



ANALYTICAL GEOMETRY IN THREE DIMENSIONS

PRECALCULUS
CHAPTER 11

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11-01 3-D COORDINATE SYSTEM

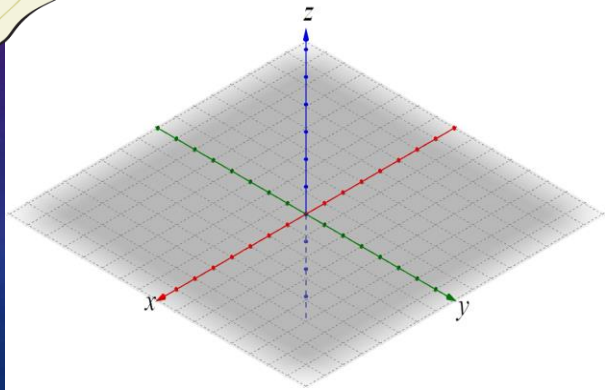
IN THIS SECTION, YOU WILL:

- PLOT A POINT IN 3-DIMENSIONS.
- CALCULATE 3-DIMENSIONAL DISTANCE AND MIDPOINT.
- FIND AND GRAPH THE EQUATION OF A SPHERE.
- FIND A TRACE OF A SPHERE.



11-01 3-D COORDINATE SYSTEM

- Points in 3 dimensions
 - (x, y, z)
 - x comes out/into of paper
 - y is left/right
 - z is up/down
- Graph by moving out the x , over the y , then up the z .
 - Graph A(5, 6, 3)
 - Graph B(-2, -4, 0)



11-01 3-D COORDINATE SYSTEM

- Distance Formula

- In 2-D:

- $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$

- In 3-D: (just add the z)

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11-01 3-D COORDINATE SYSTEM

- Midpoint Formula

- In 2-D:

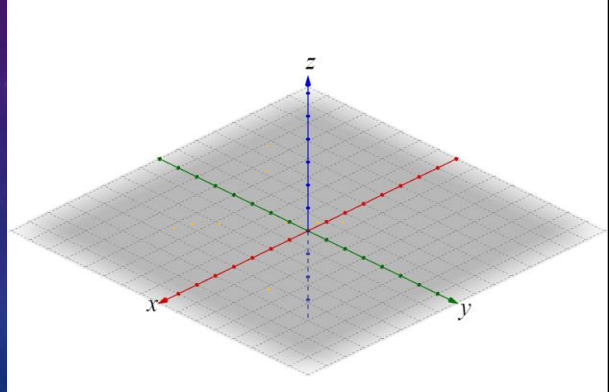
- $M = \left(\frac{x_1+x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1+y_2}{2} \right)$

- In 3-D: (just add the z)

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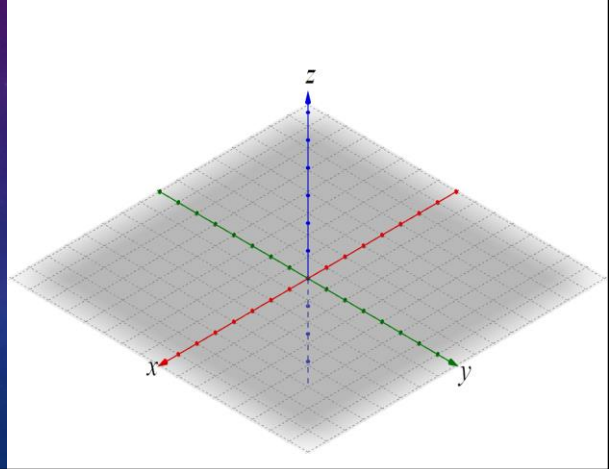
- Equation of Circle (2-D)
 - $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$
- Equation of Sphere (3-D) (just add z)
 - $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 + (z - j)^2 = r^2$
 - Center is (h, k, j) , r = radius
 - Graph by plotting the center and moving each direction the radius
 - Graph
 $(x - 2)^2 + (y + 1)^2 + (z + 1)^2 = 16$



