

## Last day

\* triple product

$$\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3), \quad \vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3), \quad \vec{c} = (c_1, c_2, c_3)$$

the triple product of  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$ , and  $\vec{c}$  is

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

\* volume of a parallelepiped is  $|\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})|$

\* lines in 2D

\* parametric form of lines in 2D.

\* line passes through the origin and is in the direction of vector  $\vec{a}$

$$\vec{x} = t\vec{a}, \quad \text{for some value of } t$$

\* line passes through the point  $\vec{q}$ , and is in the direction of vector  $\vec{a}$

$$\vec{x} = \vec{q} + t\vec{a}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Ques! what is  $\vec{q}$  of the line passes through the origin?

We know that if a line passes through the origin in the direction of  $\vec{a}$ , then we have

$$\vec{x}_1 = t\vec{a}$$

If it passes through  $\vec{q}$  in the same direction,

$$\vec{x}_2 = \vec{q} + t\vec{a}$$

We want to find  $\vec{q}$  such that  $\vec{x}_1 = \vec{x}_2$

$$\vec{x}_1 = \vec{x}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow t\vec{a} = \vec{q} + t\vec{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{q} \text{ must be } (0, 0) = \vec{0}$$

### NOTE

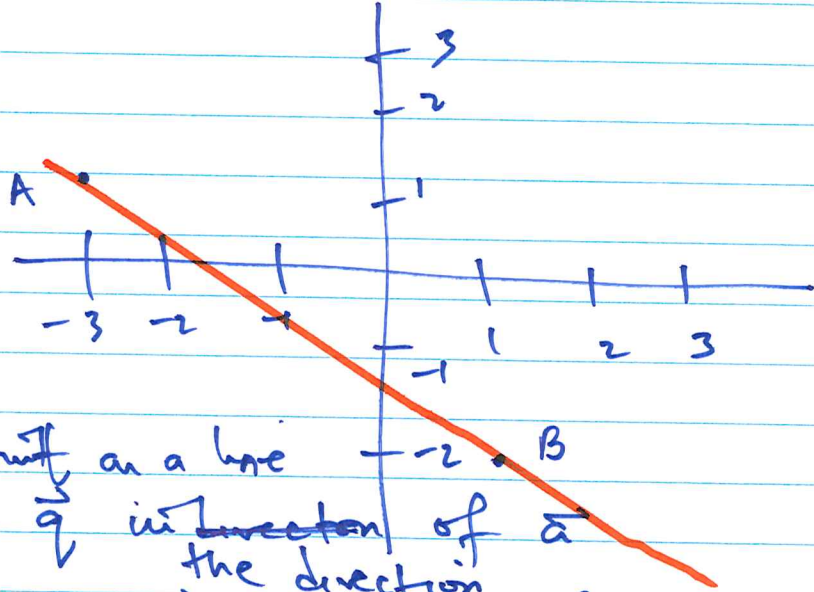
- \* the parametric form is not unique
- \* each point on the line corresponds to a unique value of  $t$ .

Example: Find ~~the~~ <sup>a</sup> parametric form of the line that passes through the points  $(-3, 1)$  and  $(1, -2)$

Solution

$$A = (-3, 1)$$

$$B = (1, -2)$$



We know that each point on a line passing through point  $\vec{q}$  in the direction of  $\vec{a}$  is given by

$$\vec{x} = \vec{q} + t\vec{a}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

for some value of  $t$ .

Let  $\vec{q} = A$ .

Let us find  $\vec{a}$

$$\vec{a} = B - A = (1, -2) - (-3, 1) = (4, -3)$$

$\therefore$  Each point on the line can be written as

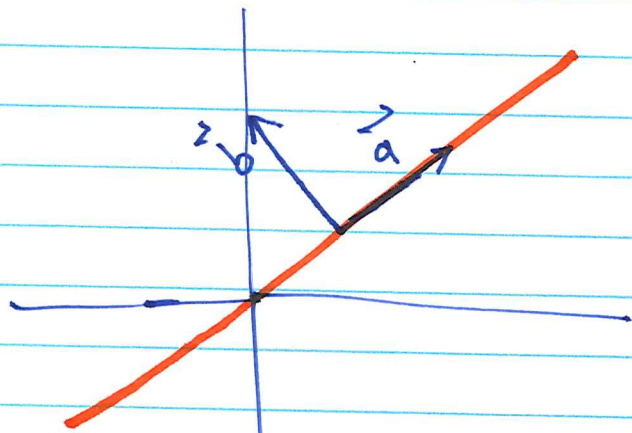
$$\vec{x} = (-3, 1) + t(4, -3), \quad \text{for some } t.$$

or  $\vec{q} = (1, -2)$ , then

$$\vec{x} = (1, -2) + t(4, -3), \quad \text{for some } t.$$

## Equation form of a line

Let us consider a line passing through the origin and in the direction of vector  $\vec{a}$ .



