6 = 19$ c.  $\vec{u}. \vec{w}$  not defined.

d.  $(\vec{u}, \vec{v}) \vec{w} = 19 (1, 2, 4, 3) = (19, 38, 76, 57).$ 

e.  $(\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \vec{w}$  not defined.

Theorem: Let  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  be vectors and  $k \in R$ . 1.  $\vec{u}. \vec{v} = \vec{v}. \vec{u}$ 2.  $\vec{u}. (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \vec{u}. \vec{v} + \vec{u}. \vec{w}$ Definition: Two vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are said to be orthogonal or perpendicular iff  $\vec{u}. \vec{v} = 0$  $\vec{u}. \vec{v} = 0$  Example 2: Show that the vectors  $\vec{u} = (7, -2, 4)$  and  $\vec{v} = (2, 5, -1)$  are orthogonal. Solution:  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 7(4) + (-2)(5) + 4(-1) = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{u} \perp \vec{v}$ 

Example 3: Find the values of n such that  $\vec{u} = (1, -m, 4, 2)$  and  $\vec{v} = (12, -5, -5)$ 

3, -1) are orthogonal.

Solution: since  $\vec{u} \perp \vec{v} \Rightarrow \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow (1, -m, 4, 5). (-12, -5, 3, -1) = 0$$
  

$$\Rightarrow -12 + 5m + 12 - 5 = 0$$
  

$$\Rightarrow 5m = 5 \quad \Rightarrow m = 1$$

Example 4: Which of the following pairs of vector are perpendicular?

a. (3, 5,1) and (-2, 1,1) b. (4,1,7) and (2,5,-1)

Solution: a. (3, 5,1).  $(-2, 1, 1) = 3(-2) + 5(1) + 1(1) = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{u} \perp \vec{v}$ 

**b.** (4,1,7).  $(2, 5, -1) = 4(2) + 1(5) + 7(-1) = 6 \neq 0$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  are not perpendicular.

#### Magnitude of a Vector

**Definition:** The magnitude or length or norm of a vector  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, ..., u_n)$ 

denoted by  $\|\vec{u}\|$  and given by:  $\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + \dots + u_n^2}$ **Example 1:** Find the norm of a vector  $\vec{u} = (3, -5, 2)$ 

Solution:  $\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-5)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{38}.$ 

**Example 2:** Suppose  $\|\vec{u}\| = 8$ , find *a* such that  $\vec{u} = (-3, a, 2, -4)$ 

Solution:  $\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (a)^2 + 2^2 + (-4)^2} = 8$ 

 $\Rightarrow (-3)^2 + (a)^2 + 2^2 + (-4)^2 = 64$ 

$$\Rightarrow 9 + a^2 + 4 + 16 = 64$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{2} + 29 = 64$$
$$\Rightarrow a^{2} = 35 \qquad \Rightarrow a = \pm\sqrt{35}$$

**Theorem:** Let  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  be two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*i.* 
$$\|\vec{u}\| \ge 0$$
  
*ii.*  $\|\vec{u}\| = \|-\vec{u}\|$   
*iv.*  $\|\vec{u} \pm \vec{v}\|^2 = \|\vec{u}\|^2 + \|\vec{v}\|^2 \pm 2\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|$ 

iii.  $||k\vec{u}|| = k||\vec{u}||$ By: Abayneh Kebede <u>abayk400@gmail.com</u> <u>abaykeb@dtu.edu.et</u> **Definition:** The distance between two points  $P(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$  and  $Q(y_1, y_2, ..., y_n)$ Is given by:

$$\|\overrightarrow{PQ}\| = \sqrt{(y_1 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - x_2)^2 + \dots + (y_n - x_n)^2}$$

Example 3: Let P(-2, -7, 4) and Q(-1, 3, -5), then find the distance between P and Q. Solution:  $\|\overrightarrow{PQ}\| = \sqrt{(-1 - (-2))^2 + (3 - (-7))^2 + (-5 - 4)^2}$  $= \sqrt{1 + 100 + 81}$  $= \sqrt{182}$ 

