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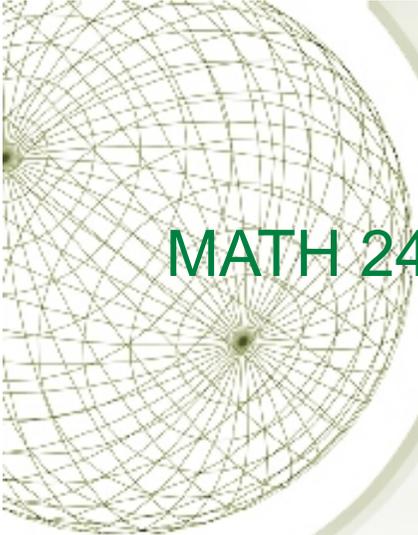
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Current items of interest

- The [syllabus](#)
- An example of [mathematical literature](#)
- Some entertaining videos
 1. [Mathemagic](#)
 2. [How to turn a sphere inside out](#)

Useful resources

- The class [syllabus](#)
- The [vector calculus page](#) at [mathphysics.com](#)
- On-line lectures: [Calculus](#) by [George Cain](#) and [James Herod](#).
- The [bank of old tests](#)
- [History of Mathematics](#)
- [Mathworld](#) (reference for mathematical theorems and facts)
- [Treasure Troves of Science](#)
- [Music](#)

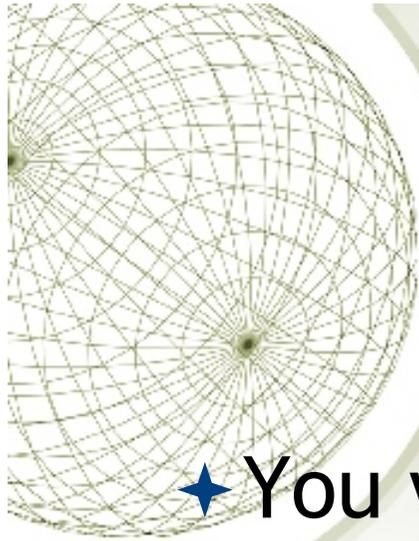
A wireframe sphere is positioned in the top-left corner of the slide. It is composed of a grid of thin, light-colored lines that form a spherical shape, with a central point where all lines converge.

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Visualization in 3D

Lecture 1

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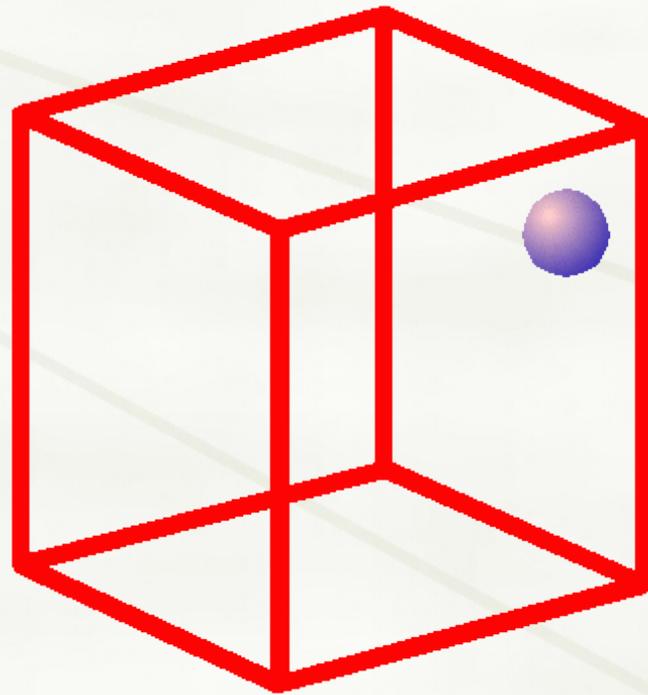


This week's learning plan

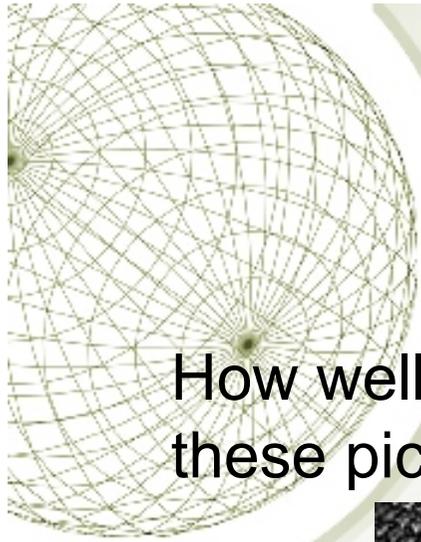
- ★ You will begin to think about visualizing in 3D and the math thereof.
- ★ You will review the basic vector operations and make sure you have mastered them.
- ★ You will start differentiating vectors and know why.

