

MATHEMATICS 201-NYC-05

Vectors and Matrices

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IX - Dot Product

- Find (i) $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ (ii) $\vec{u} \bullet \vec{u}$ (iii) $\|\vec{u}\|$ and (iv) $(\vec{u} \bullet \vec{v})\vec{v}$
 - $\vec{u} = (3,4)$, $\vec{v} = (2,-3)$
 - $\vec{u} = (1,-2,3)$, $\vec{v} = (4,5-1)$
 - $\vec{u} = (4,0,-3,5)$, $\vec{v} = (0,2,5,4)$
 - $\vec{u} = (0,1,-3,4,1)$, $\vec{v} = (-4,5,1,2,2)$
- Find the angle θ between the given vectors.
 - $\vec{u} = (3,4)$, $\vec{v} = (-4,3)$
 - $\vec{u} = (1,-2,3)$, $\vec{v} = (4,5-1)$
 - $\vec{u} = (4,0,-3,5)$, $\vec{v} = (-8,0,6,-10)$
 - $\vec{u} = (0,1,-3,4,1)$, $\vec{v} = (-4,5,1,2,2)$
- Determine all vectors \vec{w} that are perpendicular to \vec{u} .
 - $\vec{u} = (-1,5)$
 - $\vec{u} = (3,0)$
 - $\vec{u} = (-1,1,2)$
 - $\vec{u} = (0,1,0,0)$
- Find all vectors \vec{w} that are orthogonal to \vec{u} and \vec{v}
 - $\vec{u} = (-1,2,2)$, $\vec{v} = (-1,2,5)$
 - $\vec{u} = (1,0,-3)$, $\vec{v} = (-1,1,1)$
 - $\vec{u} = (-1,2,3)$, $\vec{v} = (2,-4,-6)$
 - $\vec{u} = (-1,3,2,1)$, $\vec{v} = (2,-5,1,-2)$
- Determine whether \vec{u} and \vec{v} are orthogonal, parallel or neither.
 - $\vec{u} = (3,0)$, $\vec{v} = (1,1)$
 - $\vec{u} = (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{2}{3})$, $\vec{v} = (4,3)$
 - $\vec{u} = (4,0,-3)$, $\vec{v} = (0,-2,5)$
 - $\vec{u} = (1,-3,2)$, $\vec{v} = (-1,-1,-1)$
 - $\vec{u} = (4,-5,2,6)$, $\vec{v} = (-2, \frac{5}{2}, -1, -3)$
- Determine whether the sets in \mathbb{R}^3 are orthogonal and orthonormal.
 - $\{(0,1,0), (\frac{-4}{5}, 0, \frac{3}{5}), (\frac{3}{5}, 0, \frac{4}{5})\}$
 - $\{(1,-2,3), (1,2,1), (3,0,-1)\}$
 - $\{(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}), (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0), (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3})\}$
- Verify the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality and the Triangular Inequality for the given vectors.
 - $\vec{u} = (3,0)$, $\vec{v} = (1,1)$
 - $\vec{u} = (-3,2)$, $\vec{v} = (4,3)$
 - $\vec{u} = (2,2,2)$, $\vec{v} = (0,-2,1)$
- Determine if the triangle ABC is a right triangle, and if so, find where right angle is.
 - $A(1,0)$, $B(2,3)$ and $C(6,0)$
 - $A(6,5)$, $B(1,3)$ and $C(3,-2)$
 - $A(1,2,3)$, $B(-1,-3,2)$ and $C(5,0,5)$

9. Prove that if \vec{u} , \vec{v} and \vec{w} are vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$\vec{u} \bullet (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \vec{u} \bullet \vec{v} + \vec{u} \bullet \vec{w}$$

10. Prove that if \vec{u} and \vec{v} are vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , then

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

11. Prove that if \vec{u} and \vec{v} are vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$\vec{u} \bullet \vec{v} = \frac{1}{4}\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\|^2 - \frac{1}{4}\|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\|^2$$

12. Prove that the diagonals of a rectangle are perpendicular if and only if the rectangle is a square.

13. Let ABCD be a parallelogram. Prove that

$$\|\overline{AC}\|^2 + \|\overline{BD}\|^2 = \|\overline{AB}\|^2 + \|\overline{BC}\|^2 + \|\overline{CD}\|^2 + \|\overline{DA}\|^2$$

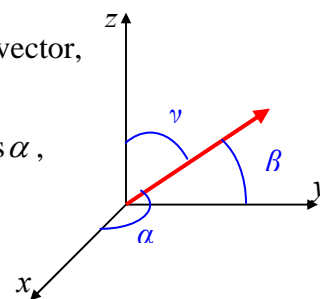
14. Find the projection of (i) \vec{u} onto \vec{v} (ii) \vec{v} onto \vec{u}

- a) $\vec{u} = (3,4)$, $\vec{v} = (2,-3)$ b) $\vec{u} = (1,-2,3)$, $\vec{v} = (4,5-1)$
 c) $\vec{u} = (4,0,-3,5)$, $\vec{v} = (0,2,5,4)$ d) $\vec{u} = (0,1,-3,4,1)$, $\vec{v} = (-4,5,1,2,2)$

15. Prove $U \bullet AV = A^T U \bullet V$ where A is an $n \times n$ matrix using the matrix formula for the dot product.

