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Outline

- vectors (13.2)

- Dot product (13.3)

Exam M. 10/5

Recall: vectors = magnitude + direction

Rules

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{b} + \vec{a}$$

$$c(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) = c\vec{a} + c\vec{b}$$

$$\vec{a} + (\vec{b} + \vec{v}) = (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) + \vec{v}$$

$$\vec{a} + \vec{0} = \vec{a}$$

$$1\vec{a} = \vec{a}$$

$$0\vec{a} = \vec{0}$$

$$(c+d)\vec{a} = c\vec{a} + d\vec{a}$$

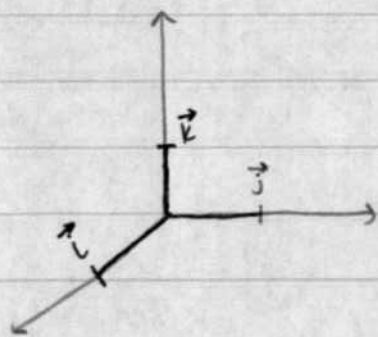
$$\vec{a} + (-\vec{a}) = \vec{0}$$

Standard basis vectors for \mathbb{R}^3 (all real #s)

$$\vec{i} = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{j} = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{k} = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$



$$|\vec{i}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 0^2} = 1$$

$$\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{a} = a_1\vec{i} + a_2\vec{j} + a_3\vec{k}$$

$$= a_1\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + a_2\langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$+ a_3\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\langle 1, 2, 0 \rangle = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

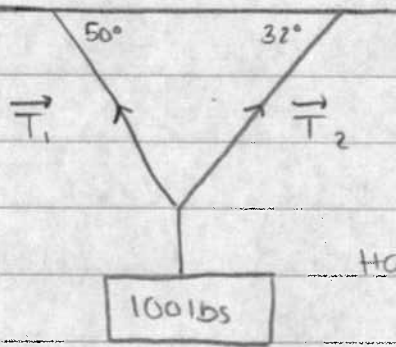
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 2 ways of writing same vector

Can always make a vector \vec{a} into a unit vector (a vector of length 1) by...

$$\frac{1}{|\vec{a}|} \vec{a} = \left\langle \frac{a_1}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}}, \frac{a_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}}, \frac{a_3}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}} \right\rangle$$

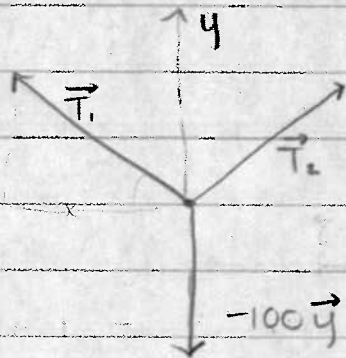
Check: $\left| \frac{1}{|\vec{a}|} \vec{a} \right| = 1$

Ex: (in the plane, so $\vec{i} = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$, $\vec{j} = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$)



Hanging weight of 100lbs

Q: Find the tension vectors \vec{T}_1 & \vec{T}_2 .



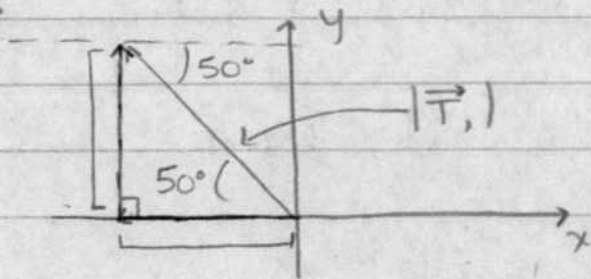
$-100\vec{j}$ = vector for downward weight 100lbs

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$$\vec{T}_1 + \vec{T}_2 + (-100\vec{j}) = \vec{0} \quad (\text{b/c object is static})$$

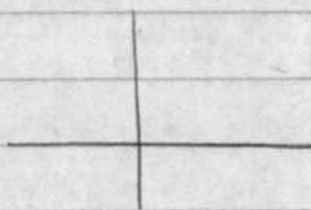
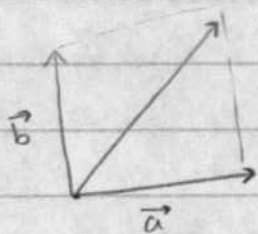
We want to find \vec{T}_1 and \vec{T}_2

\vec{T}_1 :

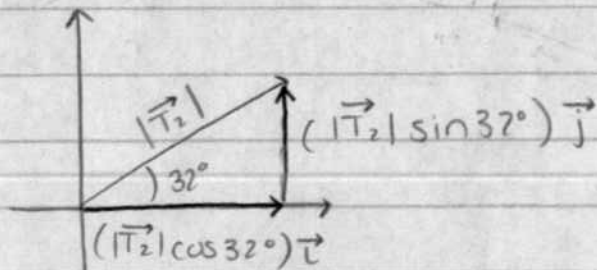


$$\vec{T}_1 = (-|\vec{T}_1| \cos 50^\circ) \vec{i} + (|\vec{T}_1| \sin 50^\circ) \vec{j}$$