Visualization in 3D

How well can you visualize? Is the ball on a front or rear face of the cube?

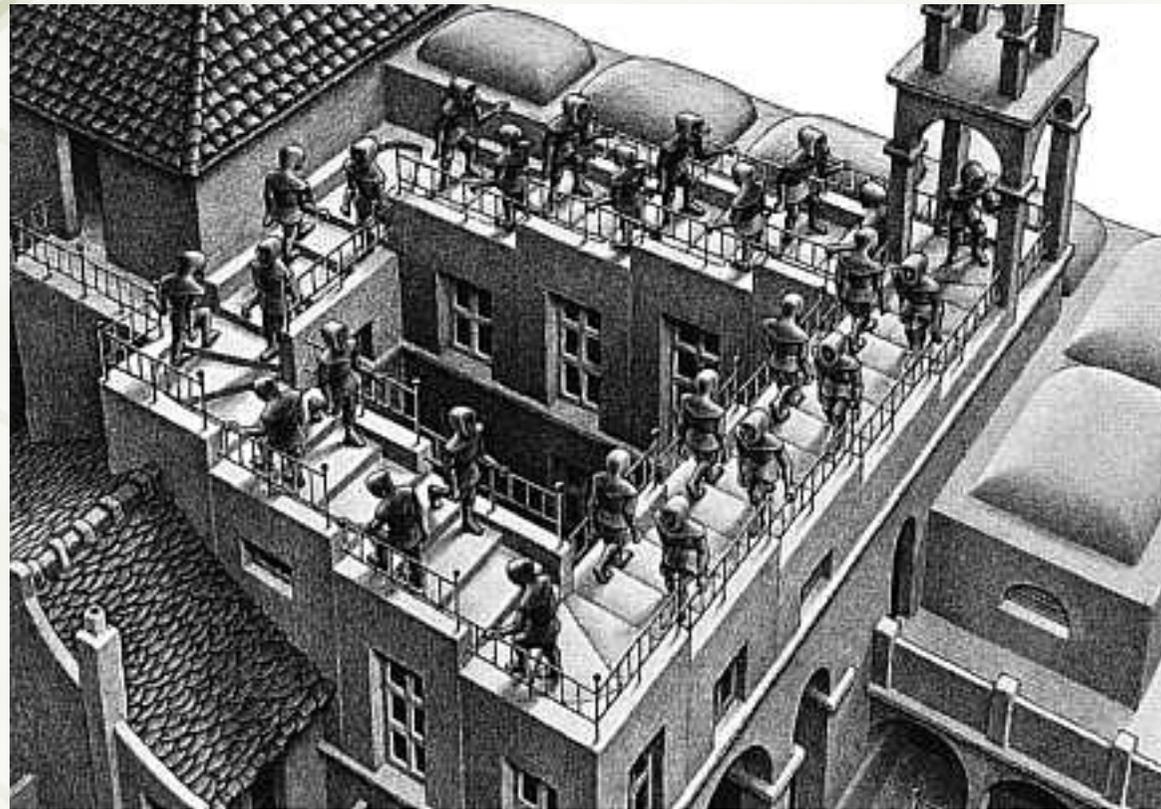


Can you visualize this 4 different ways?



Visualization in 3D

How well can you visualize? Which of these pictures are possible?



