

Advanced Math

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Vectors and Dot Products

Vector Operations - Given $u = \langle a, b \rangle$ and $v = \langle c, d \rangle$

Vector addition: $u + v = \langle a+c, b+d \rangle$

answer is scalar vector

Scalar Multiplication: $k \cdot v = \langle kc, kd \rangle$

answer is scalar vector

Dot Product: $u \cdot v = ac + bd$

answer is scalar vector

$\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$

Do vectors exhibit the field following properties?

Given $u = \langle a, b \rangle$ and $v = \langle c, d \rangle$ and $w = \langle x, y \rangle$

Commutative property; is $u + v = v + u$? Yes
 $\langle a+c, b+d \rangle = \langle c+a, d+b \rangle$

Commutative property; is $u \cdot v = v \cdot u$? Yes
 $a \cdot c + b \cdot d = c \cdot a + d \cdot b$

Distributive property; is $u \cdot (v + w) = u \cdot v + u \cdot w$? Yes

$$\langle a, b \rangle \cdot \langle c+x, d+y \rangle = a \cdot c + b \cdot d + a \cdot x + b \cdot y$$

$$a(c+x) + b(d+y) =$$

$$a \cdot c + a \cdot x + b \cdot d + b \cdot y = a \cdot c + a \cdot x + b \cdot d + b \cdot y \quad \square$$

Vectors also have the following properties.

1) Dot by zero: $0 \cdot v = 0$

answer is scalar / vector

$$\vec{v} = \langle a, b \rangle$$
$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}^2$$

2) Vector Dot Squaring: $v \cdot v = \|v\|^2$

answer is scalar / vector

$$\langle a, b \rangle \cdot \langle a, b \rangle = a \cdot a + b \cdot b$$
$$= a^2 + b^2$$

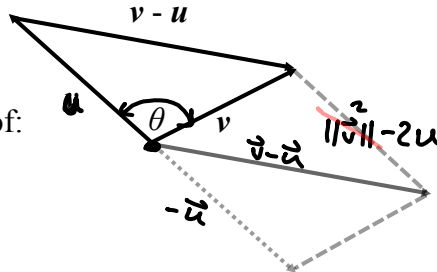
3) Scalar and Dot multiplication: $c(u \cdot v) = cu \cdot v = u \cdot cv$

answer is scalar / vector

Angle between two vectors: $\cos \theta = \frac{u \cdot v}{\|u\| \|v\|}$

Use Law of Cosines.

Proof:



$$\|v-u\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 - 2\|u\|\|v\|\cos \theta$$

$$\|v\|^2 - 2u \cdot v + \|u\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 - 2\|u\|\|v\|\cos \theta$$

$$\frac{-2u \cdot v}{2\|u\|\|v\|} = \cos \theta$$

Find the angle θ between vectors.

*) $u = 2i - 5j$
 $v = -i + 7j$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = -2 - 35 = -37$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-37}{\sqrt{29} \cdot \sqrt{50}}$$

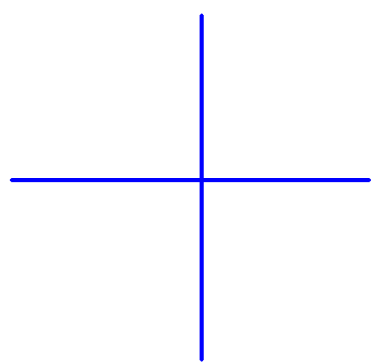
$$\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{29}$$

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{50}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(-.97167)$$

$$\theta = 166.329^\circ$$

Orthogonal Vectors - Two vectors u and v are orthogonal (angle between vectors is 90°) if $u \cdot v = 0$



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