**Definition:** A vector whose magnitude is 1 is called unit vector. Or vector  $\vec{u}$  is a unit vector iff  $||\vec{u}|| = 1$ . **Example 4:** Vectors:-  $(0, -1, 0, 0), (1, 0), (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$  are some ex of unit vectors

Note: The process of multiplying a vector  $\vec{u}$  by the reciporical of its magnitude to get a unit vector with same direction is called normalizing of  $\vec{u}$ .

**Definition:**  $\frac{1}{\|\vec{u}\|}\vec{u}$  is a unit vector in the direction of  $\vec{u}$ 

**Definition:** For vector  $\vec{u}$ 

*i.*  $\vec{v} = \frac{\vec{u}}{\|\vec{u}\|}$  is a unit vector in the same direction as  $\vec{u}$ .

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ii.  $\vec{v} = -\frac{\vec{u}}{\|\vec{u}\|}$  is a unit vector in the opposite direction as  $\vec{u}$ .

Remark:  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3) = (u_1, 0, 0) + (0, u_2, 0) + (0, 0, u_3)$ =  $u_1(1, 0, 0) + u_2(0, 1, 0) + u_3(0, 0, 1)$ =  $u_1 i + u_2 j + u_3 k$ 

Here, the vectors i = (1,0,0), j = (0,1,0) and k = (0,0,1) is called standard or basis unit vector.

Example 5:  $\vec{u} = -3i + j - k$  and  $\vec{v} = -2j + 4k$ . Then find a unit vector in the same direction of  $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$ 

Solution:

$$\frac{\vec{u} + \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\|} = \frac{-3i - j + 3k}{\sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-1)^2 + 3^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{19}} \left(-3i - j + 3k\right)$$

Example 6: If  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are perpendicular unit vectors, then find  $\left\|\frac{1}{3}\vec{u} - 2\vec{v}\right\|$ Solution: Since  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are orthogonal unit vector  $\Rightarrow \|\vec{u}\| = \|\vec{u}\| = 1, \vec{u}, \vec{v} = 0$ . Then,

$$\left\|\frac{1}{3}\vec{u} - 2\vec{v}\right\| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{3}\vec{u} - 2\vec{v}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\vec{u} - 2\vec{v}\right)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{9}\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} + 4\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}} = \sqrt{\frac{37}{9}}$$

Example 7: Let  $\vec{u} = -5i + \sqrt{3}j - 2k$ . Then find

- a. The unit vector in the same direction of  $\vec{u}$
- b. The unit vector in the opposite direction of  $\vec{u}$

Solution: Here, 
$$\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 + (-2)^2}$$
  
 $= \sqrt{25 + 3 + 4}$   
 $= 4\sqrt{2}$   
a.  $\vec{v} = \frac{1}{\|\vec{u}\|} \vec{u} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} (-5i + \sqrt{3}j - 2k)$   
b.  $\vec{v} = -\frac{1}{\|\vec{u}\|} \vec{u} = -\frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} (-5i + \sqrt{3}j - 2k)$ 

**Remark**: All unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are of the form  $(\cos\theta, \sin\theta)$ , where  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ .

## Angle Between Two Vectors

**Theorem:** If  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are non-zero vectors in  $R^2$  or  $R^3$  and if  $\theta$  is the angle between them, then

That is  

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\vec{u}. \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|}\right), \theta \in [0, \pi]$$

**Definition:** Two non zero vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are said to be orthogonal or perpendicular iff

$$\vec{u}.\vec{v}=0$$
 i.e  $\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}$ 

Example 1: Let  $\|\vec{u}\| = 3$ ,  $\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{2}$  and  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 5$ . Find the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ 

