

## VI News in dimension 3 and higher

General fact: Every linear map  $T: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

is uniquely determined by

a matrix  $a = (a_{ij})$  such that

$$T(e_i) = \boxed{(a_{i1}, \dots, a_{in})} = (a_{i1}, \dots, a_{in})$$

↑ also works but changes matrix mult.

Here  $(e_i)$  are the standard unit vectors

$$e_i = (0 \dots 1 \dots 0)$$

$i$ -th position.

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ i \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{i1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{in} \end{pmatrix}$$

better way to  
remember

Comment: The choice of a concrete basis in  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
is not canonical

(à la Einstein: Physics laws are not allowed  
to depend on it!)

Recall  $b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  basis iff

$U(e_i) = b_i$  extends to a linear isomorphism on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

( linear isomorphism  $\leftrightarrow$  linear and there is a map

$S: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $S(b_i) = e_i$  )  
linear

( The last fact is obvious because  $e_i$  is also a basis )

Fact 3 the new matrix of  $T$  with basis  $(b_i)$  is

given by  $u^{-1} a u$

where  $u$  is the matrix of transformation  $U(e_i) = b_i$

Here  $ab$  is the composition of matrices or matrix multiplication.

Fact 2  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  has matrix  $a$

$S: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  —  $u$  —  $b$

then  $ST$  has matrix  $ba$ .

Proof of Fact 2 ( $\rightarrow$  also proof of Fact 3)

$$T(e_i) = \sum_j a_{ij} e_j$$

$$ST(e_i) = S\left(\sum_j a_{ij} e_j\right)$$

$$= \sum_j a_{ij} S(e_j)$$

$$= \sum_j a_{ij} \sum_k b_{jk} e_k$$

$$= \sum_k \left( b_{jk} \sum_j a_{ij} \right) e_k$$

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Fact IV  $T$  with matrix  $a$  is a linear isomorphism  
if and only if

$$\det a \neq 0, \text{ Moreover } \det ab = \det a \det b$$

Here

$$\det a = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{Perm}} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n a_{i\sigma(i)}$$

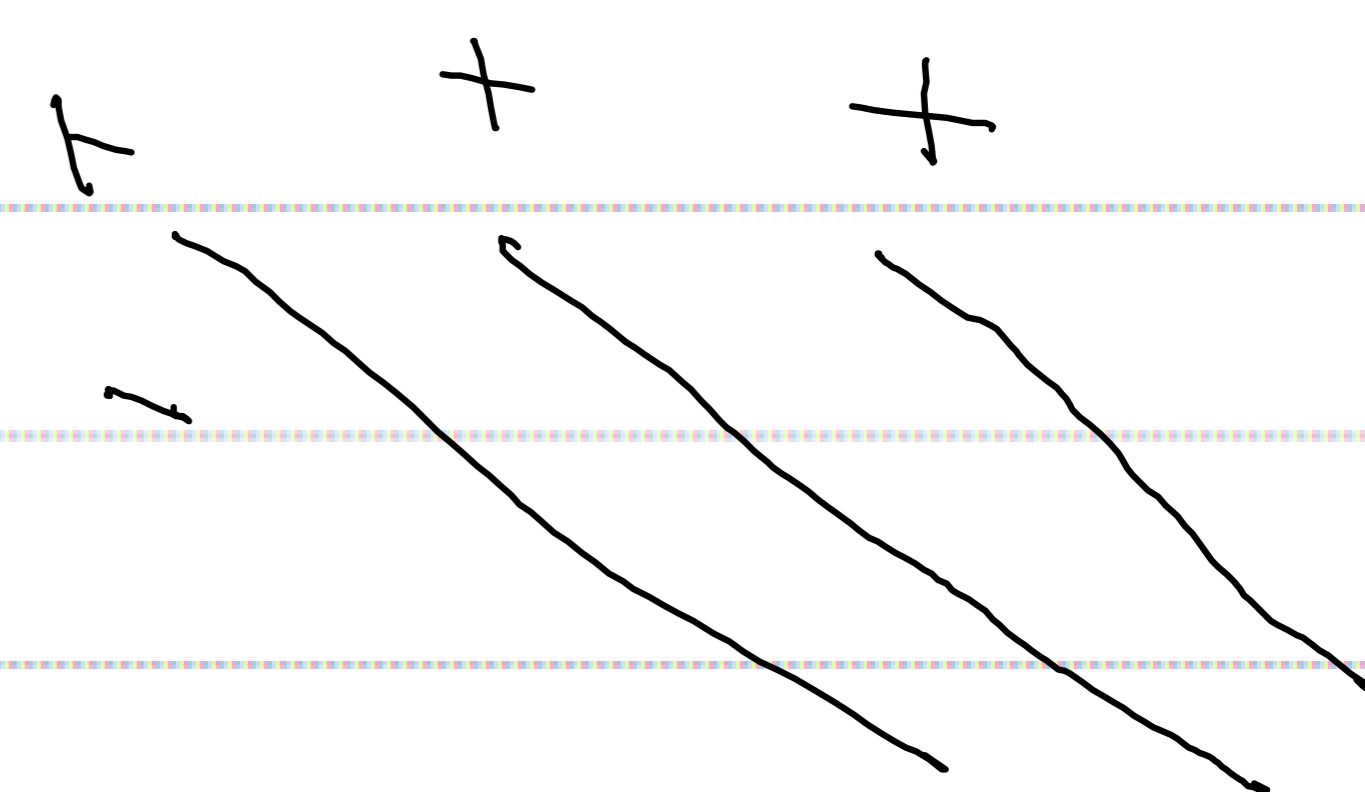
$\text{sgn}(\sigma)$  :  $\sigma$  can be written as a product of  $m$  transpositions

(1) involution

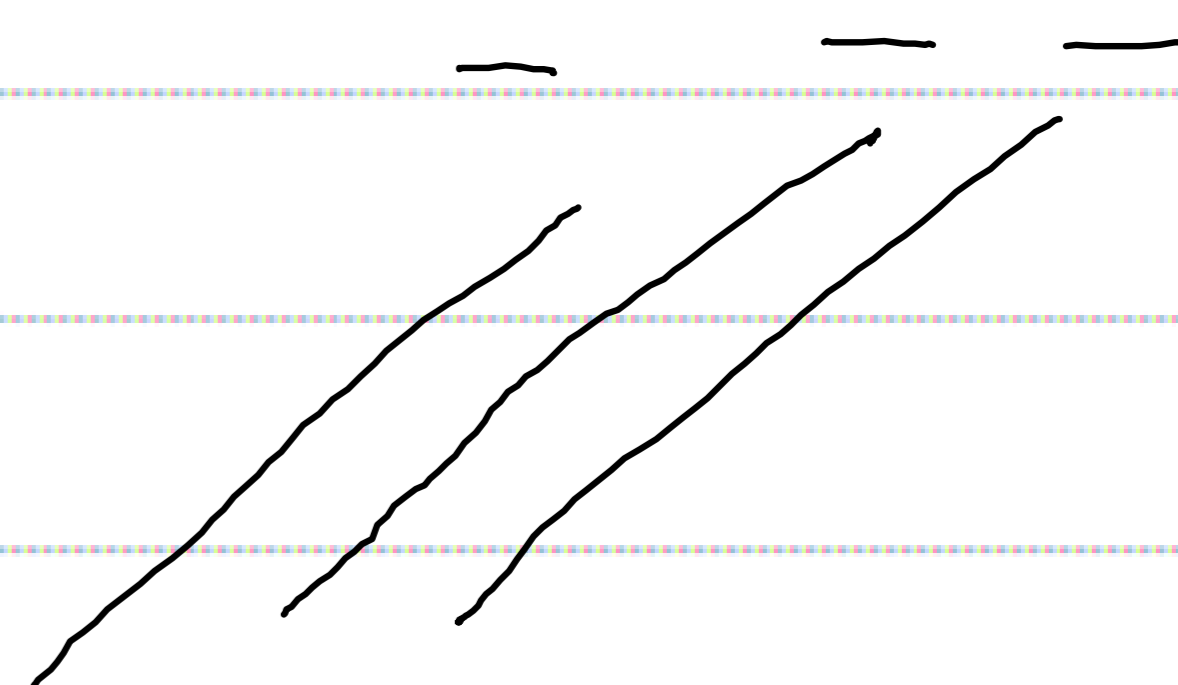
$$\sigma = (1_1 2_1) (1_2 2_2) \dots (1_m j_m) \quad \text{sgn}(\sigma) = \begin{cases} 1 & m \text{ even} \\ -1 & m \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

We only need determinants in dimension 3

$$\det a = |a| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$



$$= a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} - a_{13}a_{22}a_{31} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32}$$



(let us skip the proof, because we want to do calculus after all).

