

Module 2: Vectors Operation

2.1 Vector Addition

1

Add and subtract
vectors written as
matrix or ordered set

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Add and subtract
vectors written as
ordered set

3

Add and subtract
vectors using the
unit vector
notations

4

Add and subtract
vectors written in
polar form



RESULTANT VECTOR

- Combining vectors using vector addition results to one vector called resultant or resultant vector denoted by "**R**"
- The vector addition process depends on whether vectors are parallel, anti-parallel, orthogonal, etc.



(a) $\vec{A} \neq \vec{B}$ because $A \neq B$.



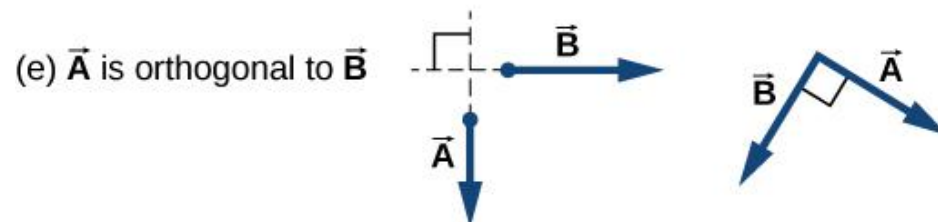
(b) $\vec{A} \neq \vec{B}$ because they are not parallel and $A \neq B$.



(c) $\vec{A} \neq -\vec{A}$ because they have different directions (even though $|\vec{A}| = |-\vec{A}| = A$).



(d) $\vec{A} = \vec{B}$ because they are parallel *and* have identical magnitudes $A = B$.



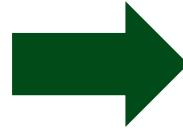
(e) $\vec{A} \neq \vec{B}$ because they have different directions (are not parallel); here, their directions differ by 90° —meaning, they are orthogonal.



VECTOR ADDITION OF A MATRIX

Given:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ A_z \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} B_x \\ B_y \\ B_z \end{bmatrix}$$



Formula:

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} A_x + B_x \\ A_y + B_y \\ A_z + B_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Examples: Find the resultant of the the following vectors:

1. $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{answer}$$

2. $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 7 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -9 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{answer}$$

3. $\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ -20 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{N} = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -18 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{answer}$$



VECTOR ADDITION OF ORDERED SET

Given:

$$\mathbf{A} = (Ax, Ay, Az) \quad \mathbf{B} = (Bx, By, Bz)$$



Formula:

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = [(Ax + Bx) + (Ay + By) + (Az + Bz)]$$

Examples: Find the resultant of the the following vectors:

1. $\mathbf{C} = (3, 4, -5) \quad \mathbf{D} = (0, -3, 9)$

$$\mathbf{R} = (3, 1, 4) \quad \text{answer}$$

2. $\mathbf{C} = (3, 0) \quad \mathbf{D} = (0, -3) \quad \mathbf{E} = (-2, -2)$

$$\mathbf{F} = (7, 8) \quad \mathbf{G} = (9, -1)$$

$$\mathbf{R} = (17, 2) \quad \text{answer}$$



VECTOR ADDITION OF UNIT VECTOR FORM

Given:

$$\mathbf{A} = A_x\hat{i} + A_y\hat{j} + A_z\hat{k}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = B_x\hat{i} + B_y\hat{j} + B_z\hat{k}$$



Formula:

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = (A_x + B_x)\hat{i} + (A_y + B_y)\hat{j} + (A_z + B_z)\hat{k}$$

1. Find the resultant of the vectors **A** and **B**:

$$\mathbf{A} = 4\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} + 23\hat{k}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = 5\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 21\hat{k} \quad \text{answer}$$

2. Evaluate **5(2B - A)**, given the vectors in number 1

Solution:

$$5(2\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) = 5 [2 (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) - (4\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} + 23\hat{k})]$$

$$5(2\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) = 5 [(2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + (-4\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 23\hat{k})]$$

$$5(2\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) = 5 [2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 4\hat{k} - 4\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 23\hat{k}]$$

$$5(2\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) = 5 [-2\hat{i} + 14\hat{j} - 27\hat{k}]$$

$$5(2\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) = -10\hat{i} + 70\hat{j} - 135\hat{k} \quad \text{answer}$$



VECTOR ADDITION OF POLAR FORM

Given:

A = 10 m/s, 30° NE

B = 25 m/s, 50° SW

note:

NE means North of East

SW means South of West

Approach:

Step 1: Determine in what quadrant the vectors lie

Step 2: Determine the components of each vector.