M.C. Escher

Visualization in 3D

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Borromean rings

Visualization in 3D

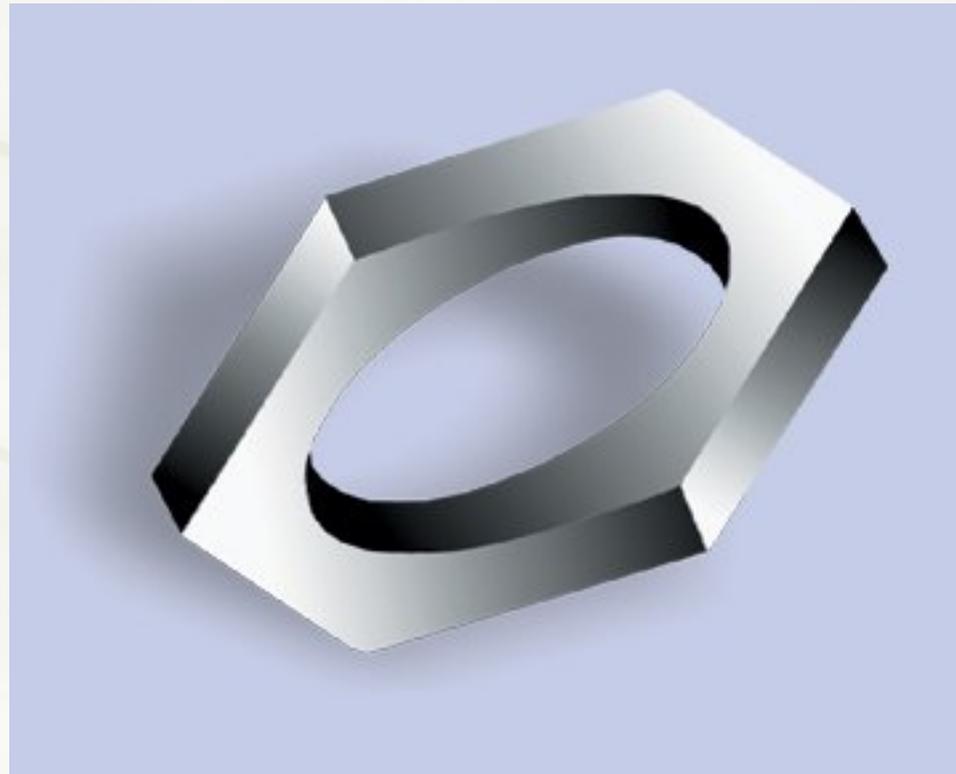
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*This was not
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Magazine!*

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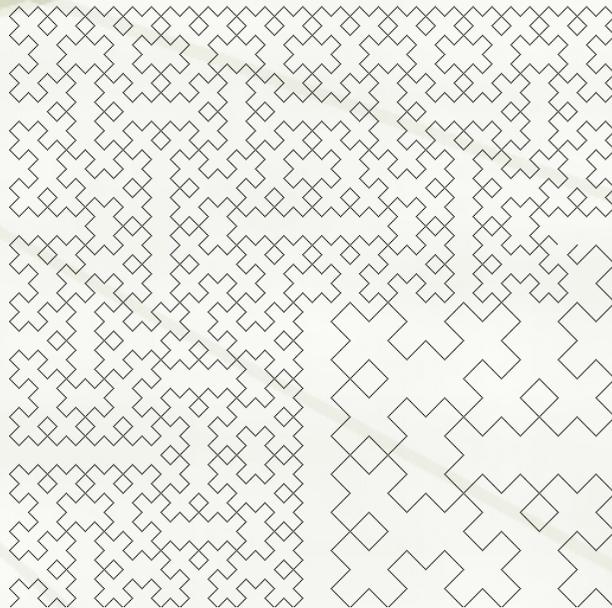
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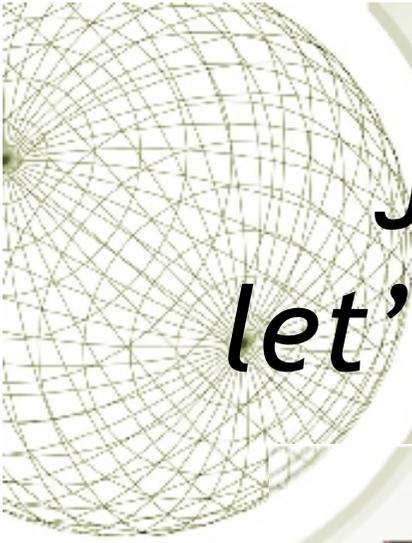
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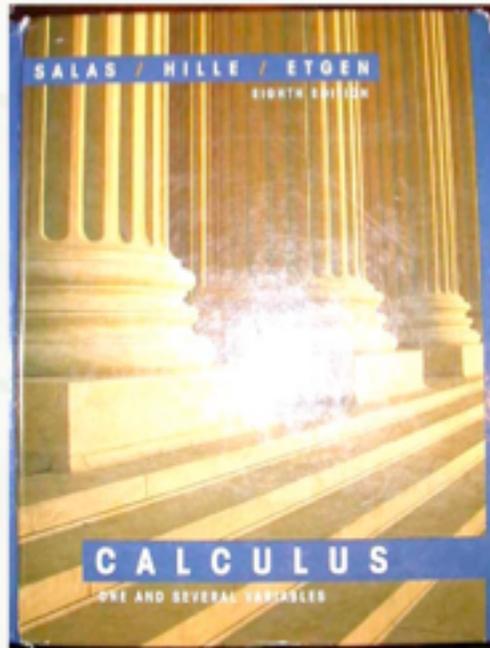
continuous refinement toward space-filling curve



