

# Lect 1

I. Vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

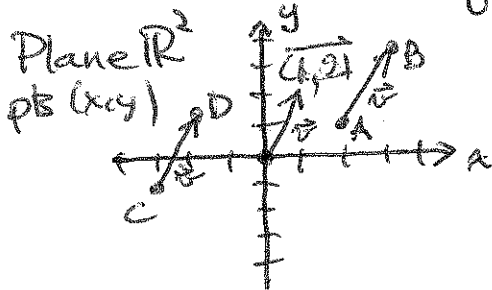
II. Orthogonal decomposition &  $\vec{v}^\perp$

III. Determinant & signed area

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I. Vector  $\vec{v}$  = arrow in the plane with length & direction

Same arrow at different locations is same vector  
(Can think of  $\vec{v}$  as shift motion of whole plane.)



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

Denote:  $\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{CD}$

Standard form:

$$\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{(0,0)(v_1, v_2)} = \overrightarrow{(v_1, v_2)}$$

Draw with start at origin (0,0)  
denote by endpoint alone

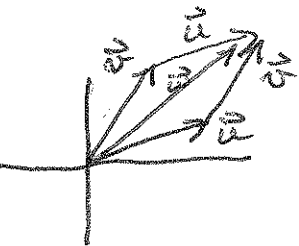
Scalar multiple: stretch or "scale" a vector  
by a number  $s$ , a "scalar"

$$\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{(v_1, v_2)}, \quad s\vec{v} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \overrightarrow{(sv_1, sv_2)}$$

$$\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{(1, 2)}, \quad \frac{3}{2}\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{(\frac{3}{2}, 3)}, \quad -\vec{v} = -1\vec{v} = \overrightarrow{(-2, -2)}$$

Add vectors  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{w}$  compound motion

first shift by  $\vec{u}$ , then by  $\vec{v}$



In standard form:

$$\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \overrightarrow{(u_1, u_2)} + \overrightarrow{(v_1, v_2)} = \overrightarrow{(u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2)}$$

$$\overrightarrow{(2, 3)} + \overrightarrow{(1, 2)} = \overrightarrow{(3, 5)}$$

Standard basis vectors:  $\vec{i} = \overrightarrow{(1, 0)}$ ,  $\vec{j} = \overrightarrow{(0, 1)}$

$$\vec{r} = \overrightarrow{(r_1, r_2)} = r_1 \overrightarrow{(1, 0)} + r_2 \overrightarrow{(0, 1)} = r_1 \vec{i} + r_2 \vec{j}$$

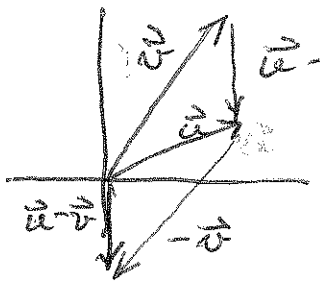
Note usual arithmetic properties

$$s(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = s\vec{u} + s\vec{v}, \quad (s+t)\vec{v} = s\vec{v} + t\vec{v}$$

$$\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u} \quad (\text{Prove by looking at coordinates on both sides.})$$

Subtract:  $\vec{u} - \vec{v} = \vec{u} + (-\vec{v})$

vector from end of  $\vec{v}$  to end of  $\vec{u}$



$$\text{(Note: } \vec{v} + (\vec{u} - \vec{v}) = \vec{u}\text{)}$$

Summary:  $s\vec{v}$  = stretch  $\vec{v}$  by scale factor  $s$

$-\vec{v}$  = opposite arrow

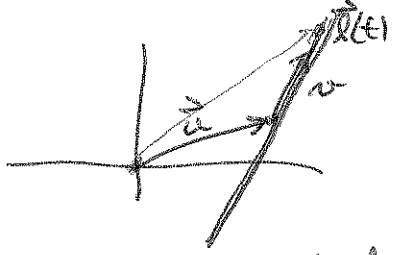
$\vec{u} + \vec{v}$  = diagonal of parallelogram



$\vec{u} - \vec{v}$  = arrow from  $\vec{v}$  to  $\vec{u}$

Parametrized Line:  $\vec{l}(t) = \vec{u} + t\vec{v}$

Position at time  $t$ , starting at  $\vec{u}$ , moving with velocity  $\vec{v}$ . Points of line =