Note

$$\det a = a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{21} \begin{vmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{31} \begin{vmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{22} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix}$$

erase 1 column  
1 row

erase 1 column  
2 row

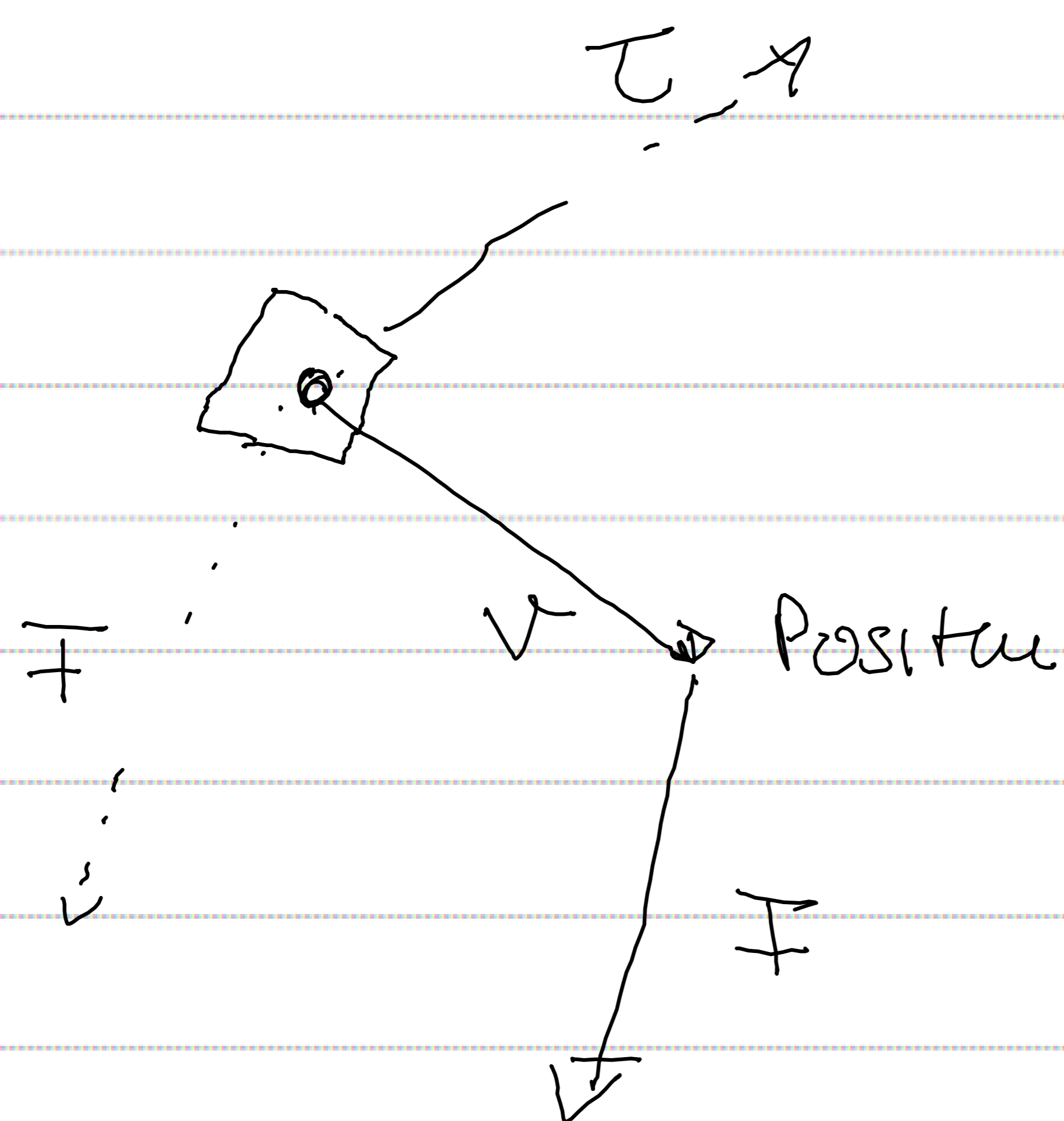
erase 1 col  
3 row

$$= \sum_k a_{1k} (-1)^{1+k} \det A_{1k} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{erase } i\text{-th column } k\text{-row} \\ \text{several ways} \end{array} \right)$$

## VII A speciality in dimension 3

( $\rightarrow$  section 12.4)

Physically : Torque



$F$  force vector  
 $r$  position vector

Then we get rotation around  $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$

Direction of  $\vec{\tau}$  rotation axis

magnitude of  $\tau$  how much rotation

Or how do we screw things up?

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{e}_1 & \hat{e}_2 & \hat{e}_3 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{e}_1 (a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2) \\ - \hat{e}_2 (a_1 b_3 - a_3 b_1) \\ + \hat{e}_3 (a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1)$$

$$= (a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2, a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3, a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1)$$

Note

$$\begin{aligned} (c, a \times b) &= \sum c_j (a \times b)_j \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $a \times b$  is orthogonal to any vector  
in  $V = \langle a, b \rangle$  plane  $\nabla$

(recall  $\det = 0$  if linear dependent)

Note  $|a \times b| = ?$

Observation : This is a coordinate free  
object. ~~as~~ — We may  
move vectors with transformations  
not changing inner product.

Example

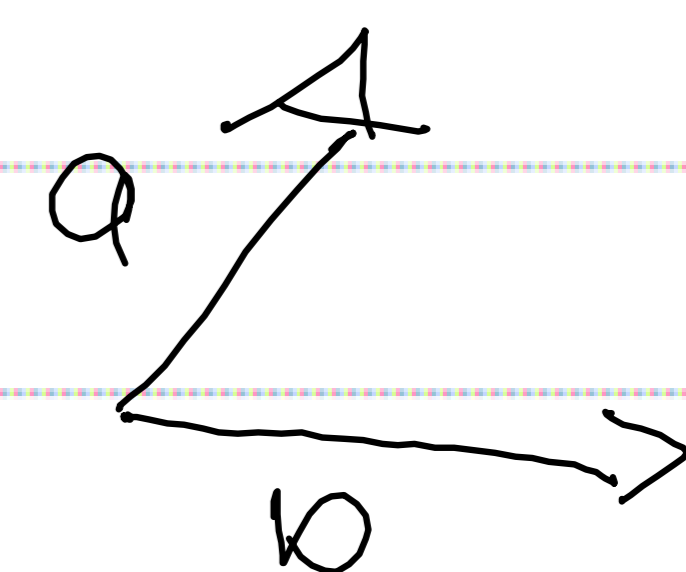
$$a = \begin{pmatrix} s \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a \times b = \begin{vmatrix} l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \\ s & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha & \beta & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \cdot l_1 - 0 \cdot l_2 + s\beta l_3 = (0, 0, s\beta)$$

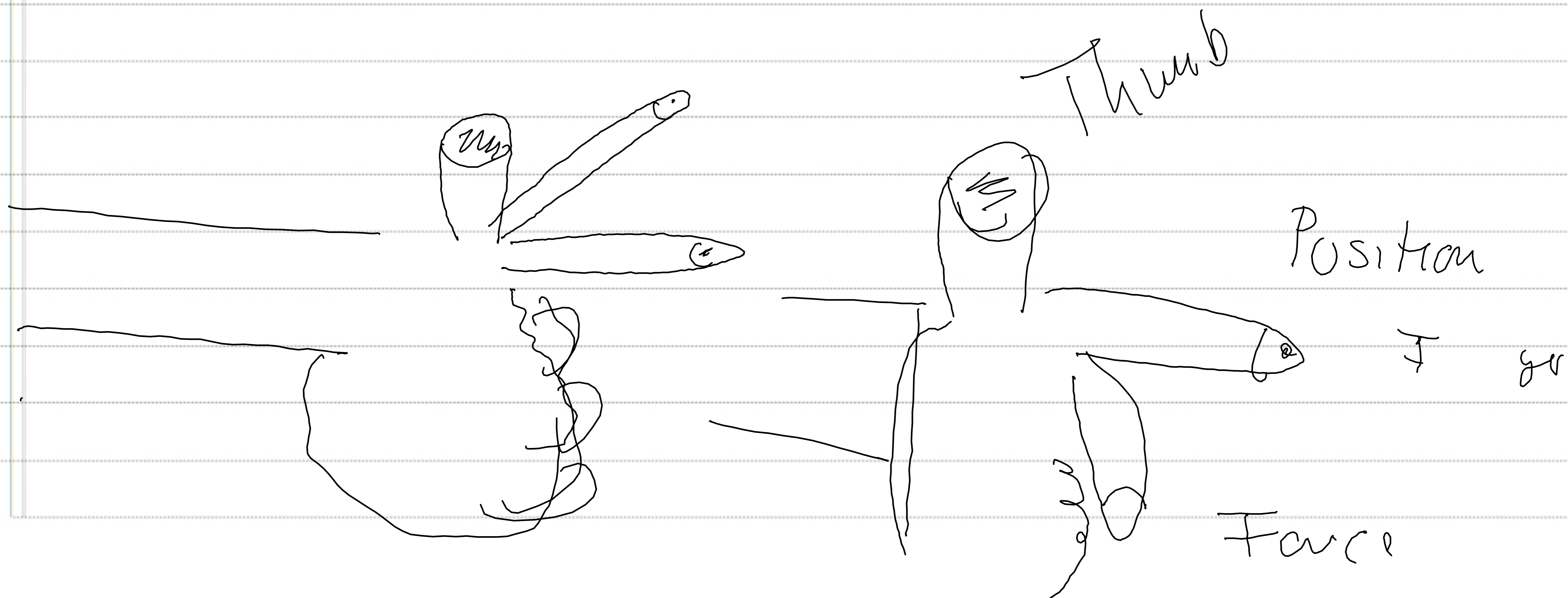
$$|a \times b| = |s| |\beta| = |a| |b| \frac{|\beta|}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}}$$

