Unit #3 Intro to Vectors Coursepack

#### **Introduction to Vectors**

## Scalar and Vector Quantities:

Scalar

• a quantity with magnitude only.

### Examples:

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Vector

• a mathematical quantity that is expressed by a magnitude AND direction

Examples:

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Example 1: the following situations need to be described using an appropriate measure. Classify the measure as a scalar or a vector.

(a) the cost of a dance ticket \_\_\_\_\_

(b) the path from your desk to the classroom door

(c) the air speed of a jet as it heads north \_\_\_\_\_

## **REPRESENTATION OF VECTORS:**

## **1. GEOMETRIC VECTORS** $\vec{a}$ $\vec{b}$ $\vec{c}$ $\vec{d}$ A vector represented by a directed line segment drawn so that its length represents its magnitude.

2. ALGEBRAIC VECTORS

A vector that is written in rectangular form.

**RECTANGULAR FORM:** is of the form (a, b) or  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$  where a represents the x-value and b

represents the y-value of the terminal point of the vector. Its initial point is the origin (0, 0). They are also called **algebraic vectors** and IB uses them in the column vector form.ie. (3, 4)

becomes  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Notation:



## $\overrightarrow{AB}, \overrightarrow{v}, v$ (boldface)

Vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  has an initial point (tip) at A and a terminal point (tail) at B.

### Magnitude of a Vector

 $|\overrightarrow{AB}|$  represents the MAGNITUDE of  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ . | **v** | represents the MAGNITUDE of **v**.

> If the magnitude of a vector is zero, we call it the zero vector and denote it  $\vec{0}$ . This is a useful vector despite that its direction is undefined.

#### **Equality of Vectors**



Two vectors are equal if they have the same magnitude and the same direction. Ex.  $\vec{c} = \vec{d}$ ,  $|\vec{c}| = |\vec{d}|$ 

Opposite Vectors (additive inverse) The opposite of a vector would have the same magnitude but opposite direction. Ex.  $\vec{a} = -\vec{d}$ ,  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{d}|$ 

$\overrightarrow{AB} = -\overrightarrow{BA}$	$\therefore$ directions are opposite
$\left \overrightarrow{AB}\right  = \left \overrightarrow{BA}\right $	∴ magnitudes are still equal

Example 2: *ABCDEF* is a regular hexagon. Give examples of vectors formed between pairs of vertices of hexagon *ABCDEF*:

a. equal

b. parallel but with different magnitudes

c. equal in magnitude but opposite in direction

d. equal in magnitude but not parallel

e. different in both magnitude and direction



Note: vector starting from the origin O to another point C is called position vector of C (i.e., fixed with respect to the origin).  $\overrightarrow{OC} = \overrightarrow{c}$  or  $\overrightarrow{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$  'column vector'



**Cartesian Co-ordinate System**:  $\vec{u}$  can be represented as an ordered pair (a, b) where its magnitude (modulus) is  $|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  and direction  $\theta = \tan^{-1} {a \choose b}$  with  $\theta$  measured counter-clockwise from the positive *x*-axis to the line of the vector. The ordered pair (a, b) is referred to as an **algebraic vector.** The values of *a* and *b* are the *x*- and *y*-components of the vector.



#### **Collinear Vectors**

- $\circ$  vectors that lie on the same line when they are in standard position.
- $\circ \;\;$  they will be parallel to each other.
- $\circ$  they either have the same direction or opposite direction.
- one will always be a scalar multiple of the other. i.e.  $\vec{u} = k\vec{v}, k \in R, k \neq 0$

Example 3. Given that  $|\vec{u}| = 5$  find the magnitude of each of the following vectors: a.  $2\vec{u}$  b.  $-4\vec{u}$  c.  $\frac{1}{5}\vec{u}$ 

Example 4. Determine the value of k so that the following pairs of vectors are collinear.

a. 
$$\binom{5}{-7} = k \binom{-10}{14}$$
  
b.  $\vec{v} = \left(1, \frac{k}{2} - 6\right)$  and  $\vec{u} = \left(-4, 1 + \frac{k}{6}\right)$ 



To create a unit vector in the direction of a non-zero  $\vec{u}$ , multiply  $\vec{u}$  by the scalar equal to the reciprocal of the magnitude of  $\vec{u}$ .

Example 5: If  $|\vec{a}| = 12$ , state a unit vector in the opposite direction of  $\vec{a}$ .

**Standard Unit Vectors:** The special unit vectors which point in the direction of the positive x-axis and positive y-axis are given the names  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$  respectively, where  $\hat{i} = (1,0)$  and  $\hat{j} = (0,1)$ .  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$  are the **standard basis vectors** for  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  **f**  $\mathcal{Y}$ 



We may express any vector in the xy-plane as a sum of scalar multiples of the vectors and.

 $\vec{u} = \overrightarrow{OP} = (a, b) \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{u} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} , \qquad |\vec{u}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ Example 6:  $\overrightarrow{OP} = (-2, 3) = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$  $|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (3)^2}$  $= \sqrt{13}$  $\tan(\theta) = \frac{3}{-2} \Rightarrow \alpha = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \approx 56.3^0$  $\theta \approx 180^0 - 56.3^0 \approx 123.7^0$ 

Example 7: Find a vector of magnitude  $\sqrt{6}$  in the direction of  $\vec{v} = 7\hat{i} + 5\hat{j}$ .

## Vectors in 3 Dimensions

Previously, we had considered geometric and algebraic vectors in the 2-dimensional (Cartesian) plane. This model extends naturally to 3 dimensions.

Consider the 2-D (xy) Cartesian plane comprised of the x and y-axes.

If we add a third axis (*z*-axis) to our existing *xy*-plane such that all 3 axes are mutually perpendicular to one another, we create a coordinate system which models 3-dimensional space.

To plot the 3-dimensional point with coordinates (a,b,c), move a units from the origin in the x-direction, b units in the y-direction, and c units in the z-direction.



**Standard Unit Vectors in R3:**  $\hat{i} = (1,0,0), \hat{j} = (0,1,0), \text{and } \hat{k} = (0,0,1)$  are the special unit vectors pointing in the direction of the positive x-, y-, and z-axes, respectively.



Example 8: Given the coordinates of points P(2,4,5) and Q(-4,3,-2), draw the vectors  $\overrightarrow{OP}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OQ}$  using a rectangular prism.



Example 9: Express the position vector of each of the points shown in the diagram as an ordered pair, column vector, and in basis vector notation.



Angle between 2 vectors:



The angle between two vectors is the angle  $\leq 180^{\circ}$  formed when the vectors are placed **tail to tail**, that is, starting at the same point.

Example 10: *MNOP* is a rectangle with side lengths 3 and 5.

*Q* is the midpoint of *MP*.