Center $(2, -1, -1)$
 $r^2 = 16$ so $r = 4$

11-01 3-D COORDINATE SYSTEM

- Trace (like intercepts for a sphere)
 - Draw the xy trace for
 $(x - 2)^2 + (y + 1)^2 + (z + 1)^2 = 16$



Since xy trace, let $z = 0$

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y + 1)^2 + (1)^2 = 16$$

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y + 1)^2 = 15$$

Center $(2, -1)$

$$r = \sqrt{15} \approx 3.9$$

Looks funny because a perspective drawing

11-02 VECTORS IN SPACE

IN THIS SECTION, YOU WILL:

- USE VECTOR OPERATIONS IN THREE DIMENSIONS.
- FIND THE ANGLE BETWEEN VECTORS.



11-02 VECTORS IN SPACE

- Vectors in 2-D
 - $\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$
- Vectors in 3-D (just add z)
 - $\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$
- To find a vector from the initial point (p_1, p_2, p_3) to the terminal point (q_1, q_2, q_3)
 - $\vec{v} = \langle q_1 - p_1, q_2 - p_2, q_3 - p_3 \rangle$
- If $\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$ and $\vec{u} = \langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \rangle$,
- Addition
 - Add corresponding elements
 - $\vec{v} + \vec{u} = \langle v_1 + u_1, v_2 + u_2, v_3 + u_3 \rangle$
- Scalar multiplication
 - Distribute
 - $c\vec{v} = \langle cv_1, cv_2, cv_3 \rangle$

11-02 VECTORS IN SPACE

- If $\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$ and $\vec{u} = \langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \rangle$,
- Dot Product
 - $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = v_1u_1 + v_2u_2 + v_3u_3$
- Magnitude
 - $\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2}$
- Unit vector in the direction of \vec{v}
 - $\frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|}$

11-02 VECTORS IN SPACE

- Angle between vectors
 - $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$
 - If $\theta = 90^\circ$ (and $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$)
 - Then vectors are orthogonal
 - If $\vec{u} = c\vec{v}$
 - Then vectors are parallel



11-02 VECTORS IN SPACE

- Let $\vec{m} = \langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle$ and $\vec{n} = \langle -2, 1, -4 \rangle$
- Find $\|\vec{m}\|$
- Find unit vector in direction of \vec{m}
- Find $\vec{m} + 2\vec{n}$

$$\begin{aligned}\|\vec{m}\| &= \sqrt{m_1^2 + m_2^2 + m_3^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 3^2} \\ &= \sqrt{10}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\vec{m}}{\|\vec{m}\|} &= \frac{\langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle}{\sqrt{10}} \\ &= \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}, \frac{0}{\sqrt{10}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{10}}{10}, 0, \frac{3\sqrt{10}}{10} \right\rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle + 2\langle -2, 1, -4 \rangle \\ \langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle + \langle -4, 2, -8 \rangle \\ \langle -3, 2, -5 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

11-02 VECTORS IN SPACE

- Let $\vec{m} = \langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle$ and $\vec{n} = \langle -2, 1, -4 \rangle$
- Find $\vec{m} \cdot \vec{n}$
- Find the angle between \vec{m} and \vec{n}

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle \cdot \langle -2, 1, -4 \rangle \\ & 1(-2) + 0(1) + 3(-4) \\ & -14 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{m} \cdot \vec{n} &= \|\vec{m}\| \|\vec{n}\| \cos \theta \\ -14 &= \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 3^2} \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 1^2 + (-4)^2} \cos \theta \\ -14 &= \sqrt{10} \sqrt{21} \cos \theta \\ \frac{-14}{\sqrt{10} \sqrt{21}} &= \cos \theta \\ \theta &\approx 165.0^\circ \end{aligned}$$

11-02 VECTORS IN SPACE

- Are $\vec{p} = \langle 1, 5, -2 \rangle$ and $\vec{q} = \left\langle -\frac{1}{5}, -1, \frac{2}{5} \right\rangle$ parallel, orthogonal, or neither?
- Parallel if $\vec{p} = c\vec{q}$