$\vec{b}$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{a}$ .

Let  $\vec{x}$  be a point on the line, then

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

Let  $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2)$

Then  $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = (x_1, x_2) \cdot (b_1, b_2)$

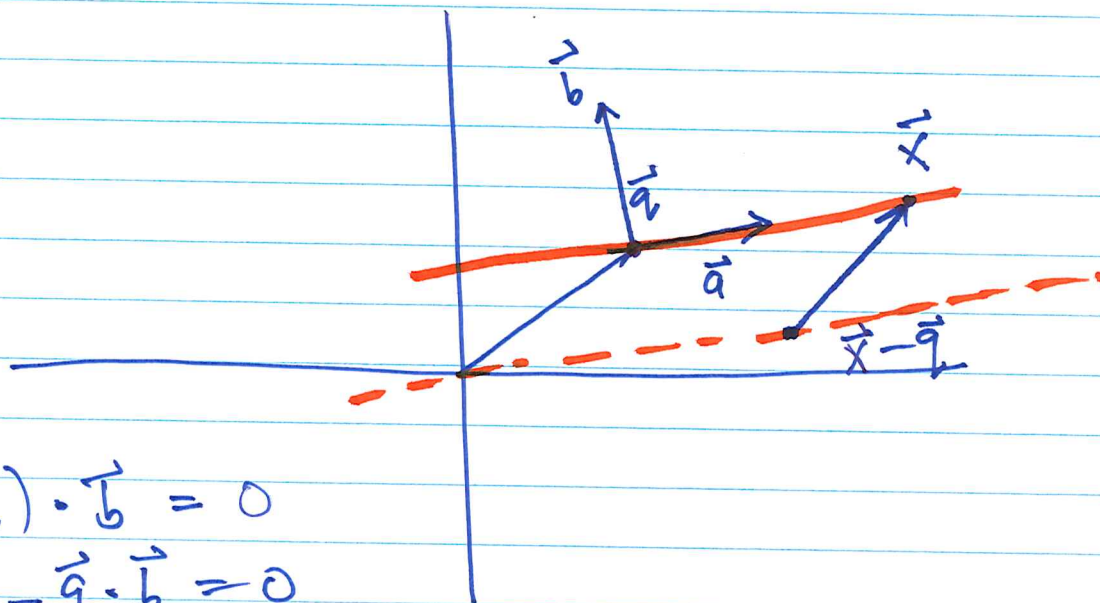
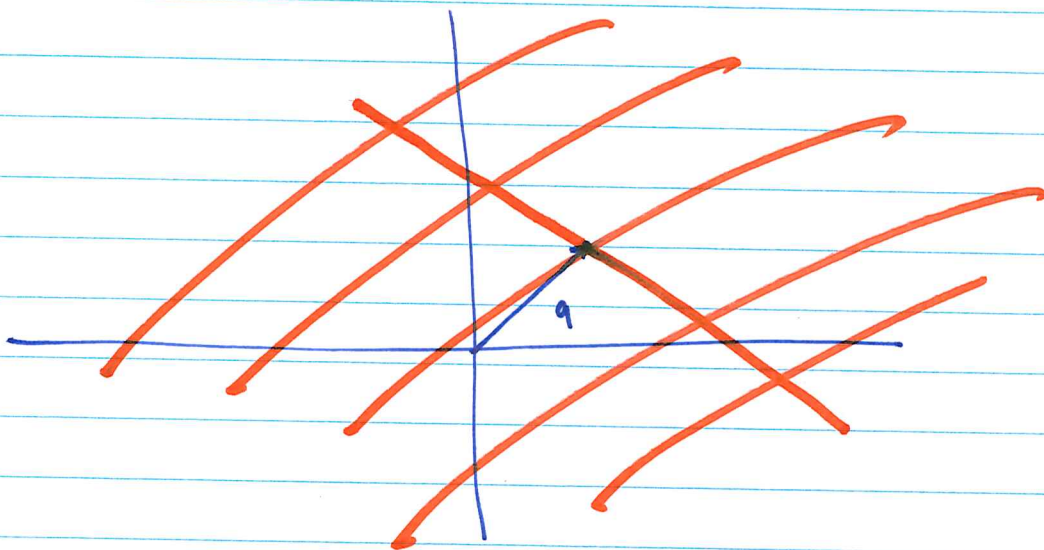
$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = x_1 b_1 + x_2 b_2$$

$$\therefore \vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 b_1 + x_2 b_2 = 0$$

this is the equation form of a line in ~~2D~~ 2D, passing through the origin in 2D.

