EXAMPLE 6 Show that $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 6y + 2z + 6 = 0$ is the equation of a sphere, and find its center and radius.

SOLUTION We can rewrite the given equation in the form of an equation of a sphere if we complete squares:

$$(x^2 + 4x + 4) + (y^2 - 6y + 9) + (z^2 + 2z + 1) = -6 + 4 + 9 + 1$$
$$(x + 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 + (z + 1)^2 = 8$$

Comparing this equation with the standard form, we see that it is the equation of a sphere with center $(-2, 3, -1)$ and radius $\sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$. ■

EXAMPLE 7 What region in $\mathbb{R}^3$ is represented by the following inequalities?

$$1 \leqslant x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leqslant 4 \qquad z \leqslant 0$$

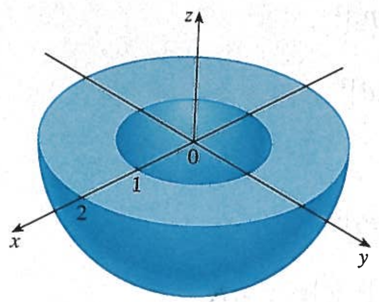


FIGURE 13

SOLUTION The inequalities

$$1 \leqslant x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leqslant 4$$

can be rewritten as

$$1 \leqslant \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \leqslant 2$$

so they represent the points (x, y, z) whose distance from the origin is at least 1 and at most 2. But we are also given that $z \leqslant 0$, so the points lie on or below the xy-plane. Thus the given inequalities represent the region that lies between (or on) the spheres $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ and beneath (or on) the xy-plane. It is sketched in Figure 13. ■

12.1 EXERCISES

1. Suppose you start at the origin, move along the x-axis a distance of 4 units in the positive direction, and then move downward a distance of 3 units. What are the coordinates of your position?

2. Sketch the points (1, 5, 3), (0, 2, −3), (−3, 0, 2), and (2, −2, −1) on a single set of coordinate axes.

3. Which of the points $A(-4, 0, -1)$, $B(3, 1, -5)$, and $C(2, 4, 6)$ is closest to the yz-plane? Which point lies in the xz-plane?

4. What are the projections of the point (2, 3, 5) on the xy-, yz-, and xz-planes? Draw a rectangular box with the origin and (2, 3, 5) as opposite vertices and with its faces parallel to the coordinate planes. Label all vertices of the box. Find the length of the diagonal of the box.

5. What does the equation $x = 4$ represent in $\mathbb{R}^2$? What does it represent in $\mathbb{R}^3$? Illustrate with sketches.

6. What does the equation $y = 3$ represent in $\mathbb{R}^3$? What does $z = 5$ represent? What does the pair of equations $y = 3$, $z = 5$ represent? In other words, describe the set of points (x, y, z) such that $y = 3$ and $z = 5$. Illustrate with a sketch.

7. Describe and sketch the surface in $\mathbb{R}^3$ represented by the equation $x + y = 2$.

8. Describe and sketch the surface in $\mathbb{R}^3$ represented by the equation $x^2 + z^2 = 9$.

9–10 Find the lengths of the sides of the triangle PQR. Is it a right triangle? Is it an isosceles triangle?

9. $P(3, -2, -3)$, $Q(7, 0, 1)$, $R(1, 2, 1)$

10. $P(2, -1, 0)$, $Q(4, 1, 1)$, $R(4, -5, 4)$

11. Determine whether the points lie on a straight line.
    (a) $A(2, 4, 2)$, $B(3, 7, -2)$, $C(1, 3, 3)$
    (b) $D(0, -5, 5)$, $E(1, -2, 4)$, $F(3, 4, 2)$

12. Find the distance from (4, −2, 6) to each of the following.
    (a) The xy-plane
    (b) The yz-plane
    (c) The xz-plane
    (d) The x-axis
    (e) The y-axis
    (f) The z-axis

13. Find an equation of the sphere with center $(-3, 2, 5)$ and radius 4. What is the intersection of this sphere with the yz-plane?

14. Find an equation of the sphere with center $(2, -6, 4)$ and radius 5. Describe its intersection with each of the coordinate planes.