Orthogonal if $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle 1, 5, -2 \rangle \cdot \left\langle -\frac{1}{5}, -1, \frac{2}{5} \right\rangle \\ & 1\left(-\frac{1}{5}\right) + 5(-1) + (-2)\left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \\ & -\frac{1}{5} - 5 - \frac{4}{5} = -6 \end{aligned}$$

Not 0, so not orthogonal

$$\langle 1, 5, -2 \rangle = c \left\langle -\frac{1}{5}, -1, \frac{2}{5} \right\rangle$$

Check x

$$1 = c \left(-\frac{1}{5} \right) \rightarrow c = -5$$

Check y

$$5 = c(-1) \rightarrow c = -5$$

Check z

$$-2 = c \left(\frac{2}{5} \right) \rightarrow c = -5$$

c is always the same, so they are parallel

11-02 VECTORS IN SPACE

- Are $P(1, -1, 3)$, $Q(0, 4, -2)$, and $R(6, 13, -5)$ collinear?

Find \overrightarrow{PQ} and \overrightarrow{QR} . If they are parallel, then they go in same direction.
Since they would share a point, then they would be the same line.

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{PQ} &= \langle 0 - 1, 4 - (-1), -2 - 3 \rangle \\ &= \langle -1, 5, -5 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{QR} &= \langle 6 - 0, 13 - 4, -5 - (-2) \rangle \\ &= \langle 6, 9, -3 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

These are not parallel because $\overrightarrow{PQ} \neq c\overrightarrow{QR}$

They are not going same direction, so not collinear

11-03 CROSS PRODUCTS

IN THIS SECTION, YOU WILL:

- EVALUATE A CROSS PRODUCT.
- USE A CROSS PRODUCT TO SOLVE AREA AND VOLUME PROBLEMS.



11-03 CROSS PRODUCTS

- \vec{i} is unit vector in x , \vec{j} is unit vector in y , and \vec{k} is unit vector in z
- $\vec{u} = u_1\vec{i} + u_2\vec{j} + u_3\vec{k}$ and $\vec{v} = v_1\vec{i} + v_2\vec{j} + v_3\vec{k}$
- $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix}$
- If $\vec{u} = \langle -2, 3, -3 \rangle$ and $\vec{v} = \langle 1, -2, 1 \rangle$, find $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$

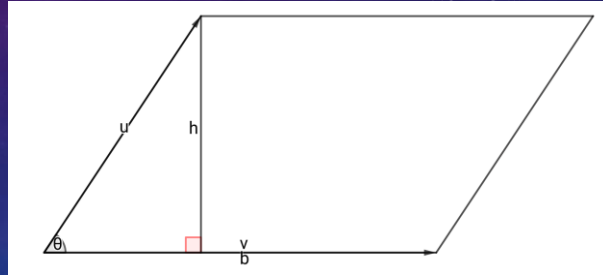
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{u} \times \vec{v} &= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -2 & 3 & -3 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} \\ -2 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3\vec{i} + (-3)\vec{j} + 4\vec{k} - 3\vec{k} - 6\vec{i} - (-2)\vec{j} \\ &= -3\vec{i} - \vec{j} + \vec{k} = \langle -3, -1, 1 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

11-03 CROSS PRODUCTS

- Properties of Cross Products
- $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = -(\vec{v} \times \vec{u})$
- $\vec{u} \times (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) + (\vec{u} \times \vec{w})$
- $c(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) = c\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = \vec{u} \times c\vec{v}$
- $\vec{u} \times \vec{u} = 0$
 - If $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = 0$, then \vec{u} and \vec{v} are parallel
- $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w}$
- $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$ is orthogonal to \vec{u} and \vec{v}
- $\|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\| = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta$

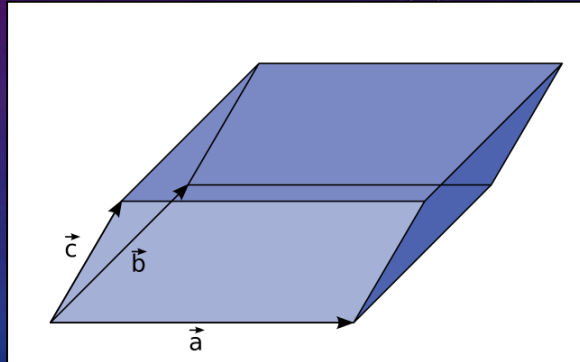
11-03 CROSS PRODUCTS

- $A = bh$
- $h = \|\vec{u}\| \sin \theta$
- $A = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{u}\| \sin \theta$
- Area of a Parallelogram
 - $\|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\|$ where \vec{u} and \vec{v} represent adjacent sides



