

## Lecture 6-2

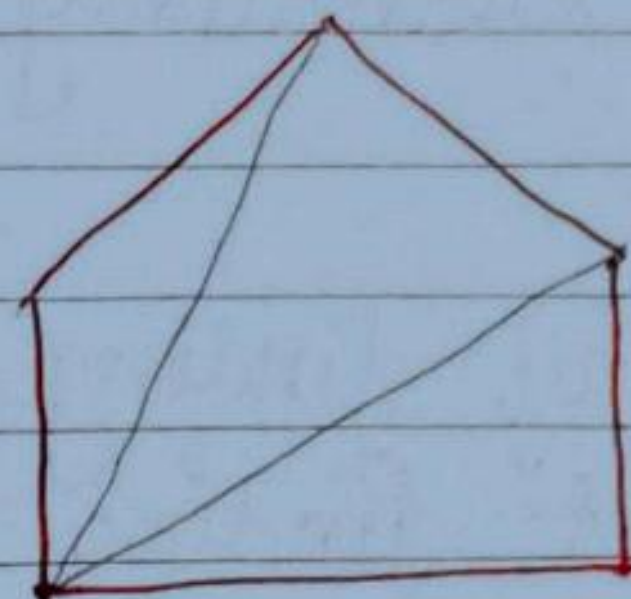
### GROSS PRODUCT

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# Area :-

Find area of pentagon:  
compute using vector.



Sol: ① Simple

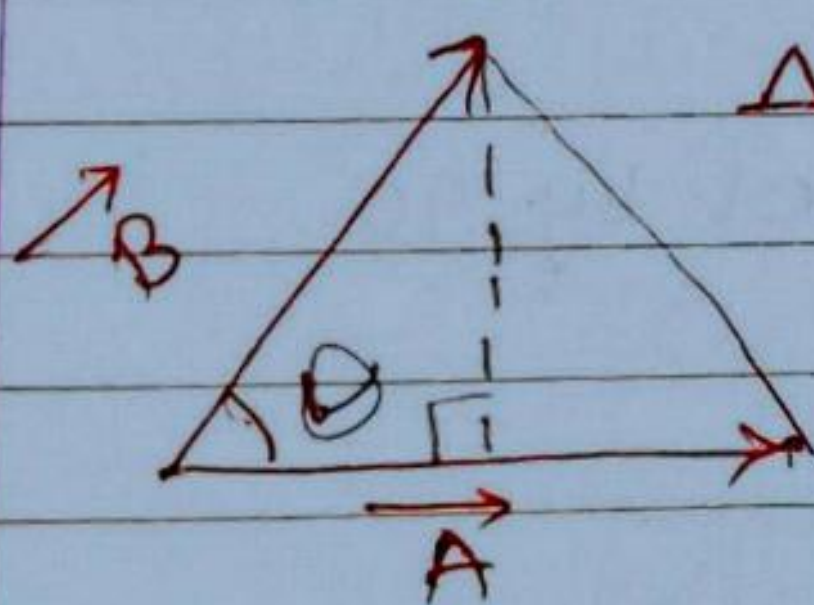
① Cut into three triangles

② Sum the area of triangle.

⇒ area of triangle?

triangle in plane:

→ we need two vectors to describe it.



$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \text{ base} \times \text{height}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \sin \theta$$

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is similar to  $|\vec{A}| |\vec{u}| \cos \theta$ ; except for one little catch  
this is a ~~sign~~  $\sin$  instead of a 'cos'

How do we deal with that?

1<sup>st</sup> find cosine of the angle using dot product  
(using  $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}}{|\vec{A}| |\vec{B}|}$ )

2<sup>nd</sup> :- Using dot product:

Solve for sine using  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$ .

3<sup>rd</sup>: plug that into eq-(1).

Using Elementary geometry  
A dot product.



## # easier way & Using determinants

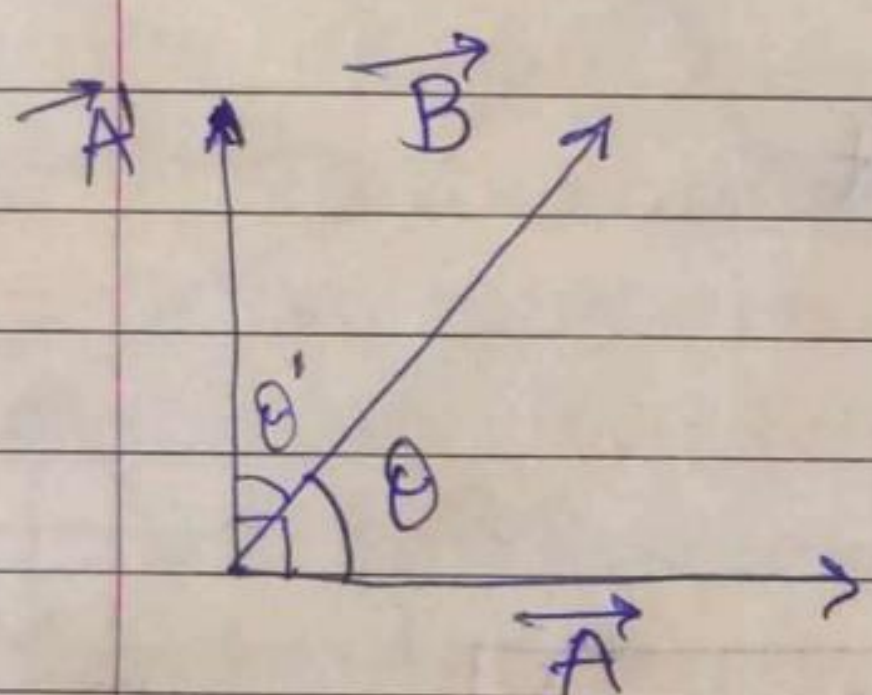
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Solving with elementary geometry & dot products first