Suppose the line passes through a point  $\vec{q}$



$$(\vec{x} - \vec{q}) \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} - \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b}$$

If  $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2)$ , then we have

$$x_1 b_1 + x_2 b_2 = \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b}$$

This is the equation form of a line passing through  $\vec{q}$  and orthogonal to the direction of  $\vec{b}$ .

This is the equation form of a line passing through  $\vec{q}$  and in the direction orthogonal to the direction of  $\vec{b}$ .

Example: Find the equation form for the line  $L$  given in parametric form as  $(1, 2) + t(1, 2)$ .  $\longrightarrow *$

Solution:

The equation of form of a line is given by

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b}$$

We know that a line in parametric form is given by  $\vec{x} = \vec{q} + t\vec{a}$   $\longrightarrow *$

$$\vec{q} = (1, 2) \quad \vec{a} = (1, 2)$$

we need to find  $\vec{b}$  and we know that  $\vec{b}$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{a}$

How to find a vector orthogonal to another vector!

$$\text{let } \vec{a} = (a_1, a_2)$$

we want find a vector  $\vec{b}$  that is orthogonal to  $\vec{a}$ .

let  $\vec{b} = (x, y)$ , since  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are orthogonal,  
then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

$$(a_1, a_2) \cdot (x, y) = 0$$

$$a_1 x + a_2 y = 0 \quad (*)$$

$$a_1 x = -a_2 y$$

$$x = -a_2, \quad y = a_1$$

$$\vec{b} = (-a_2, a_1)$$

Continuation of example!

$$\vec{a} = (1, 2) \quad \vec{q} = (4, 2)$$

$$\vec{b} = (-2, 1)$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b}$$

$$\text{let } \vec{x} = (x_1, x_2)$$

$$\text{then } (x_1, x_2) \cdot (-2, 1) = (4, 2) \cdot (-2, 1)$$

$$-2x_1 + x_2 = -2 + 2 = 0$$

$$-2x_1 + x_2 = 0$$

This ~~is~~ is an equation form of the line.



~~Example~~

Example! Find ~~the~~ an equation form for the line whose parametric form is

$$\vec{x} = (0, 2) + t(2, 1) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Solution

~~The eq~~ the equation is given by  
$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b}$$

from (1)  $\vec{a} = (2, 1)$ , and  $\vec{q} = (0, 2)$ .

we want to find  $\vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  is orthogonal  $\vec{a}$ .

$$\vec{b} = (-1, 2)$$

$$\therefore \vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b}$$

$$(x_1, x_2) \cdot (-1, 2) = (0, 2) \cdot (-1, 2)$$

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 = 4$$

Example! Find a parametric form for the line whose equation form is given by

$$x_1 + 4x_2 = 1$$

Solution

$$x_1 + 4x_2 = 1 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

we know that this is equivalent to

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2) \text{ and } \vec{b} = (b_1, b_2)$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b} = x_1 b_1 + x_2 b_2 = x_1 + 4x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 = 1, b_2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b} = (1, 4)$$

$\vec{q}$  is a point on the line

let  $x_1 = 2$ , substitute into (1) to get  $x_2$

$$2 + 4x_2 = 1$$

$$4x_2 = 1 - 2 = -1$$

$$x_2 = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\vec{q} = \left( 2, -\frac{1}{4} \right), \quad \vec{a} = \vec{b}^\perp = (-4, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{q} + t\vec{a} = \left( 2, -\frac{1}{4} \right) + t(-4, 1)$$

Determine if  $(\frac{9}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 4)$  is on the line.

Solution

$$\vec{X} = (4, 1, 3) + t(1, -1, 2)$$

$$= (4, 1, 3) + (t, -t, 2t)$$

$$\vec{X} = (4+t, 1-t, 3+2t)$$

$$(\frac{9}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 4) = (4+t, 1-t, 3+2t)$$

$$\frac{9}{2} = 4+t, \quad \frac{3}{2} = 1-t, \quad 3+2t = 4$$

$$t = \frac{9}{2} - 4$$

$$t = 1 - \frac{3}{2}$$

$$2t = 4 - 3$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Since the value of the ~~parameter~~ is not unique, the point is not on the line.