16. Prove that $\vec{u} \bullet (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \vec{u} \bullet \vec{v} + \vec{u} \bullet \vec{w}$ using the matrix formula for the dot product.

17. Let $\hat{\mathbf{i}}$, $\hat{\mathbf{j}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ be unit vectors along the positive x , y and z axes of a rectangular coordinate system in 3-space. If $\vec{v} = (a, b, c)$ is a nonzero vector, then the angles α , β and γ between \vec{v} and the vectors $\hat{\mathbf{i}}$, $\hat{\mathbf{j}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$, respectively, are called the **direction angles** of \vec{v} , and the numbers $\cos \alpha$, $\cos \beta$, and $\cos \gamma$ are called the **direction cosines** of \vec{v} .



- a) Show that $\cos \alpha = \frac{a}{\|\vec{v}\|}$. Find $\cos \beta$ and $\cos \gamma$.
- b) Prove that $(\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma)$ is a unit vector.
- c) Show that $\vec{v} = \|\vec{v}\|(\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma)$. This is called the **polar decomposition** of \vec{v}
- d) Show that two vectors \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 in 3-space are perpendicular if their direction cosines satisfy $\cos \alpha_1 \cos \alpha_2 + \cos \beta_1 \cos \beta_2 + \cos \gamma_1 \cos \gamma_2 = 0$.
- e) Find the polar decomposition, the direction cosines, and the direction angles for $\vec{u} = (\sqrt{3}, 0, -1)$

Answers

1. a) i. -6 ii. 25 iii. 5 iv. $(-12,18)$
 b) i. -9 ii. 14 iii. $\sqrt{14}$ iv. $(-36,-45,9)$
 c) i. 5 ii. 50 iii. $5\sqrt{2}$ iv. $(0,10,25,20)$
 d) i. 12 ii. 27 iii. $3\sqrt{3}$ iv. $(-48,60,12,24,24)$
2. a) 90° b) 111.8° c) 180° d) 70.9°
3. a) $t(5,1)$ b) $t(0,1)$ c) $s(1,1,0)+t(2,0,1)$ d) $r(1,0,0,0)+s(0,0,1,0)+t(0,0,0,1)$
4. a) $t(2,1,0)$ b) $t(3,2,1)$ c) $s(2,1,0)+t(3,0,1)$ d) $s(1,0,0,1)+t(-13,-5,1,0)$
5. a) neither b) orthogonal c) neither d) orthogonal e) parallel
6. a) Orthogonal and orthonormal b) Neither c) Orthogonal
8. a) No b) Yes in B c) Yes in A
9. Let $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$, $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ and $\vec{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$.

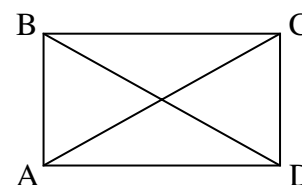
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) &= (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \cdot (v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2, \dots, v_n + w_n) \\ &= u_1(v_1 + w_1) + u_2(v_2 + w_2) + \dots + u_n(v_n + w_n) \\ &= u_1v_1 + u_1w_1 + u_2v_2 + u_2w_2 + \dots + u_nv_n + u_nw_n \\ &= (u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + \dots + u_nv_n) + (u_1w_1 + u_2w_2 + \dots + u_nw_n) \\ &= \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}10. \quad \|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\|^2 + \|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\|^2 &= (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \\ &= \vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} + 2\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} - 2\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} \\ &= 2\|\vec{u}\|^2 + 2\|\vec{v}\|^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}11. \quad \frac{1}{4}\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\|^2 - \frac{1}{4}\|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\|^2 &= \frac{1}{4}(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) - \frac{1}{4}(\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \cdot (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \frac{1}{4}\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} - \frac{1}{4}\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} - \frac{1}{4}\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} \\ &= \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}\end{aligned}$$