Step 3: Choose a notation (matrix, ordered set, or unit vector form) to represent the vector using its components

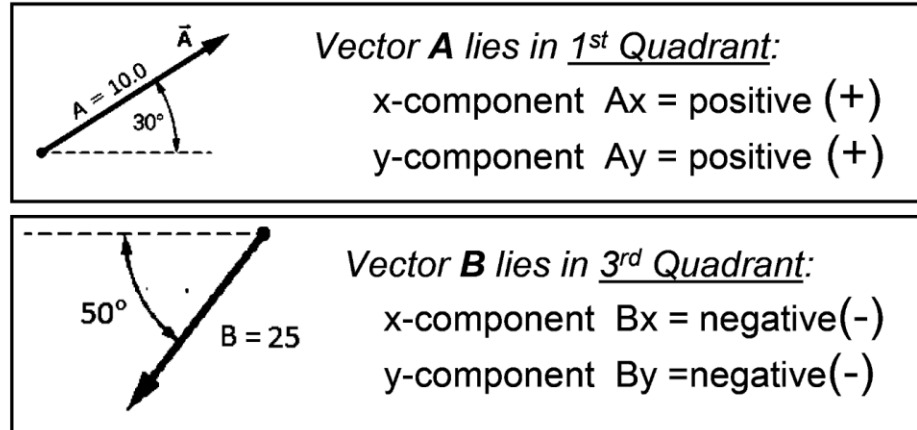
Step 4: Proceed with the vector addition, based on the notation selected.



Example 1: Add vectors $A = 10 \text{ m/s}, 30^\circ \text{NE}$ and $B = 25 \text{ m/s}, 50^\circ \text{SW}$

Solution:

Step 1: Determine in what quadrant the vectors lie.



Step 2: Determine the components of each vector.

Components of **A**:

$$A_x = A \cos\theta = 10 \cos 30^\circ = 10(0.8660) = +8.66 \text{ m/s}$$

$$A_y = A \sin\theta = 10 \sin 30^\circ = 10(0.5000) = +5.00 \text{ m/s}$$

Components of **B**:

$$B_x = -B \cos\theta = -25 \cos 50^\circ = -25(0.6428) = -16.07 \text{ m/s}$$

$$B_y = -B \sin\theta = -25 \sin 50^\circ = -25(0.7660) = -19.15 \text{ m/s}$$

Step 3: Write the vectors in different notations.

From: Polar Form:

$$\mathbf{A} = 10 \text{ m/s}, 30^\circ \text{ NE}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = 25 \text{ m/s}, 50^\circ \text{ SW}$$

To: Ordered Set:

$$\mathbf{A} = (8.66, 5.00) \text{ m/s}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = (-16.07, -19.15) \text{ m/s}$$

Matrix:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 8.66 \\ 5.00 \end{bmatrix} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} -16.07 \\ -19.15 \end{bmatrix} \text{ m/s}$$

Unit Vector Form:

$$\mathbf{A} = 8.66\hat{i} + 5.00\hat{j} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = -16.07\hat{i} - 19.15\hat{j} \text{ m/s}$$

Step 4: Proceed with the vector addition.

Ordered Set: $\mathbf{R} = (-7.41, -14.15) \text{ m/s}$

Unit vector: $\mathbf{R} = -7.41\hat{i} - 14.15\hat{j} \text{ m/s}$

Matrix: $\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} -7.41 \\ -14.15 \end{bmatrix} \text{ m/s}$



MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION OF A VECTOR

□ From any vector notation, use the following formula to get the vector's magnitude and direction:

Magnitude:

$$R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2}$$

Direction:

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{R_y}{R_x}$$

Example 1: Add vectors

$A = 10 \text{ m/s}, 30^\circ \text{NE}$ and

$B = 25 \text{ m/s}, 50^\circ \text{SW}$

and find the magnitude and direction of their resultant.