## line in 3D

### \* parametric form

Let us consider a line <sup>that</sup> passes through a point  $\vec{q}$  and in the direction of vector  $\vec{a}$ . Then each point on the line is given by

$$\vec{x} = \vec{q} + t\vec{a}, \text{ for some } t.$$

Example: Find the parametric form of line that passes through  $\underbrace{(3, 2, 1)}_A$  and  $\underbrace{(4, 1, 3)}_B$ .

Solution:

we need  $\vec{q}$  and  $\vec{a}$

$$\vec{a} = B - A = (4, 1, 3) - (3, 2, 1) = (1, -1, 2)$$

let  $\vec{q} = (3, 2, 1)$ , then <sup>a</sup> ~~the~~ parametric form of the line is

$$\vec{x} = (3, 2, 1) + t(1, -1, 2)$$

another parametric form is

$$\vec{x} = (4, 1, 3) + t(1, -1, 2)$$

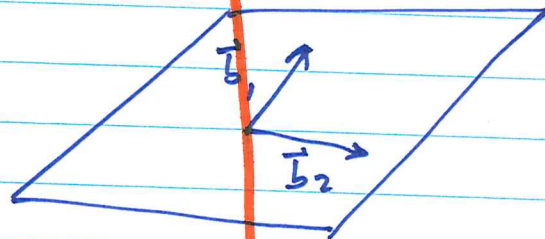
## Equation form of a line in 3D

Let  $\vec{b}_1$  and  $\vec{b}_2$  be non-collinear vectors in a plane

Let  $\vec{x}$  be a point on the line

$$\text{then } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{b}_1 = 0$$

$$\text{and } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{b}_2 = 0$$



∴ the equation form of a line  $\ell$  that passes through the origin is given by

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b}_1 = 0$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b}_2 = 0$$

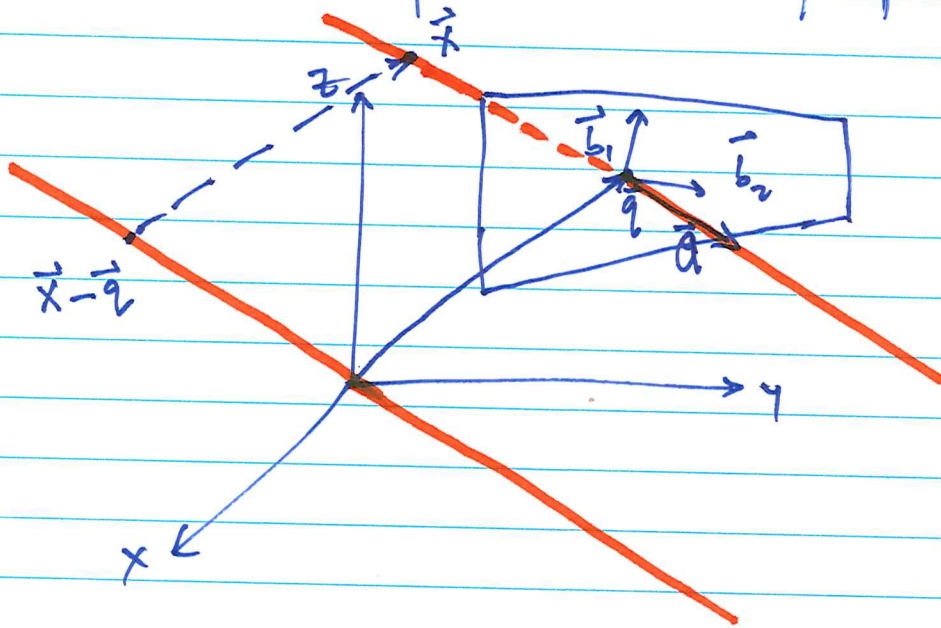
$$\text{if } \vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3), \vec{b}_1 = (b_{11}, b_{12}, b_{13})$$

$$\vec{b}_2 = (b_{21}, b_{22}, b_{23})$$

$$\therefore \vec{x} \cdot \vec{b}_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 b_{11} + x_2 b_{12} + x_3 b_{13} = 0$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{b}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 b_{21} + x_2 b_{22} + x_3 b_{23} = 0$$

\* Suppose the line passes through point  $\vec{q}$ .



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (\vec{x} - \vec{q}) \cdot \vec{b}_1 &= 0 \\ (\vec{x} - \vec{q}) \cdot \vec{b}_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$