15. Find an equation of the sphere that passes through the point $(4, 3, -1)$ and has center $(3, 8, 1)$.

16. Find an equation of the sphere that passes through the origin and whose center is $(1, 2, 3)$.

17–20 Show that the equation represents a sphere, and find its center and radius.

17. $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2x - 4y + 8z = 15$

18. $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 8x - 6y + 2z + 17 = 0$

19. $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 = 8x - 24z + 1$

20. $3x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 = 10 + 6y + 12z$

21. (a) Prove that the midpoint of the line segment from $P_1(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ to $P_2(x_2, y_2, z_2)$ is

$$\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2}\right)$$

(b) Find the lengths of the medians of the triangle with vertices $A(1, 2, 3)$, $B(-2, 0, 5)$, and $C(4, 1, 5)$. (A *median* of a triangle is a line segment that joins a vertex to the midpoint of the opposite side.)

22. Find an equation of a sphere if one of its diameters has endpoints $(5, 4, 3)$ and $(1, 6, -9)$.

23. Find equations of the spheres with center $(2, -3, 6)$ that touch (a) the xy-plane, (b) the yz-plane, (c) the xz-plane.

24. Find an equation of the largest sphere with center $(5, 4, 9)$ that is contained in the first octant.

25–38 Describe in words the region of $\mathbb{R}^3$ represented by the equation(s) or inequality.

25. $x = 5$

26. $y = -2$

27. $y < 8$

28. $z \geqslant -1$

29. $0 \leqslant z \leqslant 6$

30. $y^2 = 4$

31. $x^2 + y^2 = 4, \quad z = -1$

32. $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

33. $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$

34. $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leqslant 4$

35. $1 \leqslant x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leqslant 5$

36. $x = z$

37. $x^2 + z^2 \leqslant 9$

38. $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 > 2z$

39–42 Write inequalities to describe the region.

39. The region between the yz-plane and the vertical plane $x = 5$

40. The solid cylinder that lies on or below the plane $z = 8$ and on or above the disk in the xy-plane with center the origin and radius 2

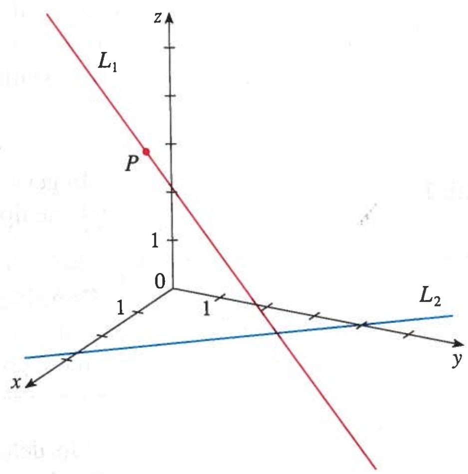
41. The region consisting of all points between (but not on) the spheres of radius r and R centered at the origin, where $r < R$

42. The solid upper hemisphere of the sphere of radius 2 centered at the origin

43. The figure shows a line L_1 in space and a second line L_2, which is the projection of L_1 onto the xy-plane. (In other words, the points on L_2 are directly beneath, or above, the points on L_1.)

(a) Find the coordinates of the point P on the line L_1.

(b) Locate on the diagram the points A, B, and C, where the line L_1 intersects the xy-plane, the yz-plane, and the xz-plane, respectively.



44. Consider the points P such that the distance from P to $A(-1, 5, 3)$ is twice the distance from P to $B(6, 2, -2)$. Show that the set of all such points is a sphere, and find its center and radius.

45. Find an equation of the set of all points equidistant from the points $A(-1, 5, 3)$ and $B(6, 2, -2)$. Describe the set.

46. Find the volume of the solid that lies inside both of the spheres

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$$

and

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$$

47. Find the distance between the spheres $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4x + 4y + 4z - 11$.

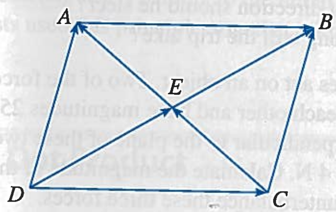
48. Describe and sketch a solid with the following properties. When illuminated by rays parallel to the z-axis, its shadow is a circular disk. If the rays are parallel to the y-axis, its shadow is a square. If the rays are parallel to the x-axis, its shadow is an isosceles triangle.