12. The diagonals are perpendicular if and only if $\overrightarrow{AC} \cdot \overrightarrow{BD} = 0$

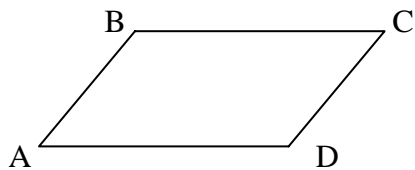
$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{AC} \cdot \overrightarrow{BD} &= (\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}) \cdot (\overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CD}) \\ &= \overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{CD} + \overrightarrow{BC} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{BC} \cdot \overrightarrow{CD} \\ &= 0 + \overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{CD} + \overrightarrow{BC} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC} + 0\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\text{Since } ABCD \text{ is a rectangle, } \overrightarrow{AB} \perp \overrightarrow{BC} \text{ and } \overrightarrow{BC} \perp \overrightarrow{CD} \\ &= -\overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC} \quad \text{Since } \overrightarrow{CD} = -\overrightarrow{AB} \\ &= -\|\overrightarrow{AB}\|^2 + \|\overrightarrow{BC}\|^2\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\overrightarrow{AC} \cdot \overrightarrow{BD} = -\|\overrightarrow{AB}\|^2 + \|\overrightarrow{BC}\|^2 = 0$ if and only if $\|\overrightarrow{AB}\| = \|\overrightarrow{BC}\|$, hence if and only if ABCD is a square.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\vec{AC}\|^2 + \|\vec{BD}\|^2 &= \|\vec{AB} + \vec{BC}\|^2 + \|\vec{BC} + \vec{CD}\|^2 \\
 &= (\vec{AB} + \vec{BC}) \cdot (\vec{AB} + \vec{BC}) + (\vec{BC} + \vec{CD}) \cdot (\vec{BC} + \vec{CD}) \\
 &= \vec{AB} \cdot \vec{AB} + 2\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BC} + \vec{BC} \cdot \vec{BC} + \vec{BC} \cdot \vec{BC} + 2\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{CD} + \vec{CD} \cdot \vec{CD} \\
 &= \|\vec{AB}\|^2 + 2\|\vec{BC}\|^2 + \|\vec{CD}\|^2 + 2\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BC} + 2\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{CD} \\
 &= \|\vec{AB}\|^2 + \|\vec{BC}\|^2 + \|\vec{BC}\|^2 + \|\vec{CD}\|^2 + 2\vec{BC} \cdot (\vec{AB} + \vec{CD}) \\
 &= \|\vec{AB}\|^2 + \|\vec{BC}\|^2 + \|\vec{AD}\|^2 + \|\vec{CD}\|^2 + 2\vec{BC} \cdot (\vec{AB} + \vec{BA}) \text{ since } \vec{BC} = \vec{AD} \text{ and } \vec{CD} = \vec{BA} \\
 &= \|\vec{AB}\|^2 + \|\vec{BC}\|^2 + \|\vec{AD}\|^2 + \|\vec{CD}\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

14. a) $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \left(\frac{-12}{13}, \frac{18}{13}\right)$ $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{v} = \left(\frac{-18}{25}, \frac{-24}{25}\right)$

b) $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \left(\frac{-6}{7}, \frac{-15}{14}, \frac{3}{14}\right)$ $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{v} = \left(\frac{-9}{14}, \frac{9}{7}, \frac{-27}{14}\right)$

c) $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \left(0, \frac{2}{9}, \frac{5}{9}, \frac{4}{9}\right)$ $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{v} = \left(\frac{2}{5}, 0, \frac{-3}{10}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

d) $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \left(\frac{-24}{25}, \frac{6}{5}, \frac{12}{25}, \frac{12}{25}\right)$ $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{v} = \left(0, \frac{4}{9}, \frac{-4}{3}, \frac{16}{9}, \frac{4}{9}\right)$

15. $U \cdot AV = (AV)^T U = (V^T A^T) U = V^T (A^T U) = A^T U \cdot V$

16. $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = U \cdot (V + W) = (V + W)^T U = (V^T + W^T) U = V^T U + W^T U$
 $= U \cdot V + U \cdot W = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$

17. a) $\cos \alpha = \frac{\vec{i} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{i}\| \|\vec{v}\|} = \frac{(1,0,0) \cdot (a,b,c)}{\|(1,0,0)\| \|\vec{v}\|} = \frac{a}{1 \|\vec{v}\|} = \frac{a}{\|\vec{v}\|}$, $\cos \beta = \frac{b}{\|\vec{v}\|}$, $\cos \gamma = \frac{c}{\|\vec{v}\|}$

b) $\sqrt{\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma} = \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{\|\vec{v}\|^2} + \frac{b^2}{\|\vec{v}\|^2} + \frac{c^2}{\|\vec{v}\|^2}} = \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}\|} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} = \frac{\|\vec{v}\|}{\|\vec{v}\|} = 1$

c) $\|\vec{v}\| (\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma) = \|\vec{v}\| \left(\frac{a}{\|\vec{v}\|}, \frac{b}{\|\vec{v}\|}, \frac{c}{\|\vec{v}\|}\right) = (a, b, c) = \vec{v}$

d) $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = \|\vec{v}_1\| (\cos \alpha_1, \cos \beta_1, \cos \gamma_1) \cdot \|\vec{v}_2\| (\cos \alpha_2, \cos \beta_2, \cos \gamma_2)$
 $= \|\vec{v}_1\| \|\vec{v}_2\| (\cos \alpha_1 \cos \alpha_2 + \cos \beta_1 \cos \beta_2 + \cos \gamma_1 \cos \gamma_2)$

Thus if $\cos \alpha_1 \cos \alpha_2 + \cos \beta_1 \cos \beta_2 + \cos \gamma_1 \cos \gamma_2 = 0$ then $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 0$ so \vec{v}_1 and \vec{v}_2 are perpendicular.

e) $\vec{u} = 4\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0, \frac{-1}{2}\right)$, with direction cosines $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$, 0 and $\frac{-1}{2}$ and direction angles $\frac{\pi}{6}$, $\frac{\pi}{2}$ and $\frac{2\pi}{3}$