

Quiz 1

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Throughout, let  $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, 3, 1 \rangle$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \langle -1, -1, -2 \rangle$ , and  $\mathbf{w} = \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle$ .

1. Find the position vector  $\mathbf{a}$  (i.e. the vector  $\mathbf{a}$  with initial point at the origin) with representation given by the directed line segment  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  between the points  $A(0, 3, 1)$  and  $B(2, 3, -1)$ .

$$\vec{a} = \langle 2-0, 3-3, -1-1 \rangle = \langle 2, 0, -2 \rangle.$$

2. Determine whether each of the following exists. If it *does* exist, compute it (writing vectors with respect to  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ , and  $\mathbf{k}$ ); if not, state why.

- (a)  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w}$

$$2\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$$

- (b)  $|\mathbf{v}| + \mathbf{w}$

Does not exist (Can't add scalar to vector)

- (c)  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w})$

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- (d)  $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v}$

$$-\vec{i} - \frac{3}{2}\vec{j} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{k}$$

- (e) The unit vector in the same direction as  $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{w}$ .

$$= \frac{(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}) \vec{w}}{|(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}) \vec{w}|} = 0\vec{i} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\vec{j} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\vec{k}$$

- (f)  $\mathbf{v} + \langle -3, \frac{1}{2} \rangle$

Does not exist (vectors have diff dimensions)

- (g) The angle between  $\mathbf{v}$  and the  $z$ -axis. **Hint:** Any position vector in the direction of the  $z$ -axis may be used.

$$= \text{angle between } \vec{v} \ \& \ \vec{k} = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$= \arccos\left(-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right)$$

3. Draw a rectangular box with the origin and the point  $P(1, 2, 3)$  as opposite vertices and with its faces parallel to the coordinate planes. Label all vertices of the box. **Note:** The arrowheads are pointing towards the *positive* values on each axis!