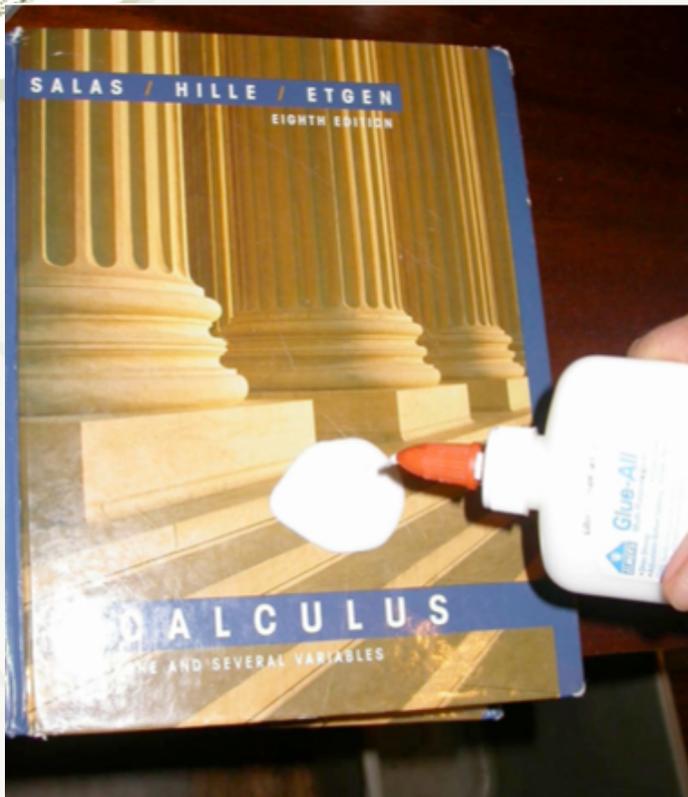
*Can a continuous curve
pass through every point
of space?*

