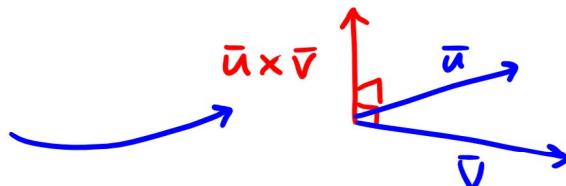


Last Time

Cross Product in \mathbb{R}^3

$$\bar{u} \times \bar{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \bar{e}_1 & \bar{e}_2 & \bar{e}_3 \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} = (u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2, -(u_1 v_3 - u_3 v_1), u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1)$$

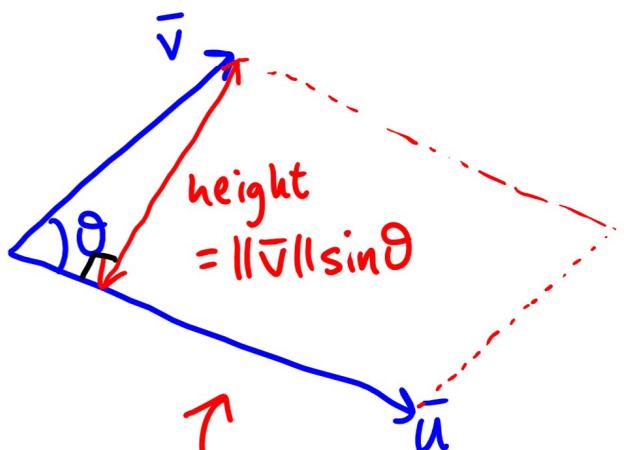
$$(\bar{u} \times \bar{v}) \cdot \bar{u} = 0 = (\bar{u} \times \bar{v}) \cdot \bar{v}$$



- $\bar{u} \times \bar{v} = -(\bar{v} \times \bar{u})$; • $\bar{u} \times \bar{0} = \bar{0}$; • $\bar{u} \times \bar{u} = \bar{0}$; etc.

- Lagrange's Identity : $\|\bar{u} \times \bar{v}\| = \sqrt{\|\bar{u}\|^2 \|\bar{v}\|^2 - (\bar{u} \cdot \bar{v})^2}$

$$(\bar{u} \cdot \bar{v})^2 = \|\bar{u}\|^2 \|\bar{v}\|^2 \cos^2 \theta$$



Area of parallelogram

$$\frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}} = \sin \theta$$

$$\text{so } \|\bar{u} \times \bar{v}\| =$$

$$\sqrt{\|\bar{u}\|^2 \|\bar{v}\|^2 - \|\bar{u}\|^2 \|\bar{v}\|^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

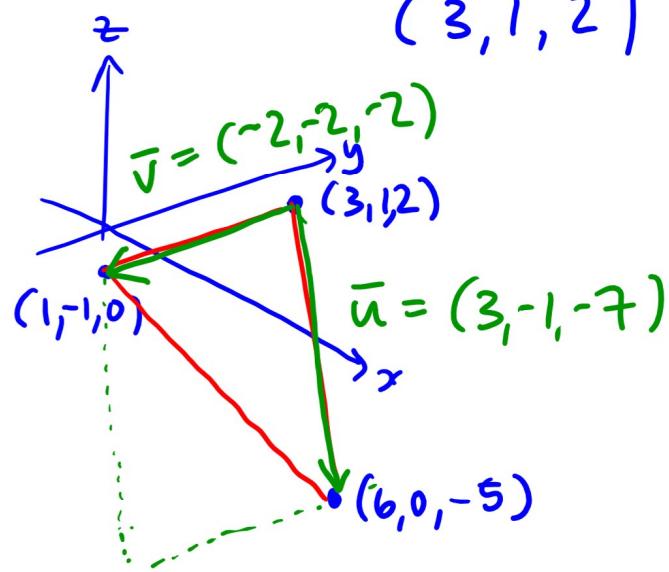
$$= \|\bar{u}\| \|\bar{v}\| \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta}$$

$$= \|\bar{u}\| \|\bar{v}\| \sin \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{base} \times \text{height} \\ &= \|\bar{u}\| \times \|\bar{v}\| \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

!!!

Example Find the area of the triangle joining $(3, 1, 2)$, $(6, 0, -5)$, $(1, -1, 0)$.



Area of $\Delta = \frac{1}{2}$ Area of parallelogram given by \bar{u} & \bar{v}

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{u} \times \bar{v}\| \quad \begin{matrix} \text{last} \\ \downarrow \text{lecture} \end{matrix}$$

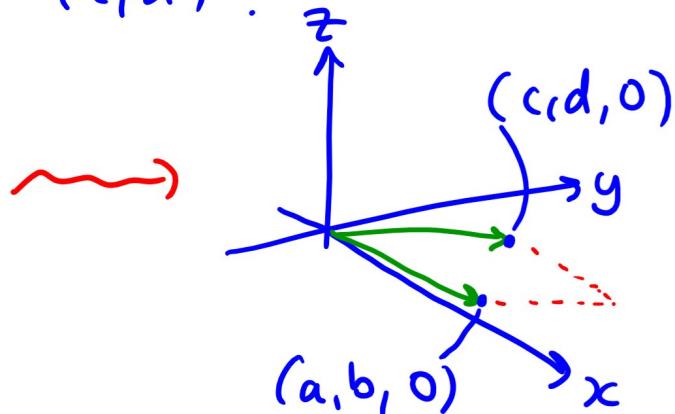
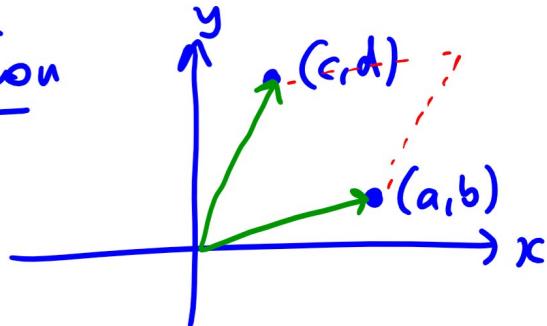
$$= \frac{1}{2} \|(-12, 20, -8)\|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(-12)^2 + 20^2 + (-8)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{608} = \frac{1}{2}(4\sqrt{38})$$

$$\underline{\underline{\simeq 12.33.}}$$

Example Find the area of the parallelogram in \mathbb{R}^2 given by (a, b) , (c, d) .