$$= |a| |b| |\sin \theta|$$

$$= \text{area of } \langle a, b \rangle$$



Finally: Orientation follows right hand rule



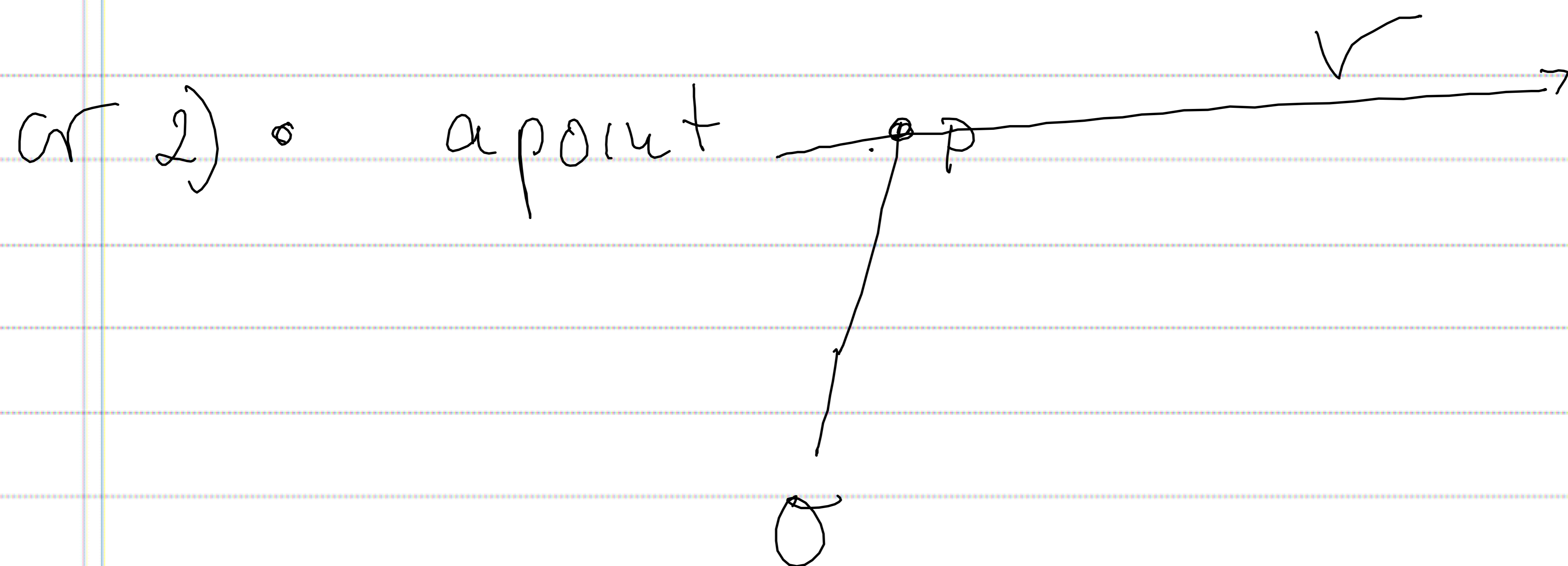
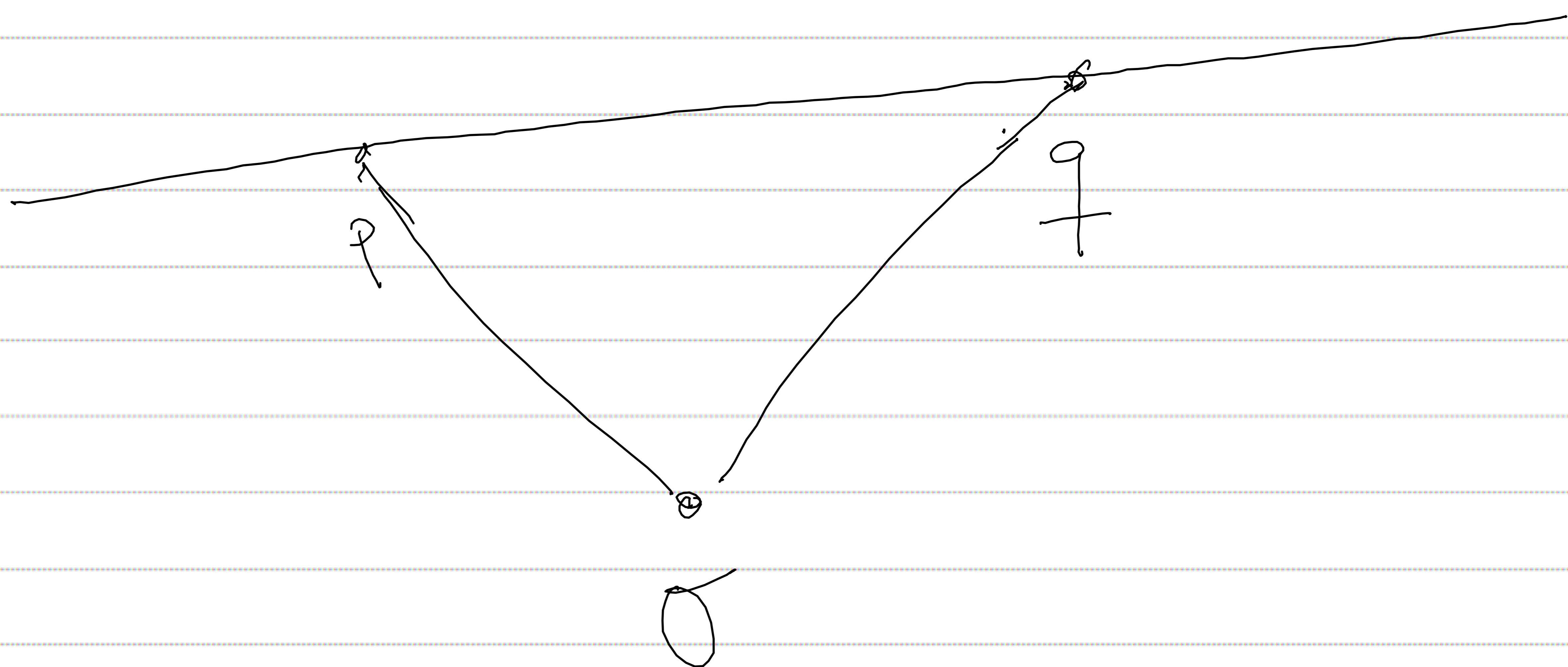
## VII Equations for Line, Planes, etc