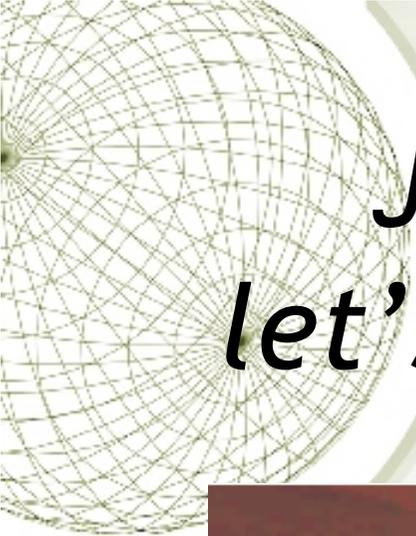


*Just to see what happens,
let's glue together two ideas*

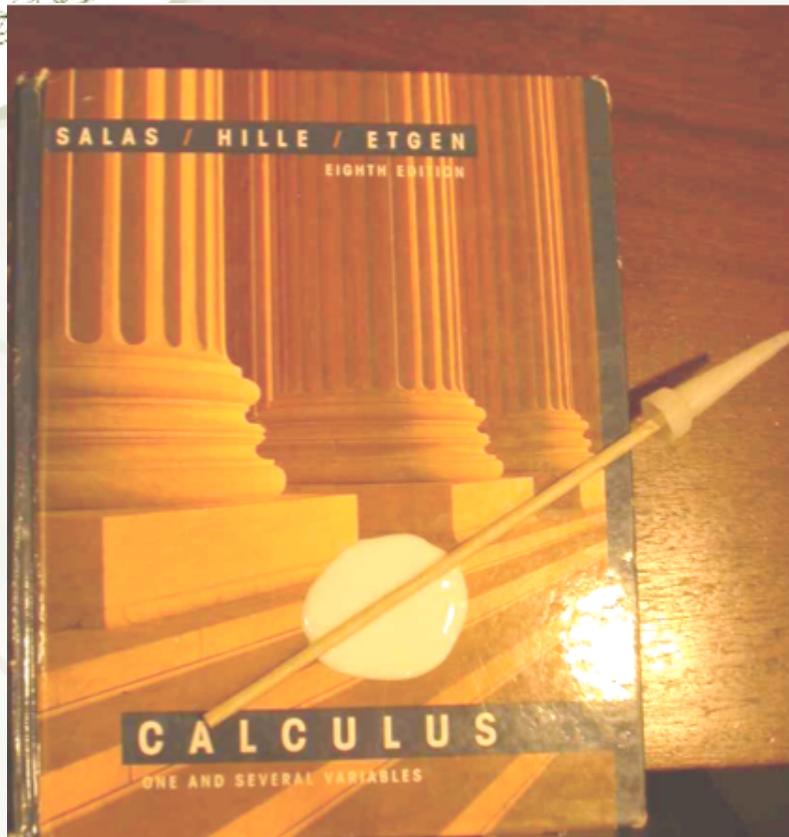


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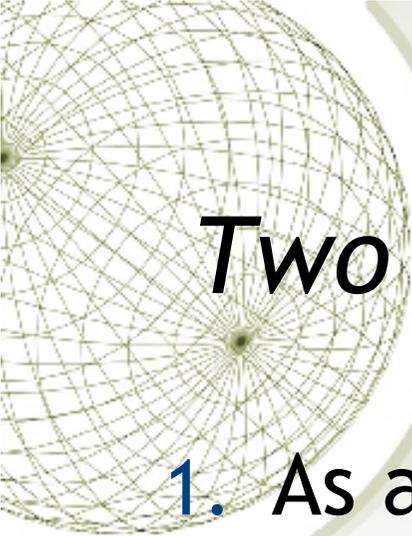
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Ta-da!

But first - A bit more Vector Boot Camp!





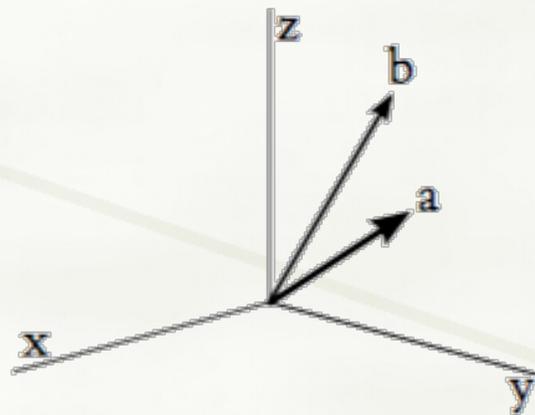
Two ways to think about vectors

1. As a list of components

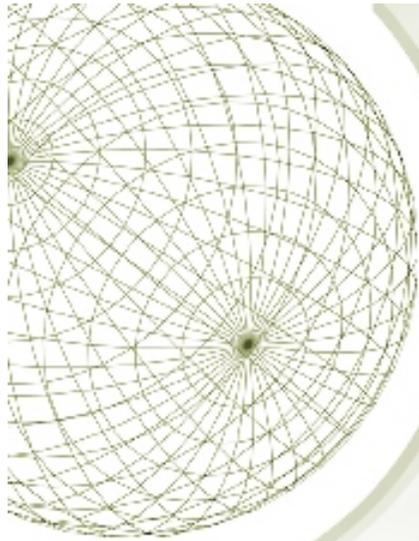
2. Something with length and direction

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Figure 1:

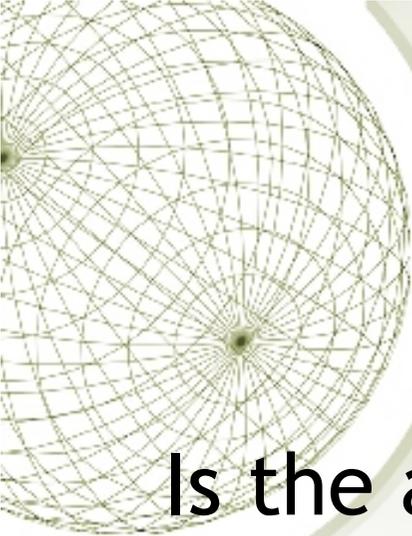


1) The vectors **a** and **b** are shown in Figure 1. The vector **a** lies in the first octant with all components positive. The vector **b** is in the second octant, i.e. $\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{i} < 0$ but the y and z components are positive. Label the six figures below as $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}$, $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$, $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a}$.



