

Cornell Notes



Topic/Objective: 12.3 Scalar Product (aka Dot Product)

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Essential Question: What is the scalar product?
What are its properties and how is it used?

Questions:

Notes: WHY DO WE CARE?
MATH ANSWER: SCALAR PRODUCTS ALLOW US TO ALGEBRAICALLY WORK WITH THE GEOMETRIC NOTIONS OF LENGTH, DISTANCE AND ANGLE IN HIGHER DIMENSIONS
def Let $u = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$ be vectors in \mathbb{R}^n

Questions:

Notes:

THE SCALAR (DOT) PRODUCT OF u, v , denoted $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ IS A SINGLE NUMBER (SCALAR!) YOU GET WHEN YOU LINE UP THE COMPONENTS, MULTIPLY, AND SUM

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n$$

Ex

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = (1 \times 4) + (2 \times 5) + (3 \times 6) = 4 + 10 + 18 = 32$$

PROPERTIES

- a) $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$ commutative
- b) $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$ dist.
- c) $(c\vec{u}) \cdot \vec{v} = c(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v})$ associative

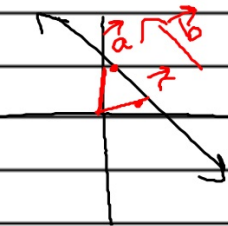
FINDING AN ANGLE BETWEEN TWO VECTORS

def) THE SCALAR PRODUCT $a \cdot b = |a| |b| \cos \theta$
where θ IS THE ANGLE BTWN a & b , $|a|$ magnitude

recall $|a| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2}$ scalar or number

Questions:	Notes: (more) SPECIAL PROPERTIES OF SCALAR PROD.
	① VECTORS THAT ARE PERPENDICULAR, $a \cdot b = 0$
	$a \cdot b = a b \cos 90^\circ$
	$= a b (0)$
	$= 0$
	② VECTORS THAT ARE PARALLEL, $a \cdot b = a b $
	③ VECTORS THAT ARE COINCIDENT, $a \cdot b = a ^2$
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Questions:



Notes:

12.4 VECTOR EQUATION OF A LINE

def) THE VECTOR EQUATION OF A LINE IS GIVEN BY $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + t\vec{b}$, where \vec{r} IS A GENERAL POSITION VECTOR OF A POINT ON THE LINE, \vec{a} IS THE GIVEN POSITION VECTOR OF A PT ON LINE AND \vec{b} IS THE DIRECTION VECTOR PARALLEL TO THE LINE. t IS CALLED A PARAMETER.

so $\vec{r} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, \vec{a} IS A SPECIFIC POINT, t IS A SCALAR, \vec{b} IS A VECTOR PARALLEL TO LINE

Ex) WRITE EQ. GOES THRU $(1, -1, 3)$ AND

4) IS PARALLEL TO $-i + 3j - k$
 $a = i - j + 3k$, $b = -i + 3j - k$

$$\vec{r} = (i - j + 3k) + t(-i + 3j - k)$$

Questions:

Notes:

b) FIND THE VECTOR EQ OF A LINE THRU POINTS A (1, 0, -4) and B(-2, 1, 1)

*need direction vector:

$$\vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{OB} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

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1, 2, 7, 8

multi-part -
do 1/2

c) Find the angle between lines in a + b
the direction vectors are

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}}{\left| \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right| \left| \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right|} \right)$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{11} \cdot \sqrt{35}} \right) = 87.1^\circ$$