Find the angle between the following vectors:

a)  $\overrightarrow{\text{NP}}$  and  $\overrightarrow{\text{NO}}$ 



b)  $\overrightarrow{\text{NM}}$  and  $\overrightarrow{\text{NQ}}$ 

c)  $\overrightarrow{NQ}$  and  $\overrightarrow{QP}$ 

### Practice

- 1. In the diagram at the right,  $\triangle$  AF B and  $\triangle$  BEC are equilateral, and ACDG is a rectangle.
  - (a) Write down two other vectors **equal** to  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ .
  - (b) Write down three vectors which are **opposite** to  $\overrightarrow{FE}$
  - (c) What vector is the **opposite** of  $\overrightarrow{DC}$  ?
  - (d) Write down 3 vectors which have the same magnitude as  $\overrightarrow{BC}$ , but different direction.
  - (e) What vector is equal to  $2 \overrightarrow{FE}$ ?
  - (f) What vector is equal to  $\frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{FE}$  ?



- 2. Using the diagram from #1, find the angles between the following vectors:
  - (a)  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AF}$
  - (b)  $\overrightarrow{AF}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AG}$
  - (c)  $\overrightarrow{DC}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AB}$
  - (d)  $\overrightarrow{BC}$  and  $\overrightarrow{CE}$
  - (e)  $\overrightarrow{EC}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AG}$
  - (f)  $\overrightarrow{FD}$  and  $\overrightarrow{BA}$
- 3. Sketch a vector to represent each of the following quantities, using the specified scale:
  - (a) a velocity of 30 m/s [south], where 1 cm = 10 m/s.
  - (b) a force of 20 Newtons, straight down, where 1 cm = 10 N.
  - (c) a displacement of 25 metres to the right, where 1 cm = 10 m.
  - (d) an airplane taking off a runway at an angle of  $30\circ$  at a speed of 40 km/h, where 1 cm = 10 km/h.
- 4. Using the grid at the right, choose a vector which equals:
  - (a) -ā
  - (b) 3ā
  - (c) -2**b**
  - (d) a unit vector parallel to  $\vec{a}$

5. Given the vector  $\vec{u}$  such that  $|\vec{u}| = 8$  units, find the following:

(a) |3 ū |





6. Determine a unit vector parallel to each of the following vectors:

- (a)  $\vec{a}$ , given that  $|\vec{a}| = 12$  units
- (b)  $\vec{w}$ , given that  $|\vec{w}| = 10$  units
- (c) ū (non-zero)

7. A boat leaves harbour at 2:00 and travels due south at 50 km/h until 3: 30, when it turns east and travels at the same speed for another hour.

- (a) Write down the displacement vectors for each part of the journey.
- (b) What is the total distance covered?
- (c) What is the displacement vector between the starting point and ending point?

8. Two planes leave an airport at the same time. Plane A travels northwest at 120 km/h, while plane B travels due east at 150 km/h. After one hour, they both land. If plane A must then travel to plane B's landing point, in what direction should it travel, and how long will it take if it travels at 120 km/h?

9. For each point Q given, write the position vector  $\overrightarrow{OQ}$  in terms of  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$ .

a. Q (3, -4)

b. Q (-5, -1)

10. For each point Q in question 1, find the magnitude of the position vector  $\overrightarrow{OQ}$  and its direction relative to the positive x-axis.

11. For each point R given, find the magnitude of the position vector  $\overrightarrow{OR}$ .

- a. R (4, −3, 12)
- b. R (2, -1, 3)

12. Write the position vectors of the point A shown, in the form  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ .

a.





13. Draw a sketch to show the point D (4, 2, -3) and draw the position vector  $\overrightarrow{OD}$ . 14. Determine the direction angles for each of the following vectors.

a. 
$$\vec{v} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$
  
b.  $\overrightarrow{OA} = (-1, 4, -5)$   
c.  $\vec{u} = 5\hat{i} - 12\hat{k}$   
d.  $\overrightarrow{OB} = (0, 3, -4)$   
15. Find a unit vector parallel to each of the given vectors.  
a.  $\vec{v} = (2, -5)$ 

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$$\vec{v} = (2, -5)$$
  
b.  $\vec{OZ} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$   
c.  $\vec{w} = (-5, 12)$   
d.  $\vec{OP} = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ 

#### Answers



8.  $[E\ 20^\circ\ S]$  for 2 hours and 5 minutes



#### **Sample Questions**

1. If  $\vec{v} = (-2, 7)$  then find the magnitude of  $\vec{v}$  and the angle it makes with the x-axis.

2. If  $\vec{v} = (-3, 2, 5)$  then what is the vector going in the opposite direction to  $\vec{v}$  that has a magnitude of 12?

3. If a wind,  $\vec{v}$ , is moving 15 km/h in the direction of *S*60°*E* then determine  $\vec{v}$  in component form. Hint: Make a diagram with a right angled triangle *w* as the hypotenuse and use trig to solve for the length on the x-and y-axis to find the x- and y- components of  $\vec{v}$ 

#### Warm-up: Introduction to Vectors

1. Name all equal vectors in the diagram.



D

Е

2. ABCD is a rectangle with sides measuring 8 units and 4 units. E is the midpoint of BC. Find the angle between the following vectors:



3. Draw the position vector of the point P (-2,-5). Express it in ordered pair notation, basis vector notation and column notation. Determine its magnitude and direction.

#### Vector Laws:

**Triangular Law of Vector Addition**: For vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ , the sum (or resultant) of  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is a vector from the tail of  $\vec{u}$  to the tip of  $\vec{v}$ , when the tail of  $\vec{v}$  is placed at the tip of  $\vec{u}$ . Notation:  $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$   $\vec{v}$   $\vec{v}$ 



#### Commutative Law of Addition: $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$

Note: sum of the vectors is the **diagonal** of the parallelogram (**Parallelogram Law of Vector Addition**)

#### Recap

The triangle law was useful when arranging vectors tip to tail.

The **parallelogram law** was useful when arranging vectors tail to tail.

**Vector Subtraction** (adding the opposite): For vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ ,  $\vec{u} - \vec{v} = \vec{u} + (-\vec{v})$ 



**Vector Operations** 

2-dimensions

**3-dimensions** 

- $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = (u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2)$   $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = (u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2, u_3 + v_3)$ Vector addition
- Vector subtraction
- $\vec{u} \vec{v} = (u_1 v_1, u_2 v_2) \qquad \vec{u} \vec{v} = (u_1 v_1, u_2 v_2, u_3 v_3)$  $\vec{k} = (ku_1, ku_2) \qquad \vec{k} = (ku_1, ku_2, ku_3)$ Scalar multiplication:

#### Components of a vector between two points:

The points  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$  form the vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ . Using "position vectors", determine  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and  $|\overrightarrow{AB}|$ . [Hint: To do this, use the triangle law of addition.]



Example 2 : P(4, 5), Q(-7, 10) and R(8, -3) are three points in R<sup>2</sup>.

