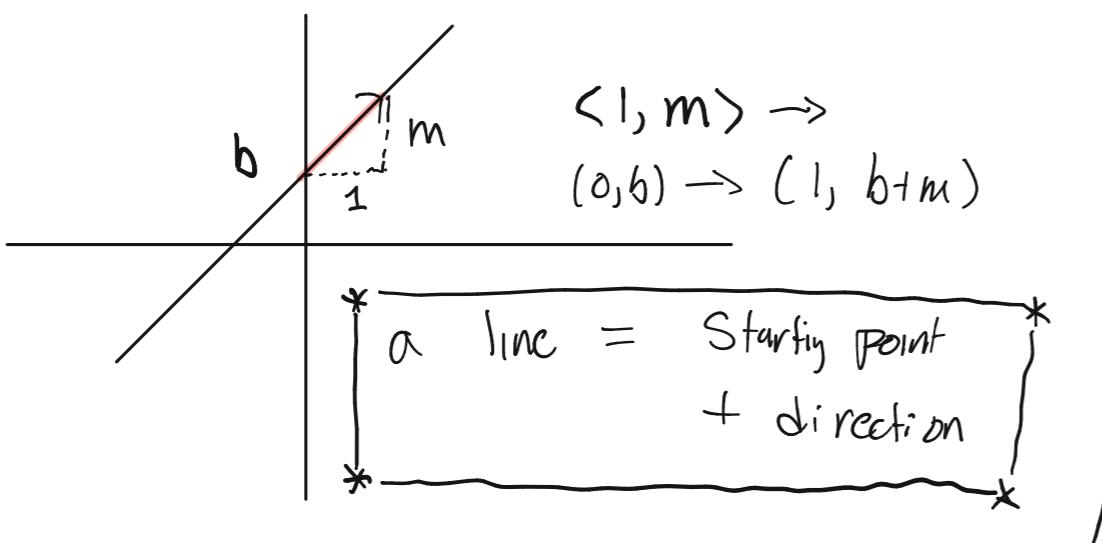


## 6.9.5: Lines & Planes in 3-Space

Review a line is a function  
in 2D

$$y = m(x - x_0) + y_0$$

$(x_0, y_0)$  Starting Point       $m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$  Slope



Idea: Point  $P = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$

direction of travel  $\vec{v} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$

The (vector form) of the line starting  $\textcircled{O}$

$P$  in direction  $\vec{v}$  is

$$\vec{r}(t) = \vec{OP} + t\vec{v}$$

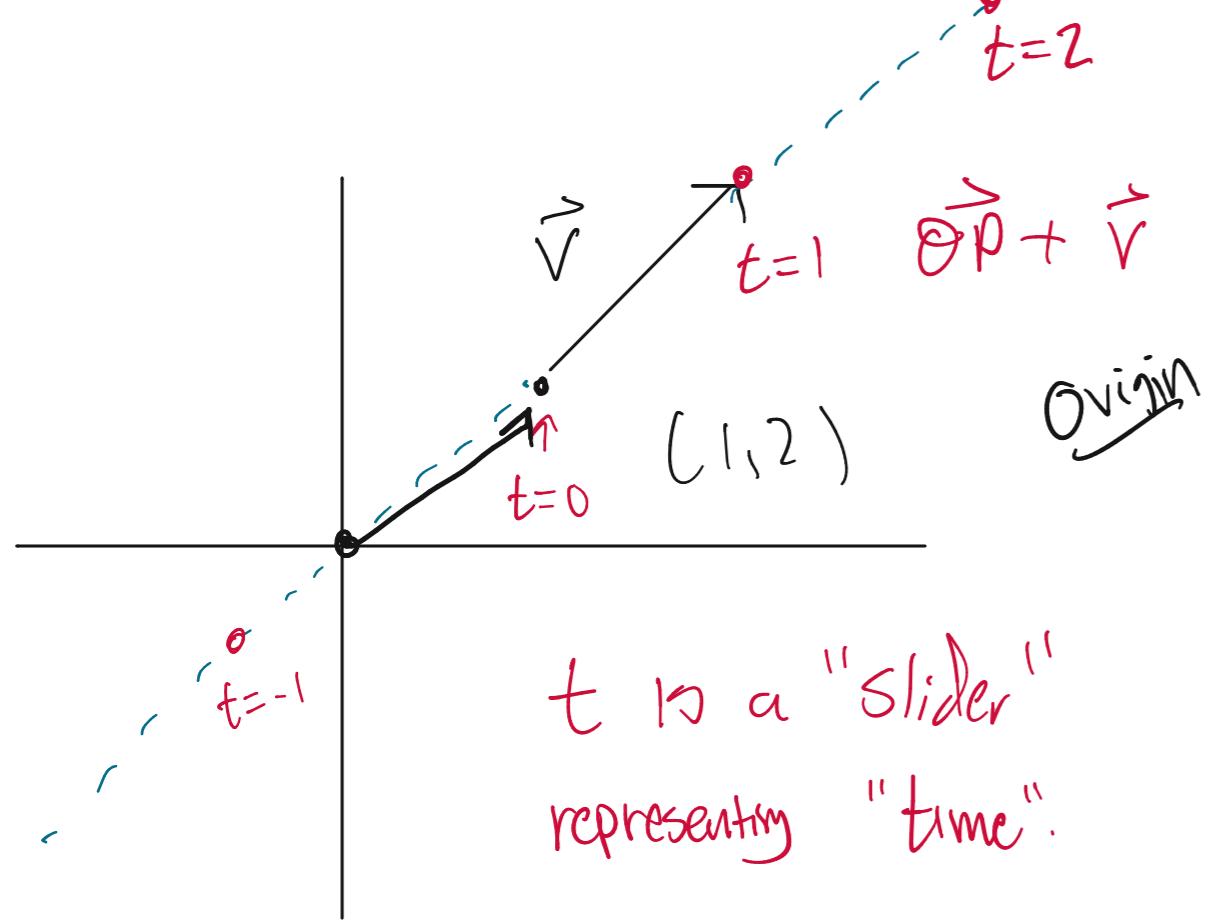
$O = \underline{\text{origin}}$

Ex

Starting point:  $(1, 2)$

Initial direction

$$\langle 3, 4 \rangle$$



$t$  is a "slider"  
representing "time".

$$\tilde{r}(t) = \langle 1, 2 \rangle + t \langle 3, 4 \rangle.$$

$$= \langle 1+3t, 2+4t \rangle.$$

Ex find Eqn of a line from

$$P = (2, 3, 4) \text{ to } Q = (5, 9, 5).$$

two ingredients: Initial Point:  $P = (2, 3, 4)$

direction vector:  $\vec{PQ} = \langle 3, 6, 1 \rangle$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \vec{OP} + t\vec{v} = \langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle + t \langle 3, 6, 1 \rangle$$

$$= \underbrace{\langle 2+3t, 3+6t, 4+t \rangle}_{\uparrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow}$$

↑  
Parametric Equations.

$$r(t) = \begin{cases} x(t) = 2 + 3t \\ y(t) = 3 + 6t \\ z(t) = 4 + t \end{cases} \quad \leftarrow \text{Parametric form of the line.}$$

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Ex  $P = (1, 2, -1)$        $Q = (-2, 1, -2)$

$L$  is the line from  $P$  to  $Q$ .

- ① find the parametric form of  $\vec{L}(t)$ .

$$\vec{PQ} = \langle -3, -1, -1 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(t) &= \vec{OP} + t \vec{PQ} \\ &= \langle 1, 2, -1 \rangle + t \langle -3, -1, -1 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x(t) = 1 - 3t \\ y(t) = 2 - t \\ z(t) = -1 - t \end{cases} \quad \uparrow$$

②: K be the line w/ parametric form

$$K(s) = \begin{cases} x(s) = 1 + 4s \\ y(s) = -3s \\ z(s) = 3 + 2s \end{cases}$$

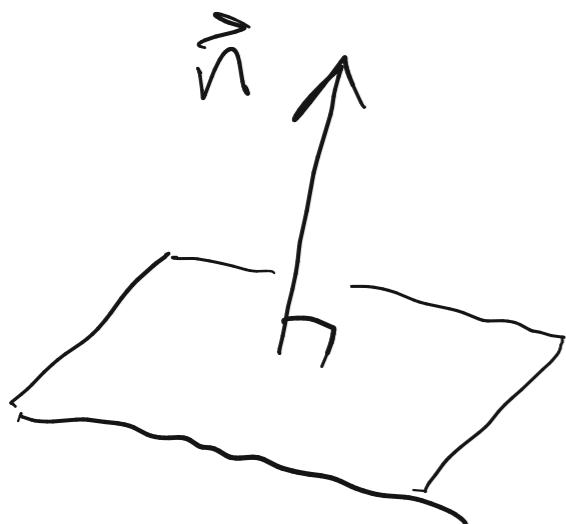
Find direction vector of K

$$\vec{v} = \langle 4, -3, 2 \rangle$$

# Planes in 3D

A plane is the set of all points  $\vec{P}$

perpendicular to a given normal vector  $\vec{n}$ .



① Vector form:

$$\vec{P}_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$$
$$\vec{P} = (x, y, z)$$

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{P}_0 \vec{P} = 0$$

② Scalar form,

$$\vec{n} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$$

normal vector

$$a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(z - z_0) = 0$$

$(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is a point  
on plane

Σ<sup>a</sup> Scalar form pt 2:

$$ax + by + cz = d$$

is also a plane.

$$2(x-0) + -1(y-2) + 1(z-4) = 0$$

Exs ① find a plane cont. the point  $P_0 = (0, 2, 4)$

w/  $\vec{n} = \langle 2, -1, 1 \rangle$

② Q: Is the point  $(2, 0, 2)$  on this plane?

$$2(2-0) + -1(0-2) + 1(2-4) = ?$$

$$4 + 2 - 2 = 4 \neq 0$$

So the point  $(2, 0, 2)$  is not on this plane.

Note: two planes  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$  are parallel if their normal vectors are parallel.

i.e. if  $\vec{n}_1 \parallel \vec{n}_2$

$$\vec{n} = \langle 3 - 1, 1 \rangle$$

all normal vectors

find a plane  $\text{pll}$  to the plane above goes through the point  $(3, 0, 4)$

$$2(x-3) - (y-0) + (z-4) = 0.$$