- 3) Find the component of \mathbf{x}_1 in the \mathbf{x}_2 direction and give a projection matrix for the span of \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 .
- 4) Suppose $\mathbf{a} = (1, 1, 0)$, $\mathbf{b} = (-1, 2, 0)$, and $\mathbf{c} = (1, 2, 3)$. What is the area of the parallelogram with \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} as sides and volume of the parallelepiped with \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} , \mathbf{c} as sides?
- 5) Give an equation in variables x, y, z describing the plane containing the points $(0, 1, 1)$, $(1, 0, 1)$, and $-(1, 1, 0)$.
- 6) Recall the Pythagorean identity $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$ for any angle θ . Show that for any vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^3 the following identity holds:

$$\|\mathbf{a}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}\|^2 + (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})^2$$



Clicker quiz

Is the angle between the two vectors
 $2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k}$ and $3\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{k}$

- A acute (angle $< \pi/2$)
- B obtuse (angle $> \pi/2$)
- C a right angle

The dot (or scalar) product *Thou shalt know this!*

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- ★ Vectors in..... scalar out.
- ★ Also allows us to define *length*,
a.k.a. *norm*, *magnitude*
- ★ The standard length is not the
only possibility

The cross product

Thou shalt know this!

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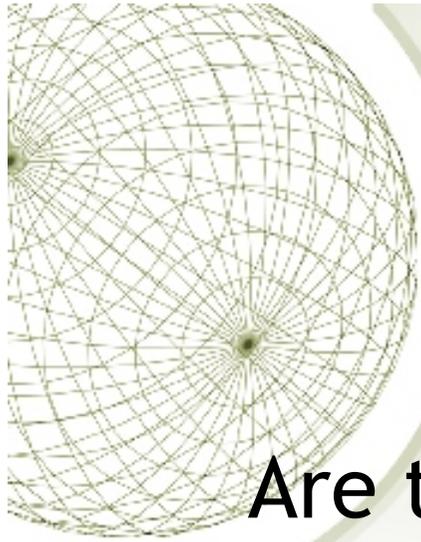
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★ *Vectors in..... vector out.*

Thou shalt know this!

The product of a scalar and a vector

★ Vector and scalar in..... vector out.



An idle question

Are there vectors hiding in the grading formula?

Class web page

The class will be coordinated through [T-Square](#), but you can also consult the [Class web page](#) directly. It is your responsibility to consult [T-Square](#) or the web page regularly for information about the class, such as homework assignments. You will also be in e-mail contact with the instructor and the teaching assistant, and we will do our best to respond to your questions.

Required texts and materials

We will use Marsden and Tromba, *Vector Calculus*, and on-line materials, which may be linked to from the class website or T-Square. You are also required to have a clicker for classroom use.

Description: Calculus is not only essential in engineering; it is one of mankind's greatest intellectual achievements. After thousands of years of confusion on the part of philosophers, Newton, Leibniz, and Euler created effective conceptual tools for understanding the infinite and the infinitesimal. In the third term of calculus we learn about derivatives and integrals in three (or even more) dimensions and their uses.

Grading and requirements

There will be tests in the recitations on

1. Wednesday, 23 January,
2. Wednesday, 13 February,
3. Wednesday, 13 March,
4. Wednesday, 10 April,

There will also be a final exam, of course. Homework will be collected on Mondays, and there will be regular clicker quizzes. Your homework-quiz average will incorporate at least two drops. In addition, Prof. Harrell may announce occasional contests, and the winner of a contest will receive a small number of extra-credit points.

Student grades will depend on the following quantity:

$$(T1 + T2 + T3 + T4 + BQ + F - \min(T1..T4,F)) + E + F/2$$

where the components of this formula correspond to the items mentioned above, after scaling so that all of them except $E =$ extra credit total have a common median of 70. The drop in the formula is *the* mechanism for coping with personal events such as illness and family emergencies. **There will be no opportunities for make-up tests after the fact. In the event of an absence due to travel representing Georgia Tech, such as an intercollegiate sports competition, you must [notify the professor](#) at least two weeks in advance to arrange an early test or other alternative.** Otherwise, such absences will be treated as personal.

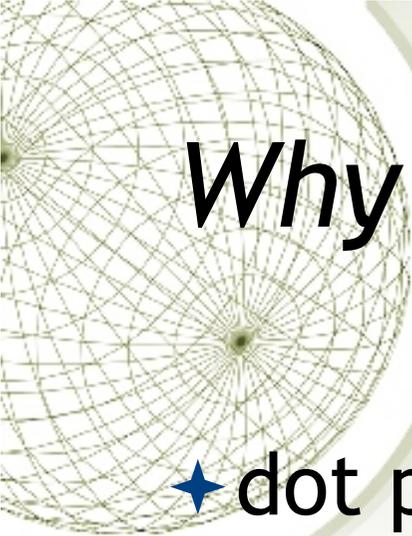
Calculators and tests

No restrictions will be placed on the use of calculators that do *elementary* mathematics on the tests. **Calculators that can do calculus symbolically shall not be brought to tests.** No credit will be given on tests for a correct answer without the intermediate steps.