Solution :  

$$cos\theta = \frac{\vec{u}.\vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|} = \frac{5}{3\sqrt{2}} \qquad \Rightarrow \theta = cos^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{3\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

Example 2: Find the angle between vectors  $\vec{u} = i - 2j$  and  $\vec{v} = i - k$ 

$$\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{5}, \|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{2}, \vec{u}. \vec{v} = 1$$
$$\cos\theta = \frac{\vec{u}. \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

**Example 3:** Find the angle between the vector  $\sqrt{2i - j} + 3k$  and a. positive x-axis b. negative  $\gamma$ -axis a. Let  $\vec{u} = \sqrt{2}i - j + 3k$  and  $\vec{v} = mi$  where m > 0 be +ve x-axis Solution: Here,  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} = m\sqrt{2}, \|\vec{u}\| = 2\sqrt{3}, \|\vec{v}\| = m$  $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{u.v}{\|\vec{u}\|\|\vec{v}\|}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{m\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}m}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}}\right)$ b. Let  $\vec{u} = \sqrt{2}i - j + 3k$  and  $\vec{v} = -mj$  where m > 0 be -ve y-axis Here,  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = -m$ ,  $\|\vec{u}\| = 2\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\|\vec{v}\| = m$  $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\vec{u}.\vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\|\|\vec{v}\|}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-m}{2\sqrt{2m}}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)$ 

Theorem: Let  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are non zero vectors, then

a.  $\|\vec{u} \pm \vec{v}\|^2 = \|\vec{u}\|^2 + \|\vec{v}\|^2 \pm \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos\theta$ b.  $\|\vec{u} \pm \vec{v}\|^2 = \|\vec{u}\|^2 + \|\vec{v}\|^2 \Leftrightarrow \vec{u}.\vec{v} = 0$ c.  $\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\| = \|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\| \Leftrightarrow \vec{u}.\vec{v} = 0$ 

Example 4:

Let  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  are vectors with  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w} = 0$ ,  $\|\vec{u}\| = 1$ ,  $\|\vec{v}\| = 2$ ,  $\|\vec{u}\| = 3$ 

Find  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}$ Solution:  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w} = 0$  $\Rightarrow \|\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w}\| = \|0\|$  $\Rightarrow (\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w}). (\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w}) = 0$  $\Rightarrow \vec{u}.\vec{u} + \vec{u}.\vec{v} + \vec{u}.\vec{w} + \vec{u}.\vec{v} + \vec{v}.\vec{v} + \vec{v}.\vec{w} + \vec{u}.\vec{w} + \vec{v}.\vec{w} = 0$  $\Rightarrow \|\vec{u}\|^{2} + \|\vec{v}\|^{2} + \|\vec{w}\|^{2} + 2(\vec{u}.\vec{v} + \vec{u}.\vec{w} + \vec{v}.\vec{w}) = 0$  $\Rightarrow 1 + 4 + 9 + 2(\vec{u}.\vec{v} + \vec{u}.\vec{w} + \vec{v}.\vec{w}) = 0$  $\Rightarrow 2(\vec{u}.\vec{v} + \vec{u}.\vec{w} + \vec{v}.\vec{w}) = -14$  $\Rightarrow \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = -7$ 

#### **Cross Product**

Definition:

Let  $\vec{u} = u_1 i + u_2 j + u_3 k$  and  $\vec{v} = v_1 i + v_2 j + v_3 k$  be vectors in  $R^3$ . The cross or vector product of  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is the vector given by:

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

 $= (u_2v_3 - u_3v_2)i - (u_1v_3 - u_3v_1)j + (u_1v_2 - u_2v_1)k$ 

c.  $\vec{u} \times \vec{u}$ 

Note: 1. The cross product of two vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is the vector.

2.  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$  is defined only when  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are in  $R^3$ .

3.  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$  is orthogonal to both  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ .

4.  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = 0$  iff  $\vec{u} // \vec{v}$ .

