

Notes 12.4

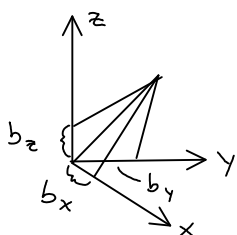
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① $c\vec{a} = \langle ca_x, ca_y \rangle$

② $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \text{scalar product}$

③ $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{c}$ vector product

let $\vec{a} = \langle a_x, a_y, a_z \rangle$
 $\vec{b} = \langle b_x, b_y, b_z \rangle$



$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \langle \underbrace{a_y b_z - b_y a_z}_{\hat{i}}, \underbrace{a_z b_x - b_z a_x}_{\hat{j}}, \underbrace{a_x b_y - b_x a_y}_{\hat{k}} \rangle$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_x & a_y & a_z \\ b_x & b_y & b_z \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} a_y & a_z \\ b_y & b_z \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} a_x & a_z \\ b_x & b_z \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} a_x & a_y \\ b_x & b_y \end{vmatrix}$$

ex) $\vec{a} = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$ $\vec{b} = \langle 4, 5, 6 \rangle$

~~$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$~~

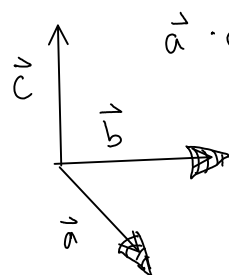
$$8\hat{k} + 15\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 12\hat{i} - 12\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} = 3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$= \langle 3, -6, 3 \rangle$$

Property • $\vec{a} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0}$

• If $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{c}$ then $\vec{a} \perp \vec{c}$ & $\vec{b} \perp \vec{c}$

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$ $\langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle \cdot \langle 3, -6, 3 \rangle = 0$



• $\|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}\| = \|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\| \sin \theta$

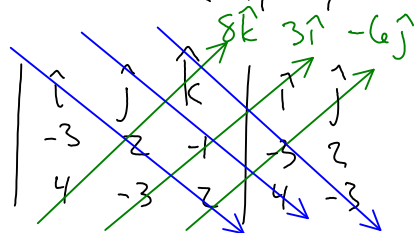
or $\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}\|}{\|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\|} \right)$

note if $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$, $\theta = 0^\circ$, $\sin \theta = 0$
 Test for $\|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}\| = 0$ then $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$

ex) #26) $\underbrace{(2, 1, 5)}_{\vec{a}} \underbrace{(-1, 3, 4)}_{\vec{b}} (3, 0, 6)$

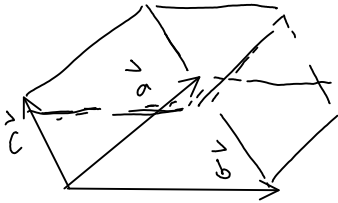
$\vec{a} = \langle -3, 2, -1 \rangle$ $\vec{b} = \langle 4, -3, 2 \rangle$

$\vec{N} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -3 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$



$-4\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 9\hat{k}$
 $= -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$
 $\langle -1, -2, -1 \rangle$

On the plane possessing $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$



$$V = \left| \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \right|$$