12.2 EXERCISES

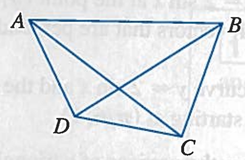
1. Are the following quantities vectors or scalars? Explain.
   (a) The cost of a theater ticket
   (b) The current in a river
   (c) The initial flight path from Houston to Dallas
   (d) The population of the world

2. What is the relationship between the point (4, 7) and the vector $\langle 4, 7\rangle$? Illustrate with a sketch.

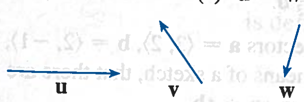
3. Name all the equal vectors in the parallelogram shown.



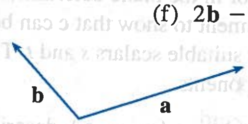
4. Write each combination of vectors as a single vector.
   (a) $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}$ (b) $\overrightarrow{CD} + \overrightarrow{DB}$
   (c) $\overrightarrow{DB} - \overrightarrow{AB}$ (d) $\overrightarrow{DC} + \overrightarrow{CA} + \overrightarrow{AB}$



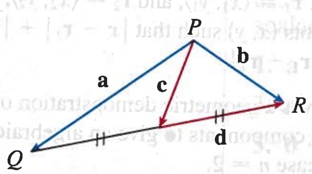
5. Copy the vectors in the figure and use them to draw the following vectors.
   (a) $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ (b) $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w}$
   (c) $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ (d) $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$
   (e) $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w}$ (f) $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{v}$



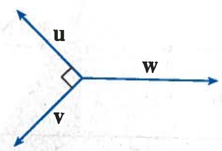
6. Copy the vectors in the figure and use them to draw the following vectors.
   (a) $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$ (b) $\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}$
   (c) $\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}$ (d) $-3\mathbf{b}$
   (e) $\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b}$ (f) $2\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}$



In the figure, the tip of $\mathbf{c}$ and the tail of $\mathbf{d}$ are both the midpoint of QR. Express $\mathbf{c}$ and $\mathbf{d}$ in terms of $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$.



8. If the vectors in the figure satisfy $|\mathbf{u}| = |\mathbf{v}| = 1$ and $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$, what is $|\mathbf{w}|$?



9–14 Find a vector $\mathbf{a}$ with representation given by the directed line segment $\overrightarrow{AB}$. Draw $\overrightarrow{AB}$ and the equivalent representation starting at the origin.

9. $A(-2, 1)$, $B(1, 2)$
10. $A(-5, -1)$, $B(-3, 3)$
11. $A(3, -1)$, $B(2, 3)$
12. $A(3, 2)$, $B(1, 0)$
13. $A(0, 3, 1)$, $B(2, 3, -1)$
14. $A(0, 6, -1)$, $B(3, 4, 4)$

15–18 Find the sum of the given vectors and illustrate geometrically.

15. $\langle -1, 4\rangle$, $\langle 6, -2\rangle$
16. $\langle 3, -1\rangle$, $\langle -1, 5\rangle$
17. $\langle 3, 0, 1\rangle$, $\langle 0, 8, 0\rangle$
18. $\langle 1, 3, -2\rangle$, $\langle 0, 0, 6\rangle$

19–22 Find $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$, $4\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b}$, $|\mathbf{a}|$, and $|\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}|$.

19. $\mathbf{a} = \langle -3, 4\rangle$, $\mathbf{b} = \langle 9, -1\rangle$
20. $\mathbf{a} = 5\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$, $\mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}$
21. $\mathbf{a} = 4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{b} = 2\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{k}$
22. $\mathbf{a} = \langle 8, 1, -4\rangle$, $\mathbf{b} = \langle 5, -2, 1\rangle$

23–25 Find a unit vector that has the same direction as the given vector.

23. $\langle 6, -2\rangle$
24. $-5\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$
25. $8\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$

26. Find the vector that has the same direction as $\langle 6, 2, -3\rangle$ but has length 4.

27–28 What is the angle between the given vector and the positive direction of the x-axis?

27. $\mathbf{i} + \sqrt{3}\,\mathbf{j}$
28. $8\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j}$

29. If $\mathbf{v}$ lies in the first quadrant and makes an angle $\pi/3$ with the positive x-axis and $|\mathbf{v}| = 4$, find $\mathbf{v}$ in component form.