Example 1: If  $\vec{u} = i - 5j + 3k$  and  $\vec{v} = 4i - k$ , then find

a.  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$  b.  $\vec{v} \times \vec{u}$ 

Solution:

on:  
a. 
$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & -5 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = (5 - 0)i - (-1 - 12)j + (0 + 20)k = 5i + 13j + 20k$$
  
b.  $\vec{v} \times \vec{u} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 4 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -5 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (0 - 5)i - (12 + 1)j + (-20 - 0)k$   

$$= -5i - 13j - 20k$$
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c. 
$$\vec{u} \times \vec{u} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & -5 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (-15 + 15)i - (3 - 3)j + (-5 + 5)k = 0i + 0j + 0k$$

Theorem Let  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  be any vectors in  $R^3$  and  $k \in R$ , then

i.  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = -(\vec{v} \times \vec{u})$  iv.  $k(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) = (k\vec{u}) \times \vec{v} = \vec{u} \times (k\vec{v})$ 

ii.  $\vec{u} \times \vec{u} = 0$   $v. (\vec{u} \times \vec{v})^2 = (\vec{u}. \vec{u})(\vec{v}. \vec{v}) - (\vec{u}. \vec{v})^2$ 

iii.  $\vec{u} \times (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) + (\vec{u} \times \vec{w})$   $vi. \ \vec{u}. (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) = \vec{w}. (\vec{u} \times \vec{v})$ 

Example 2: Let  $\vec{u} = i - 3j - 2k$  and  $\vec{v} = i - k$ . Then find vector  $\vec{w}$  with norm 4 in the opposite direction to the vector  $\vec{u} \times 3\vec{v}$ 

Here, 
$$\vec{u} \times 3\vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & -3 & -2 \\ 3 & 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 9i - 3j + 9k$$

Then, the vector the norm 4 in the opposite direction to  $\vec{u} \times 3\vec{v}$  is  $\vec{w} = -4\vec{b}$  where  $\vec{b} = \frac{\vec{u} \times 3\vec{v}}{\|\vec{u} \times 3\vec{v}\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{171}}(9i - 3j + 9k)$ 

Thus, 
$$\vec{w} = \frac{-4}{\sqrt{17}} (9i - 3j + 9k)$$

#### Area

**Definition:** Let  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  be non zero and non parallel vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

1. The area of parallelogram with sides  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is given by:

$$A = \|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\|$$

2. The area of triangle with sides  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is given by:

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\|$$

# Volume

**Definition:** Let  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  do not lie in the same plane, then the volume of parallelepiped with edges  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  is given by.

 $V = |\vec{u}.(\vec{v} \times \vec{w})| = |\vec{v}.(\vec{w} \times \vec{u})| = |\vec{w}.(\vec{u} \times \vec{v})|$ 

Example: Let  $\vec{u} = -i - j + k$ ,  $\vec{v} = 3j + 2k$  and  $\vec{w} = 2i - j + 5k$ . Then,

a. Find the area of parallelogram determined by  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ .

b. Find the area of triangle determined by  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ .

c. Find the volume of parallelepiped whose adjacent sides are  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$ .

Solution:

$$\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -5i + 2j - 3k \text{ and } \|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\| = \sqrt{38}$$

a. The area of parallelogram is  $\sqrt{38}$  square unit.

b. The area of triangle is  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{38}$  square unit. c.  $\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -6k \end{vmatrix} = 17i + 4j - 6k$ 

Then, volume of parallelepiped is

 $V = |\vec{u}.(\vec{v} \times \vec{w})| = |(-i - j + k).(17i + 4j - 6k)|$ = |-17 - 4 + 6| = 15 cubic unit

## **Equation of a Line**

Definition:

Let  $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  be a given point on a line l and P = (x, y, z) be any arbitrary point on l. If  $\vec{v} = (a, b, c)$  is parallel to l, then

**1**. The vector equation of l is written as

 $P = P_0 + t\vec{v}$ , where  $t \in R$ 

2. The parametric equation of a line l is given by

 $x = x_0 + at$   $y = y_0 + bt$  $z = z_0 + ct$ , where  $t \in R$ 

3. The symmetric equation of a line *l* is given by

$$\frac{x-x_0}{a} = \frac{y-y_0}{b} = \frac{z-z_0}{c}$$

Example: Find the parametric and symmetric equation of a line passing through the point (1, -2, 3) and parallel to the vector (-6, 4, 1).