Review



\vec{T}_2 :



$$\vec{T}_1 + \vec{T}_2 = 100\vec{j}$$

$$(-|\vec{T}_1| \cos 50^\circ) \vec{i} + (|\vec{T}_1| \sin 50^\circ) \vec{j} +$$

$$(|\vec{T}_2| \cos 32^\circ) \vec{i} + (|\vec{T}_2| \sin 32^\circ) \vec{j} = 100\vec{j}$$



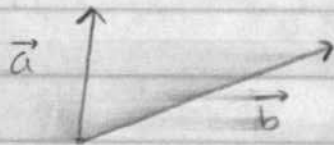
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -|\vec{T}_1| \cos 50^\circ + |\vec{T}_2| \cos 32^\circ \\ |\vec{T}_1| \sin 50^\circ + |\vec{T}_2| \sin 32^\circ \end{bmatrix} \vec{i} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix} \vec{j} = 0\vec{i} + 100\vec{j}$$

$$-|\vec{T}_1| \cos 50^\circ + |\vec{T}_2| \cos 32^\circ = 0$$

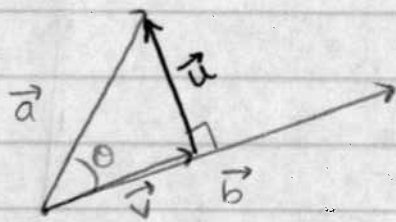
$$|\vec{T}_1| \sin 50^\circ + |\vec{T}_2| \sin 32^\circ = 100$$

$$|\vec{T}_1| \approx 85 \text{ lbs} \quad |\vec{T}_2| \approx 64 \text{ lbs}$$

Dot Product 13.3



Q: What is the component of the vector \vec{a} that points in the \vec{b} direction?



$$\vec{a} = \vec{u} + \vec{v}$$

\vec{v} pts in the \vec{b} direction

$$|\vec{v}| = |\vec{a}| \cos \theta$$



$$\frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} = \text{vector pts in } \vec{b}\text{-direction w/ unit length}$$



$$(|\vec{a}| \cos \theta) \frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} = \vec{v} \left. \vphantom{\frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{vector component of} \\ \vec{a} \text{ in the } \vec{b}\text{-direction} \end{array}$$

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The Dot Product of \vec{a} and \vec{b} is the number...

geometric definition

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} := |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta, \quad \theta \text{ is the } \angle \text{ between } \vec{a} \text{ and } \vec{b}$$

algebraic definition

If $\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$ & $\vec{b} = \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle$,
then $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$

Ex: Lets find the \angle btw. $\vec{a} = \langle 2, 2, -1 \rangle$ &
 $\vec{b} = \langle 5, 3, 2 \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} &= |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta \\ &= \sqrt{4+4+1} \cdot \sqrt{25+9+4} \cos \theta \\ &= 3\sqrt{38} \cos \theta = 2 \end{aligned}$$

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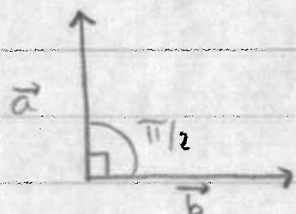
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$$\cos \theta = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{38}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{3\sqrt{38}}\right)$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta = 0 ?$$

$$\cos \theta = 0 \text{ when } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$



$$* \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \text{ iff. } \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$

Ex: Find & read box of properties of the dot product

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}$$

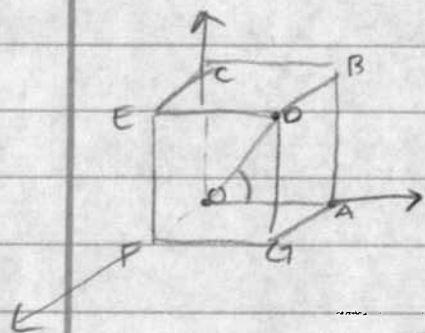
$$(k \text{ scalar}) (k\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{b} = k(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = \vec{a} \cdot (k\vec{b})$$

$$\vec{0} \cdot \vec{a} = 0 \quad (\vec{0} = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle)$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = |\vec{a}|^2$$

Example Problem: 13.3 p. 821 # 51

Find the angle between a diagonal of a cube and one of its edges.



Angle between OD and OA

$$O(0,0,0) \quad D(a,a,a) \quad A(a,0,0)$$

$$\vec{AO} \cdot \vec{OD} = |\vec{AO}| |\vec{OD}| \cos \theta$$

$$\sqrt{0^2 + a^2 + 0^2} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 + a^2 + a^2} \cos \theta = 0 + a^2 + 0$$

$$a^2 = a \sqrt{3a} \cos \theta = \sqrt{3} a^2 \cos \theta$$

$$1 = \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$