30. If a child pulls a sled through the snow on a level path with a force of 50 N exerted at an angle of 38° above the horizontal, find the horizontal and vertical components of the force.

31. A quarterback throws a football with angle of elevation 40° and speed 60 ft/s. Find the horizontal and vertical components of the velocity vector.

32–33 Find the magnitude of the resultant force and the angle it makes with the positive x-axis.

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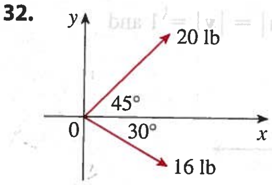

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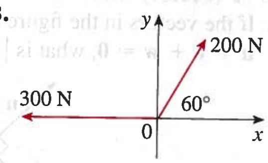
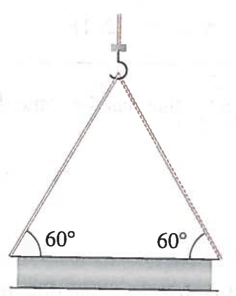


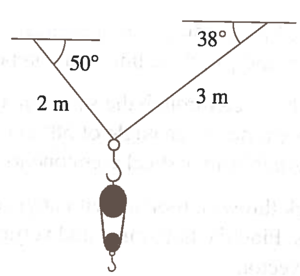
34. The magnitude of a velocity vector is called *speed*. Suppose that a wind is blowing *from* the direction N45°W at a speed of 50 km/h. (This means that the direction from which the wind blows is 45° west of the northerly direction.) A pilot is steering a plane in the direction N60°E at an airspeed (speed in still air) of 250 km/h. The *true course*, or *track*, of the plane is the direction of the resultant of the velocity vectors of the plane and the wind. The *ground speed* of the plane is the magnitude of the resultant. Find the true course and the ground speed of the plane.

35. A woman walks due west on the deck of a ship at 3 mi/h. The ship is moving north at a speed of 22 mi/h. Find the speed and direction of the woman relative to the surface of the water.

36. A crane suspends a 500-lb steel beam horizontally by support cables (with negligible weight) attached from a hook to each end of the beam. The support cables each make an angle of 60° with the beam. Find the tension vector in each support cable and the magnitude of each tension.



37. A block-and-tackle pulley hoist is suspended in a warehouse by ropes of lengths 2 m and 3 m. The hoist weighs 350 N. The ropes, fastened at different heights, make angles of 50° and 38° with the horizontal. Find the tension in each rope and the magnitude of each tension.



38. The tension $\mathbf{T}$ at each end of a chain has magnitude 25 N (see the figure). What is the weight of the chain?

39. A boatman wants to cross a canal that is 3 km wide and wants to land at a point 2 km upstream from his starting point. The current in the canal flows at 3.5 km/h and the speed of his boat is 13 km/h.
(a) In what direction should he steer?
(b) How long will the trip take?

40. Three forces act on an object. Two of the forces are at an angle of 100° to each other and have magnitudes 25 N and 12 N. The third is perpendicular to the plane of these two forces and has magnitude 4 N. Calculate the magnitude of the force that would exactly counterbalance these three forces.

41. Find the unit vectors that are parallel to the tangent line to the parabola $y = x^2$ at the point (2, 4).

42. (a) Find the unit vectors that are parallel to the tangent line to the curve $y = 2 \sin x$ at the point $(\pi/6, 1)$.
(b) Find the unit vectors that are perpendicular to the tangent line.
(c) Sketch the curve $y = 2 \sin x$ and the vectors in parts (a) and (b), all starting at $(\pi/6, 1)$.

43. If A, B, and C are the vertices of a triangle, find

$$\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CA}$$

44. Let C be the point on the line segment AB that is twice as far from B as it is from A. If $\mathbf{a} = \overrightarrow{OA}$, $\mathbf{b} = \overrightarrow{OB}$, and $\mathbf{c} = \overrightarrow{OC}$, show that $\mathbf{c} = \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{b}$.