Line is given by

1) two points  $p = (p_1, p_2, p_3)$

$$q = (q_1, q_2, q_3)$$

$l = ?$



and a direction  $v$

$$l = \{ p + tv : t \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

or 3) an equation

Description 2) allows us to calculate 3

$$p = (p_1 \ p_2 \ p_3) \quad v = (v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3)$$

$$l = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} p_1 + t v_1 \\ p_2 + t v_2 \\ p_3 + t v_3 \end{pmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$x_1 = p_1 + t v_1$$

$$x_1 - x_2 = (p_1 - p_2) + t(v_1 - v_2)$$

$$x_2 = p_2 + t v_2$$

$$x_3 - x_2 = (p_3 - p_2) + t(v_3 - v_2)$$

$$x_3 = p_3 + t v_3$$

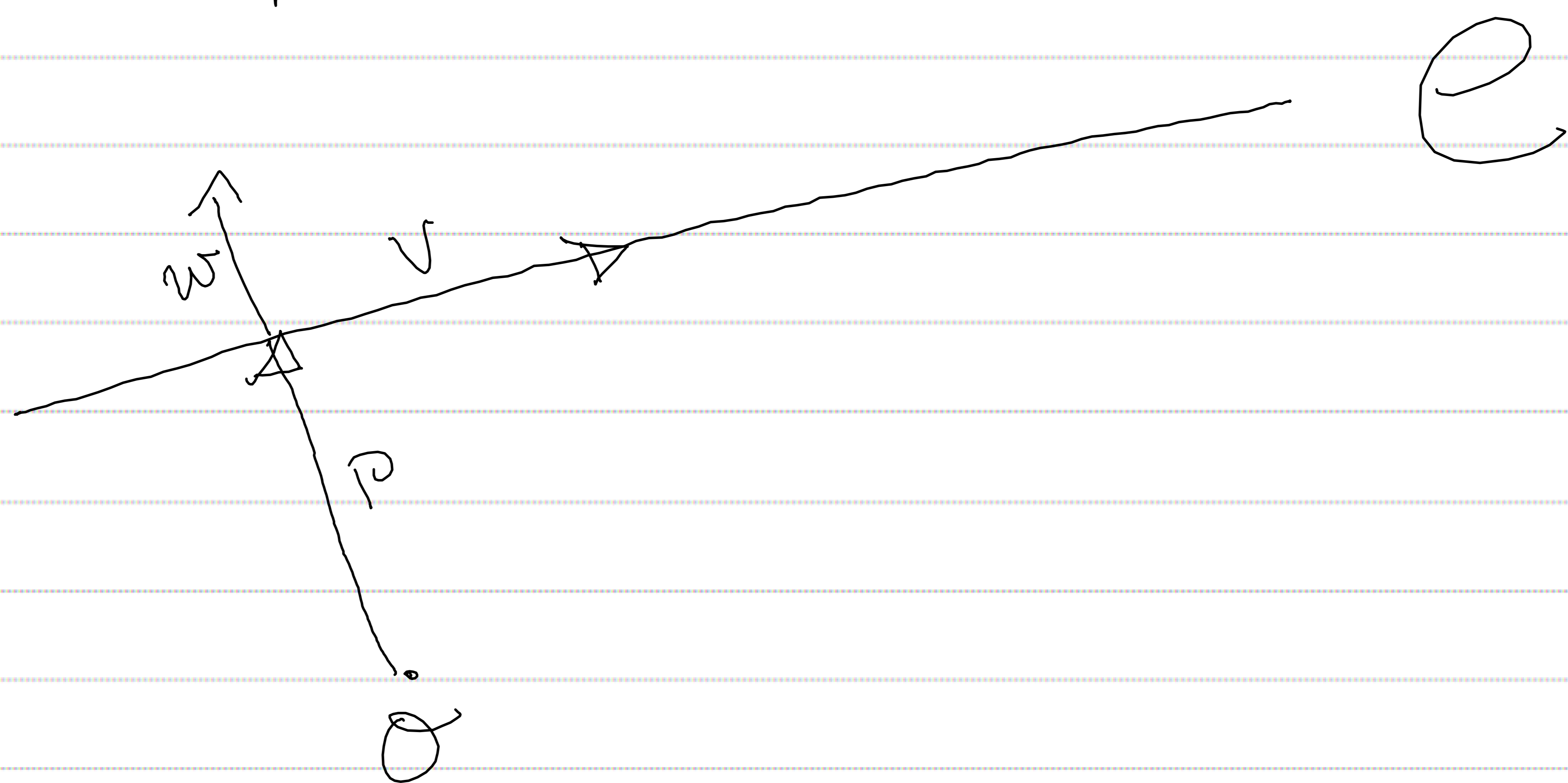
Somehow need  
two equations

Note through origin

$$l = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t x_1 \\ t x_2 \\ t x_3 \end{pmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Not through origin

Preparation - detour  $\mathbb{R}^2$



let  $w$  be orthogonal to  $v$   $(w, v) = 0$

choose  $p$  on  $l$  with distance from origin minimal.

Then  $l = \{ z \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (z, w) = (p, w) \}$

Example a)  $l = \{ (x, 0) : x \in \mathbb{R} \}$

$$= \{ (z_1, z_2) : ((z_1, z_2), (0, 1)) = 0 \}$$

b)  $l = \{ (x, 3) : x \in \mathbb{R} \}$

$$= \{ (z_1, z_2) : (z, (0, 1)) = 3 \}$$

c)  $l = \{ (x+1, 2x+3) : x \in \mathbb{R} \}$

$$l_0 = \{ (x, 2x) : x \in \mathbb{R} \} \quad l = (1, 3) + l_0$$

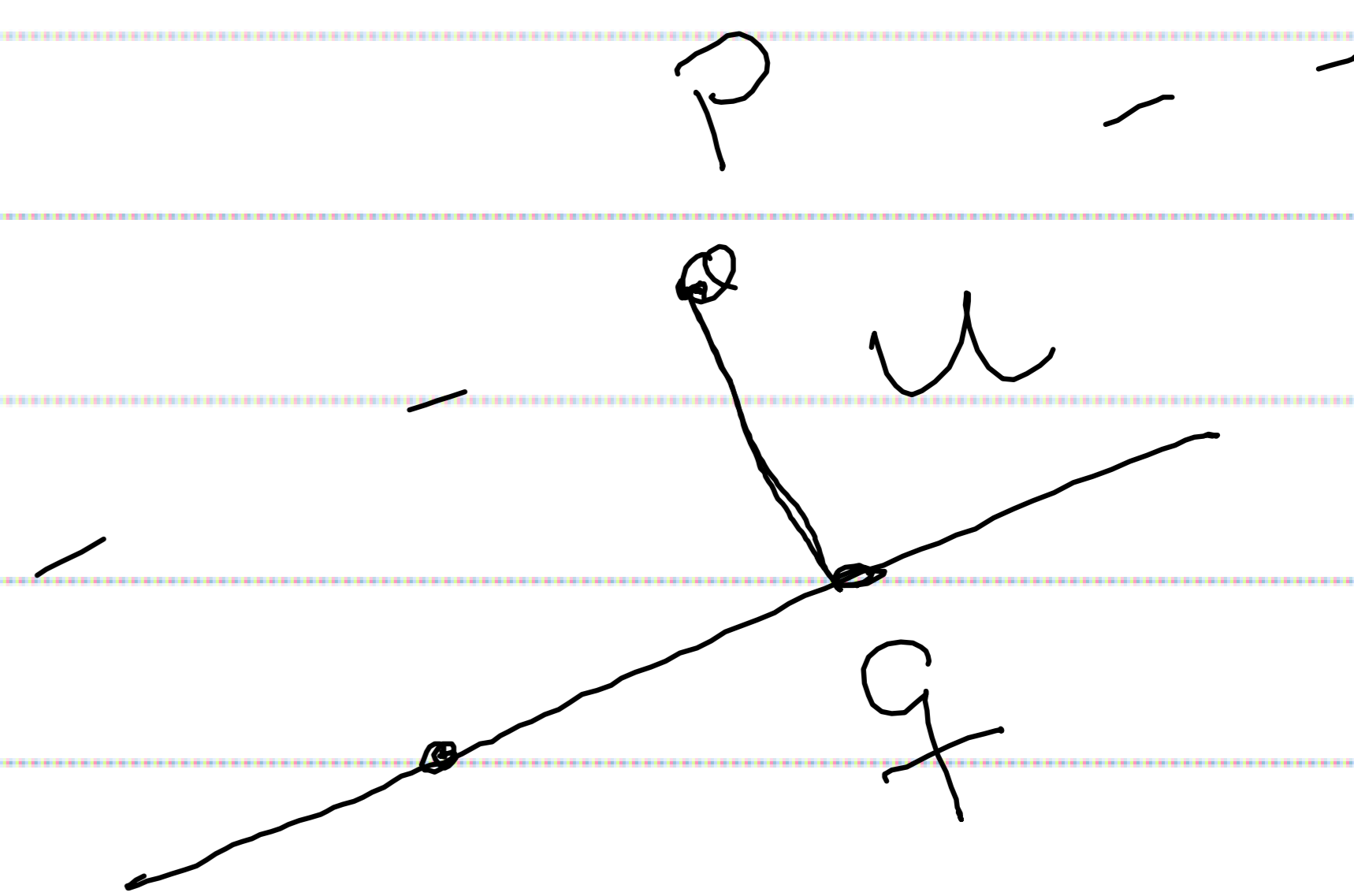
Ignore

$$\text{dist}((1,3), l_0)$$

$l_0 = V_0$  1 dimensional subspace

$$b_0 = \frac{(1,2)}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \text{unit vector}$$

best approximation



$$w_0 = ((1,3), b_0) \quad b_0 = \frac{1}{3} ((1,3), (1,2)) \quad (1,2)$$

$$= \frac{7}{3} (1,2)$$

$$w_0 = (1,3) - w_0 = (1,3) - \frac{7}{3} (1,2) \quad 9-14$$

$$= \left(-\frac{4}{3}, -\frac{5}{3}\right) \quad \left((1,3), \left(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{5}{3}\right)\right)$$

$$\text{Find } l = \lambda z \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (z, u) = ((1,3), u) \quad \} \quad ?$$