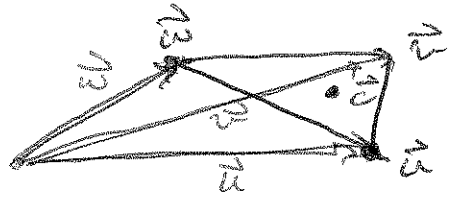


endpoint of  $\vec{l}(t)$  in standard form

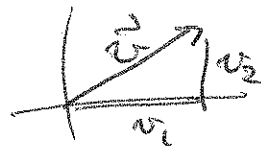
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Midpoint between } \vec{u}, \vec{v} &= \vec{v} + \frac{1}{2}(\vec{u} - \vec{v}) \\ &= \vec{v} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{u} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{v} = \frac{1}{2}\vec{v} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{u} \text{ averages.} \end{aligned}$$

Centroid of triangle

$$\vec{c} = \frac{1}{3}(\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w})$$

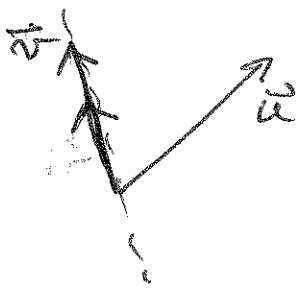


II. Length  $|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2}$



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Dot product:  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \text{number (scalar)}$   ~~$\neq |\vec{u}| |\vec{v}|$~~



Let  $\vec{p}$  = perpendicular projection of  $\vec{u}$  in direction  $\vec{v}$

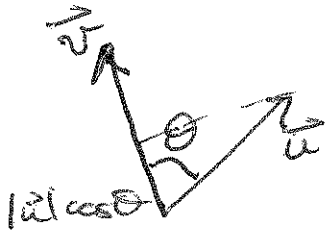
$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |\vec{p}| |\vec{v}|$$

i.e. project  $\vec{u}$  in same direction as  $\vec{v}$  then multiply the two lengths.

Then: ① If  $\vec{u} = \vec{v}$  then  $\vec{p} = \vec{v}$ ,  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = |\vec{v}|^2$

② If  $\vec{u} \perp \vec{v}$  perpendicular (orthogonal) then  $\vec{p} = \vec{0}$  so  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \cdot |\vec{v}| = 0$

③ If  $\theta_{\vec{u}\vec{v}}$  = angle between vectors



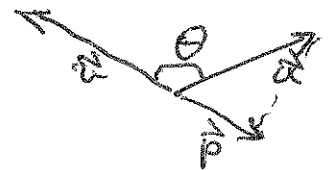
then  $|\vec{p}| = |\vec{u}| \cos \theta_{\vec{u}\vec{v}}$

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

④ For obtuse angle  $\theta_{\vec{u}\vec{v}} > 90^\circ$

define  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -|\vec{p}| |\vec{v}|$

since  $\vec{p}$  is opposite  $\vec{v}$ .

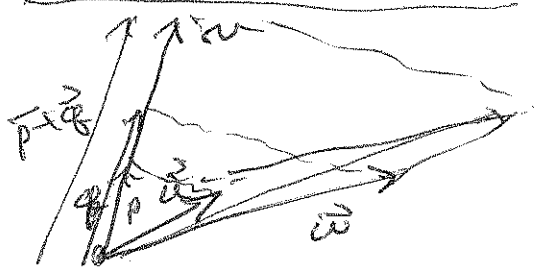


This needs formula  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = |\vec{u}| |\vec{v}| \cos \theta_{\vec{u}\vec{v}}$ ,

since  $\cos \theta < 0$  for obtuse  $\theta$

Commutative law:  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = |\vec{u}| |\vec{v}| \cos \theta_{\vec{u}\vec{v}}$   
 $= |\vec{v}| |\vec{u}| \cos \theta_{\vec{v}\vec{u}} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$

Distributive Law:  $(\vec{u} + \vec{w}) \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}$  (4)



Perp proj of  $\vec{u}$  to  $\vec{p}$   
of  $\vec{w}$  to  $\vec{q}$   
of  $\vec{u} + \vec{w}$  to  $\vec{p} + \vec{q}$  } all parallel  
along  $\vec{v}$

$$|\vec{p} + \vec{q}| = |\vec{p}| + |\vec{q}|$$

Coordinate formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} &= (u_1 \vec{i} + u_2 \vec{j}) \cdot (v_1 \vec{i} + v_2 \vec{j}) \\ &= u_1 v_1 \vec{i} \cdot \vec{i} + u_1 v_2 \vec{i} \cdot \vec{j} + u_2 v_1 \vec{j} \cdot \vec{i} + u_2 v_2 \vec{j} \cdot \vec{j} \\ &= u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 \end{aligned}$$

