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1 | Dot product:

- · Name: dot product
- · Result: Scalar
- · Interpretation (what it measures): parallelity
 - the more parallel the larger the dot product
- Magnitude (with sign): $|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| cos(\theta)$
- Geometric magnitude: $|\vec{a}||\vec{b}_{||\vec{a}|}|$
- Direction: no direction
- Algebraic form: $a_x b_x + a_y b_y + a_z b_z$
- Algebraic properties:
 - commutative
 - associative
 - distributive across addition

2 | Cross product:

- Name: Cross product
- · Result: Vector
- · Interpretation (what it measures): Orthgonality
 - the more orthogonal the longer the cross product
- Magnitude (with sign): $|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \sin(\theta)$
- Geometric Magnitude: $|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}_{\perp \vec{a}}|$
- Direction: perpendicular to the two vectors
 - by the right hand rule by rotating the first vector into the second vector

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