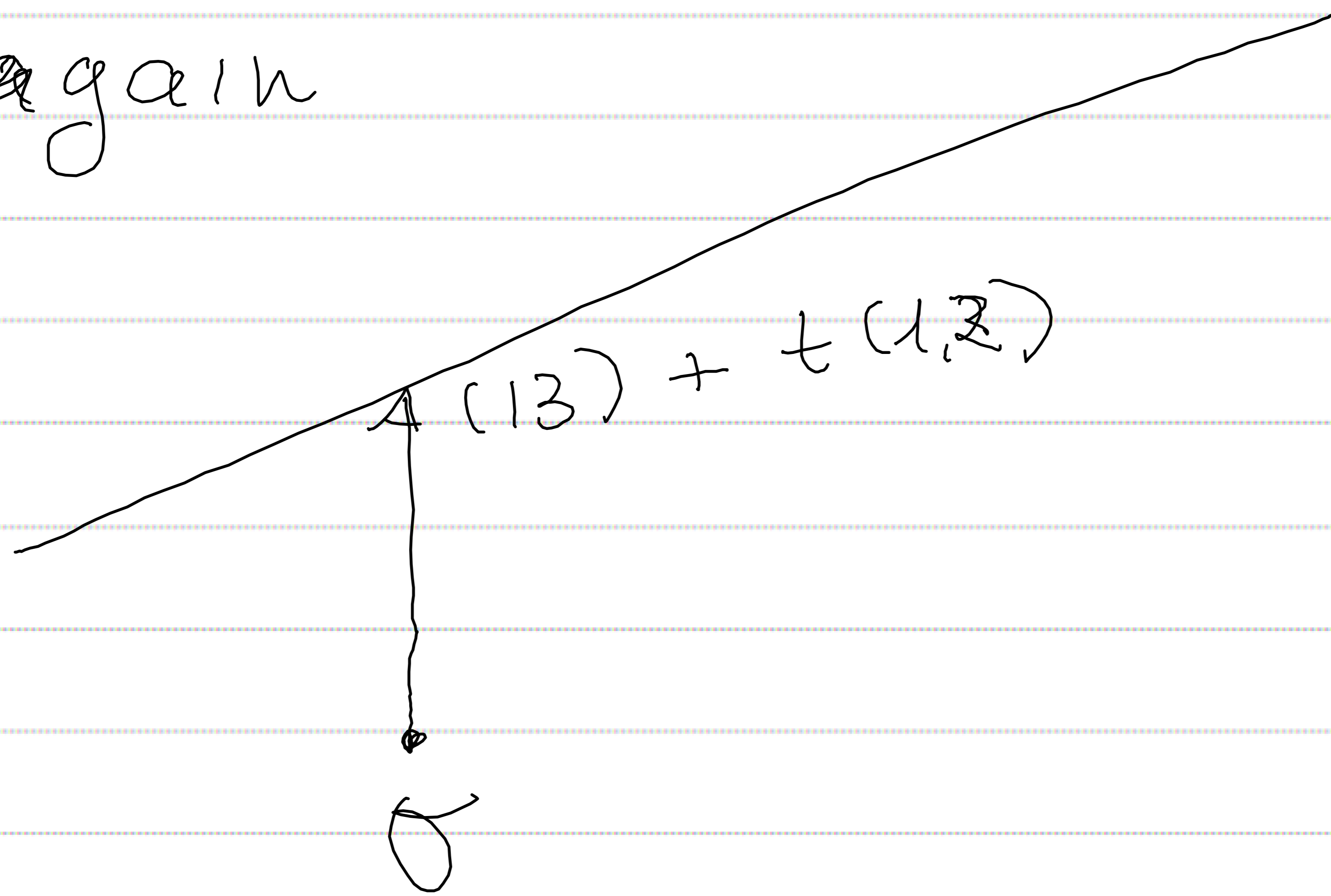
$$\text{Indeed } = \lambda (z_1, z_2) : \quad \frac{4}{3} z_1 + \frac{5}{3} z_2 = \frac{19}{3} \quad \}$$