To find the Resultant's magnitude and direction is:

$$R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2}$$

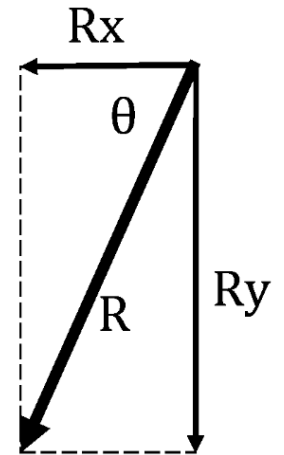
$$R = \sqrt{(-7.41)^2 + (-14.15)^2}$$

$$R = \sqrt{54.9081 + 200.2225}$$

$$R = 15.97 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left| \frac{R_y}{R_x} \right|$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{14.15}{7.41} = 62.35^\circ$$



answer:

$R = 15.97 \text{ m/s}, 62.35^\circ \text{ S of W}$



Find the resultant vector of vectors **A** and **B** shown, using:

- A. Component method
- B. Unit vector form

Solution:

A. Component method

$$R_x = \Sigma F_x$$

$$R_x = 44 \cos 50^\circ - 17 \sin 70^\circ$$

$$R_x = 12.31 \text{ m/sec to the right}$$

$$R_y = \Sigma F_y$$

$$R_y = -44 \sin 50^\circ - 17 \cos 70^\circ$$

$$R_y = -27.89 \text{ m/sec}$$

$$R_y = 39.52 \text{ m/sec downward}$$

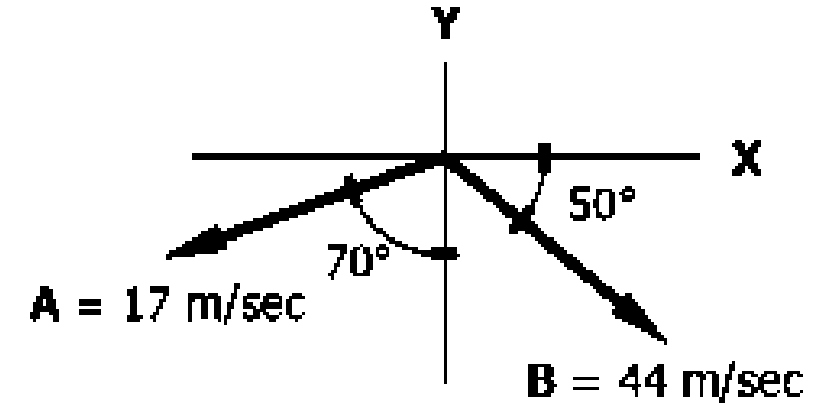
$$R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2} = \sqrt{12.31^2 + 39.52^2}$$

$$R = 41.39 \text{ m/sec}$$

$$\tan \theta_x = \frac{R_y}{R_x} = \frac{39.52}{12.31}$$

$$\theta_x = 72.70^\circ$$

The resultant vector **R** = 41.39 m/sec downward to the right at $\theta_x = 72.70^\circ$.



Find the resultant vector of vectors **A** and **B** shown, using:

- A. Component method
- B. Unit vector form

Solution:

B. Unit vector form

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} &= -17 \sin 70^\circ \mathbf{i} - 17 \cos 70^\circ \mathbf{j} \\ \mathbf{A} &= -15.97\mathbf{i} - 5.81\mathbf{j} \text{ m/sec}\end{aligned}$$