Solution: Let P(x, y, z) be any arbitrary point on a line l passing through a point  $P_0 = (1, -2, 3)$ . By: Abayneh Kebede abayk400@gmail.com

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Thus,  $\overline{P_0P} = t\vec{v}$  where  $\vec{v}//l$  and t is parameter.

 $\Rightarrow (x - 1, y + 2, z - 3) = t(-6, 4, 1)$  $\Rightarrow \qquad x = 1 - 6t \\ y = -2 + 4t \\ z = 3 + t$  Is the parametric equation of a line *l*.

The symmetric equation of a line l is

$$\frac{x-1}{-6} = \frac{y+2}{4} = \frac{z-3}{1}$$

Example: Find the parametric equation of a line passes through the point

(2, -1, 7) and (3, 1, -4).

Solution: Let P = (2, -1, 7) and Q = (3, 1, -4). First we need to find a direction vector  $\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{PQ} = (1, 2, -11)$ .

If we take  $P_0 = (2, -1,7)$  the parametric equation will be x = 2 + t, y = -1 + 2t, z = 7 - 11t

If we take  $P_0 = (3, 1, -4)$  the parametric equation will be x = 3 + t, y = 1 + 2t, z = -4 - 11tBy: Abayneh Kebede abayk400@gmail.com

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Example: Find the equation of a line passes through the point (5, -1, 3) and parallel

to  $\vec{v} = (1, 2, 0)$ .

Solution: Let P = (x, y, z) be any arbitrary point on a line passing through  $P_0 = (5, -1, 3)$ 

Thus,  $P = P_0 + t\vec{v}$ 

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

 $\Rightarrow \qquad \begin{array}{c} x = 5 + t \\ y = -1 + 2t \\ z = 3 \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Is the parametric equation of a line } l.$ 

The symmetric equation of a line l is

$$\frac{x-5}{1} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z-3}{0}$$

1. Given  $\vec{a} = i$  and  $\vec{b} = i + j$ . Then find the value of k such that  $\vec{a} + k\vec{b}$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{a}$ .

Solution:  $(\vec{a} + k\vec{b}).\vec{a} = 0$  $\vec{a}.\vec{a} + k\vec{b}.\vec{a} = 0$ i.i + k(i + j).i = 01 + k(i.i + j.i) = 01 + k(1 + 0) = 01 + k = 0k = -1

**2**. Find the angle between the vectors 2i - 3j + 4k and 3i - 4j + k.

**Solution:** Let  $\vec{a} = 2i - 3j + 4k$  and  $\vec{b} = 3i - 4j + k$ .

**3**. Find the angle  $\theta$  between the vectors  $\sqrt{6}i + j - k$  and positive x —axis. **Solution:** Let  $\vec{a} = \sqrt{6}i + j - k$  and  $\vec{b} = b_1 i$ , where  $b_1$  be positive x —axis.

$$\|\vec{a}\| = \sqrt{(\sqrt{6})^2 + 1^2 + (-1)^2} = 2\sqrt{2}, \ \|\vec{b}\| = \sqrt{(b_1)^2 + 0^2 + 0^2} = b_2$$
$$\vec{a}. \ \vec{b} = \sqrt{6} \ b_1 \qquad \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{6} \ b_1}{2\sqrt{2} \ b_1}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