$$= \lambda (z_1, z_2) : \quad 4z_1 + 5z_2 = 19 \quad \}$$

$$z = (1,3) + t(1,2) \quad (z, u) = ((1,3), u) + t((1,2), u)$$

~~(1,3) + t(1,2)~~

again



Need  $u$  orthogonal to  $v$

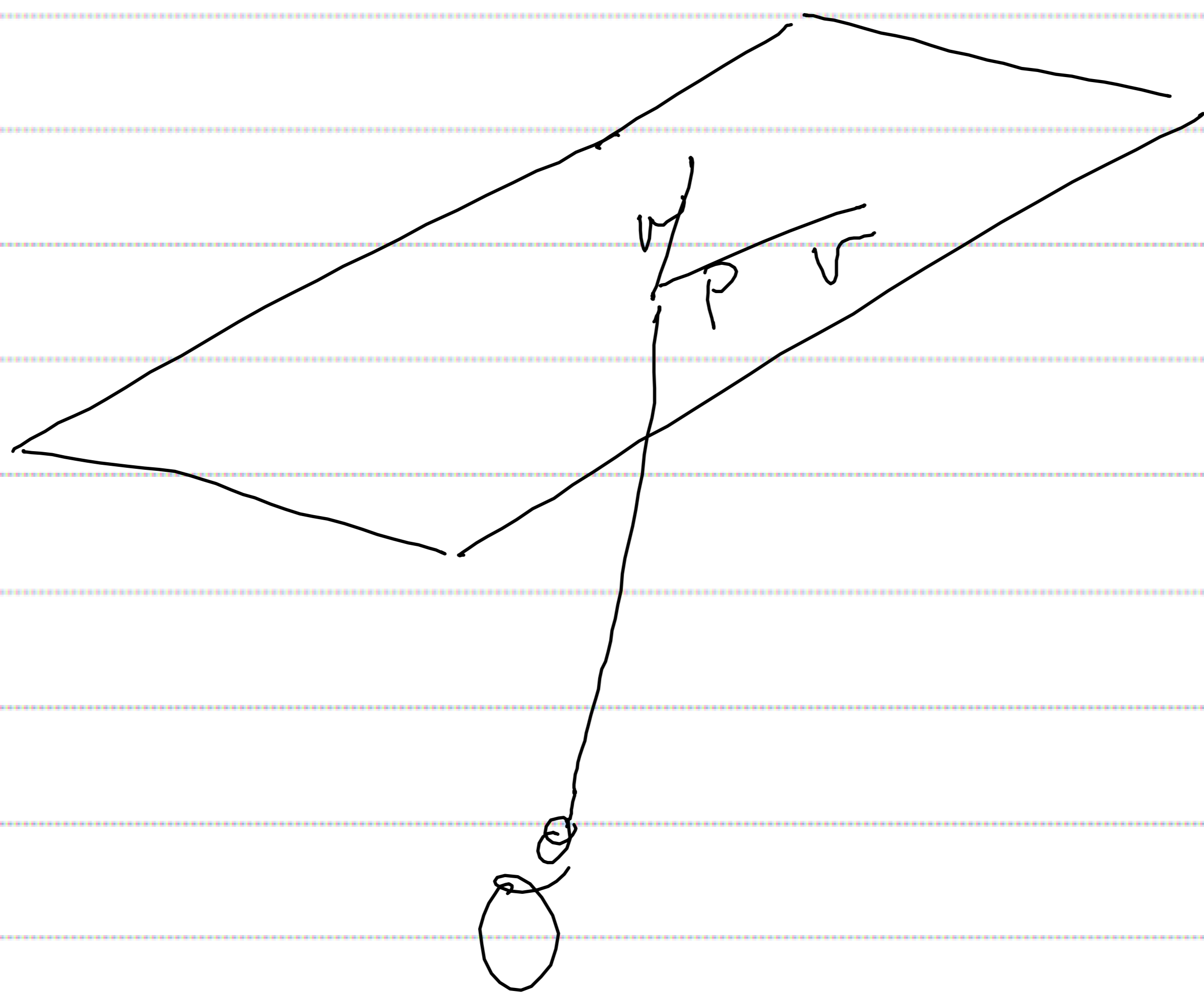
$$u = (-2, 1)$$

$$(u, p + tv) = (u, p) + t(u, v) = (u, p)$$

$$((-2, 1), (x, y)) = (u, p) = ((-2, 1), (1, 3)) = 1 \\ = -2 + 3$$

Equation  $\boxed{-2x + y = 1}$

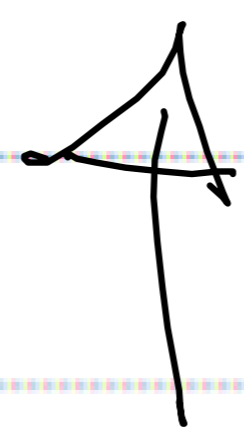
Plane equation in  $\mathbb{R}^3$



given by one  
2 vectors and  
one point

$$P = \{ p + tv + sw : t, s \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} p_1 + tv_1 + sw_1 \\ p_2 + tv_2 + sw_2 \\ p_3 + tv_3 + sw_3 \end{pmatrix} : t, s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$



↑  
Parametrization of Plane  
(and there are many)

Equation Find  $c = v \times w$  which  
is perpendicular and then

$$P = \{ (x, y, z) : c_1x + c_2y + c_3z = d \}$$

$$d = (c, P)$$

↑  
point

↑  
Equation for plane

Line = Intersection of two planes

≅ two equations

↪ Parametric ~~equation~~

$$L = \{ P_0 + tv : t \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$= \{ (x, y, z) : \begin{cases} ((x, y, z), w) = \alpha \\ ((x, y, z), \tilde{w}) = \beta \end{cases} \}$$

$$(w, v) = 0 \quad (\tilde{w}, v) = 0$$

$$(P_0, w) = \alpha \quad (P_0, \tilde{w}) = \beta$$

Example

$$L = \left\{ s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & e_3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\equiv 1 \cdot e_1 - 1 \cdot e_2 + 2e_3$$

$$= (-1 \ 1 \ 2)$$

$$\alpha = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 2$$

$$\beta = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = -1 + 1 + 2 = 2$$

$$L = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} : \begin{array}{l} x + y = 2 \\ -x + y + 2z = 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

↑

Equation

Short version

Plane equation

$$\boxed{ax + by + cz = d}$$

in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

or

or parametrization

$$P = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} p_1 + t v_1 + s w_1 \\ p_2 + t v_2 + s w_2 \\ p_3 + t v_3 + s w_3 \end{pmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

(Any other basis for  $V = \langle v, w \rangle$  ← the span)

or three points (generically)

Line equation

$$a_1 x + b_1 y + c_1 z = d_1$$

$$a_2 x + b_2 y + c_2 z = d_2$$

or

$$L = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} p_1 + t v_1 \\ p_2 + t v_2 \\ p_3 + t v_3 \end{pmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{pmatrix} \in L \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} p_1 + v_1 \\ p_2 + v_2 \\ p_3 + v_3 \end{pmatrix} \in L$$

two points

HW given three points find equation

Note In  $\mathbb{R}^2$  lines are given  
by one equation  
only.

VIII Equations for certain  
geometric objects

a) Circle or Sphere

$$|p - z| = r$$

$p$  midpoint

$$z = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$r$  distance

variable

b) Distance between points

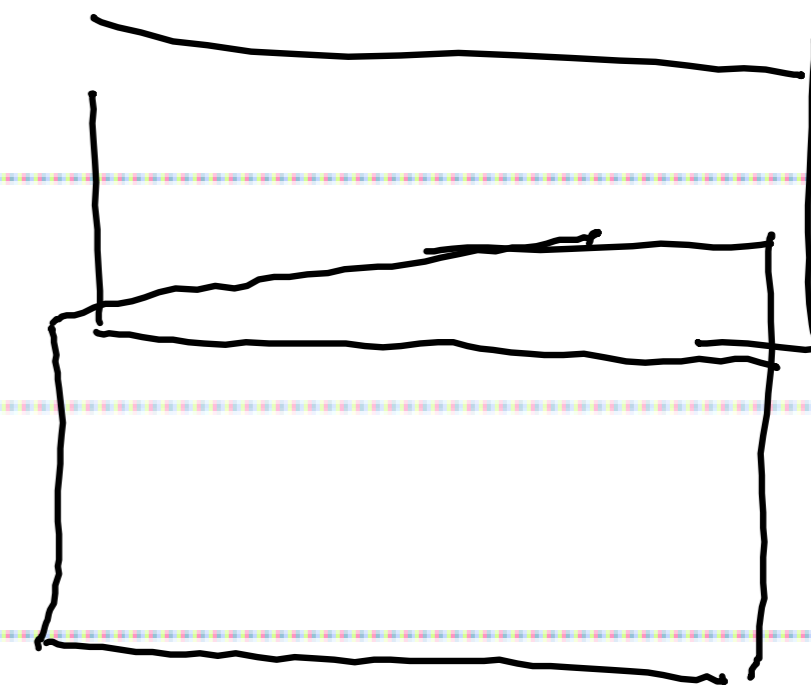
$$|\overrightarrow{P_1 P_2}| = \text{dist}(P_1, P_2) = |P_2 - P_1|$$

↑  
vector

c) Distance from a plane

$$P = \{ p_0 + tv + sw : t, s \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

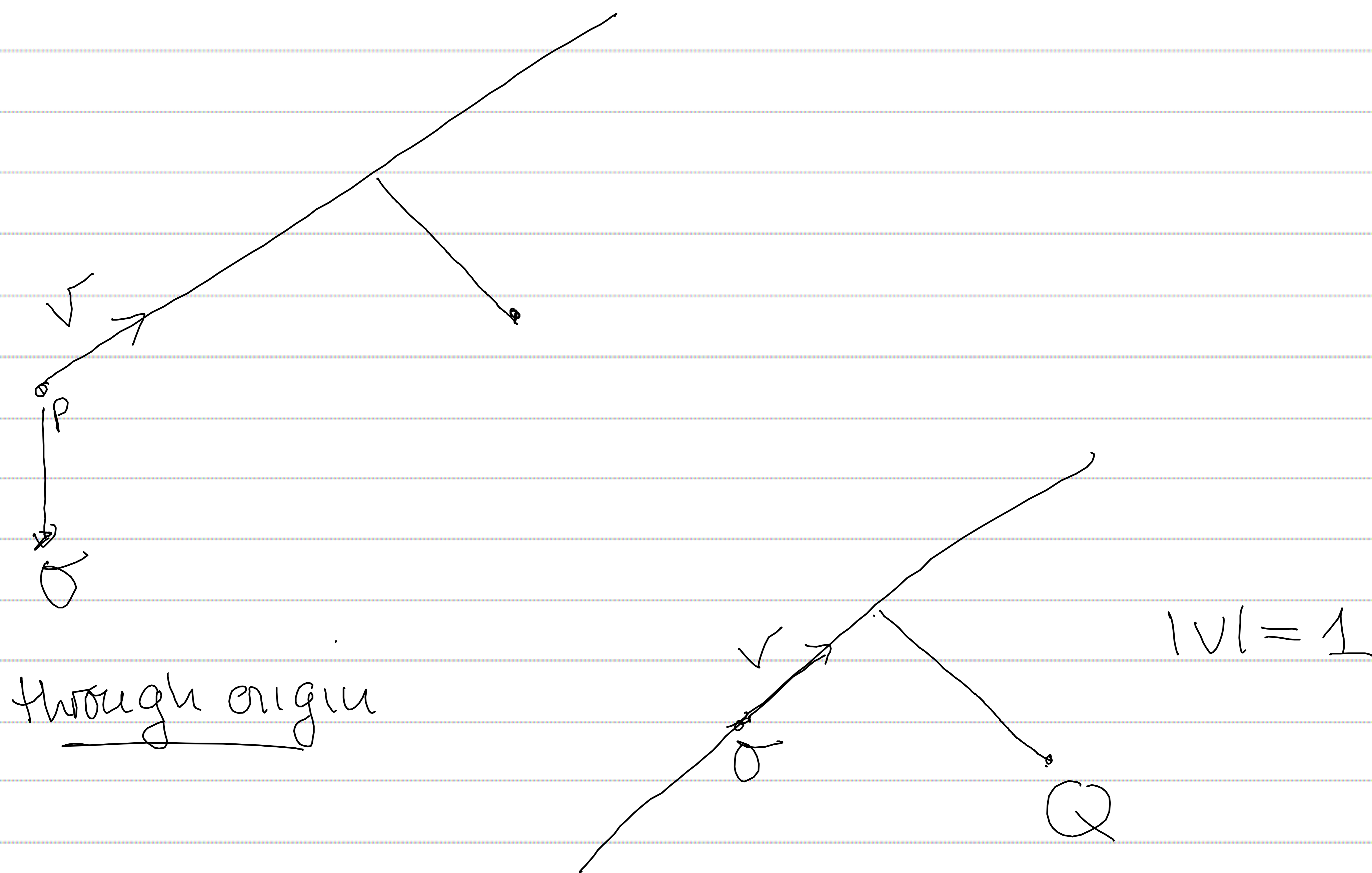
~~Assume~~ We know  $c = \frac{v \times w}{|v \times w|}$  is orthogonal to  $v, w$