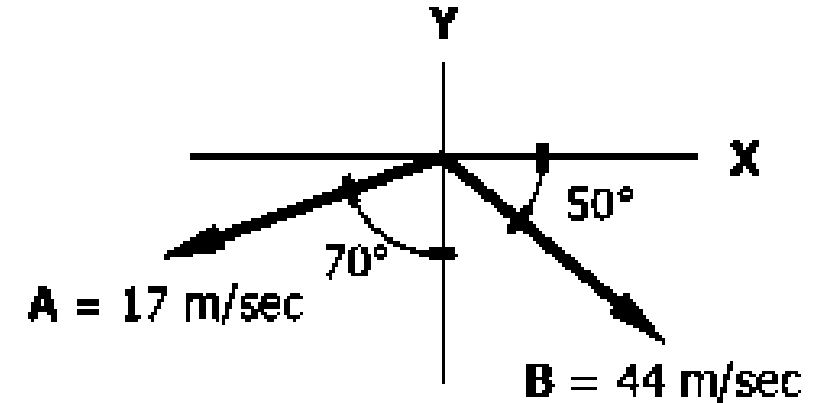
$$\mathbf{B} = 44 \cos 50^\circ \mathbf{i} - 44 \sin 50^\circ \mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = 28.28\mathbf{i} - 33.70\mathbf{j} \text{ m/sec}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = (-15.97 + 28.28)\mathbf{i} + (-5.81 - 33.70)\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = 12.31\mathbf{i} - 39.51\mathbf{j} \text{ m/sec}$$



$$R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2} = \sqrt{12.31^2 + (-39.51)^2}$$

$$R = 41.39 \text{ m/sec} \quad (\text{okay!})$$

$$\tan \theta_x = \frac{R_y}{R_x} = \frac{-39.52}{12.31}$$

$$\theta_x = -72.70^\circ$$

$$\theta_x = 72.70^\circ \text{ downward to the right} \quad (\text{ok!})$$



Three vectors **A**, **B**, and **C** are shown in the figure below. Find one vector (magnitude and direction) that will have the same effect as the three vectors shown in figure.

Solution:

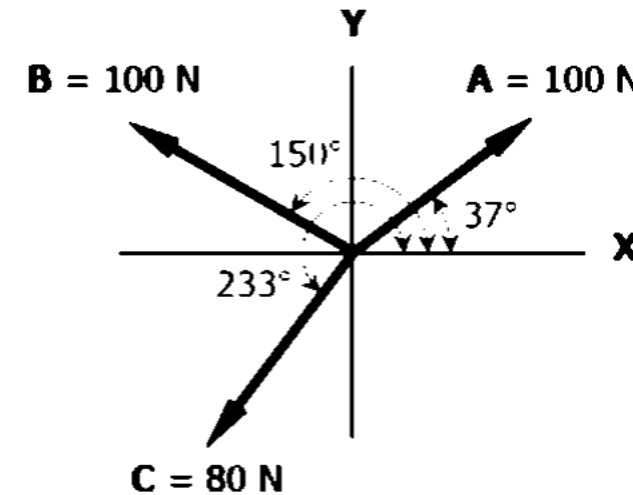
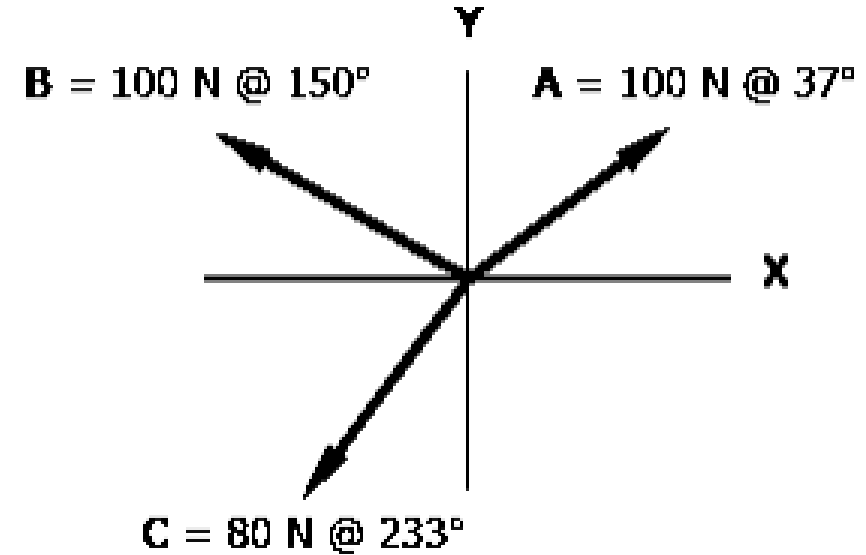
$$R_x = 100 \cos 37^\circ + 100 \cos 150^\circ + 80 \cos 233^\circ$$