4. Let  $\vec{a} = i + j - k$  and  $\vec{b} = 2i - j + 2k$  and  $\vec{c} = 2i - j + k$ . Then find

a. 
$$\|2\vec{a} - \vec{b}\|$$
 b.  $(\vec{a} - 2\vec{c}) \times \vec{b}$  c.  $(\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}).\vec{c}$ 

Solution: a.  $2\vec{a} - \vec{b} = 2(i + j - k) - (2i - j + 2k) = 3j - 4k$ 

$$\|2\vec{a} - \vec{b}\| = \|3j - 4k\| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-4)^2} = 5$$

b. 
$$\vec{a} - 2\vec{c} = i + j - k - 2(2i - j + k) = -3i + 3j - 3k$$
  
b.  $(\vec{a} - 2\vec{c}) \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ -3 & 3 & -3 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 3i - 3k$ 

c.  $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = i + j - k + 2(2i - j + 2k) = 5i - j + 3k$  $(\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}).\vec{c} = (5i - j + 3k).(2i - j + k) = 14$ <u>abay</u>

# **Equation of a Plane**

The plane containing the point  $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  and having normal Definition: vector  $\vec{n} = (a, b, c)$  can be represented by the standard form of the  $\mathbf{P} = (x, y, z)$ equation of a plane z $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  $a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(z - z_0) = 0$ r Remark: 1. The general form of the equation of a plane in space is given by: ax + by + cz + d = 0, where  $d = -(ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0)$ 2. A vector orthogonal to the plane is called normal vector.

Example: Find equation of a plane that contains point (-2,0,6) and is normal to (1,2,5).

Solution: Let P = (x, y, z) be any arbitrary point in the plane which contains a

point  $P_0 = (-2,0,6)$  and having normal vector  $\vec{n} = (1,2,5)$ 

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

 $\Rightarrow (1,2,5). (x + 2, y, z - 6) = 0$ x + 2y + 5z - 28 = 0

Example: Find equation of a plane that contains point (2,3, -5) and is orthogonal to y-axis.

Solution: Let P = (x, y, z) be any arbitrary point in the plane which contains a point  $P_0 = (2,3,-5)$  and having normal vector  $\vec{n} = (0,1,0)$  since y-axis is perpendicular to the plane.

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

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

$$y - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad y = 3$$

Example: Find the equation of the plane that contains points (-1,0,1), (2,1,1) and (-2,0,3).

Solution: Let P = (-1,0,1), Q = (2,1,1) and R = (-2,0,3).

Then, we need to find a vector normal to the plane. Now,

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = Q - P = (3,1,0)$$
$$\overrightarrow{QR} = R - Q = (-4,-1,2)$$

$$\vec{n} = \overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{QR} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2i - 6j + k$$

Then, let P = (x, y, z) be any arbitrary point in the plane which contains a point  $P_0 = (-1,0,1)$  and normal vector  $\vec{n} = (2,-6,1)$ .

 $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{P_0 P} = 0$   $\Rightarrow \quad (2, -6, 1) \cdot (x + 1, y, z - 1) = 0$  2(x + 1) - 6y + (z - 1) = 02x - 6y + z + 1 = 0

**Example:** Find equation of plane and z-intercept of equation of the plane through the point (4, -1, -2) with normal vector  $\vec{n} = (1, 2, 3)$ .

An equation of plane: (x - 4) + 2(y + 1) + 3(z + 2) = 0

 $\Rightarrow x + 2y + 3z + 4 = 0$ 

To find z-intercept of the plane, we set x = y = 0

 $\Rightarrow 3z + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow z = -\frac{4}{3}$  Thus,  $(0,0,-\frac{4}{3})$  is z-intercept of the plane By: Abayneh Kebede abayk400@gmail.com abaykeb@dtu.edu.et

#### **Parallel and Perpendicular Plane**

Definition: 1. Two planes are said to be parallel if their normal are parallel.
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3. The angle between two planes are the angle between their normal.