Solution



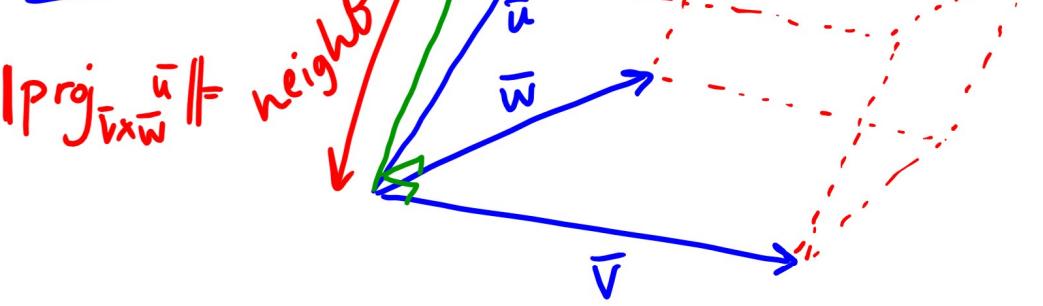
$$\text{So area} = \| (a, b, 0) \times (c, d, 0) \|$$

$$= \left\| \begin{vmatrix} \bar{e}_1 & \bar{e}_2 & \bar{e}_3 \\ a & b & 0 \\ c & d & 0 \end{vmatrix} \right\| = \|(0, 0, ad-bc)\|$$

$$= |ad-bc| = \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \right|$$

Example Find the volume of the parallelepiped in \mathbb{R}^3 given by $\bar{u}, \bar{v}, \bar{w}$.

Solution



Volume =
Area of parallelogram given by \bar{w} & \bar{v}
x height

$$= \|\bar{v} \times \bar{w}\| \cdot \|\text{proj}_{\bar{v} \times \bar{w}} \bar{u}\|$$

$$= \|\bar{v} \times \bar{w}\| \frac{|\bar{u} \cdot (\bar{v} \times \bar{w})|}{\|\bar{v} \times \bar{w}\|}$$

$$\left(\begin{vmatrix} v_2 & v_3 \\ w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix}, - \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_3 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ w_1 & w_2 \end{vmatrix} \right)$$

$\bar{u} \cdot (\bar{v} \times \bar{w})$ is the scalar triple product of \bar{u}, \bar{v} & \bar{w} .

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u} \cdot (\bar{v} \times \bar{w}) &= \bar{u} \cdot \left(\begin{vmatrix} v_2 & v_3 \\ w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} \bar{e}_1 - \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} \bar{e}_2 + \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ w_1 & w_2 \end{vmatrix} \bar{e}_3 \right) \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} v_2 & v_3 \\ w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} u_1 - \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} u_2 + \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ w_1 & w_2 \end{vmatrix} u_3 \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{i.e. det } \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

4.1 Real Vector Spaces

your
favourite
 \downarrow
 \mathbb{R}^n

- generalizes "the collection of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^n & their interactions"
- What kind of mathematical objects exhibit the 'same' ways of interacting?
 - e.g. can add, subtract & negate vectors,
but not multiply them — but can scale them by a real #
 - & we have dot products, norm, distance
 - & also linear combinations of vectors, ... etc.

Definition \checkmark — real vector space

- non-empty collection of (any kind of !!) math. objects
 - with concepts of "addition" (of 2 objects)
& "scalar multiplication" by $k \in \mathbb{R}$
- (possibly totally unrelated to usual + & (scalar) mult. with real #'s)

Satisfying 10 axioms (rules)

Notice how, without knowing which objects we're talking about & which notation we should use, the default notation is \bar{u}, \bar{v} etc. & we even call the objects "vectors" — but they are NOT necessarily vectors i.e. line segments in \mathbb{R}^n !

1. V is closed under addition :
i.e. If $\bar{u}, \bar{v} \in V$, then $\bar{u} + \bar{v} \in V$
2. $\bar{u} + \bar{v} = \bar{v} + \bar{u}$
3. $\bar{u} + (\bar{v} + \bar{w}) = (\bar{u} + \bar{v}) + \bar{w}$
4. There is an object called $\bar{0}$, the "zero vector", with $\bar{u} + \bar{0} = \bar{u}$ ($= \bar{0} + \bar{u}$) for any $\bar{u} \in V$
5. For any $\bar{u} \in V$, there's a "negative of \bar{u} ", $-\bar{u}$, with $\bar{u} + (-\bar{u}) = \bar{0}$
6. V is "closed under scalar multiplication"
If $\bar{u} \in V$, $k \in \mathbb{R}$, then $k\bar{u} \in V$
7. $k(\bar{u} + \bar{v}) = k\bar{u} + k\bar{v}$
8. $(k+m)\bar{u} = k\bar{u} + m\bar{u}$
This is the usual + for real #'s!!
9. $(km)\bar{u} = k(m\bar{u})$
This is the usual multiplication for real #'s
10. $1\bar{u} = \bar{u}$.