Determine  $\overrightarrow{QP}$  and  $\left|\overrightarrow{QP}\right|$ . a)

Determine  $\left| \overrightarrow{PQ} + \overrightarrow{QR} \right|$ . b)

Example 3: The diagram shows a rectangular prism. Determine a single vector (with tip and tail on the rectangular prism) that is equivalent to each sum or difference. С

- $-\overrightarrow{AE} + \overrightarrow{DA} =$ a)
- $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{AD} + \overrightarrow{CG} =$ b)
- $\overrightarrow{FG} \overrightarrow{DC} \overrightarrow{AE} + \overrightarrow{AF} =$ c)



Example 4: Given the vectors  $\vec{u} = (2,4,-1)$ ,  $\vec{v} = 5\hat{\imath} + 4\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{w} = (-1,3,5)$ , determine the following:

a) 
$$2\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$$
 b)  $\vec{u} \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{2}$  c)  $|\vec{u} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}|$ 

Example 5: A surveyor is standing at the top of a hill. Call this point the origin O. A lighthouse, L, is visible 4 km to the west and 3 km to the north. A town, T, is visible 5 km to the south and 2 km to the east. Using a vector basis in which  $\hat{i}$  is a 1 km vector running east and  $\hat{j}$  is 1 km vector running north, the position vectors of the lighthouse,  $\overrightarrow{OL}$  and the town  $\overrightarrow{OT}$ . Hence, find the vector  $\overrightarrow{LT}$  and the position of the town relative to the lighthouse.

Example 6: Determine the value of  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|$  if  $|\vec{3a}| = 24$  cm,  $|\vec{2b}| = 10$  cm and  $|\vec{3a} - 2\vec{b}| = 20$  cm.

Example 7: Given that  $\vec{u} = x\vec{a} + 2y\vec{b}$   $\vec{v} = -2y\vec{a} + 3y\vec{b}$  $\vec{w} = 4\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}$ 

where  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are not collinear, find the values of x and y for which  $2\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{w}$ .

#### Warm-up:

1. For vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  shown below, draw a diagram of

a)  $2\vec{u}+3\vec{v}$  b)  $2\vec{u}-3\vec{v}$ 



2. Name a single vector equal to each combination of vectors.

(a)	$\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}$

- (b)  $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BD}$
- (c)  $\overrightarrow{CD} + \overrightarrow{DA}$
- (d)  $\overrightarrow{BC} \overrightarrow{DC}$
- (e)  $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CD}$
- (f)  $\overrightarrow{DC} \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{BD}$
- (g)  $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BP} \overrightarrow{CP} + \overrightarrow{CB}$



3. If  $\vec{u} = a\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{v} = (b,-15,c)$  are collinear vectors, find (a) c

(b) a relationship between a and b.

#### **Position Vectors**

A position vector is a vector with the additional property that it is fixed at its tail to the origin O. This is not a free vector, since O is a fixed point  $\overrightarrow{OP} = \overrightarrow{p}$ .

Example 1: In  $\triangle AOB$ ,  $\overrightarrow{OA} = \vec{a}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OB} = \vec{b}$ . Let M be the midpoint of  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ . Find the vector  $\overrightarrow{OM}$  in terms of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Example 2: OABC is a parallelogram with  $\overrightarrow{OA} = \vec{a}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OB} = \vec{b}$ . The point P lies on AB extended such that AB : BP = 2 : 1, and the point Q lies on CB such that CQ : QB = 1 : 3.

a) Express each Of these vectors terms of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  .

i)  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  *ii*)  $\overrightarrow{AP}$  *ii*)  $\overrightarrow{OP}$  *iv*)  $\overrightarrow{OQ}$ b) Hence, show that  $\overrightarrow{QP} = \frac{1}{4}\vec{a} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{b}$  Collinear points: points that lie on the same straight line

Example 3: The position vectors of the points, A, B and C are  $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  and  $6\hat{i} + 11\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$ , respectively, Show that A, B and C are collinear.

Example 4: The position vectors of a triangle ABC are  $\overrightarrow{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\overrightarrow{OC} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- a) Find  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{BC}$  and  $\overrightarrow{CA}$  and show that  $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CA} = \vec{0}$ .
- b) Find  $|\overrightarrow{OA}|, |\overrightarrow{OB}|$  and  $|\overrightarrow{AB} + 2\overrightarrow{BC}|$

#### Practice

- 1. Relative to a fixed origin O, the points A, B, and C have position vectors (-2, 7, 4), (-4,1,8) and (6, -5, 0) respectively.
  - (a) Find the position vector of the midpoint of AB.
  - (b) Find the position vector of the point D on AC such that *AD* : *DC*= 3: 1. Hint: Do not attempt to do this problem with distances. How would you split a line into 4 equal segments using midpoints?
- 2. Relative to a fixed origin 0, the point A, B, and C have position vectors (6, -2, -4), (12, -7, -4), and (6, 1, -8) respectively.
  (a) Find the position vector of the point M, the midpoint of BC.

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(b) Show that O, A, and M are collinear points.

- 3. Given that  $\vec{p} = (1, -2, 4)$ ,  $\vec{q} = (-1, 2, 2)$ , and  $\vec{r} = (2, -4, -7)$ . Find the value of *t* such that  $\vec{p} + t\vec{q}$  is parallel to  $\vec{r}$ .
- 4. The diagram contains two squares. Express each difference as a single vector
  - a)  $\overrightarrow{SQ} \overrightarrow{ST}$
  - b)  $\overrightarrow{QT} \overrightarrow{QP}$
  - c)  $\overrightarrow{PR} \overrightarrow{QS}$
  - d)  $\overrightarrow{PT} \overrightarrow{TS}$



- 5. The diagram shows a cube, where  $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{u}, \overrightarrow{AD} = \overrightarrow{v}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AD} = \overrightarrow{v}$ . Determine a single vector equivalent to each of the following.
  - a)  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{w}$

b)  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}$ 



6. The diagram shows a regular hexagon. Prove that:  $\overrightarrow{AB} - \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CD} - \overrightarrow{DE} + \overrightarrow{EF} - \overrightarrow{FA} = \overrightarrow{O}$ 



## <u>3-5 Warm Up</u>

- 1. Determine the values of r and s given that  $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ r \end{pmatrix}$  is parallel to  $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} s \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- 2. Quadrilateral ORST has position vectors  $\vec{r}$ ,  $\vec{s}$  and  $\vec{t}$ . Point A is the midpoint of RS and point B divides ST such that SB:BT=2:5. Express each of these vectors in terms of  $\vec{r}$ ,  $\vec{s}$  and  $\vec{t}$ .
  - a)  $\overrightarrow{RS}$  b)  $\overrightarrow{ST}$  c)  $\overrightarrow{OB}$  d)  $\overrightarrow{AB}$

## Dot Product of 2 Vectors - aka Scalar (Inner) Product

Dot Product :

- defined as: (horizontal displacement of an object)
- dot product involves two scalars
- ➢ result is a scalar ie) positive/negative/zero



Note: Vectors need to be tail to tail



angle value	$\cos(\theta)$ value	$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$
$0^{\circ} \le \theta \le 90^{\circ}$		
$\theta = 90^{\circ}$		
$90^{\circ} \le \theta \le 180^{\circ}$		

Example 1: Given vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ , where  $|\vec{u}|=10$  and  $|\vec{v}|=13$  and the angle between them is 150°, calculate  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ .

**Dot Product Properties** 

- 1) Commutative:
- 2) **Distributive** over vector addition:

3) Associative over scalar multiplication:

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

Example 2: Evaluate  $\hat{j} \cdot \hat{j}$  and  $\hat{i} \cdot \hat{j}$ .

Example 3: What is the dot product of a vector  $\vec{u}$  with itself? ( $\theta = o^{\circ}$ ).

Example 4: If vectors  $3\vec{p} + \vec{q}$  and  $\vec{p} - 3\vec{q}$  are perpendicular and  $|\vec{p}| = 2|\vec{q}|$ , determine the angle between the non-zero vectors  $\vec{p}, \vec{q}$ .

### How to Evaluate Dot Product of Algebraic Vectors 2-dimensions 3-dimensions

 $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2), \vec{v} = (v_1, v_2) \qquad \vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3), \vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, u_3)$  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 \qquad \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + u_3 v_3$ Example 5. Given that vectors  $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} k+2\\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} k+1\\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$  are perpendicular, solve for k.

#### Using dot product to find angle between two vectors

The formula  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = |\vec{u}| |\vec{v}| \cos(\theta)$  can be rearranged to make solving for  $\theta$  simpler.

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\left|\vec{u}\right| \left|\vec{v}\right|}$$

Example 6: A parallelogram is bounded by vectors  $\vec{u} = (1,2)$  and  $\vec{v} = (3,-2)$ . Find the angle between the diagonals of the parallelogram



Example 7: The diagram shows a parallelogram ABCD. The coordinates of A, B, and D are A(1,2,3) ,B(6,4,4) and D(2,5,5).



(c) Find  $\overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{AD}$  and hence find angle A.

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#### Practice

- 1. Given that  $|\vec{a}| = 2$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 3$ , and  $\theta = 120^{\circ}$  expand and simplify  $(3\vec{a} + 4\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} + 6\vec{b})$ .
- 2. The points A(-1,1), B(2,0), and C(1,-3) are vertices of a triangle.
  - (a) Show that this triangle is a right triangle.
  - (b) Calculate the area of triangle ABC.
  - (c) Calculate the perimeter of triangle ABC.
  - (d) Calculate the coordinates of the fourth vertex D that completes the rectangle of which A, B, and C are the other three vertices
- 3. If  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} \vec{b}|$ , prove that the non-zero vectors  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  are perpendicular. What could this look like?
- 4. Given the vectors  $\vec{u} = [1,0,1]$ ,  $\vec{v} = 2\hat{i} + m\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  find the value(s) of m if the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is 45°.
- 5. Find the angle between the given vector and the axis.

a) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and negative x-axis b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$  and positive x-axis

6. ABCDEFGH is a regular octagon with sides of unit length. (Recall interior angles are 135°). Let  $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{a}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AH} = \overrightarrow{b}$ . Prove that  $\overrightarrow{BC} = \overrightarrow{b} + \sqrt{2} \overrightarrow{a}$ .



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1. The diagram shows a parallelepiped. Determine a single vector (with head and tail on the parallelepiped) that is equivalent to each sum or difference.





- 2. ABCDE is a pentagon such that  $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{DC}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AC} = 2\overrightarrow{ED}$  write each vector in terms of  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AC}$ .
- a)  $\overrightarrow{EC} =$ b)  $\overrightarrow{CB} =$ c)  $\overrightarrow{AE} =$   $\overrightarrow{CB} =$   $\overrightarrow{D}$   $\overrightarrow{CB} =$  $\overrightarrow{D}$
- 3. If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are unit vectors that make an angle of  $60^{\circ}$  with each other, calculate  $|3\vec{a}-4\vec{b}|$ .
- 4. If  $\frac{2}{3}\vec{x} = \vec{a} + \frac{1}{3}\vec{b}$ ,  $2\vec{y} = -3\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  express  $2\vec{a} 5\vec{b}$  in terms of  $\vec{x}, \vec{y}$ .
- 5. Given that

$$\vec{u} = x\vec{a} + 2y\vec{b}$$
$$\vec{v} = -2y\vec{a} + 3y\vec{b}$$
$$\vec{w} = 4\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}$$

where  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are not collinear, find the values of x and y for which  $2\vec{u} - \vec{v} = \vec{w}$ .

- 6. Using the regular hexagon ABCDEF shown, express each of the following vectors in terms of  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$ .
  - a)  $\overrightarrow{DA} =$
  - b)  $\overrightarrow{DE} =$
  - c)  $\overrightarrow{BF} =$



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## **Mid-Review: Geometric Vector**

- 7. Given  $\vec{p} = [2, -3], \vec{q} = [-1, 4]$ , evaluate  $|\vec{3p} 2\vec{q}|$ .
- 8. Given the point P(4,-3) where  $\overrightarrow{PQ} = [7,-4]$  find a) coordinates of Q b)  $|\overrightarrow{PQ}|$  c) a unit vector in the direction of  $\overrightarrow{QP}$
- 9. If  $\vec{u} = [1,4,-2]$ ,  $\vec{v} = -2\hat{i} 3\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{w} = [-1,-3,1]$ , find: a)  $|3\vec{v} + 3\hat{i} - 2k|$ 
  - b) a unit vector with the same direction as  $\vec{u}$ .
  - c) Find the angle between  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$
- 10. The points A(-1,2,-1) ,B(2,-1,3), and D(-3,1,-3) are three vertices of parallelogram ABCD. Find the coordinate of C.
- 11. Vectors [2, -a, 1] and [-2, 2, -a+1] are collinear. Find the value of a.
- 12. The vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  have lengths 2 and 1 respectively. The vectors  $\vec{u} + 5\vec{v}$  and  $2\vec{u} 3\vec{v}$  are perpendicular. Determine the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ .

## <u>3-6 Warm Up</u>

- 1. Find the dot (scalar) product of  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  for the following: a)  $|\vec{u}| = 5$ ,  $|\vec{v}| = 8$ ,  $\theta = 13^{\circ}$  b)  $\vec{u} = (5, 6)$ ,  $\vec{v} = (-2, 3)$
- 2. Find the angle between the vectors:

a) 
$$\vec{u} = (-6, 1)$$
 and  $\vec{v} = (-5, 3)$ 

- b)  $3\hat{\imath} + 4\hat{\jmath} + 5\hat{k}$  and  $4\hat{\imath} 5\hat{\jmath} 3\hat{k}$
- 3. Find the value of c so that the vectors  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $c^2\hat{i} 2c\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  are perpendicular.

## Equations of Lines in R<sup>2</sup>

In R<sup>2</sup> vectors can be used to define a line .Two new forms of the equation of the line are the **Vector Equation of a Line** and **Parametric Form of the Equation of a Line**. We start by defining the former.

