

$$(\because \hat{b} = 1, \hat{a} = 1)$$

$$\sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin\alpha \cos\beta - \cos\alpha \sin\beta \quad \text{Hence proved}$$

**Q.9** If  $\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \underline{0}$  and  $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = 0$ . What conclusion can be drawn about  $\underline{a}$  or  $\underline{b}$ ?  
(Gujranwala Board 2004, 2007, Lahore Board 2009 (Supply))

**Solution:**

$$\text{If } \underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \underline{0} \Rightarrow \text{(i) } \underline{a} \text{ and } \underline{b} \text{ are parallel (ii) Either } \underline{a} = \underline{0} \text{ or } \underline{b} = \underline{0}$$

$$\text{If } \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{(iii) } \underline{a} \text{ and } \underline{b} \text{ are perpendicular (iv) Either } \underline{a} = \underline{0} \text{ or } \underline{b} = \underline{0}$$

This is not possible that  $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  are parallel and perpendicular at the same time

$$\text{So either } \underline{a} = \underline{0} \text{ or } \underline{b} = \underline{0}$$

$\therefore$   $\underline{a}$  and  $\underline{b}$  are null vectors.

### EXERCISE 7.5

**Q.1** Find the volume of parallelepiped for which the given vectors are three edges.

(i)  $\underline{u} = 3\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$ ;  $\underline{v} = \underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + \underline{k}$ ;  $\underline{w} = 0\underline{i} - \underline{j} + 4\underline{k}$

**Solution:**

**Formula**

$$\text{Volume of parallelepiped} = \underline{u} \cdot (\underline{v} \times \underline{w})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{u} \cdot (\underline{v} \times \underline{w}) &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} - 0 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3(8 + 1) - 0 + 2(-1) = 27 - 2 = 25 \text{ cubic units} \quad \text{Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $\underline{u} = \underline{i} - 4\underline{j} - \underline{k}$ ;  $\underline{v} = \underline{i} - \underline{j} - 2\underline{k}$ ;  $\underline{w} = 2\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k}$

**Solution:**

$$\text{Volume of parallelepiped} = \underline{u} \cdot (\underline{v} \times \underline{w})$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -4 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 1 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 1(-1-6) + 4(1+4) - 1(-3+2) = -7 + 20 + 1 = 14 \text{ cubic units Ans.}
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii)  $\underline{u} = \underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + 3\underline{k}$ ;  $\underline{v} = 2\underline{i} - \underline{j} - \underline{k}$  ;  $\underline{w} = \underline{j} + \underline{k}$

**Solution:**

Volume of parallelepiped =  $\underline{u} \cdot (\underline{v} \times \underline{w})$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{u} \cdot (\underline{v} \times \underline{w}) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 1 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 1(-1+1) + 2(2-0) + 3(2-0) \\
 &= 4 + 6 = 10 \text{ cubic units Ans.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Q.2** Verify that  $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \times \underline{c} = \underline{b} \cdot \underline{c} \times \underline{a} = \underline{c} \cdot \underline{a} \times \underline{b}$

If  $\underline{a} = 3\underline{i} - \underline{j} + 5\underline{k}$ ,  $\underline{b} = 4\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - 2\underline{k}$ ,  $\underline{c} = 2\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} + \underline{k}$

(Gujranwala Board, 2003, Lahore Board 2007)

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 3(3+10) + 1(4+4) + 5(20-6) \\
 &= 39 + 8 + 70 = 117 \quad \text{..... (i)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{b} \cdot (\underline{c} \times \underline{a}) &= \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 4(25+1) - 3(10-3) - 2(-2-15) \\
 &= 104 - 21 + 34 = 117 \quad \text{..... (ii)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{c} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 2(2-15) - 5(-6-20) + 1(9+4)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= -26 + 130 + 13 = 117 \quad \text{..... (iii)}$$

From (i), (ii) & (iii) it is verified that

$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \times \underline{c} = \underline{b} \cdot \underline{c} \times \underline{a} = \underline{c} \cdot \underline{a} \times \underline{b}$$