$$R_x = -54.88 \text{ N}$$

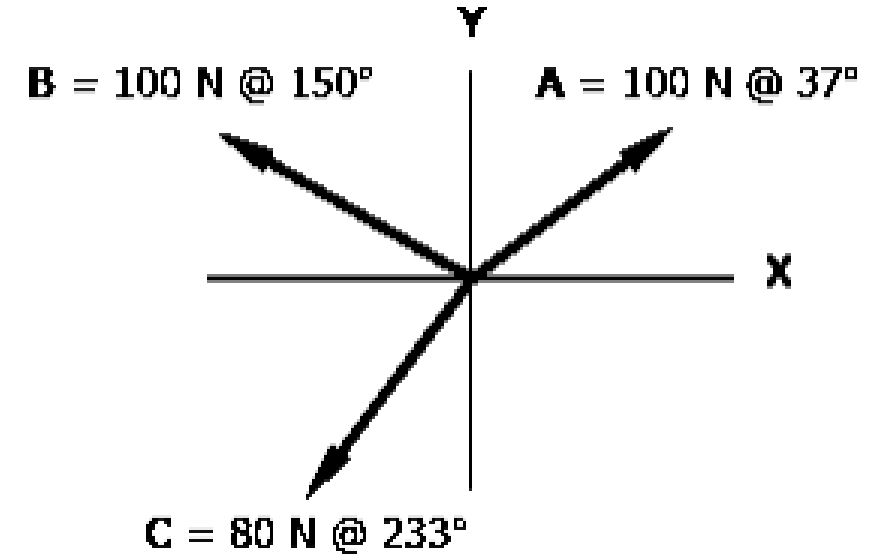
$$R_x = 54.88 \text{ N to the left}$$

$$R_y = 100 \sin 37^\circ + 100 \sin 150^\circ + 80 \sin 233^\circ$$

$$R_y = 46.29 \text{ N}$$



Three vectors **A**, **B**, and **C** are shown in the figure below. Find one vector (magnitude and direction) that will have the same effect as the three vectors shown in figure.



Solution (continuation):

$$R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2}$$

$$R = \sqrt{54.88^2 + 46.29^2}$$

$$R = 71.79 \text{ N}$$

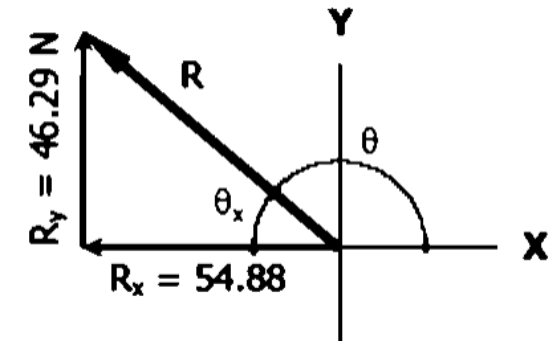
$$\tan \theta_x = \frac{R_y}{R_x}$$

$$\tan \theta_x = \frac{46.29}{54.88}$$

$$\theta_x = 40.15^\circ$$

$$\theta = 180^\circ - \theta_x = 180^\circ - 40.15^\circ$$

$$\theta = 139.85^\circ$$



$$R = 71.79 \text{ N at } 139.85^\circ \quad \text{answer}$$



MODULE 1: VECTORS

1.3 VECTOR PRODUCT

1

Identify the
properties of dot
product

2

Calculate the dot
product of vectors

3

Identify the
properties of cross
product

4

Calculate the
cross product of
vectors



CHARACTERISTICS OF DOT PRODUCT

- The dot product (scalar product) of vectors **A** and **B** is defined as:

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = AB \cos \theta$$

- Angle, θ is the smallest angle between the two vectors and is always in a range of 0° to 180°
- **The result of the dot product is a scalar (positive or negative)**
- The units of the dot product will be the product of the units of the **A** and **B** vectors
- If $\mathbf{A} = (A_x, A_y, A_z)$ and $\mathbf{B} = B_x, B_y, B_z$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z$$

- If θ is the angle between **A** and **B**

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}| \cos \theta$$



1. Find the dot product of vectors: **A** = (3, 1, 0) Newton
B = (-5, 7, 25) meter

Solution:

$$\mathbf{A} \bullet \mathbf{B} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$$

$$\mathbf{A} \bullet \mathbf{B} = (3)(-5) + (1)(7) + (0)(25)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \bullet \mathbf{B} = -15 + 7 + 0$$

$$\mathbf{A} \bullet \mathbf{B} = -8 \text{ N.m} \quad \text{answer}$$

2. Find the dot product of vectors: *Solution:*
F = 10 N, 30° NE
G = 20 N, 65° NE

$$\mathbf{F} \bullet \mathbf{G} = |\mathbf{F}| |\mathbf{G}| \cos \theta$$

$$\mathbf{F} \bullet \mathbf{G} = (10 \text{ N})(20 \text{ N}) \cos(65-30)$$

$$\mathbf{F} \bullet \mathbf{G} = 200 \cos 35^\circ$$

$$\mathbf{F} \bullet \mathbf{G} = 163.83 \text{ N}^2 \quad \text{answer}$$



3. Find the dot product of vectors:

D = 10 N, West

R = 20 N, North

Solution:

$$\mathbf{D} \bullet \mathbf{R} = |\mathbf{D}| |\mathbf{R}| \cos \theta$$

$$\mathbf{D} \bullet \mathbf{R} = (10 \text{ N})(20 \text{ N}) \cos (0-90)$$

$$\mathbf{D} \bullet \mathbf{R} = 200 \cos 90^\circ$$

$$\mathbf{D} \bullet \mathbf{R} = 0 \quad \text{answer}$$

4. Find the angle between vectors:

A = 10 m/s, 30° NE

B = 25 m/s, 50° SW

Recall:

Components of A:

$$A_x = A \cos \theta$$

$$A_y = A \sin \theta$$



4. Find the angle between vectors:

A = 10 m/s, 30° NE

B = 25 m/s, 50° SW

Solution:

Step 1: Express the vectors in ordered set notation.

A = (8.66, 5.00) m/s

B = (16.07, -19.15) m/s

Step 2: Calculate the dot product, **A • B**

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = A_x B_x + A_y B_y$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = (8.66)(16.07) + (5.00)(-19.15)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = 139.17 - 95.75$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = 43.42 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2$$

Step 3: Calculate the product of magnitudes, $|\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}|$

$$|\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}| = (10)(25)$$

$$|\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}| = 250$$

Step 4: Calculate the smallest angle between **A** and **B**

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{|\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}|}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{43.42}{250} = 0.1737$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} (0.1737)$$