Vectors can be used to locate points on a line as shown in the diagram at right. If A is a given point on the line and  $\vec{m}$  is a vector parallel to the line,  $\overrightarrow{OP} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{tm}$  can be used to locate any point P(x, y) on the line.

This equation is called the **Vector Equation** of the line.

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{tm}$$

- $\overrightarrow{OA}$  is called a **Position Vector**
- $\vec{m}$  is called a **Direction Vector**
- t is called a **Parameter** (any real number)

#### Vector Equation of Lines in R<sup>2</sup>

Another way to write this equation using variables is  $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{m}$ . By substituting  $\vec{r} = (x, y)$ ,  $\vec{r}_0 = (x_0, y_0)$  and  $\vec{m} = (m_1, m_2)$  into this equation we get another form of the vector equation.

The Vector Equation of a Line in R<sup>2</sup>
$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{m}$$
OR $(x, y) = (x_0, y_0) + t(m_1, m_2)$ where $t \in \mathbb{R}$  is a parameter $\vec{r} = (x, y)$  is a position vector to any unknown point on the line $\vec{r}_0 = (x_0, y_0)$  is a position vector to any known point on the line $\vec{m} = (m_1, m_2)$  is a direction vector parallel to the line

#### Example 1:

a) Write a vector equation of a line passing through the points A(1, 4) and B(3, 1).

#### b) Determine two more points on the line.



c) Determine if the point (2, 3) is on this line.

NOTE: Vector equations are NOT unique!

The vector equation can be separated into two parts, one for each variable. These are called **parametric equations** of a line.

**The Parametric form of the Equation of a Line in R**<sup>2</sup> For a line with equation  $(x, y) = (x_0, y_0) + t(m_1, m_2)$ , the parametric equations are  $x = x_0 + tm_1$  $y = y_0 + tm_2$  where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  (the parameter)

Example 2: Rewrite your vector equation from Example 1(a) in parametric form.

NOTE: Again, like vector equations, parametric equations are not unique as we can use the coordinates of any point on the line and any scalar multiple of the direction vector.

Example 3: A line  $L_1$  is defined by x = 3 + t and y = -5 + 2t.

- a) Find the coordinates of two points on this line.
- b) Find the y-intercept of the line.

c) Write the vector equation for  $L_1$ .

d) Determine if  $L_1$  is parallel to  $L_2$ : x = 1 + 2t, y = -9 + 4t.

**Symmetric Equation** of a line.

## The Symmetric form of the Equation of a Line in R<sup>2</sup>

For a line with equation  $(x, y) = (x_0, y_0) + t(m_1, m_2)$ , the symmetric equation is

$$\frac{x - x_o}{m_1} = \frac{y - y_o}{m_2} , m_1, m_2 \neq 0$$

#### What happens if m1 or m2 is zero?

Let suppose  $m_2=0$ . In this case t will not exist in the parametric equation for y and so we will only solve the parametric equations for x for t. We then set those equal and acknowledge the parametric equation for y as follows,

$$\frac{x-x_0}{m_1}, y=y_0$$

Example 4: Write all three forms of the equation of the line that passes through the points

A (2,-1) and B(4,-1).

Example 5: Consider the line with Cartesian equation 4x + 5y + 20 = 0.

- a) Determine its slope. How does the slope compare to the Cartesian equation?
- b) Determine a vector equation of this line. How does the direction vector relate to the slope?
- c) Determine a position vector that is perpendicular to the line (e.g. a normal vector). How does the normal vector compare to the Cartesian equation?

## NOTE: For a line with equation Ax + By + C = o,

- the slope of the line is \_\_\_\_\_ and a direction vector  $\vec{m}$  =\_\_\_\_\_.
- the normal vector is  $\vec{n} =$ \_\_\_\_\_.

#### You Try!

Determine equivalent vector, parametric, symmetric and Cartesian equations of the line

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x + 2.$$

#### **Equations of Lines in R<sup>3</sup>**

As in R<sup>2</sup>, a direction vector and a position vector to a known point on a line are all that are needed to define a line in R<sup>3</sup>.

**The Vector Equation of a Line in R**<sup>3</sup>  $\vec{r} = \vec{r_0} + t\vec{m}$  OR  $(x, y, z) = (x_0, y_0, z_0) + t(m_1, m_2, m_3)$ where •  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  is a parameter •  $\vec{r} = (x, y, z)$  is a position vector to any unknown point on the line

- $\vec{r}_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is a position vector to any known point on the line
- $\vec{m} = (m_1, m_2, m_3)$  a direction vector parallel to the line

### The Parametric form of the Equation of a Line in R<sup>3</sup>

For a line with equation  $(x, y, z) = (x_0, y_0, z_0) + t(m_1, m_2, m_3)$ , the parametric equations are

\_\_\_\_ where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ 

Overall, the various new forms of lines in **R**<sup>2</sup> can be extended to lines in **R**<sup>3</sup>.

#### Comparison of equations of a line in R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup>

	Equation of a line in <b>R</b> <sup>2</sup>	Equation of a line in <b>R</b> <sup>3</sup>
Scalar	Ax + By + C = 0	
Vector	$(x, y) = (x_0, y_0) + t(m_1, m_2)$	
Parametric	$x = x_{o} + tm_{1}$ $y = y_{o} + tm_{2}, t \in \mathbb{R}$	
Symmetric	$\frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{0}}{\mathbf{m}_{1}} = \frac{\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}_{0}}{\mathbf{m}_{2}}$ where $\mathbf{m}_{1}, \mathbf{m}_{2} \neq 0$	

Example 6: A line passes through points A(2, -2, 5) and B(0, 6, -5).

- a) Write a vector equation for the line.
- b) Write parametric equations for the line.
- c) Write symmetric equations for the line.
- d) Determine if the point C(0, -10, 9) lies on the line.

Thinking Question: Why can't a normal vector and a point define a line in R<sup>3</sup>?