**Q.3** Prove that the vectors  $\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + 3\underline{k}$ ,  $-2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}$  and  $\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}$  are coplanar. (Gujranwala Board 2007)

**Solution:**

$$\text{Let } \underline{u} = \underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + 3\underline{k}, \quad \underline{v} = -2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}, \quad \underline{w} = \underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{u} \cdot \underline{v} \times \underline{w} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1(15 - 12) + 2(-10 + 4) + 3(6 - 3) = 3 - 12 + 9 = 12 - 12 = 0 \\ \underline{u} \cdot \underline{v} \times \underline{w} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\underline{u}, \underline{v}, \underline{w}$  are coplanar.

**Q.4** Find the constant  $\alpha$  such that the vectors are coplanar.

(i)  $\underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k}$ ,  $\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} - 3\underline{k}$  &  $3\underline{i} - \alpha\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}$  (Lahore Board 2007, 2009)

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \underline{a} &= \underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k} \\ \underline{b} &= \underline{i} - 2\underline{j} - 3\underline{k} \\ \underline{c} &= 3\underline{i} - \alpha\underline{j} + 5\underline{k} \end{aligned}$$

Since given vectors are coplanar so

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \times \underline{c} &= 0 \\ \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 3 & -\alpha & 5 \end{vmatrix} &= 0 \\ 1(-10 - 3\alpha) + 1(5 + 9) + 1(-\alpha + 6) &= 0 \\ -10 - 3\alpha + 14 - \alpha + 6 &= 0 \\ -4\alpha + 10 &= 0 \\ 4\alpha &= 10 \\ \alpha &= \frac{10}{4} = \frac{5}{2} \quad \text{Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $\underline{a} = \underline{i} - 2\alpha\underline{j} - \underline{k}$ ,  $\underline{b} = \underline{i} - \underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$ ,  $\underline{c} = \alpha\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + \underline{k}$

**Solution:**

$$\text{Since } \underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c} \text{ are coplanar so } \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \times \underline{c} = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2\alpha & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ \alpha & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$1(-1+4) + 2\alpha(1-2\alpha) - 1(-2+\alpha) = 0$$

$$3 + 2\alpha - 4\alpha^2 + 2 - \alpha = 0$$

$$-4\alpha^2 + \alpha + 5 = 0$$

$$4\alpha^2 - \alpha - 5 = 0$$

$$4\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 4\alpha - 5 = 0$$

$$\alpha(4\alpha - 5) + 1(4\alpha - 5) = 0$$

$$(4\alpha - 5)(\alpha + 1) = 0$$

$$4\alpha - 5 = 0, \quad \alpha + 1 = 0$$

$$4\alpha = 5, \quad \alpha = -1$$

$$\alpha = \frac{5}{4}, \quad \alpha = -1 \quad \text{Ans.}$$

**Q.5** Find the value of

(i)  $2\mathbf{i} \times 2\mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{k}$

**Solution:**

$$2\mathbf{i} \times 2\mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{k} = 4(\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j}) \cdot \mathbf{k} = 4(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k}) = 4$$

(ii)  $3\mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i}$

**Solution:**

$$3\mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i} = 3\mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{j} = 3(1) = 3 \quad \text{Ans.}$$

(iii)  $[\mathbf{k} \ \mathbf{i} \ \mathbf{j}]$

**Solution:**

$$= \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k} = 1 \quad \text{Ans.}$$

(iv)  $[\mathbf{i} \ \mathbf{i} \ \mathbf{k}]$

**Solution:**

$$= \mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{i} \cdot (-\mathbf{j}) = -(\mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{j}) = -0 = 0 \quad \text{Ans.}$$

**Q.5(b)** Prove that  $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) + \mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{w} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = 3\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$

(Lahore Board, 2011)

**Solution:**

$$\text{L.H.S. } \mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) + \mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{w} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})$$

We know that

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{w} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u})$$

Putting values in L.H.S.