$$p_0 = 0 \quad |(c, z)| = \text{distance}$$

$$p_0 \neq 0 \quad |(c, z - p_0)| = \text{distance}$$

d) distance from a line



best approximation  $(Q, v)v$

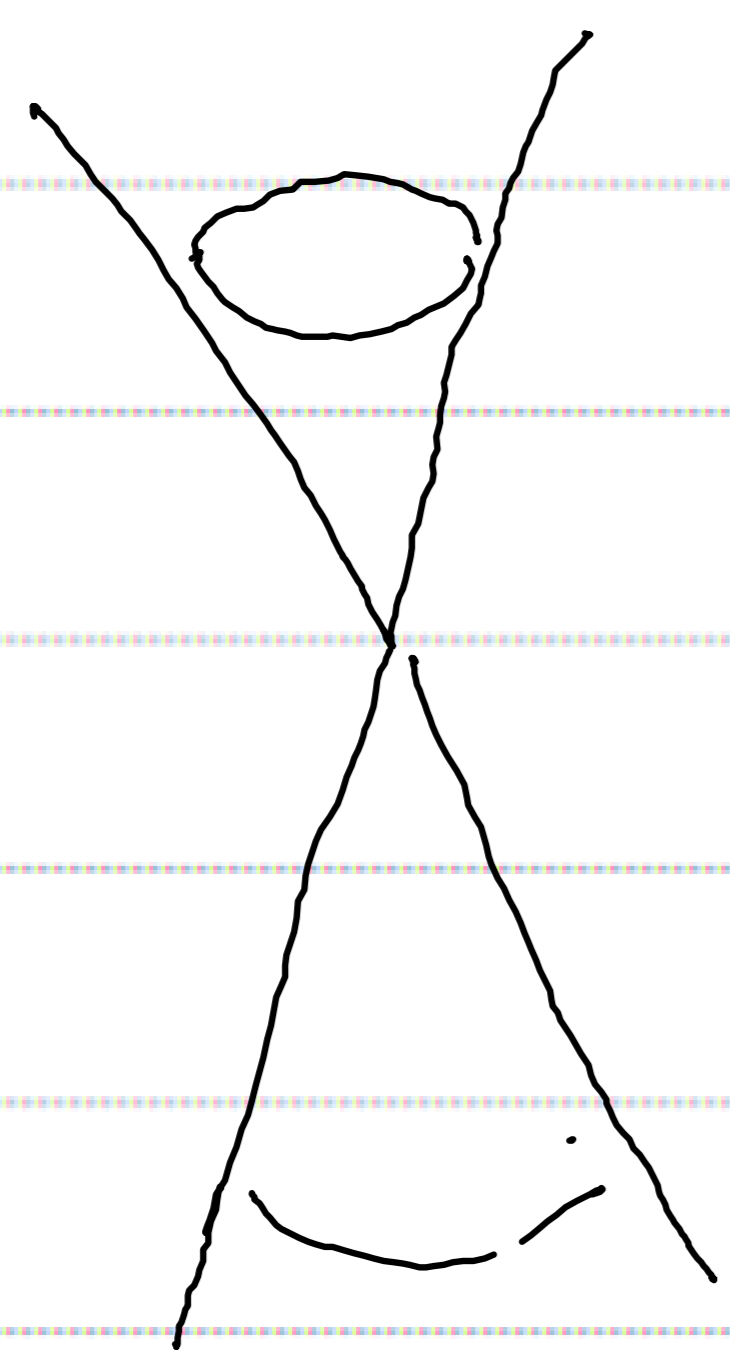
Distance  $|Q - (Q, v)v|$   
 $= \sqrt{|(Q, b_2)|^2 + |(Q, b_3)|^2}$

where  $b_2, b_3$  are orthogonal <sup>normal</sup> vectors

so that  $(v, b_2, b_3)$  is a basis

Not through origin take difference,

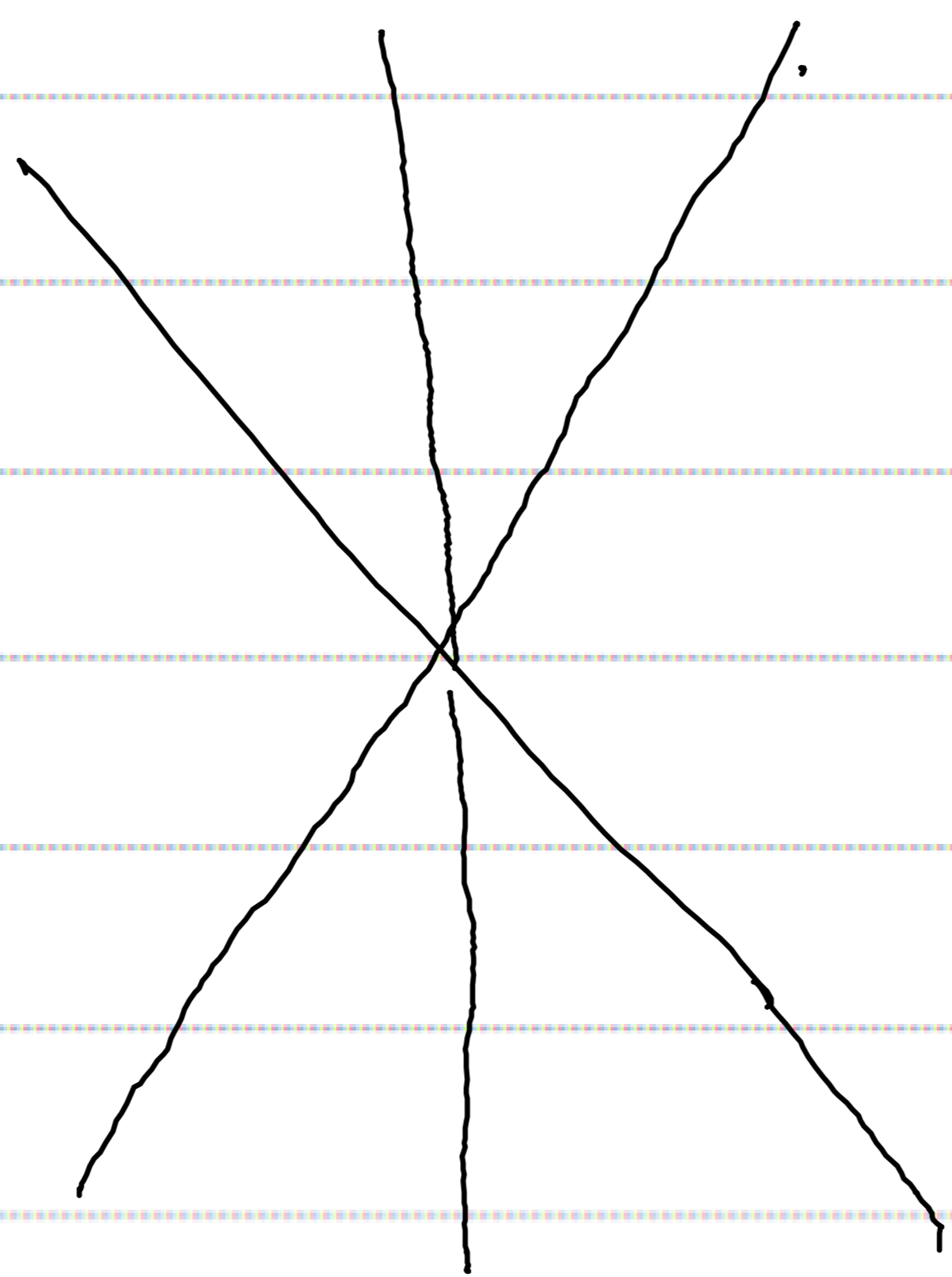
e) Very popular for old greeks



cone

Equation?

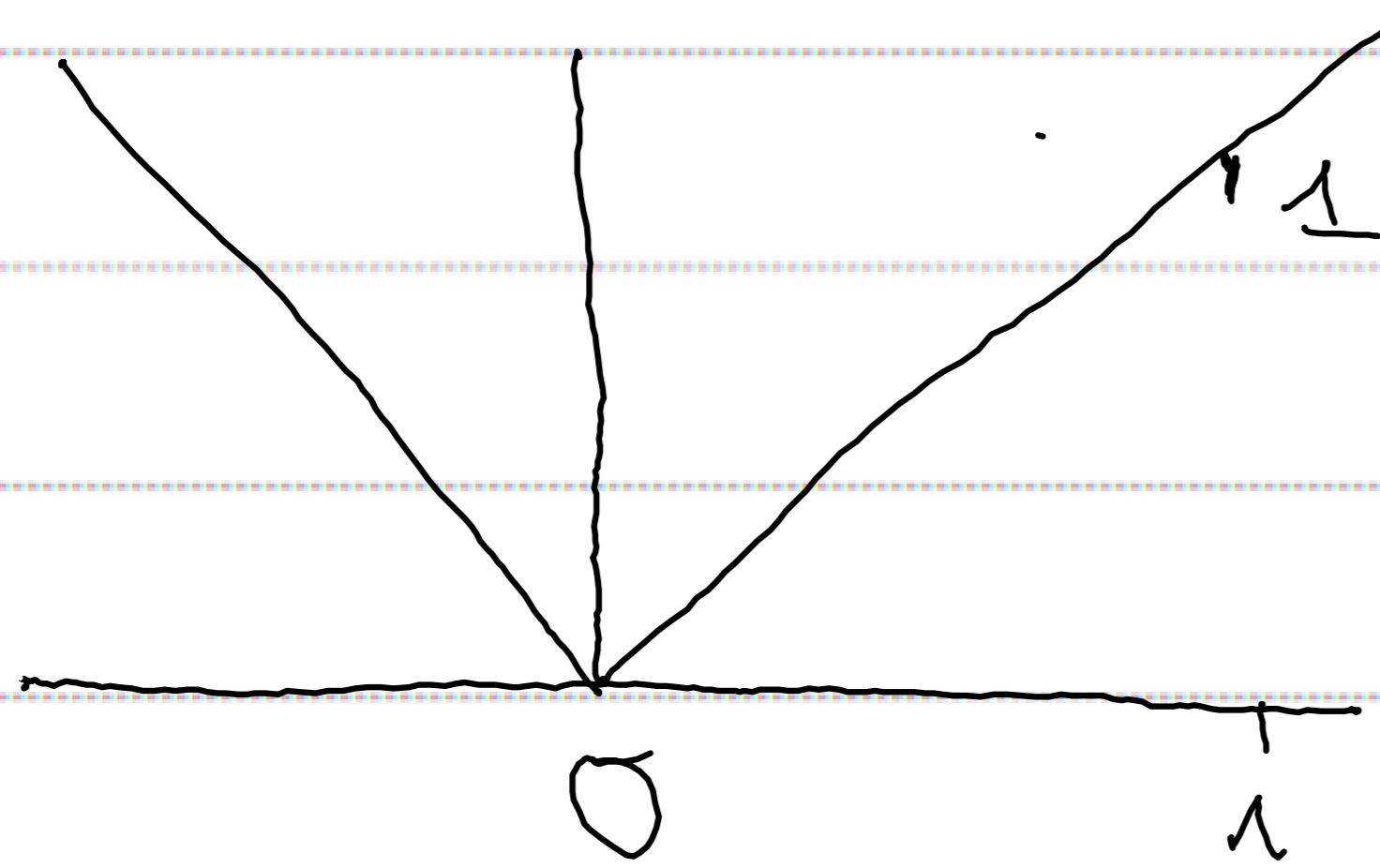
f) in  $\mathbb{R}^2$



$$y^2 = \alpha x^2$$

$\alpha > 0$   
parameter

What is this function?



$$y = f(x) = |x|$$

Hence in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$y^2 + z^2 = \alpha x^2$$

cone equation

Change of basis

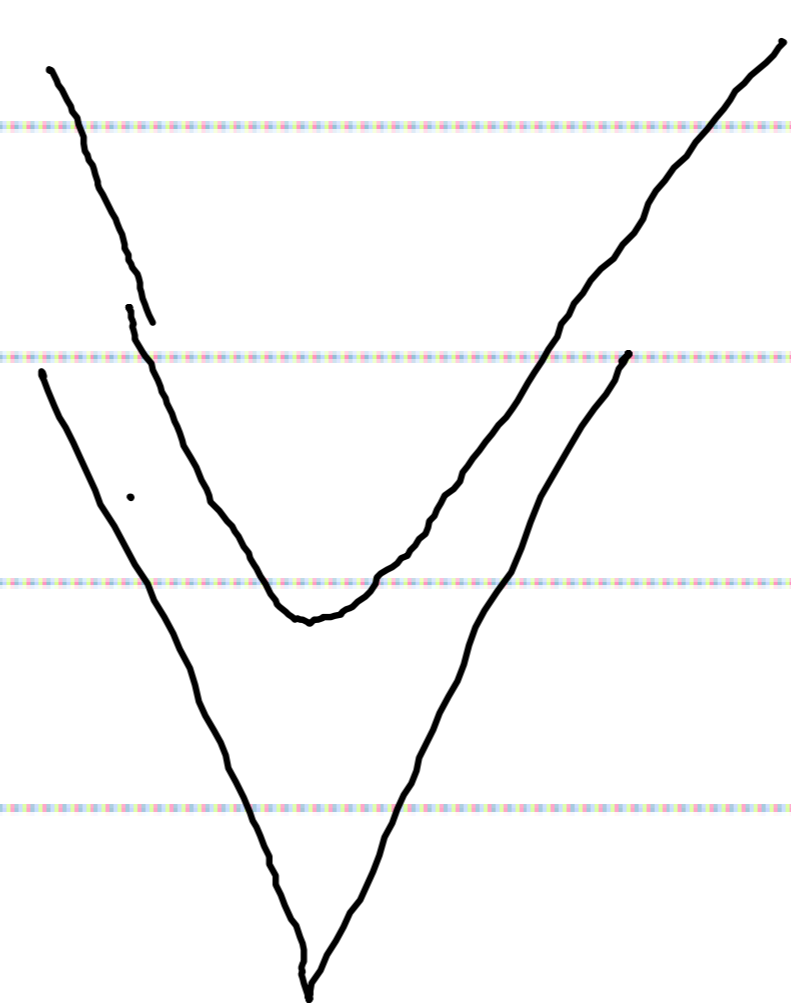
$$\boxed{\frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = \frac{x^2}{a^2}}$$

g) What are the possible intersections between a cone and a plane

• circle parallel to  $yz$  plane

• ellipse a little tilted

• parabola



• hyperbola

Problem: Find equations!

Hint plane  $P = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} p_1 + tv_1 + sw_1 \\ p_2 + tv_2 + sw_2 \\ p_3 + tv_3 + sw_3 \end{pmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

$$\text{and } \frac{(p_1 + tv_1 + sw_1)^2}{a^2} = \frac{(p_2 + tv_2 + sw_2)^2}{b^2} + \frac{(p_3 + tv_3 + sw_3)^2}{c^2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{p_1^2 + t^2 v_1^2 + s^2 w_1^2 + 2tp_1 v_1 + 2sp_1 w_1 + 2ts v_1 w_1}{a^2} = \dots$$

This are just quadratic equations in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

h) Quadratic equations in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \pm \frac{z^2}{c^2} + d \quad (\text{no } x, y, z \text{ terms})$$

h1)  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = d$       ellipsoid  
||  
transformed  
ball (sphere)

h2)  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = d$       hyperboloid

h3)  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} = \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2}$       cone

h4) hyperbolic paraboloid  $\frac{z}{c} = \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2}$

Remark general quadratic equation

$$ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + \alpha xy + \beta yz + \gamma xz + \rho x + \nu y + \mu z + \kappa = 0$$

Through clever change of variable

one can simplify to the cases mentioned above