#### Practice

- 1. Determine if the following points are on the line  $\ell:[-4,3]+t[3,2]$ .
- a) (-1,5) b) (-16,-5)
- 2. For the line defined by  $l: \begin{cases} x = -3 t \\ y = 2 + 2t \end{cases}$ , state the coordinates of
- a) the y-intercept
- b) the x-intercept
- c) the point where x=12
- d) the point where y=38
- 3. Rewrite each of the equations below into the specified form.
- a)  $\ell:[7,2]+t[3,-2]$  into parametric form b)  $\ell:\begin{cases} x=32-3t\\ y=26+4t \end{cases}$  into vector form
- 4. Find the equation of the line and write in the specified form:
- a) the line parallel to  $\vec{m} = [2,3]$  that hits the point (1,4), in parametric form.
- b) the line that passes through the points (2,4) and (5,13), in vector form.
- c) the vertical line through (4, -2), in parametric form.
- d) the line with the same x-intercept as  $l_1:[3,6]+t[1,-2]$ , and the same y-intercept as  $l_2:[8,4]+s[-1,3]$ , in vector form.
- 5. Given the line  $\ell:[7,3,1]+t[-1,3,1]$ , determine if the following lines are parallel, perpendicular, or coincident to it.
- a)  $\ell_2:[2,-3,4]+t[5,1,2]$
- b)  $l_3: x=1+t$ , y=21-3t, z=7-t
- c)  $\ell_4:[5,3,2]+t[-2,6,2]$
- d)  $\ell_5:[3,7,-2]+t[4,6,1]$
- 6. If the points (4,2,7),(6,19,-4), and (80,b,c) lie on the same straight line, find the values of b and c.
- 7. Determine the angle between each pair of lines:
- a)  $\ell_1:[4,5,-2] + t[3,-1,-1]$   $\ell_2:[4,5,-2) + s[-2,-3,2]$
- b)  $\ell_1: \frac{x-5}{3} = \frac{y+2}{5} = z-2$   $\ell_2: \frac{x-5}{8} = y+2 = \frac{2-z}{3}$
- 8. Find, in parametric form, the equation of a line perpendicular to both  $l_1:[3,7,-2]+t[3,-1,-1]$  and  $l_2:[8,-3,-3]+t[-2,-3,2]$  that passes through (5,0,0).
- 9. Find, if possible, the value(s) of k such that the lines ℓ<sub>1</sub>:[9,3,2]+t[3,k,−15] and ℓ<sub>2</sub>:[−5,4,−2]+t[10,12,50] are:
- a) parallel b) perpendicular
- 10. Point P<sub>1</sub> lies on the line  $\ell_1:[4,4,-3]+t[2,1,-1],t\in\mathbb{R}$ , and point P<sub>2</sub> lies on the line  $\ell_2:[-2,-7,2]+s[3,2,-3]$ . If the vector  $\overrightarrow{P_1P_2}$  is perpendicular to both  $\ell_1$  and  $\ell_2$ , determine the coordinates of P<sub>1</sub> and P<sub>2</sub>.

## 3-7 Warm Up

- 1. Determine whether  $l_1: \frac{x=2-t}{y=5t}$  and  $l_2: x-3 = \frac{1-y}{5}$  are coincident.
- 2. Develop vector, parametric, symmetric and Cartesian equations of the line through the point (3, -5) and is perpendicular to the line:  $\begin{aligned} x &= 3t 5\\ y &= 2 + t \end{aligned}$
- 3. Determine the Cartesian equation of the line passing through the point P(5, 4) and perpendicular to  $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$ .

# The Intersection of Two Lines in $R^{\rm 2}$ and $R^{\rm 3}$ In $R^{\rm 2}$

Lines may	Diagram	Number of solutions
be parallel		
coincide (be coincident)		
intersect		

## In *R*<sup>3</sup> (the **Notation** is the same as for *R*<sup>2</sup>)

Lines may	Conditions	Number of solutions
be parallel	x <sup>z</sup> x <sup>k</sup>	
coincide (be coincident)	x x	
intersect (and are therefore coplanar)	x x x	
<b>skew</b> (do not intersect <b>and</b> are not parallel)	x x x	

#### **Method for Determining Line Situation**



## Examples for R<sup>2</sup>:

Are each of the following pairs of lines parallel, coincident or intersecting? If the lines intersect, find the point of intersection.

1) 
$$L_1: 2x + 3y - 30 = 0$$
  
 $L_2: x - 2y + 13 = 0$ 

2) 
$$L_1:(x,y) = (18,-2) + t(3,-2)$$
  
 $L_2:(x,y) = (-5,4) + s(2,1)$ 

3) 
$$L_1:(x,y) = (1,3) + t(4,2)$$
  
 $L_2:\frac{x-2}{2} = y-1$ 

## Examples for R<sup>3</sup>:

Are each of the following pairs of lines parallel, coincident, intersecting or *skew* ? If the lines intersect, find the point of intersection.

4)  $L_1:(x,y,z) = (-1,1,0) + t(3,4,-2)$  $L_2:(x,y,z) = (-1,0,-7) + s(2,3,1)$ 

5) 
$$L_1:(x,y,z) = (2,1,0) + t(1,-1,1)$$
  
 $L_2:(x,y,z) = (3,0,-1) + s(2,3,-1)$ 

6) 
$$L_1: x = 1 - 2s, y = s, z = -1 - s, s \in R$$
  
 $L_2: \frac{x+1}{-2} = \frac{1-y}{-1} = z - 2$ 

#### **Practice**

 $\ell_1: \vec{r} = [3, 0, -2] + t[3, 1, -3]$ 1. Find the value(s) of *a* and *b* that make the lines  $\ell_2: \vec{r} = [15, 4, a] + s[5, b, -5]$ 

- a) Coincident
- b) Parallel and distinct
- c) Intersecting
- d) Skew
- 2. Determine the parametric equations of a line whose direction vector is perpendicular to the direction vectors of the two lines  $\frac{x-4}{3} = \frac{y+1}{5} = \frac{z-4}{2}$  and  $\frac{x}{6} = \frac{y-7}{10} = \frac{z+3}{5}$  and passes through the point (5,0,-2).
- 3. Find the vector equation of the line through the point (8,10,10) that meets the line  $\frac{x+8}{-1} = \frac{y-11}{3} = \frac{z-1}{4}$  at 90° angles.
- 4. Lines  $\ell_1$ :  $\vec{\mathbf{r}} = [2,1,3] + t[6,-4,-1]; t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\ell_2$ :  $\begin{cases} x 1 = -s \\ y 6 = \mathbf{a}s \\ z 2 = \mathbf{b}s \end{cases}$  are intersecting at

point (-1,3,2). What are the possible values of **a** and **b** 

- 5. Find all values of *k* for which the following lines **do not** intersect. x = -1 + 2r $I_1: \left\{ y = 3k + r \quad \text{and} \quad I_2: \vec{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 1, 0, -2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -2, 3, 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ z = 1 + 3r
- 6. Determine the point(s) of intersection between line  $x 2 = t, y + 2 = 3t, 2 + z = 2t, t \in \mathbb{R}$  and sphere with equation  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 100$ .
- 7. Determine if the following lines are parallel, skew or intersecting. In the case the lines are intersecting, find the point of intersection.  $L_1: [x, y, z] = [-3, 1, 4] + t[1, -1, -4]$  and  $L_2: [x, y, z] = [1, 4, 6] + s[6, 1, 7]$

8. Determine why the lines  $\vec{r} = [1,3,4] + s[2,3,5]$  and  $\vec{v} = [1,1,1] + t[2,2,-2]$  are not perpendicular.

## <u>3-8 Warm Up</u>

1. Prove that the lines  $l_1: (x - 1, y - 4, z) = s(-4, 2, 6), s \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $l_2: (x, y, z) = (-3, 3, 0) + t(0, 1, 2), t \in \mathbb{R}$  lie in the same plane.

MCV 4UE Warm-Up: Lines in R<sup>2</sup> &R<sup>3</sup> 1. Write each of the following lines in scalar, vector, parametric, and symmetric form.