$$= \mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) + \mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) + \mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$$

$$= \frac{3\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w})}{\text{R.H.S}} \quad \text{Hence proved}$$

**Q.6 Find volume of tetrahedron with the vertices**

**(i) (0, 1, 2), (3, 2, 1), (1, 2, 1) & (5, 5, 6)**

**Solution:**

Formula

Volume of tetrahedron when A, B, C, D whose vertices are given  $= \frac{1}{6} (\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{AC} \times \vec{AD})$

Let A (0, 1, 2), B (3, 2, 1), C (1, 2, 1), D (5, 5, 6)

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} &= \text{Position vector of B} - \text{Position vector of A} \\ &= (3-0)\underline{i} + (2-1)\underline{j} + (1-2)\underline{k} \\ &= 3\underline{i} + \underline{j} - \underline{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AC} &= \text{Position vector of C} - \text{Position vector of A} \\ &= (1-0)\underline{i} + (2-1)\underline{j} + (1-2)\underline{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{AC} = \underline{i} + \underline{j} - \underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AD} &= \text{Position vector of D} - \text{Position vector of A} \\ &= (5-0)\underline{i} + (5-1)\underline{j} + (6-2)\underline{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{AD} = 5\underline{i} + 4\underline{j} + 4\underline{k}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} \cdot \vec{AC} \times \vec{AD} &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & 4 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3(4+4) - 1(4+5) - 1(4-5) = 24 - 9 + 1 = 16 \end{aligned}$$

Volume of tetrahedron  $= \frac{1}{6} (16) = \frac{8}{3}$  cubic units Ans.

**(ii) (2, 1, 8), (3, 2, 9), (2, 1, 4) & (3, 3, 10) (Lahore Board 2011)**

**Solution:**

Let A (2, 1, 8), B (3, 2, 9), C (2, 1, 4), D (3, 3, 10)

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} &= \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} \\ &= (3-2)\underline{i} + (2-1)\underline{j} + (9-8)\underline{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{AB} = \underline{i} + \underline{j} + \underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{AC} &= \vec{OC} - \vec{OA} \\ &= (2-2)\underline{i} + (1-1)\underline{j} + (4-8)\underline{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{AC} = 0\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{AD} &= \vec{OD} - \vec{OA} \\ &= (3-2)\underline{i} + (3-1)\underline{j} + (10-8)\underline{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{AD} = \underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{AC} \times \vec{AD} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1(0+8) - 1(0+4) + 1(0-0) = 8-4 = 4\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Volume of tetrahedron} = \frac{1}{6} (\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{AC} \times \vec{AD}) = \frac{1}{6} (4) = \frac{2}{3} \text{ cubic units} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

**Q.7** Find the work done, if the point at which the constant force  $\vec{F} = 4\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}$  is applied to an object, moves from  $P_1 (3, 1, -2)$  to  $P_2 (2, 4, 6)$   
(Gujranwala Board, 2004)

**Solution:**

$$\text{Given } \vec{F} = 4\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{d} = \vec{P_1P_2} &= \vec{OP_2} - \vec{OP_1} \\ &= (2-3)\underline{i} + (4-1)\underline{j} + (6+2)\underline{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{d} = -\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 8\underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Work done} &= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d} \\ &= (4\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}) \cdot (-\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 8\underline{k}) \\ &= -4 + 9 + 40 \\ &= 45 \quad \text{Ans.}\end{aligned}$$

**Q.8** A particle, acted by constant forces  $4\underline{i} + \underline{j} - 3\underline{k}$  and  $3\underline{i} - \underline{j} - \underline{k}$  is displacement from A(1, 2, 3) to B (5, 4, 1). Find the work done.