Readings

The schedule of reading will be posted on the [2411 assignments page](#) and on T-Square. The subject matter covered will be roughly the following:

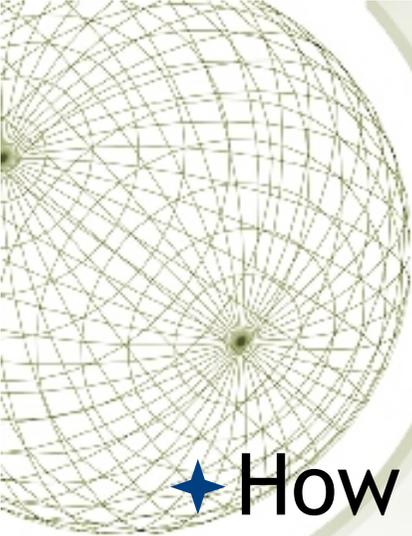
- Parametrized paths, velocity and acceleration, curvature and arclength
- Continuity, etc. for functions of several variables. Graphs and contour plots
- Partial derivatives and the chain rule. Taylor's theorem in several variables
- The gradient, tangent planes, best linear approximation and best quadratic approximation
- Optimization, types of critical points
- Lagrange multipliers, Newton's method in several variables
- Double integrals, iterated integrals. Applications: area, center of mass, and volume by Pappus's Theorem
- Area integrals in polar coordinates, general coordinates and the Jacobian in the plane
- Triple integrals, spherical and cylindrical coordinates
- Jacobian in three variables. Improper multiple integrals and applications
- Vector fields and line integrals, work and flux
- Green's theorem in the plane for both work and flux integrals. Exact vector fields
- Parameterized surfaces and surface integrals
- Gauss's Theorem and Stokes's Theorem
- Applications



*Why on earth would you want
to differentiate a*

★ dot product?

★ cross product?



Applications

- ★ How fast is the angle between two unit vectors changing?

$$\cos \theta(t) = \mathbf{v}(t) \cdot \mathbf{w}(t)$$

- ★ What is the rate of change of angular momentum $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}$?

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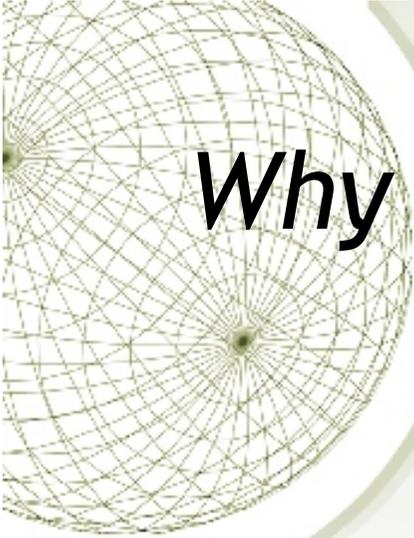
$$\cos \theta(t) = \mathbf{v}(t) \cdot \mathbf{w}(t)$$

$$\vec{m} = (t, t) \quad \vec{n} = (t, 5)$$

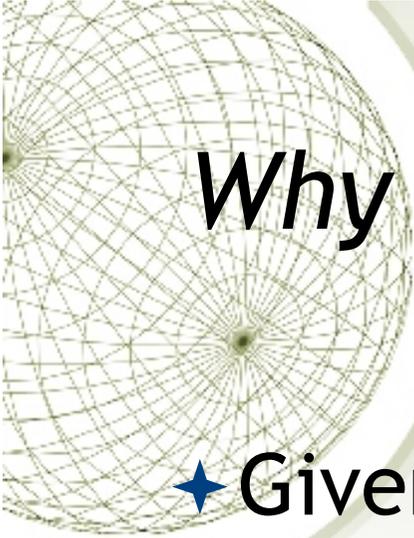
$$\begin{aligned} \cos \angle(m, n) &= \frac{\vec{m} \cdot \vec{n}}{\sqrt{2t^2} \sqrt{t^2 + 25}} \\ &= \frac{5t + t^2}{\sqrt{2t^2} \sqrt{t^2 + 25}} \end{aligned}$$

Examples

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Why on earth would you want to integrate a vector function?



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★ Given velocity $\mathbf{v}(t)$, find position $\mathbf{r}(t)$.

★ Power is $\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{v}$. If, for example one of these vectors is fixed, can you integrate the other one and *then* take the dot product?