- Example: Show that the planes  $\pi_1: x 2y + 4z = 0$  and  $\pi_2: 2x 4y + 8z = 0$  are parallel.
- Solution: Let  $\vec{n}_1 = (1, -2, 4)$  and  $\vec{n}_2 = (2, -4, 8)$  are normal vectors of  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  respectively.

 $\vec{n}_2 = 2\vec{n}_1 \qquad \Rightarrow \vec{n}_1 / / \vec{n}_2 \qquad \therefore \pi_1 / / \pi_2$ 

Example: Let  $\pi_1: 8x - 2y + z = 0$  and  $\pi_2: x + 4y = 0$ . Show that  $\pi_1 \perp \pi_2$ 

Solution:  $\vec{n}_1 = (8, -2, 1)$  and  $\vec{n}_2 = (1, 4, 0)$ 

 $\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = (8, -2, 1) \cdot (1, 4, 0)$ = 8(1) + (-2)(4) + 1(0) = 0  $\Rightarrow \vec{n}_1 \perp \vec{n}_2 \quad \therefore \pi_1 \perp \pi_2$ 

Example: Let  $\pi_1: x - y + 3z = 0$  and  $\pi_2: 2x - 3y + z - 7 = 0$ .

Find the angle between  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$ .

Solution:  $\vec{n}_1 = (1, -1, 3)$  and  $\vec{n}_2 = (2, -3, 1)$ 

So that  $\vec{n}_1$  is neither  $\perp$  nor // to  $\vec{n}_2$ , hence, there is an angle  $\theta$  between  $\vec{n}_1$  and  $\vec{n}_2$ 

$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = (1, -1, 3) \cdot (2, -3, 1) = 8$$
$$\|\vec{n}_1\| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{11}$$
$$\|\vec{n}_2\| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

Hence, 
$$\theta = cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2}{\|\vec{n}_1\| \|\vec{n}_2\|} \right)$$
$$= cos^{-1} \left( \frac{8}{\sqrt{11}\sqrt{14}} \right)$$

# Intersection of two lines in space

Definition: Le

Let 
$$l_1: \begin{cases} x = x_1 + a_1 t \\ y = y_1 + b_1 t \\ z = z_1 + c_1 t \end{cases}$$
 and  $l_2: \begin{cases} x = x_2 + a_2 r \\ y = y_2 + b_2 r \\ z = z_2 + c_2 r \end{cases}$ 

Are parametric equation of a lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ .

To find intersection point (if any) of  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  equate the corresponding

equation

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + a_1 t = x_2 + a_2 r \\ y_1 + b_1 t = y_2 + b_2 r \\ z_1 + c_1 t = z_2 + c_2 r \end{cases}$$

Note: We use the ff steps to find intersection of two lines:

1. Write the equation of each lines in parametric form(if they are not)

- 2. Equate the parametric equation and solve for t and r.
- 3. Put the values of t and r in each line to find the points P and Q.

4. If P = Q, the lines intersect and if  $P \neq Q$ , the lines never intersect.

Remark: Two lines in space that are neither parallel nor intersecting are called skew lines By: Abayr

Example: Show that the lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  intersect, and find their point of intersection

$$l_1: x = 2 + t, y = 2 + 3t, z = 3 + t$$
$$l_2: x = 2 + r, y = 3 + 4r, z = 4 + 2r$$

Solution: To find intersection point of  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  equate the corresponding

parametric equation. i.e

$$\begin{cases} 2+t=2+r \qquad \Rightarrow t=r\\ 2+3t=3+4r\\ 3+t=4+2r \qquad \Rightarrow t=r=-1 \end{cases}$$

Hence, if we put t = -1 and r = -1 in  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ , we obtain P = (1, -1, 2) and Q = (1, -1, 2)

Hence, P = Q = (1, -1, 2) and the two lines intersect at (1, -1, 2).