**Solution:**

$$\vec{F_1} = 4\underline{i} + \underline{j} - 3\underline{k}, \quad \vec{F_2} = 3\underline{i} - \underline{j} - \underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{F} &= \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 = 7\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} - 4\vec{k}, \\
 \vec{d} = \vec{AB} &= \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} \\
 &= (5-1)\vec{i} + (4-2)\vec{j} + (1-3)\vec{k} \\
 \vec{d} &= 4\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - 2\vec{k} \\
 \text{Work done} &= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d} \\
 &= (7\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} - 4\vec{k}) \cdot (4\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}) \\
 &= 28 + 0 + 8 \\
 &= 36 \quad \text{Ans.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Q.9** A particle is displaced from the point A(5, -5, -7) to the point B(6, 2, -2) under the action of constant forces defined by  $10\vec{i} - \vec{j} + 11\vec{k}$ ,  $4\vec{i} + 5\vec{j} + 9\vec{k}$  and  $-2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 9\vec{k}$ . Show that the total work done by the forces is 102 unit.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{d} = \vec{AB} &= \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} \\
 &= (6-5)\vec{i} + (2+5)\vec{j} + (-2+7)\vec{k} \\
 \vec{d} &= \vec{i} + 7\vec{j} + 5\vec{k} \\
 \vec{F}_1 &= 10\vec{i} - \vec{j} + 11\vec{k}, \quad \vec{F}_2 = 4\vec{i} + 5\vec{j} + 9\vec{k}, \quad \vec{F}_3 = 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 9\vec{k} \\
 \text{Total forces } \vec{F} &= \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 \\
 &= 10\vec{i} - \vec{j} + 11\vec{k} + 4\vec{i} + 5\vec{j} + 9\vec{k} + 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 9\vec{k} \\
 \vec{F} &= 12\vec{i} + 5\vec{j} + 11\vec{k} \\
 \text{Work done} &= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d} \\
 &= (12\vec{i} + 5\vec{j} + 11\vec{k}) \cdot (\vec{i} + 7\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}) \\
 &= 12 + 35 + 55 \\
 &= 102 \text{ units} \quad \text{Hence proved} \quad \text{Ans.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Q.10** A force of magnitude 6 units acting parallel to  $2\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + \vec{k}$  displaces, the point of application from (1, 2, 3) to (5, 3, 7). Find the work done.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Let } \vec{u} &= 2\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + \vec{k} \\
 |\vec{u}| &= \sqrt{(2)^2 + (-2)^2 + (1)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 4 + 1} = \sqrt{9} = 3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{\underline{u}}{|\underline{u}|} = \frac{2\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + \underline{k}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Hence, the force of magnitude 6 units is

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F} &= 6\hat{n} \\ &= 6\left(\frac{2\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + \underline{k}}{3}\right) \\ \vec{F} &= 4\underline{i} - 4\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}\end{aligned}$$

Let

$$A(1, 2, 3), \quad B(5, 3, 7)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{d} = \vec{AB} &= \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} \\ &= (5-1)\underline{i} + (3-2)\underline{j} + (7-3)\underline{k} \\ \vec{d} &= 4\underline{i} + \underline{j} + 4\underline{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Work done} &= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d} \\ &= (4\underline{i} - 4\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}) \cdot (4\underline{i} + \underline{j} + 4\underline{k}) \\ &= 16 - 4 + 8 = 20 \quad \text{Ans.}\end{aligned}$$

**Q.11** A force  $\vec{F} = 3\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}$  is applied at the point  $(1, -1, 2)$ . Find the moment of the force about the point  $(2, -1, 3)$

**Solution:**

$$\vec{F} = 3\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}$$

Let  $A(1, -1, 2)$  and  $B(2, -1, 3)$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r} = \vec{BA} &= \vec{OA} - \vec{OB} \\ &= (1-2)\underline{i} + (-1+1)\underline{j} + (2-3)\underline{k} \\ \vec{r} &= -\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} - \underline{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Required moment } M &= \vec{r} \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & -4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \underline{i} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 \end{vmatrix} - \underline{j} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 3 & -4 \end{vmatrix} + \underline{k} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \underline{i} (0 + 2) - \underline{j} (4 + 3) + \underline{k} (-2 - 0)\end{aligned}$$



$$= 2\underline{i} - 7\underline{j} - 2\underline{k} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