Example: Find length & angle  
for  $\vec{u} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$ ,  $\vec{v} = \langle 1, 2 \rangle$

$$|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}} = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}} = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 2 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 1 = 7 = |\vec{u}| |\vec{v}| \cos \theta_{\vec{u}\vec{v}}$$

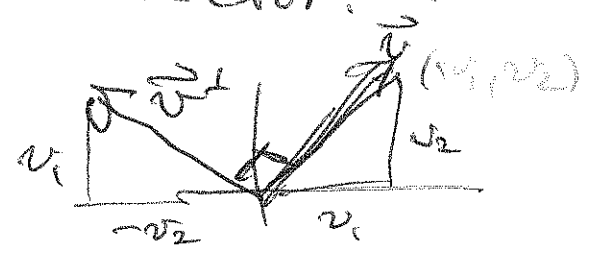
$$\cos \theta_{\vec{u}\vec{v}} = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{|\vec{u}| |\vec{v}|} = \frac{7}{\sqrt{13} \sqrt{5}}$$

$$\theta_{\vec{u}\vec{v}} = \arccos \frac{7}{\sqrt{13} \sqrt{5}} \approx 0.519 \text{ rad} \\ 29.7^\circ$$

### III. Orthogonal of a vector:

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

$$\vec{v}^\perp = (-v_2, v_1)$$

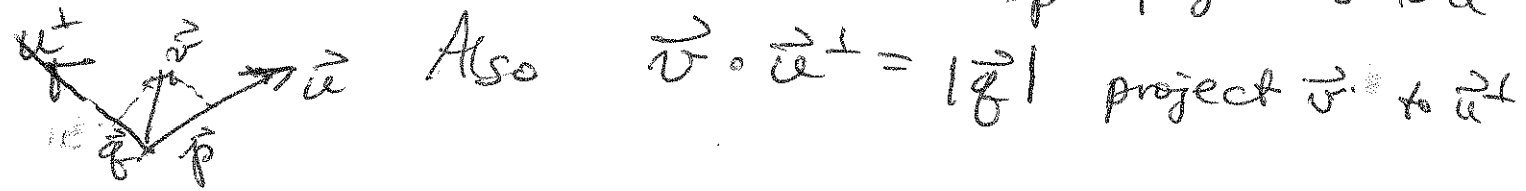


Proof:  $\vec{v}^\perp \cdot \vec{v} = -v_2 v_1 + v_1 v_2 = 0$

Dot prod = 0  $\iff$  ~~cos theta = 0~~  $\cos \theta = 0$   
 vectors orthogonal

### Orthogonal decomposition:

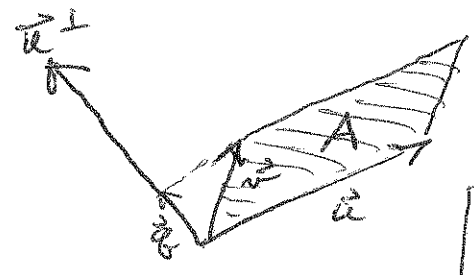
If  $|\vec{u}| = 1$ , then  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = |\vec{p}| |\vec{u}| = |\vec{p}|$   
 unit vector  $\vec{p} = \text{project } \vec{v} \text{ to } \vec{u}$



If  $|\vec{u}| \neq 1$ , replace  $\vec{u}$  by  $\frac{\vec{u}}{|\vec{u}|}$  unit vector.

### Area of parallelogram:

spanned by  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$



Area = base  $\times$  height

base =  $|\vec{u}|$

height =  $|\vec{q}|$  project  $\vec{v}$  to  $\vec{u}^\perp$

$= \left| \vec{v} \cdot \frac{\vec{u}^\perp}{|\vec{u}^\perp|} \right|$  unit vector  $= \frac{|\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}^\perp|}{|\vec{u}^\perp|}$

area =  $|\vec{u}| \cdot \frac{|\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}^\perp|}{|\vec{u}^\perp|} = |\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}^\perp|$

Note:  $\det(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) > 0$   
 when  $\theta_{\vec{u}, \vec{v}} < 90^\circ$   
~~...~~  
 $\vec{b}$  on counter-clockwise

Define signed area  $\det \begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}^\perp = \vec{u}^\perp \cdot \vec{v}$   
 $= (u_2, -u_1) \cdot (v_1, v_2) = -u_2 v_1 + u_1 v_2 = u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1$