45. (a) Draw the vectors $\mathbf{a} = \langle 3, 2 \rangle$, $\mathbf{b} = \langle 2, -1 \rangle$, and $\mathbf{c} = \langle 7, 1 \rangle$.
(b) Show, by means of a sketch, that there are scalars s and t such that $\mathbf{c} = s\mathbf{a} + t\mathbf{b}$.
(c) Use the sketch to estimate the values of s and t.
(d) Find the exact values of s and t.

46. Suppose that $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$ are nonzero vectors that are not parallel and $\mathbf{c}$ is any vector in the plane determined by $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$. Give a geometric argument to show that $\mathbf{c}$ can be written as $\mathbf{c} = s\mathbf{a} + t\mathbf{b}$ for suitable scalars s and t. Then give an argument using components.

47. If $\mathbf{r} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ and $\mathbf{r}_0 = \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle$, describe the set of all points (x, y, z) such that $|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0| = 1$.

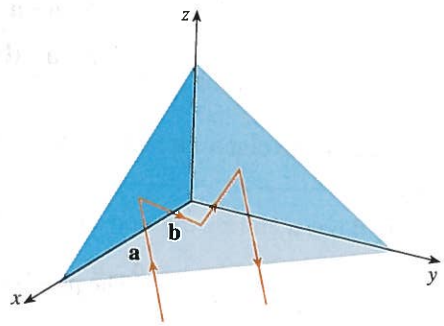
48. If $\mathbf{r} = \langle x, y \rangle$, $\mathbf{r}_1 = \langle x_1, y_1 \rangle$, and $\mathbf{r}_2 = \langle x_2, y_2 \rangle$, describe the set of all points (x, y) such that $|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_1| + |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_2| = k$, where $k > |\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|$.

49. Figure 16 gives a geometric demonstration of Property 2 of vectors. Use components to give an algebraic proof of this fact for the case $n = 2$.

50. Prove Property 5 of vectors algebraically for the case $n = 3$. Then use similar triangles to give a geometric proof.

51. Use vectors to prove that the line joining the midpoints of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side and half its length.

52. Suppose the three coordinate planes are all mirrored and a light ray given by the vector $\mathbf{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$ first strikes the xz-plane, as shown in the figure. Use the fact that the angle of incidence equals the angle of reflection to show that the direction of the reflected ray is given by $\mathbf{b} = \langle a_1, -a_2, a_3 \rangle$. Deduce that, after being reflected by all three mutually perpendicular mirrors, the resulting ray is parallel to the initial ray. (American space scientists used this principle, together with laser beams and an array of corner mirrors on the moon, to calculate very precisely the distance from the earth to the moon.)



12.3 The Dot Product

So far we have added two vectors and multiplied a vector by a scalar. The question arises: is it possible to multiply two vectors so that their product is a useful quantity? One such product is the dot product, whose definition follows. Another is the cross product, which is discussed in the next section.

1 Definition If $\mathbf{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{b} = \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle$, then the **dot product** of **a** and **b** is the number $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ given by

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$$

Thus, to find the dot product of **a** and **b**, we multiply corresponding components and add. The result is not a vector. It is a real number, that is, a scalar. For this reason, the dot product is sometimes called the **scalar product** (or **inner product**). Although Definition 1 is given for three-dimensional vectors, the dot product of two-dimensional vectors is defined in a similar fashion:

$$\langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \cdot \langle b_1, b_2 \rangle = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2$$

EXAMPLE 1

$$\langle 2, 4 \rangle \cdot \langle 3, -1 \rangle = 2(3) + 4(-1) = 2$$

$$\langle -1, 7, 4 \rangle \cdot \left\langle 6, 2, -\tfrac{1}{2} \right\rangle = (-1)(6) + 7(2) + 4\left(-\tfrac{1}{2}\right) = 6$$

$$(\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}) \cdot (2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}) = 1(0) + 2(2) + (-3)(-1) = 7$$ ■

The dot product obeys many of the laws that hold for ordinary products of real numbers. These are stated in the following theorem.

2 Properties of the Dot Product If **a**, **b**, and **c** are vectors in V_3 and c is a scalar, then

1. $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} = |\mathbf{a}|^2$
2. $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a}$
3. $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}$
4. $(c\mathbf{a}) \cdot \mathbf{b} = c(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot (c\mathbf{b})$
5. $\mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{a} = 0$