**Q.12** A force  $\vec{F} = 4\underline{i} - 3\underline{k}$  passes through the point A(2, -2, 5). Find the moment of  $\vec{F}$  about point B (1, -3, 1) (Lahore Board 2009)

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F} &= 4\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} - 3\underline{k} \\ \vec{r} = \vec{BA} &= \vec{OA} - \vec{OB} \\ &= (2-1)\underline{i} + (-2+3)\underline{j} + (5-1)\underline{k} \\ \vec{r} &= \underline{i} + \underline{j} + 4\underline{k} \end{aligned}$$

Required moment

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r} \times \vec{F} &= \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = \underline{i} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix} - \underline{j} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} + \underline{k} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \underline{i}(-3-0) - \underline{j}(-3-16) + \underline{k}(0-4) \\ \vec{r} \times \vec{F} &= -3\underline{i} + 19\underline{j} - 4\underline{k} \quad \text{Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

**Q.13** Give a force  $\vec{F} = 2\underline{i} + \underline{j} - 3\underline{k}$  acting at a point A (1, -2, 1). Find the moment of  $\vec{F}$  about the point B (2, 0, -2)

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F} &= 2\underline{i} + \underline{j} - 3\underline{k} \\ \vec{r} = \vec{BA} &= \vec{OA} - \vec{OB} \\ &= (1-2)\underline{i} + (-2-0)\underline{j} + (1+2)\underline{k} \\ \vec{r} &= -\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + 3\underline{k} \end{aligned}$$

Required moment

$$\vec{r} \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ -1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \underline{i} \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} - \underline{j} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix} + \underline{k} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \underline{i} (6 - 3) - \underline{j} (3 - 6) + \underline{k} (-1 + 4) \\
 &= 3\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 3\underline{k} \quad \text{Ans.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Q.14** Find the moment about A(1, 1, 1) of each of the concurrent forces  $\underline{i} - 2\underline{j}$ ,  $3\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} - \underline{k}$ ,  $5\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$ , where P (2, 0, 1) is their point of concurrency.

(Lahore Board 2009)

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{r} = \vec{AP} &= \vec{OP} - \vec{OA} \\
 &= (2 - 1)\underline{i} + (0 - 1)\underline{j} + (1 - 1)\underline{k} \\
 \vec{r} &= \underline{i} - \underline{j} + 0\underline{k} \\
 \vec{F}_1 &= \underline{i} - 2\underline{j}, \quad \vec{F}_2 = 3\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} - \underline{k}, \quad \vec{F}_3 = 0\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} + 2\underline{k} \\
 \vec{F} &= \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 \\
 &= \underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + 3\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} - \underline{k} + 0\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} + 2\underline{k} \\
 \vec{F} &= 4\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} + \underline{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

Moment of force

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{r} \times \vec{F} &= \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \underline{i} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \underline{j} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \underline{k} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \underline{i} (-1 - 0) - \underline{j} (1 - 0) + \underline{k} (5 + 4) \\
 \vec{r} \times \vec{F} &= -\underline{i} - \underline{j} + 9\underline{k} \quad \text{Ans.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Q.15** A force  $\vec{F} = 7\underline{i} + 4\underline{j} - 3\underline{k}$  is applied at P (1, -2, 3). Find its moment about the point Q (2, 1, 1).

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{F} &= 7\underline{i} + 4\underline{j} - 3\underline{k} \\
 \vec{r} = \vec{QP} &= \vec{OP} - \vec{OQ}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= (1 - 2)\underline{i} + (-2 - 1)\underline{j} + (3 - 1)\underline{k}$$

$$\vec{r} = -\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$$

Moment of force

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r} \times \vec{F} &= \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ -1 & -3 & 2 \\ 7 & 4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \underline{i} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} - \underline{j} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 7 & -3 \end{vmatrix} + \underline{k} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ 7 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \underline{i} (9 - 8) - \underline{j} (3 - 14) + \underline{k} (-4 + 21)\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{r} \times \vec{F} = \underline{i} + 11\underline{j} + 17\underline{k} \quad \text{Ans.}$$