11-03 CROSS PRODUCTS

- Triple Scalar Product (shortcut)
- $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) = \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix}$
- Volume of Parallelepiped
 - (3-D parallelogram)
 - $V = |\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w})|$ where \vec{u} , \vec{v} , and \vec{w} represent adjacent edges



11-04 LINES AND PLANES IN SPACE

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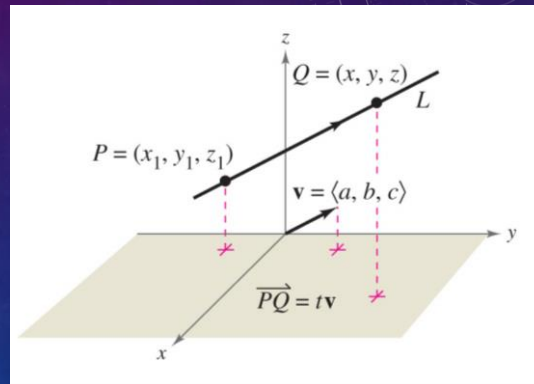
- WRITE AN EQUATION FOR A LINE IN THREE DIMENSIONS.
- WRITE AN EQUATION FOR A PLANE.
- FIND THE ANGLE BETWEEN TWO PLANES.
- GRAPH A PLANE.



11-04 LINES AND PLANES IN SPACE

- Lines

- Line L goes through points P and Q
- \vec{v} is a direction vector for L
- Start at P and move any distance in direction \vec{v} to get some point Q
- $\overrightarrow{PQ} = t\vec{v}$ because they are parallel
- $\langle x - x_1, y - y_1, z - z_1 \rangle = \langle at, bt, ct \rangle$
 - General form



11-04 LINES AND PLANES IN SPACE

- Parametric Equations of Line

- Take each component of the general form and solve for x, y , or z .

$$x = at + x_1$$

- $y = bt + y_1$

$$z = ct + z_1$$

- We used these when we solved 3-D systems of equations and got many solutions

- Symmetric Equation of Line

- Solve each equation in parametric equations for t

- $\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$

11-04 LINES AND PLANES IN SPACE

- Find a set of parametric equations of the line that passes through $(1, 3, -2)$ and $(4, 0, 1)$.

Find the direction vector between those two points.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} &= \langle 4 - 1, 0 - 3, 1 - (-2) \rangle \\ &= \langle 3, -3, 3 \rangle \\ &= \langle a, b, c \rangle\end{aligned}$$

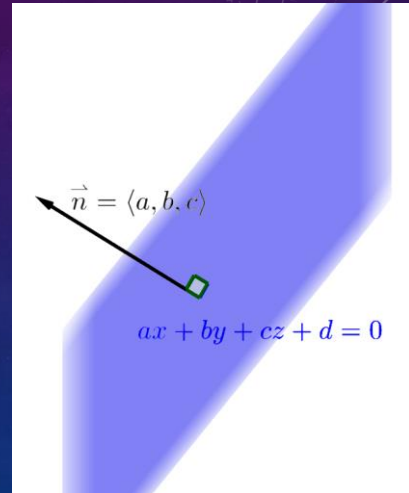
Let's call the first point $(1, 3, -2) = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$

Plug it in

$$\begin{aligned}x &= at + x_1 \\ y &= bt + y_1 \\ z &= ct + z_1 \\ x &= 3t + 1 \\ y &= -3t + 3 \\ z &= 3t - 2\end{aligned}$$

11-04 LINES AND PLANES IN SPACE

- Planes
- $\overrightarrow{PQ} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$ because they are perpendicular
- Standard form
- $a(x - x_1) + b(y - y_1) + c(z - z_1) = 0$
- General form
- $ax + by + cz + d = 0$



11-04 LINES AND PLANES IN SPACE

- Find the general equation of plane passing through $A(3, 2, 2)$, $B(1, 5, 0)$, and $C(1, -3, 1)$

We need to find the normal vector to the plane.

Find two vectors in the plane

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \langle 1 - 3, 5 - 2, 0 - 2 \rangle = \langle -2, 3, -2 \rangle$$

$$\overrightarrow{BC} = \langle 1 - 1, -3 - 5, 1 - 0 \rangle = \langle 0, -8, 1 \rangle$$

Find the cross product to get a perpendicular (normal) vector

$$\vec{n} = \overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{BC}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{n} &= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & -8 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} \\ -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -8 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} + 16\vec{k} - 0\vec{k} - 16\vec{j} - 2\vec{j} \\ &= -13\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 16\vec{k} = \langle a, b, c \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Fill in the general form

I chose $B(1, 5, 0) = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$

$$a(x - x_1) + b(y - y_1) + c(z - z_1) = 0$$

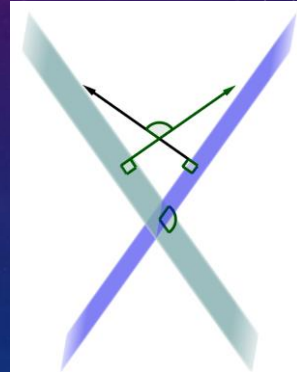
$$-13(x - 1) + 2(y - 5) + 16(z - 0) = 0$$

Simplify to get general form

$$-13x + 2y + 16z + 3 = 0$$

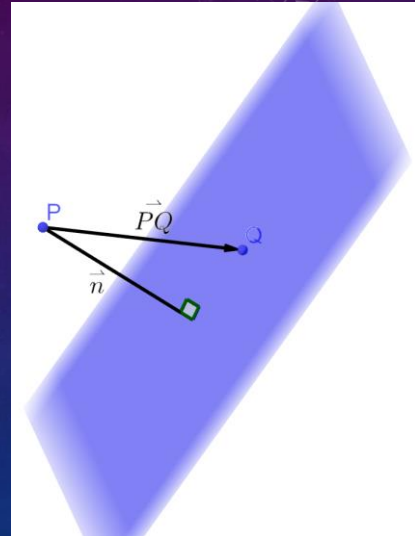
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- Angle between two planes
 - Find the angle between normal vectors
 - Normal vectors are coefficients in the equations of the plane
 - $|\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2| = \|\vec{n}_1\| \|\vec{n}_2\| \cos \theta$



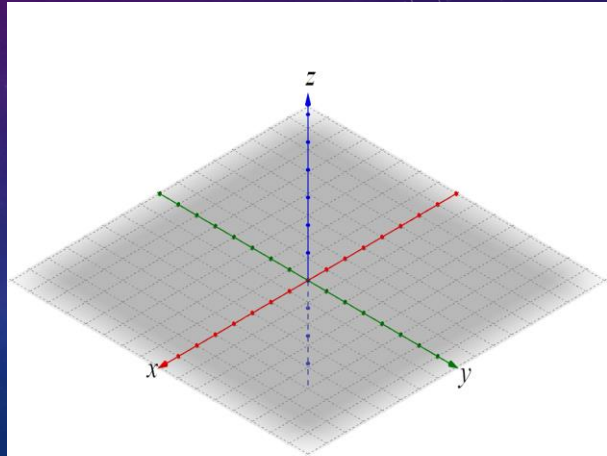
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- Distance between a Point and a Plane
- $D = \|\text{proj}_{\vec{n}} \overrightarrow{PQ}\|$
- $D = \frac{|\overrightarrow{PQ} \cdot \vec{n}|}{\|\vec{n}\|}$



11-04 LINES AND PLANES IN SPACE

- Graphing planes in space
 - Find the intercepts
 - Plot the intercepts
 - Draw a triangle to represent the plane
- Sketch $3x + 4y + 6z = 24$



$$\text{x-int } 3x = 24 \rightarrow x = 8$$

$$\text{y-int } 4y = 24 \rightarrow y = 6$$

$$\text{z-int } 6z = 24 \rightarrow z = 4$$