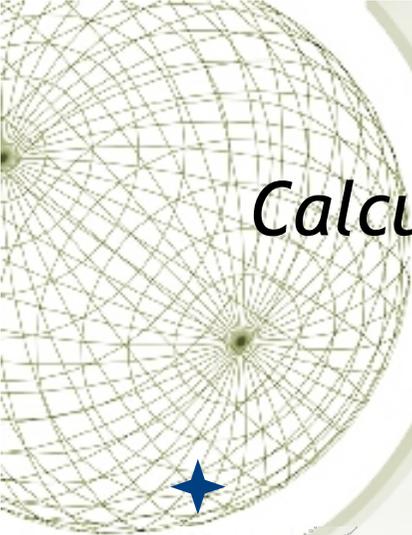
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- ★ Integrals and derivs of $\alpha \mathbf{f}(t)$, $\mathbf{f}(t)+\mathbf{g}(t)$, etc.
- ★ Also - because of this - you can always calculate component by component.



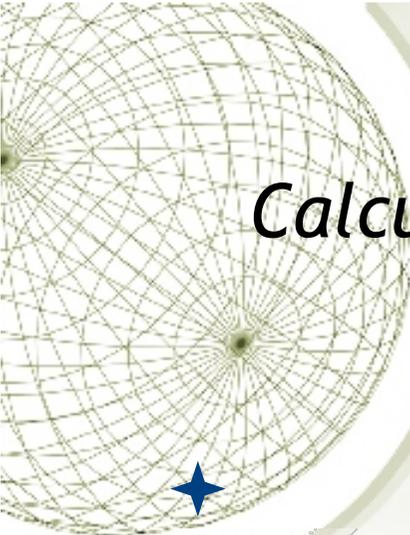
Calculus is built on the idea of a limit. What does a limit mean for vector functions?

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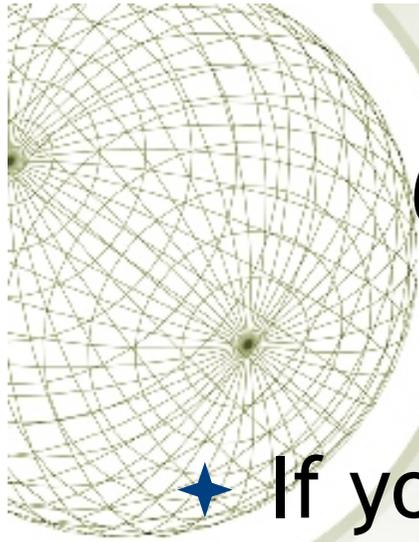
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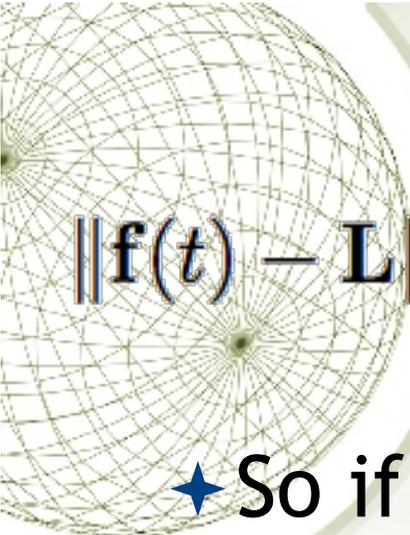
This may contain vectors, but in the end it is some kind of scalar that depends on t .



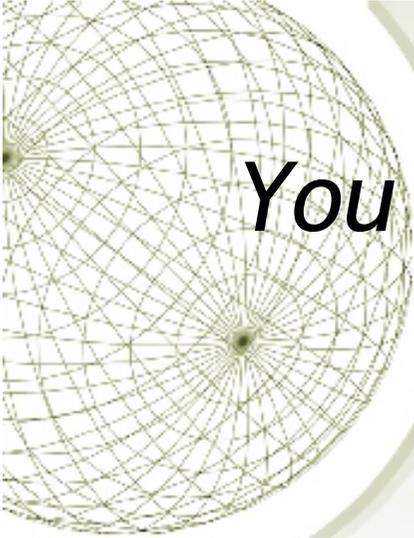


One of the great tricks of vector calculus:

- ★ If you can rewrite a vector problem in some way as a scalar problem, it becomes “kindergarten math.”


$$\|\mathbf{f}(t) - \mathbf{L}\|^2 = (f_1 - L_1)^2 + (f_2 - L_2)^2 + (f_3 - L_3)^2$$

- ★ So if the left side $\rightarrow 0$, each and every one of the contributions on the right $\rightarrow 0$ as well. And conversely.
- ★ *You can do calculus in terms of vectors or components. Your choice.*



*You can think in terms of a holistic
vector or its components*

A mystical picture:

