

EEE 221:

Electromagnetism

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Chapter 1: Vector Algebra



SCALARS AND VECTORS

A scalar is a quantity that has only magnitude.

Quantities such as time, mass, distance, temperature, entropy, electric potential, and population are scalars. A vector has not only magnitude, but direction in space.

A vector is a quantity that is described by both magnitude and direction.

Vector quantities include velocity, force, momentum, acceleration, displacement, and electric field intensity. Another class of physical quantities is called *tensors*, of which scalars and vectors are special cases. For most of the time, we shall be concerned with scalars and vectors.⁴

To distinguish between a scalar and a vector it is customary to represent a vector by a letter with an arrow on top of it, such as $\vec{A}$ and $\vec{B}$, or by a letter in boldface type such as **A** and **B**. A scalar is represented simply by a letter—for example, A , B , U , and V .

$\vec{A}$ $\overline{A}$ $\Rightarrow$ Vectors Arrow
 A B $\Rightarrow$ Vectors Bold

A C k $\Rightarrow$ scalar

UNIT VECTOR

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A vector A has both magnitude and direction. The magnitude of A is a scalar written as A or $|A|$. A unit vector a_A along A is defined as a vector whose magnitude is unity (i.e., 1) and its direction is along A ; that is,

$$a_A = \frac{A}{|A|} = \frac{A}{A}$$

Bold

Note that $|a_A| = 1$. Thus we may write A as

$$A = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2 + A_z^2}$$

Unit vector

$$a_A = \frac{A_x a_x + A_y a_y + A_z a_z}{\sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2 + A_z^2}}$$

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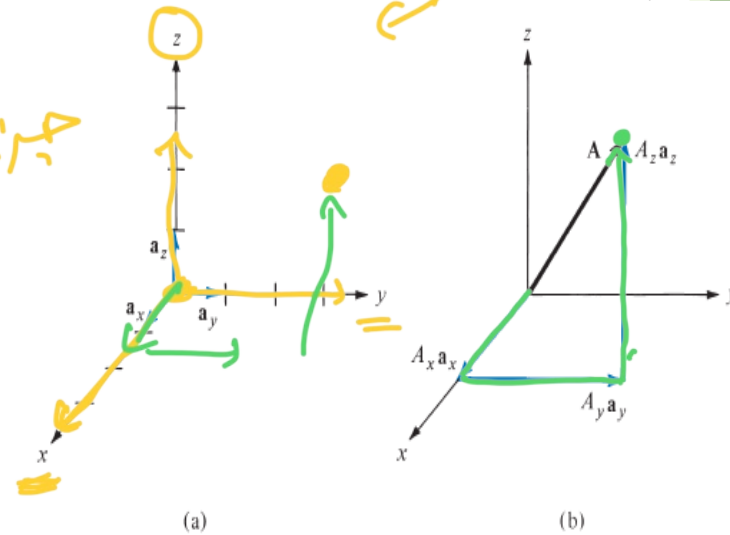


FIGURE 1.1 (a) Unit vectors a_x , a_y , and a_z , (b) components of A along a_x , a_y , and a_z .

$$\vec{A} = 5\vec{i} + 7\vec{j} - 3\vec{k} \rightarrow \text{vector}$$

$$\vec{A} = \langle 5, 7, -3 \rangle \rightarrow \text{vector}$$

$$\vec{A} = \underbrace{5}_{\text{x}} \vec{a}_x + \underbrace{7}_{\text{y}} \vec{a}_y - \underbrace{3}_{\text{z}} \vec{a}_z \rightarrow \text{vector}$$

magnitude vector $A \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

$$|A| = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2 + a_z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{5^2 + 7^2 + (-3)^2}$$

$$25 + 49 + 9$$

$$\sqrt{83}$$

$$|A| = \sqrt{83}$$

$$\approx 9.11 \dots$$

Unit Vector $\rightarrow$ "a"

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$$a_A = \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|}$$

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VECTOR ADDITION & SUBTRACTION

Two vectors A and B can be added together to give another vector C; that is,

$$\underline{C} = A + B$$

The vector addition is carried out component by component. Thus, if $A = (A_x, A_y, A_z)$ and $B = (B_x, B_y, B_z)$.

$$C = (A_x + B_x)\mathbf{a}_x + (A_y + B_y)\mathbf{a}_y + (A_z + B_z)\mathbf{a}_z$$

Vector subtraction is similarly carried out as

$$\begin{aligned} D &= A - B = A + (-B) \\ &= (A_x - B_x)\mathbf{a}_x + (A_y - B_y)\mathbf{a}_y + (A_z - B_z)\mathbf{a}_z \end{aligned}$$

VECTOR ADDITION & SUBTRACTION

Law	Addition	Multiplication
Commutative	$A + B = B + A$	$kA = Ak$
Associative	$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$	$k(\ell A) = (k\ell)A$
Distributive	$k(A + B) = kA + kB$	

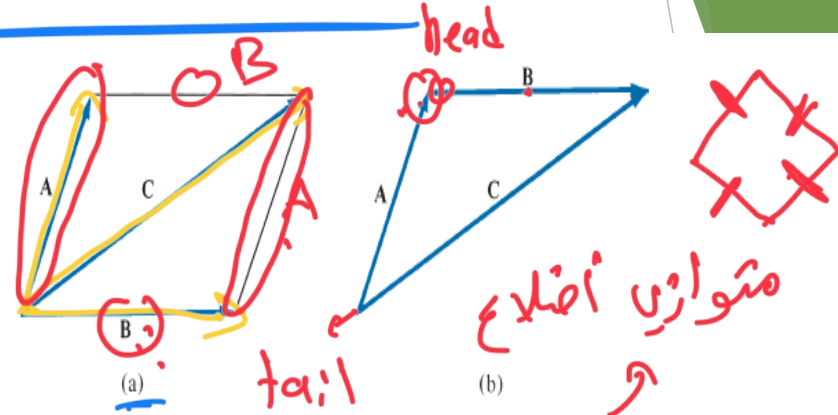


FIGURE 1.2 Vector addition $C = A + B$: (a) parallelogram rule, (b) head-to-tail rule.

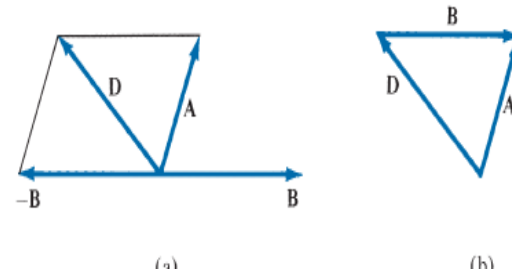


FIGURE 1.3 Vector subtraction $D = A - B$: (a) parallelogram rule, (b) head-to-tail rule.

POSITION AND DISTANCE VECTORS

The position vector $\mathbf{r}_p$ (or radius vector) of point P is defined as the directed distance from the origin O to P ; that is,

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$$\mathbf{r}_p = OP = xa_x + ya_y + za_z$$

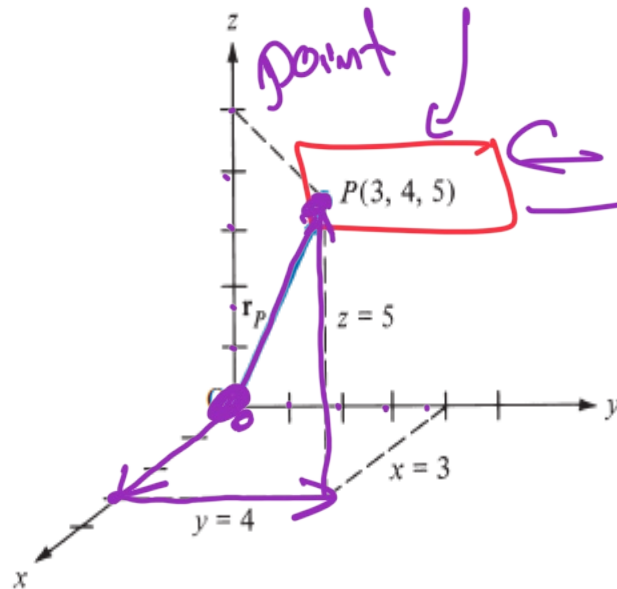


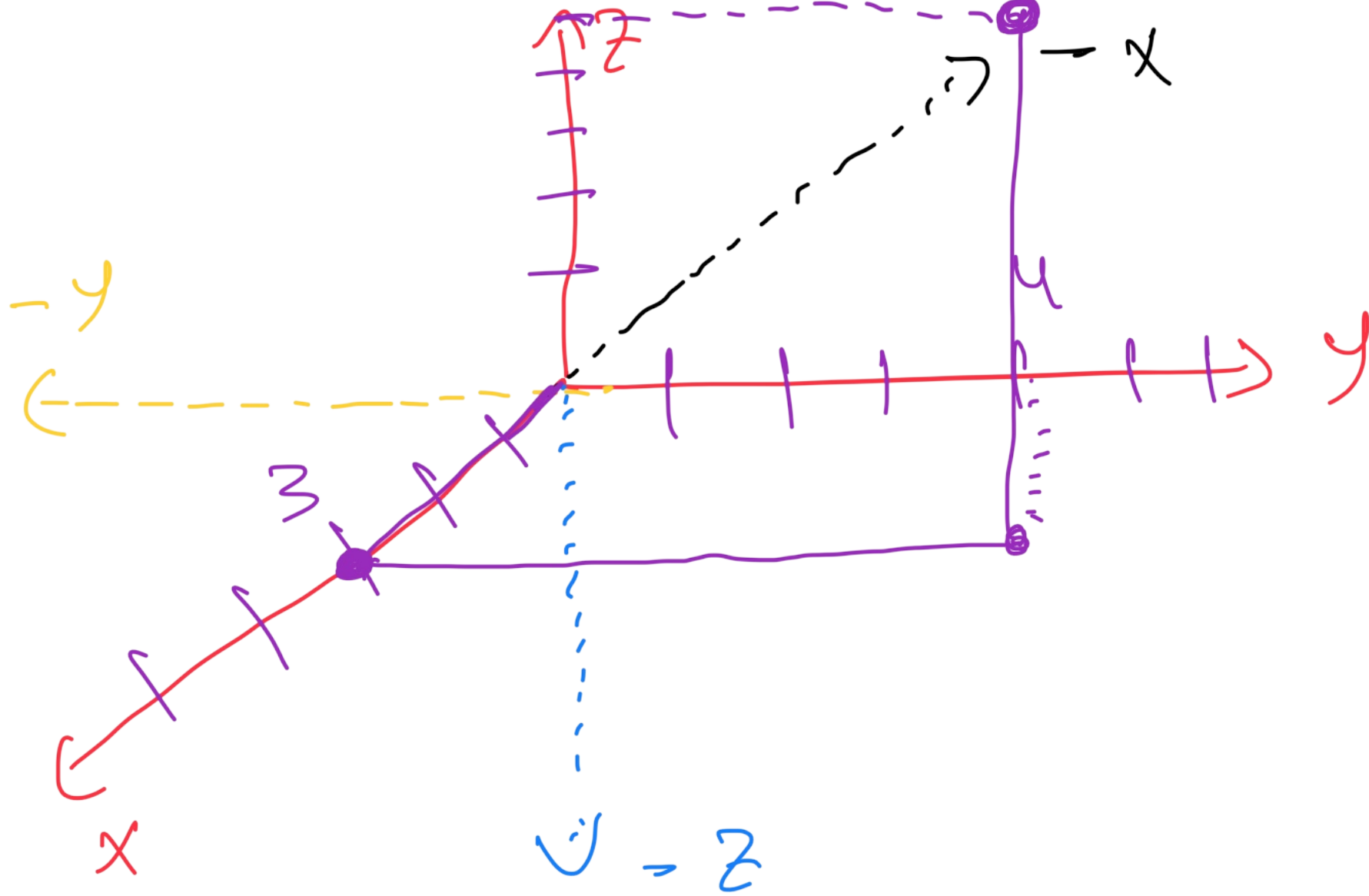
FIGURE 1.4 Illustration of position vector

$$\mathbf{r}_p = 3\mathbf{a}_x + 4\mathbf{a}_y + 5\mathbf{a}_z$$

vector

$$(+3) + (+4) + (+5)$$

x y z



EXAMPLE 1.1

If $A = 10a_x - 4a_y + 6a_z$ and $B = 2a_x + a_y$, find (a) the component of A along a_y , (b) the magnitude of $3A - B$, (c) a unit vector along $A + 2B$

Solution:

(a) The component of A along a_y is $A_y = -4$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } 3A - B &= 3(10, -4, 6) - (2, 1, 0) \\ &= (30, -12, 18) - (2, 1, 0) \\ &= (28, -13, 18) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} |3A - B| &= \sqrt{28^2 + (-13)^2 + (18)^2} = \sqrt{1277} \\ &= 35.74 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let $C = A + 2B = (10, -4, 6) + (4, 2, 0) = (14, -2, 6)$.

A unit vector along C is

$$\mathbf{a}_c = \frac{\mathbf{C}}{|\mathbf{C}|} = \frac{(14, -2, 6)}{\sqrt{14^2 + (-2)^2 + 6^2}}$$

or

$$\mathbf{a}_c = 0.9113\mathbf{a}_x - 0.1302\mathbf{a}_y + 0.3906\mathbf{a}_z$$

Note that $|\mathbf{a}_c| = 1$ as expected.

$$\vec{A} = \underline{10ax} - \underline{4ay} + \underline{6az} \rightarrow Ay \rightarrow -4$$

$$B = \underline{2ax} + \underline{1ay} + \underline{0az}$$

$$\underline{3A} = \underline{30ax} - \underline{12ay} + \underline{18az}$$

$$\underline{3A - B} = \underline{28ax} - \underline{13ay} + \underline{18az}$$

$$|\vec{3A} - \vec{B}| = \sqrt{28^2 + (-13)^2 + 18^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1277}$$

$$\vec{A} = 10ax - 4ay + 6az$$

$$\vec{B} = \underline{\underline{2ax}} + \underline{\underline{1ay}}$$

$$2\vec{B} = 4ax + 2ay$$

$$|\vec{A} + 2\vec{B}| = 14ax - 2ay + 6az \leftarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{A} + 2\vec{B}| &= \sqrt{14^2 + (-2)^2 + 6^2} \\ &= 2\sqrt{50} \end{aligned}$$

Unit Vector $\vec{a}_{A+2B} = \frac{\text{Vector}}{\text{mag}}$

$$\vec{a}_{A+2B} = \frac{\vec{14ax}}{2\sqrt{5a}} - \frac{\vec{2ay}}{2\sqrt{5a}} + \frac{\vec{6az}}{2\sqrt{5a}}$$

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$$\vec{a} = 0,91 \vec{a}_x - 0,1302 \vec{a}_y + 0,3906 \vec{a}_z$$

EXAMPLE 1.2

Points P and Q are located at $(0, 2, 4)$ and $(-3, 1, 5)$. Calculate

- (a) The position of vector $\mathbf{r}_P$
 (b) The distance vector from P to Q
 (c) The distance between P and Q
 (d) A vector parallel to PQ with magnitude of 10

Solution:

$$(a) \mathbf{r}_P = 0\mathbf{a}_x + 2\mathbf{a}_y + 4\mathbf{a}_z = 2\mathbf{a}_y + 4\mathbf{a}_z$$

$$(b) \mathbf{r}_{PQ} = \mathbf{r}_Q - \mathbf{r}_P = (-3, 1, 5) - (0, 2, 4) = (-3, -1, 1)$$

$$\text{or } \mathbf{r}_{PQ} = -3\mathbf{a}_x - \mathbf{a}_y + \mathbf{a}_z$$

(c) Since $\mathbf{r}_{PQ}$ is the distance vector from P to Q , the distance between P and Q is the magnitude of this vector; that is,

$$d = |\mathbf{r}_{PQ}| = \sqrt{9 + 1 + 1} = 3.317$$

Alternatively:

$$d = \sqrt{(x_Q - x_P)^2 + (y_Q - y_P)^2 + (z_Q - z_P)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{9 + 1 + 1} = 3.317$$

(d) Let the required vector be $\mathbf{A}$, then

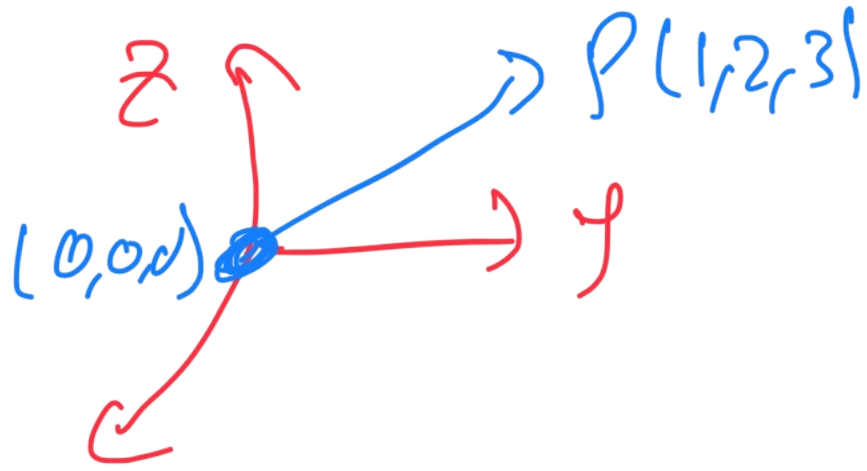
$$\mathbf{A} = A\mathbf{a}_A$$

where $A = 10$ is the magnitude of $\mathbf{A}$. Since $\mathbf{A}$ is parallel to PQ , it must have the same unit vector as $\mathbf{r}_{PQ}$ or $\mathbf{r}_{QP}$. Hence,

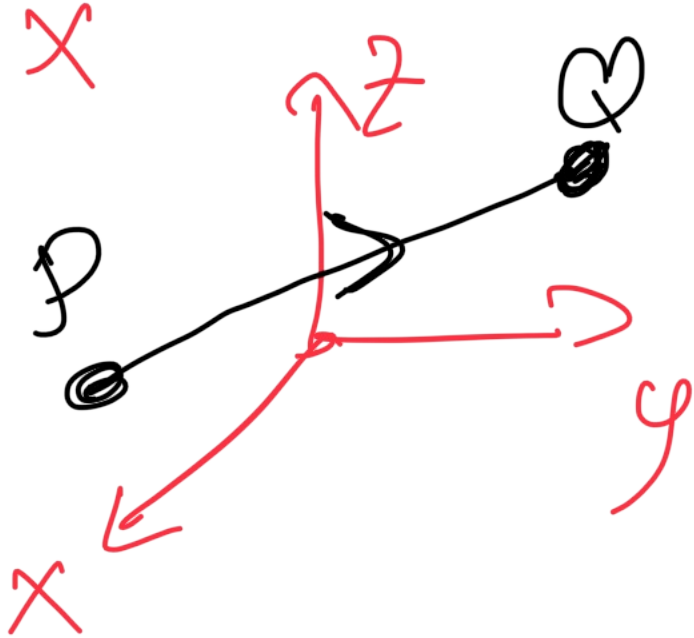
$$\mathbf{a}_A = \pm \frac{\mathbf{r}_{PQ}}{|\mathbf{r}_{PQ}|} = \pm \frac{(-3, -1, 1)}{3.317}$$

and

$$\mathbf{A} = \pm \frac{10(-3, -1, 1)}{3.317} = \pm (-9.045\mathbf{a}_x - 3.015\mathbf{a}_y + 3.015\mathbf{a}_z)$$



$\Rightarrow$ position vector



$\Rightarrow$ distance vector

$P \rightarrow Q$ "PQ"

$$P(0, 2, 4) \quad Q(-3, 1, 5)$$

$$1] \quad r_P = 0ax + 2ay + 4az$$

$$2] \quad P \rightarrow Q = \overrightarrow{PQ} = Q - P$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \underline{\underline{-3}}ax - \underline{\underline{1}}ay + \underline{\underline{1}}az$$

[3] distance $\Rightarrow$ mag $\rightarrow$ also

$$|d| = |\vec{PQ}| = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-1)^2 + (1)^2}$$

also
a bit
easier

$$d = \sqrt{9+1+1} = \underline{\underline{\sqrt{11}}} \approx 3,3$$

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IV Parallel $\Rightarrow$ $\frac{A}{B}$

$$\vec{A} = k \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{PQ} = -3ax - 1ay + 1az$$

$\hookrightarrow$ Unit vector $\Rightarrow \text{mag} = 1$

$$a_{\vec{p}} = \frac{-3ax}{\sqrt{11}} - \frac{1ay}{\sqrt{11}} + \frac{1az}{\sqrt{11}}$$

↳ parallel →

$$F = \vec{r} \cdot 10 a_{\vec{p}} = \vec{r} \left(\frac{-30}{\sqrt{11}} ax - \frac{10}{\sqrt{11}} ay + \frac{10}{\sqrt{11}} az \right)$$

$\vec{r} \rightarrow$ موقع
 $\rightarrow$ مركبة

VECTOR MULTIPLICATION

When two vectors A and B are multiplied, the result is either a scalar or a vector depending on how they are multiplied. Thus there are two types of vector multiplication:

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1. Scalar (or dot) product: $A \cdot B$
 2. Vector (or cross) product: $A \times B$
- scalar → scalar
→ vector → vector

Multiplication of three vectors A , B , and C can result in either:

3. Scalar triple product: $\underline{A} \cdot (\underline{B} \times \underline{C})$

or

4. Vector triple product: $\underline{A} \times (\underline{B} \times \underline{C})$

VECTOR MULTIPLICATION (contd)

A. Dot Product

The dot product of two vectors A and B , written as $A \cdot B$, is defined geometrically as the product of the magnitudes of A and B and the cosine of the smaller angle between them when they are drawn tail to tail.

$$A \cdot B = AB \cos \theta_{AB}$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = |A| |B| \cos \theta_{AB} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Note that dot product obeys the following:

(i) Commutative law:

$$\underline{A \cdot B} = \underline{B \cdot A}$$

(ii) Distributive law:

$$\underline{A \cdot (B + C)} = A \cdot B + A \cdot C$$

(iii)

$$\underline{A \cdot A} = |A|^2 = A^2$$

mag

Also note that

$$a_x \cdot a_y = a_y \cdot a_z = a_z \cdot a_x = 0$$

$$a_x \cdot a_x = a_y \cdot a_y = a_z \cdot a_z = 1$$

VECTOR MULTIPLICATION (contd)

B. Cross Product

The **cross product** of two vectors A and B , written as $A \times B$, is a vector quantity whose magnitude is the area of the parallelogram formed by A and B (see Figure 1.7) and is in the direction of advance of a right-handed screw as A is turned into B .

$$A \times B = AB \sin \theta_{AB} \mathbf{a}_n$$

$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \sin \theta_{AB} \vec{a}_n$
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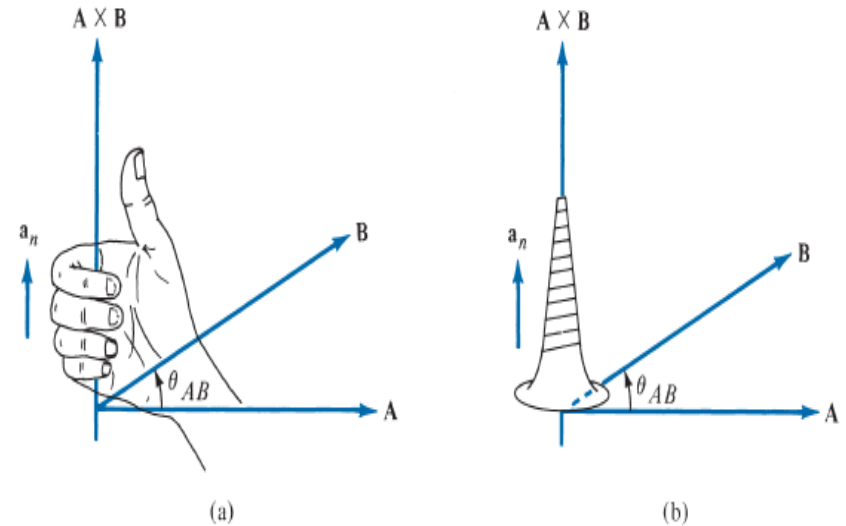
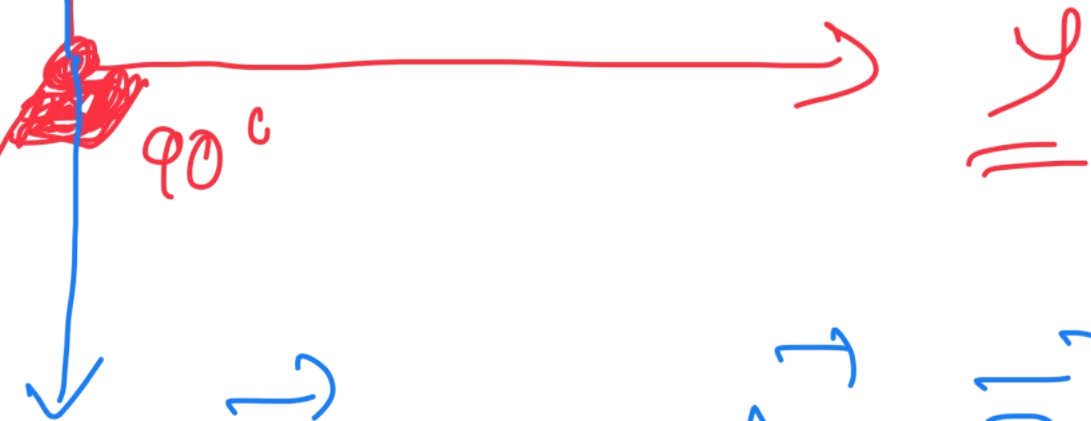
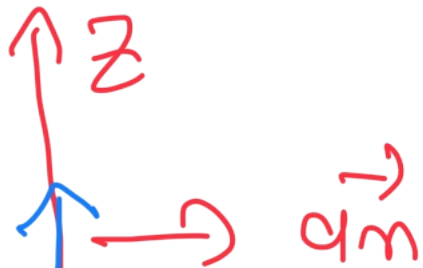


FIGURE 1.8 Direction of $A \times B$ and $\mathbf{a}_n$ using (a) the right-hand rule and (b) the right-handed-screw rule.

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$$C = A \times B$$

→ $B \supset A$ vs $\underbrace{A}$

VECTOR MULTIPLICATION (contd)



Note that the cross product has the following basic properties:

(i) It is not commutative:

$$\underline{A \times B \neq B \times A} \quad \text{Q}$$

It is anticommutative:

$$A \times B = -B \times A$$

(ii) It is not associative:

$$A \times (B \times C) \neq (A \times B) \times C$$

(iii) It is distributive:

$$A \times (B + C) = A \times B + A \times C$$

(iv) Scaling:

$$kA \times B = A \times kB = k(A \times B)$$

(v)

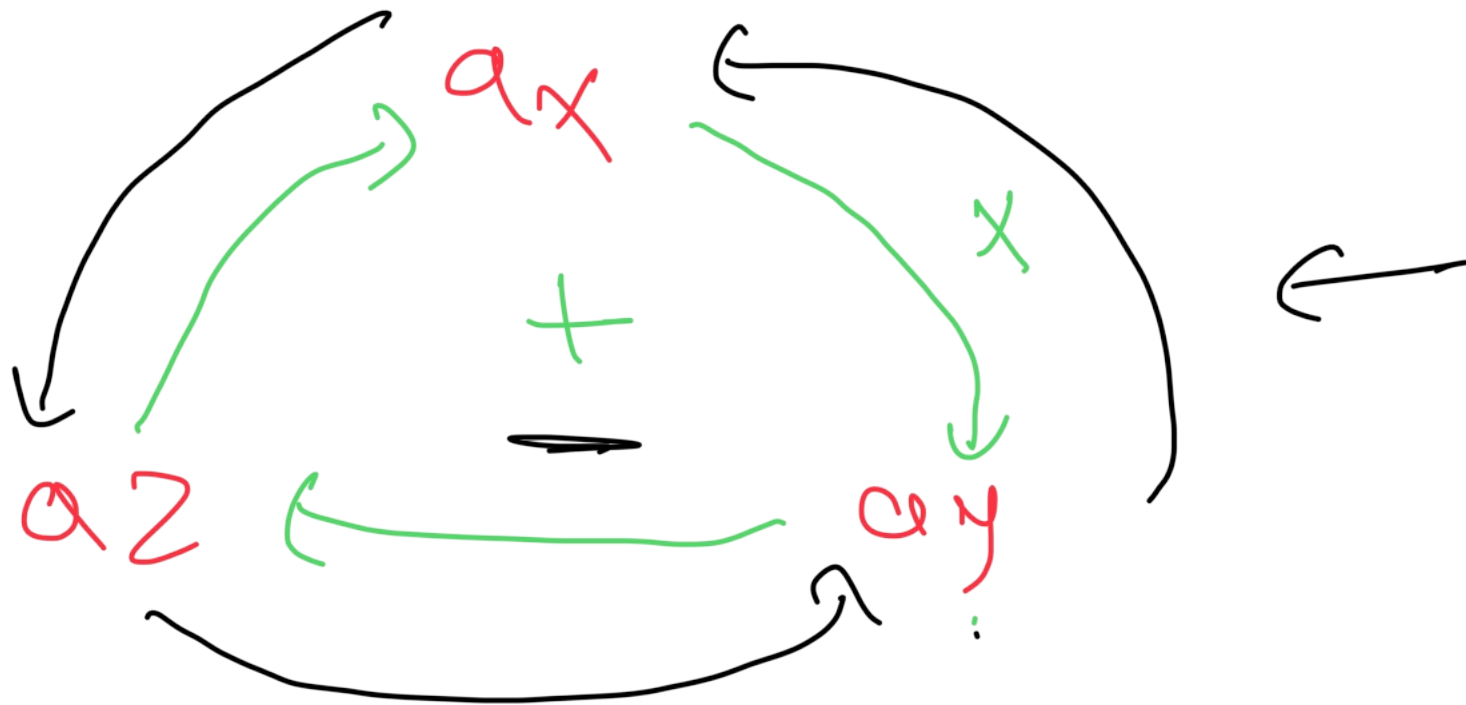
Also note that

$$\boxed{A \times A = 0} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\boxed{a_x \times a_y = a_z}$$

$$\boxed{a_y \times a_z = a_x}$$

$$\boxed{a_z \times a_x = a_y}$$



$a_x \times a_y \rightarrow a_z$

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+ $\vec{a}_i, \vec{a}_j, \vec{a}_k$ are
 = $\vec{a}_i, \vec{a}_j, \vec{a}_k$ are

COMPONENT OF A VECTOR

A direct application of scalar product is its use in determining the projection (or component) of a vector in a given direction. The projection can be scalar or vector. Given a vector A , we define the *scalar component* A_B of A along vector B as [see Figure 1.10(a)]

$$A_B = A \cos \theta_{AB} = |A| |\mathbf{a}_B| \cos \theta_{AB}$$

$$A_B = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{a}_B$$

$$\mathbf{A}_B = A_B \mathbf{a}_B = (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{a}_B) \mathbf{a}_B$$

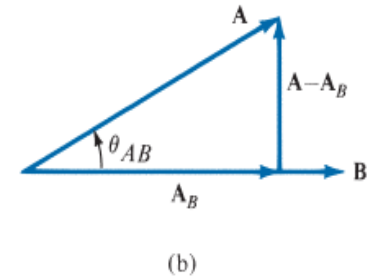
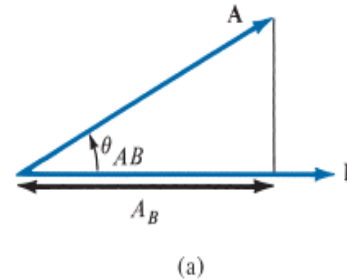


FIGURE 1.10 Components of A along B : (a) scalar component A_B , (b) vector component A_B .

EXAMPLE 1.4

Given vectors $\mathbf{A} = 3\mathbf{a}_x + 4\mathbf{a}_y + \mathbf{a}_z$ and $\mathbf{B} = 2\mathbf{a}_y - 5\mathbf{a}_z$, find the angle between $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$.

Solution:

The angle θ_{AB} can be found by using either dot product or cross product.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} &= (3, 4, 1) \cdot (0, 2, -5) \\ &= 0 + 8 - 5 = 3\end{aligned}$$

$$|\mathbf{A}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{26}$$

$$|\mathbf{B}| = \sqrt{0^2 + 2^2 + (-5)^2} = \sqrt{29}$$

$$\cos \theta_{AB} = \frac{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{|\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}|} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{(26)(29)}} = 0.1092$$

$$\theta_{AB} = \cos^{-1} 0.1092 = 83.73^\circ$$

Alternatively:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}_x & \mathbf{a}_y & \mathbf{a}_z \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (-20 - 2)\mathbf{a}_x + (0 + 15)\mathbf{a}_y + (6 - 0)\mathbf{a}_z \\ &= (-22, 15, 6)\end{aligned}$$

$$|\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}| = \sqrt{(-22)^2 + 15^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{745}$$

$$\sin \theta_{AB} = \frac{|\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}|}{|\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}|} = \frac{\sqrt{745}}{\sqrt{(26)(29)}} = 0.994$$

$$\theta_{AB} = \sin^{-1} 0.994 = 83.73^\circ$$

$$\vec{A} = \underline{3ax} + \underline{4ay} + \underline{az} \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\vec{B} = 2ay - 5az$$

$$\text{II} \quad A \cdot B = |A| |B| \cos \theta_{AB}.$$

$$\theta_{AB} = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{A \cdot B}{\underline{|A|} \underline{|B|}} \right)$$

$$\underline{\underline{A \cdot B}} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{3ax} + \underline{4ay} + \underline{1az} \\ \underline{0ax} + \underline{2ay} - \underline{5az} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{3 \times 0} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \underline{4 \times 2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \underline{-5 \times 1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 + 8 + -5 = 3$$

$$\boxed{A \cdot B = 3}$$

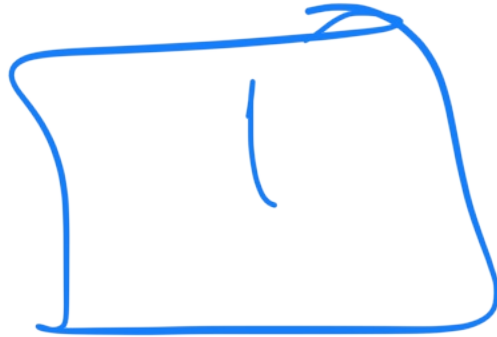
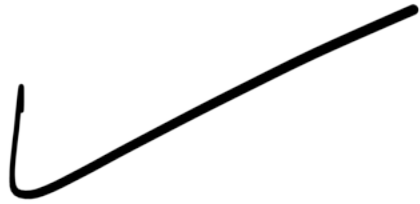
$$|A| = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{9 + 16 + 1}$$

$$|A| = \sqrt{26} \quad \checkmark$$

$$|B| = \sqrt{0^2 + 2^2 + (-5)^2} = \sqrt{0 + 4 + 25}$$

$$|B| = \sqrt{29} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\theta_{AB} = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{26} \cdot \sqrt{20}} \right) \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{83,7}}$$

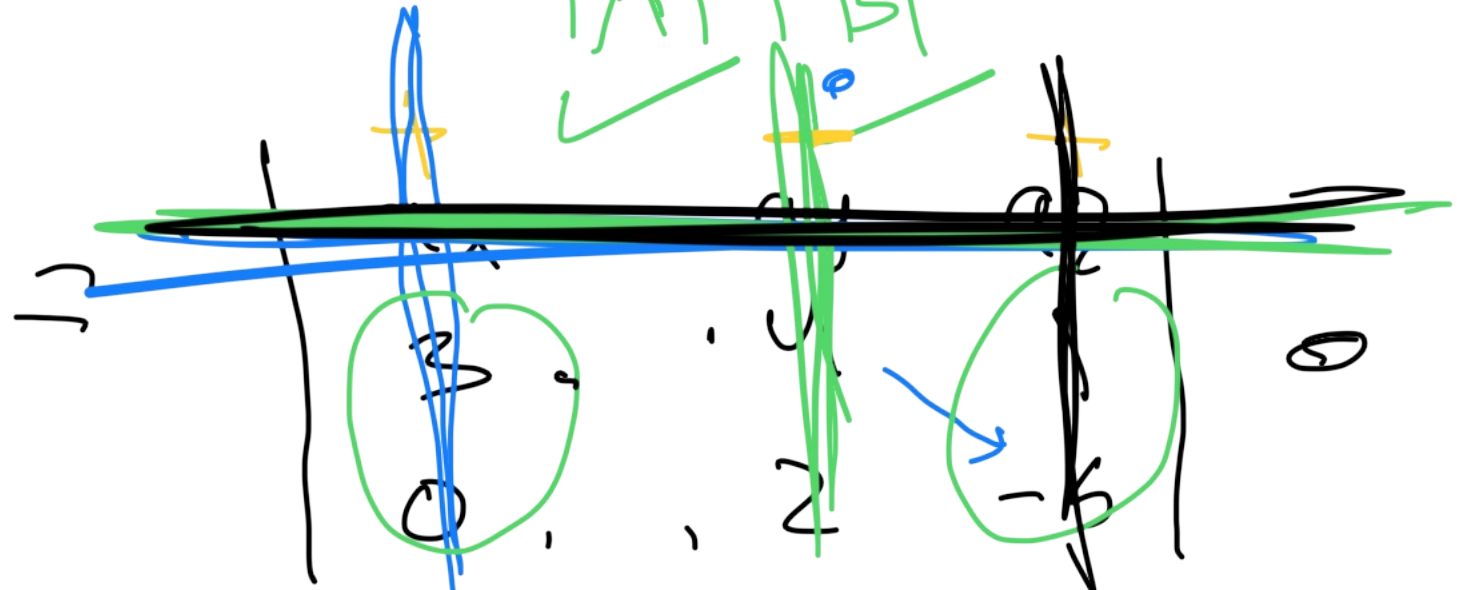


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$$② |A \times B| = |A| |B| \sin \theta_{AB}$$

$$\theta_{AB} = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{|A \times B|}{|A| |B|} \right)$$

$A \times B$



$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = a_x \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & -5 \\ -20 & -2 \end{vmatrix} + a_y \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -5 \\ -15 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$+ a_z \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 6 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\vec{A} \times \vec{B}}} = \underline{\underline{-22a_x}} + \underline{\underline{15a_y}} + \underline{\underline{6a_z}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$|\vec{A} \times \vec{B}| = \sqrt{(-22)^2 + (15)^2 + (6)^2}$$

$$\sqrt{484 + 225 + 36} = \sqrt{745} \leftarrow$$

$$\theta_{AB} = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{745}}{\sqrt{26} \cdot \sqrt{29}} \right) = \underline{\underline{83,7}}$$