Scalar (Cartesian)	Vector	Parametric	Symmetric
2x + 3y - 6 = 0			
			$\frac{x-2}{2} = \frac{4-2y}{-3}$
	r =[2,-3,1]+t[1,-1,4]		
		$\begin{cases} x = -2t \\ y = -1+3t \\ z = 3t+2 \end{cases}$	

2. Determine the **exact** value(s) of k that would make the following lines intersect at 60° angle.

$$L_1: \vec{r} = [17, -16] + t[1,k] \text{ and } L_2: \frac{x-25}{1} = \frac{y-3}{-1}$$

$$\cos(60^{\circ}) = \frac{\overrightarrow{\mathbf{m}}_1 \bullet \overrightarrow{\mathbf{m}}_2}{\left| \overrightarrow{\mathbf{m}}_1 \right| \left| \overrightarrow{\mathbf{m}}_2 \right|}$$

3. Determine parametric equations of a line that is parallel to  $\vec{r}_1 = \left[3, \frac{5}{2}, -5\right] + t\left[-1, 1, 0\right]$  and passes

through the x-intercept of 
$$\begin{cases} x = 2 + 3t \\ y = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}t \\ z = 6 + 3t \end{cases}$$

#### **Application to Constant Motion in Two-Dimensional Space**

Consider an object moving with constant velocity,  $\vec{v}$ , modeled as a point particle moving along an arbitrary path in the *xy*-plane. We assume that we are able to detect the particle's position at any point and to measure the corresponding clock time. Two positions *A* and *B* in the particle's path are shown. Let the vectors that locate these positions be  $\vec{r}_0$  and  $\vec{r}$ , respectively. The displacement,  $\vec{s}$ , can be expresses as  $\vec{s} = \vec{r} - \vec{r}_0$ .



Therefore, *displacement* =  $\vec{s} = \overrightarrow{AB}$ 

$$= \vec{r} - \vec{r}_o$$

Since  $\vec{s} = t\vec{v}$ , where  $\vec{v}$  is the velocity

$$\vec{r} - \vec{r}_o = t\vec{v}$$
or
$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_o + t\vec{v}$$

Suppose that  $\vec{r}_o = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  km and the cyclist's velocity is  $\begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$  km/h. B is an arbitrary position on the cyclist's path, so  $\overrightarrow{OB} = \vec{r}$  can be written as  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  so that  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$  for any value of

 $t \ge 0$ . The position vector of the cyclist can be found at any time by replacing *t* with the appropriate numerical value.

Example 1: An object, P, moves in a straight line with constant velocity. Its position vector,

relative to an origin, O, is given by  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}, t \ge 0$ , where *t* is measured in hours and displacement is measured in kilometers

(a) Find the coordinates of P (i) initially (ii) after 5 hours.

Another object, Q, also moves in a straight line with constant velocity so that its position vector at time, t, is given  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, t \ge 0$ 

(b) Show that the paths of P and Q intersect, but P and Q do not collide.

Example 2. A cyclist is traveling at a speed of 26 km/h in a direction  $\begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$  relative to an origin, O

She starts at point A(-2, 10) and, after one hour she has reached point B

- (a) Write down a unit vector parallel to the cyclist's velocity and use it to find her velocity as a column vector
- (b) Find (i)  $\overrightarrow{OA}$  (ii)  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  (iii)  $\overrightarrow{OB}$
- (c) Find the coordinates of B

After t hours, she is at point P.

(d) On Cartesian axes, show the cyclist's path and the points O, A B and an arbitrary point P.

(e) Find (i)  $\overrightarrow{AP}$  (ii)  $\overrightarrow{OP} \bullet \overrightarrow{AP}$  in terms of t

(f) Hence, find the time, to the nearest minute, for the cyclist to be closest to O and the distance  $|\overrightarrow{OP}|$  at this time.

## Practice

- The position of two submarines S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub> at time t hours are given by the formulas S<sub>1</sub>: [x, y, z] = [2, 1, -4] + t [2, 1, 2] S<sub>2</sub>: [x, y, z] = [1, 1, 1] + t [2, 0.5, -4]
  - (a) What is the speed of the first submarine?
  - (b) Determine if the paths of the two submarines will intersect.
  - (c) Determine if the two submarines will collide.
- 2. Position in km of a helicopter is given by  $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 17 \\ -11 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -20 \\ 21 \end{pmatrix}$  where 't' is the number of

hours after 8:00 a.m. Sherwood Park is at  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find:

- (a) distance from Sherwood Park at 10:00 a.m.
- (b) time when the plane is 123 km west and 133 km north of Sherwood Park
- 3. A particle is moving with a constant velocity along line L. Its initial position is A(6, -2, 10) and after one second it has moved to B(9, -6, 15).
  - (a) Find the velocity vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and find the speed of the particle.
  - (b) Write down a possible vector equation of the line L.
- 4. The position of ship A is given by  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and ship B by  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -13 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  where

the distance is in kilometres and t is the number of hours after 9:00 A.M. The base is at the origin. Find:

- (a) the position of ship A at 1:00 p.m. relative to the base.
- (b) distance between the 2 ships at 1:00 p.m.
- (c) the time when they would collide.
- (d) the speed of ship A.

## <u>Unit 2 – Algebraic Vectors Review</u>

1. The diagram on the right shows a regular octagon. Write a single vector that is equivalent to each vector expression

a.	$\overrightarrow{HA} + \overrightarrow{AB}$	$\overline{[HB]}$
b.	$\overrightarrow{GH} - \overrightarrow{GF}$	$\overline{FH}$
c.	$\overrightarrow{FE} + \overrightarrow{BA}$	$\left[\overrightarrow{0}\right]$
d.	$\overrightarrow{GA} - \overrightarrow{EH} + \overrightarrow{DG}$	$\left[\vec{0}\right]$

- 2. Given  $\vec{u} = [-2, y]$  and  $\vec{u}$  makes a 120° with the x-axis. Determine the value of y and  $|\vec{u}|$ .  $[y = 2\sqrt{3}, |\vec{u}| = 4]$
- 3. Using vectors show that the three points A(2, -3, 7), B(7, 12, -3), and C(-2, -15, 15) are collinear.
- 4. Determine the value of k so that  $\vec{u} = [k, 3]$  and  $\vec{v} = [k, 2k]$  are perpendicular. [k = -6]
- 5. Solve for x if  $\vec{u} = [3x, 7], \vec{v} = [5x, x], and |\vec{u} + \vec{v}| = 10x.$   $\left[x = \frac{7}{5}\right]$
- 6. Given that  $\vec{u} = 3\vec{x} \vec{y}$  and  $\vec{v} = 2\vec{x} + 5\vec{y}$

a. Express $\vec{w} = \vec{u} + \vec{v} - 2\vec{x} + \vec{y}$ in terms of $\vec{x}$ and $\vec{y}$ .	$[\vec{w} = 3\vec{x} + 5\vec{y}]$
b. If $\vec{x} = [1, 3]$ and $\vec{y} = [-2, 5]$ then	
i. determine $ \vec{w} $ .	$\left[\sqrt{1205}\right]$
ii. determine the angle $\vec{w}$ makes with the x-axis.	[101.6°]

- 7. Given that  $|\vec{a}| = 10$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 15$ , and  $|\vec{a} \vec{b}| = 11$ 
  - a. find the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .[47.156°]b. calculate  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|$ .[23]
- 8. In a quadrilateral ABCD, T is the midpoint of the side AB. U is the midpoint of the side CD. L is the midpoint of the diagonal AC, and M is the midpoint of the diagonal BD. Let  $\overrightarrow{AB} = \vec{a}$  and  $\overrightarrow{BC} = \vec{b}$  and  $\overrightarrow{CD} = \vec{c}$ .
  - a. Show that  $\overrightarrow{AD} + \overrightarrow{BC} = 2\overrightarrow{TU}$ .
  - b. Show that  $\overrightarrow{AD} + \overrightarrow{CB} = 2\overrightarrow{LM}$ .
- 9. a. If  $cos(\theta) = X$  and  $\theta$  is obtuse, what do you know about the sign of X?
  - b. If the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  is obtuse, what do you know about the value of  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ ?
  - c. Determine the value(s) of k so that the angle between  $\vec{x} = [11, 3, 2k]$  and  $\vec{y} = [k, 4, k]$  is obtuse.

 $\left[-4 < k < -\frac{3}{2}\right]$ 

10. If  $\vec{u} = [1, 4, -2], \vec{v} = -2\hat{\imath} - 3\hat{\jmath}, and \vec{w} = [-1, -3, 1]$  find

a.  $|3\vec{v} + 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}|$ .

- b. *û*.
- c. the angle between  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$ .

[√ <u>94]</u>	
1 4	2 ]
$\left[ \sqrt{21}, \sqrt{21}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{21}} \right]$	$\sqrt{21}$
[23.09°]	

- d. a vector with a magnitude of 7 in the opposite direction of  $\vec{w}$ .
- 11. The points A(-1, 2, -1), B(2, -1, 3) and D(-3, 1, -3) are three vertices of parallelogram ABCD. [C(0, -2, 1)]
  - a. Find the coordinate of C .
  - b. Verify that the vector  $-10\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$  is perpendicular to  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ .
- 12. If the points A(1, -1, 4), B(1, 1, 2), and C(2, -1, -1) are the vertices of a triangle, determine  $\overrightarrow{BA}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{BC}$ , and  $\left[\frac{\sqrt{14}\times\sqrt{8}\sin(79.1^\circ)}{2}\right]$  $\angle ABC$ . Use these to determine the area of  $\triangle ABC$ .
- $\left[-\frac{11}{2}\right]$ 13. If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are unit vectors, and  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{3}$  determine  $(2\vec{a} - 5\vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{b} + 3\vec{a})$ .
- 14. Determine the vector and parametric equation of a line which passes through the point A(-4, 0, 3) and is parallel to the x-axis.
- 15. Determine the symmetric equation of a line which passes through the points A(2, 3, -1) and B(5, -2, 9).  $\frac{x-2}{2} = \frac{y-3}{-5} = \frac{z+1}{10}$
- 16. Determine the Cartesian/Scalar equation of a line which goes through the point (-3, 5) that is normal to the line  $y = \frac{2}{3}x - 7$ . [3x + 2y - 1 = 0]
- 17. Determine the vector equation of a line which goes through the point (3, 4) that is
  - a. parallel to the line  $y = -\frac{4}{3}x + 1$ . [l:[x, y] = (3, 4) + t[-3, 4]]
  - [l: [x, y] = (3, 4) + t[2, -1]]b. perpendicular to the line y = 2x + 5.
- 18. Write the parametric equation of the line that goes through the point (6, -2, 1) and is perpendicular to both

$$l_1: [x, y, z] = [1, 4, -2] + t[3, -1, 1]$$
  

$$l_2: [x, y, z] = [9, 5, -3] + k[1, -3, 7]$$
  

$$[x = 6 - t, y = -2 - 5t, z = 1 - 2t]$$

19. Which of these vector equations represent the same line?

$$l_1: [x, y, z] = [11, -2, 17] + t[3, -1, 4]$$
  

$$l_2: [x, y, z] = [-13, 6, -10] + k[-3, 1, -4]$$
  

$$l_3: [x, y, z] = [-7, 4, -7] + s[-6, 2, -8]$$

- 20. Given the lines  $l_1: [x, y, z] = (3, -7, 5) + k[1, -2, 4]$  and  $l_2: [x, y, z] = (-7, -8, 0) + m[3, 1, -1]$ . Determine if the lines intersect. If the lines intersect state the intersection point and determine the acute angle between both lines. [skew lines]
- 21. Given lines  $l_1: \frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y+7}{-2} = \frac{5-z}{-4}$  and  $l_2: \frac{x+7}{3} = \frac{y+8}{1} = \frac{-z+4}{1}$ . Determine if the lines intersect. If the lines intersect state the intersection point and determine the acute angle between both lines.

 $[(2, -5, 1), 78.62^{\circ}]$ 

 $[l_1 and l_3]$ 

 $\left[\frac{7}{\sqrt{11}}[1,3,-1]\right]$ 

22. Does the line  $l_1: [x, y, z] = [-4, 2, -2] + t[2, -1, 3]$ 

- a. Intersect the z-axis? If so, where?
- b. Intersect the y-axis? If so, where?

[0, 0, 4] [no intersection]

23. The position of two helicopters X and Y at time t seconds are given by the formula

 $H_1: [x, y, z] = (11, 3, -3) + t[1, -1, 4]$  $H_2: [x, y, z] = (1, -7, -2) + s[2, 1, 9]$ 

- a. What is the speed of the two helicopters if distances are measured in metres?  $\left[3\sqrt{2} \text{ and } \sqrt{86}\right]$
- b. Show that the two helicopters will not collide.  $\left[s = \frac{20}{3}, t = \frac{10}{3}x \text{ and } y \text{ coordinaes}\right]$
- c. Determine the distance between the helicopters when t = 10.  $\left[\sqrt{2701} m\right]$
- 24. An Enemy Battleship is located at point B(65, -33) notices a stranded Aircraft Carrier located at point A(-5, 7). The Battleship fires a missile towards the Carrier with a velocity of  $\vec{v} = [-3.5, 2]$  units/min. If a Friendly Destroyer located at D(30, 17) notices the missile on sonar 5 minutes after the missile was launched and is able to fire a counter missile with a velocity of  $\vec{v} = [-1.75, -6.5]$  units/min, how much time do they have before they must fire their counter missile? [3 min]
- 25. In Question 24, if the Destroyer wanted to have the most accuracy with a missile, they would want to hit the enemy missile at the time when it is closest to the Destroyer.
  - a. Determine the time after the enemy missile is shot when the enemy missile is closest to the Destroyer. [13.6923 min]
  - b. What is the coordinate of the point of impact? [(17.07695, -5.6154)]

