

Math 253

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Multivariable Calculus

$f(x, y, z)$

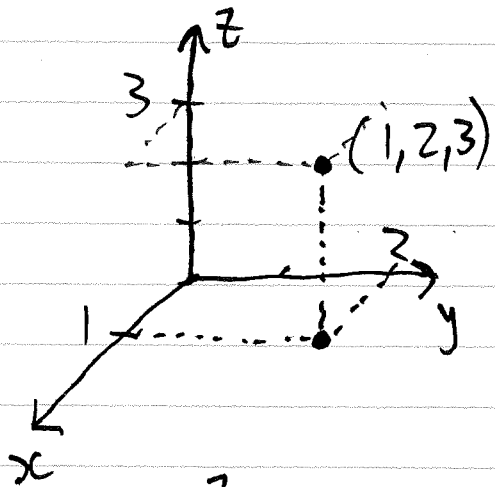
change

language/tool for discussing/modelling
rates of change in complex
multidimensional problems.

↳ Sci (Engineering / finance
data science/etc)

3D viz and geometry is important.

§ 10.1 3D coordinates (\mathbb{R}^3)

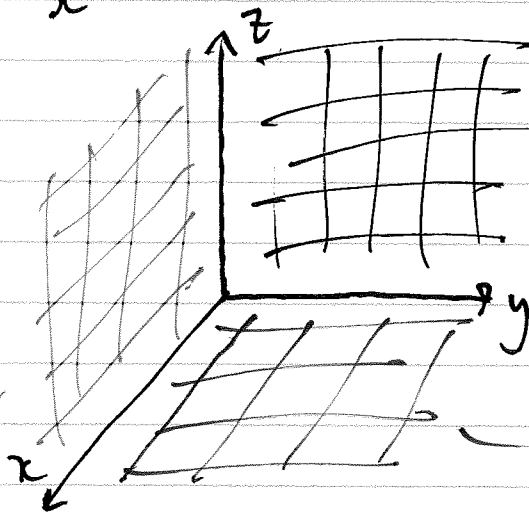


Right-hand system

point "pt" $(1, 2, 3)$

Ex: planes

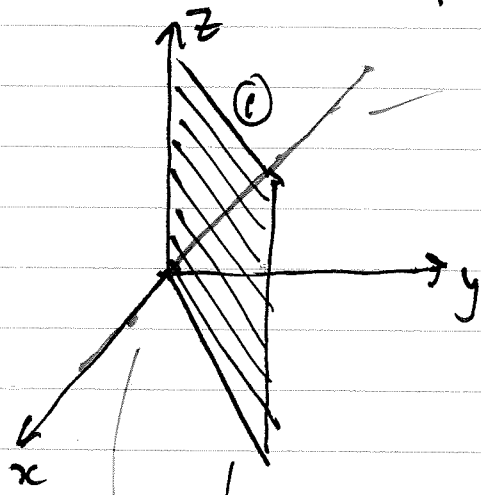
y-z plane, eqn $\boxed{x=0}$



x-y plane, $\boxed{z=0}$

x-z plane, $\boxed{y=0}$

Ex two planes: $x=y$ and $y=z$

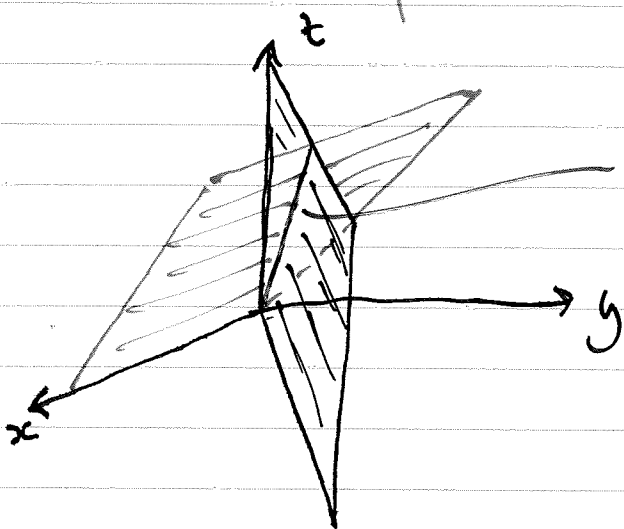


line $y=z$ when $x=0$

draw in $y-z$ plane

"edge on" plane line $x=y$ when $z=0$

oops! Try again:



intersection: line

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x=y=z}$$

Example Eqn of a sphere
Centre $C = (a, b, c)$
radius r

all $P = (x, y, z)$ such that $|PC|^2 = r^2$

$$(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 + (z-c)^2 = r^2$$

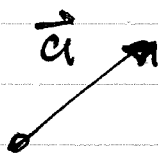
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§10.2 Vectors

- Def'n: a vector is a directed line segment



\vec{v} has length / magnitude
and direction



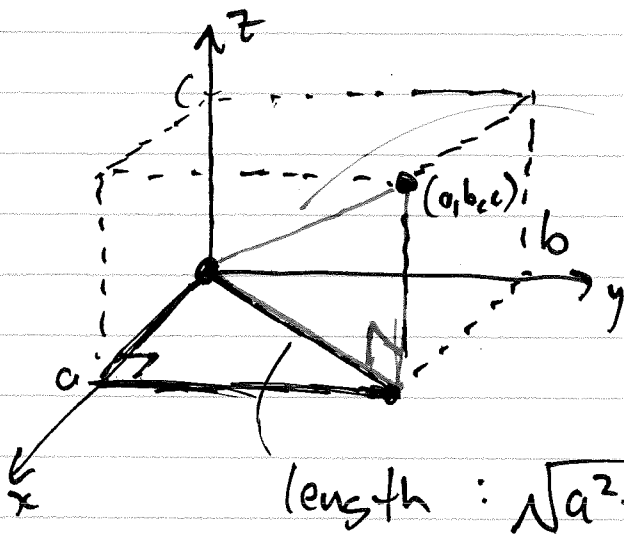
eg. force, velocity

here $\vec{a} = \vec{v}$ b/c
they have same mag.
and dir.

- Notation: \vec{PQ} vector connecting pt P
to pt Q

- zero vector $\vec{0}$ has zero length
(and no direction)

Distance from $(0,0,0)$ to (a,b,c)



$$\begin{aligned} \text{distance} &: \sqrt{(\sqrt{a^2+b^2})^2 + c^2} \\ &= \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \end{aligned}$$

length : $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

Distance from $P_1 = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$ to $P_2 = (x_2, y_2, z_2)$

$$\text{is } \|\overline{P_1 P_2}\| = |P_1 P_2| = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$$

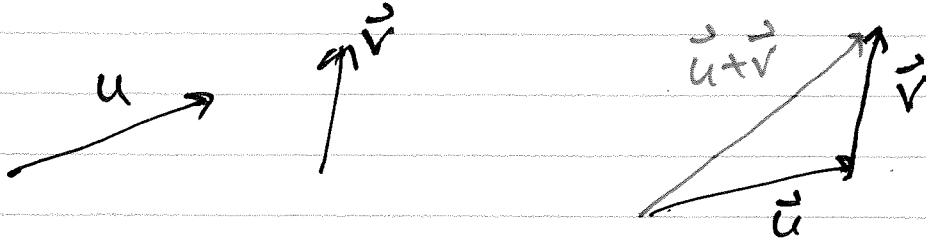
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alt.
notation

- draw diagram
- shift P_1 to the origin

Def'n

$$\vec{u} + \vec{v} :$$



note: $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$