$$\theta = 80^\circ \quad \text{answer}$$



CHARACTERISTICS OF CROSS PRODUCT

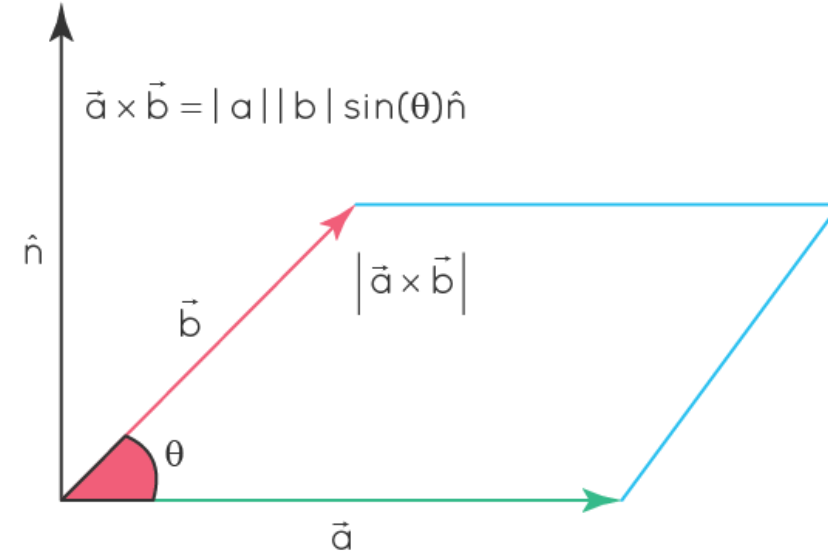
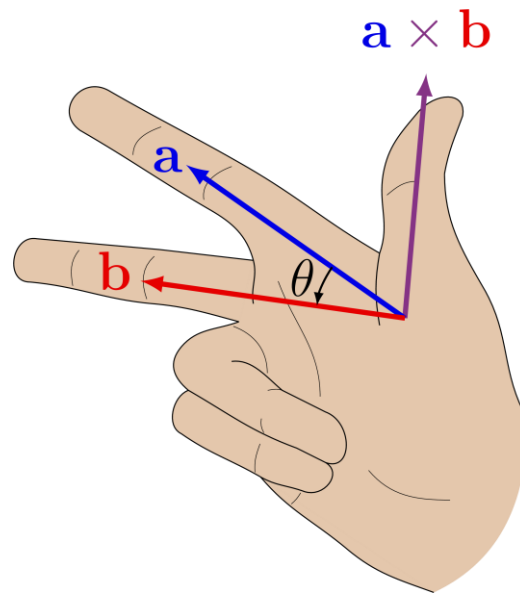
- The cross product (Vector product) of the vectors **A** and **B** is another vector **C**

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$$

- The magnitude of **C** is defined as:

$$C = AB \sin \theta$$

- The angle, θ is the smallest angle between **A** and **B**
- The vector **C** is perpendicular to the plane of **A** and **B** (*the direction of vector C is given by the right hand rule.*)



EVALUATING A CROSS PRODUCT

Matrix Notation Formula:

Vector Cross Product Formula

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

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = i(a_2b_3 - a_3b_2) - j(a_1b_3 - a_3b_1) + k(a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)$$

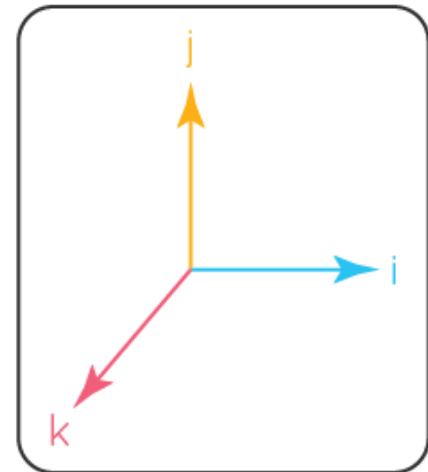
$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{c} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix}$$



$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} |a_2b_3 - a_3b_2| - \hat{j} |a_1b_3 - a_3b_1| + \hat{k} |a_1b_2 - a_2b_1|$$



PROPERTIES OF A CROSS PRODUCT

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = -(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A})$$

$$C(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) = (C\mathbf{A}) \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} \times (C\mathbf{B}) \quad \text{where } C \text{ is scalar}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \bullet (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \bullet \mathbf{C}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{A} \bullet \mathbf{C})\mathbf{B} - (\mathbf{A} \bullet \mathbf{B})\mathbf{C}$$



1. Find the cross product of vectors:

$$\mathbf{A} = (3, 1, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = (5, 7, 1)$$

Solution:

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -5 & 7 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 26\mathbf{k}$$

2. Find the magnitude of the cross product of vectors:

$$\mathbf{A} = 10 \text{ m/s}, 30^\circ \text{ NE}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = 25 \text{ m/s}, 65^\circ \text{ NE}$$

Solution:

$$C = A B \sin \theta$$

$$C = (10)(25) \sin (65 - 30)$$

$$C = 250 \sin 35^\circ$$

$$C = 143.39 \text{ units} \quad \textit{pointing out of the paper}$$



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GOT ANY QUESTIONS????



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