↳ Instead of finding the  $\sin(\theta)$ ; well we're not good at finding ~~signs~~  $\sin$  of angles.

but we are very good in finding cosines of angles so maybe we can find another angle whose cosine is the same as the  $\sin$  of theta. (complementary angles)



↳ I rotate my vector  $\vec{A}$  by  $90^\circ$  to get new vector  $\vec{A}'$

$$\vec{A}' = \vec{A} \text{ rotated by } 90^\circ$$

$$\theta' = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$$

$$\cos(\theta') = \sin(\theta)$$

means that

$$\text{Length } |\vec{A}| \cdot |\vec{B}| \sin \theta$$

$$\because |\vec{A}| = |\vec{A}'|$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|\vec{A}'| |\vec{B}| \cos(\theta')} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

multiplication

$$= \vec{A}' \cdot \vec{B}$$

But How to find  $\vec{A}'$ ? check example 1a

$$= \langle -a_2, a_1 \rangle \cdot \langle b_1, b_2 \rangle$$

$$= a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1 \checkmark$$

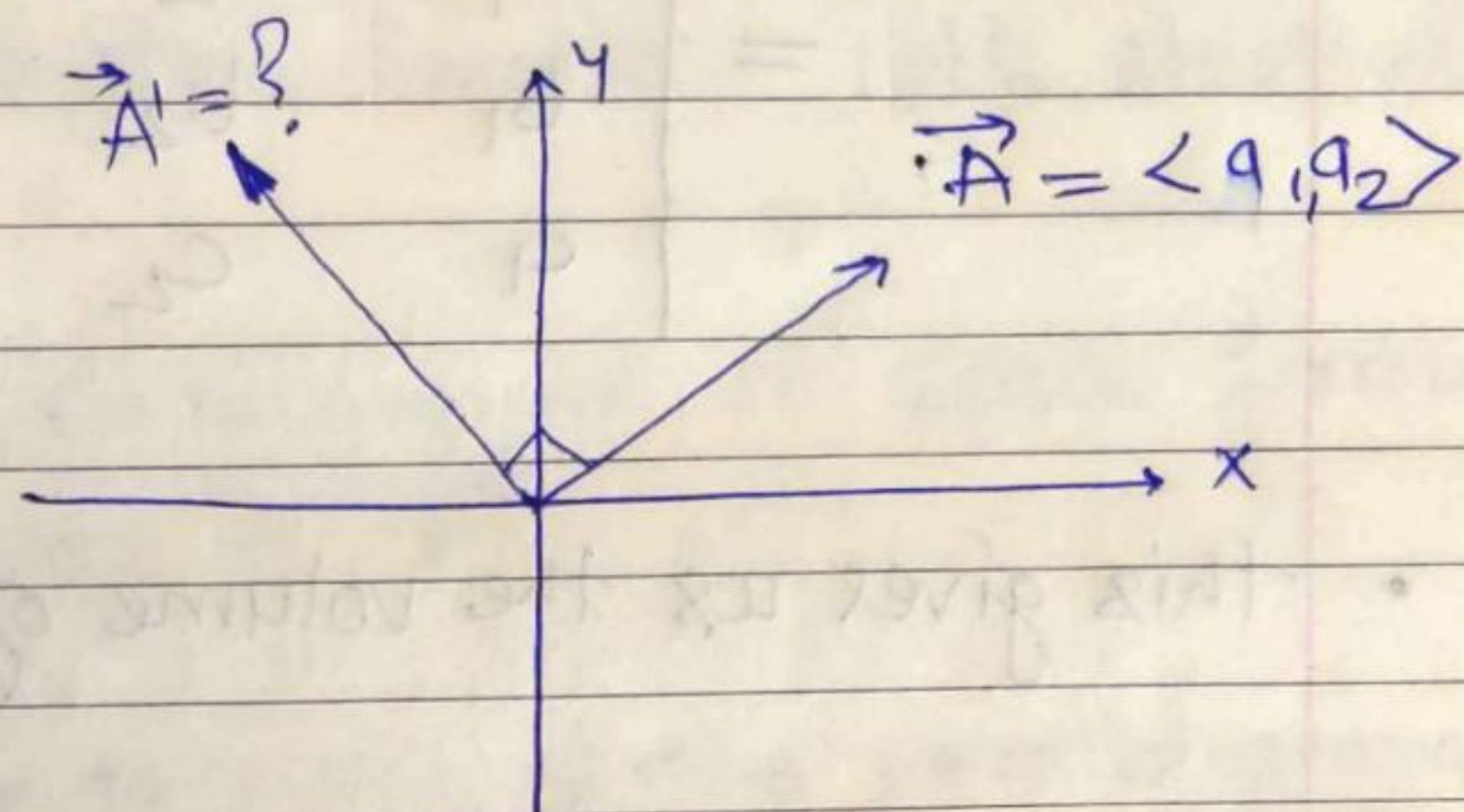
↳ this quantity is another name of determinant  $(\vec{A}, \vec{B})$



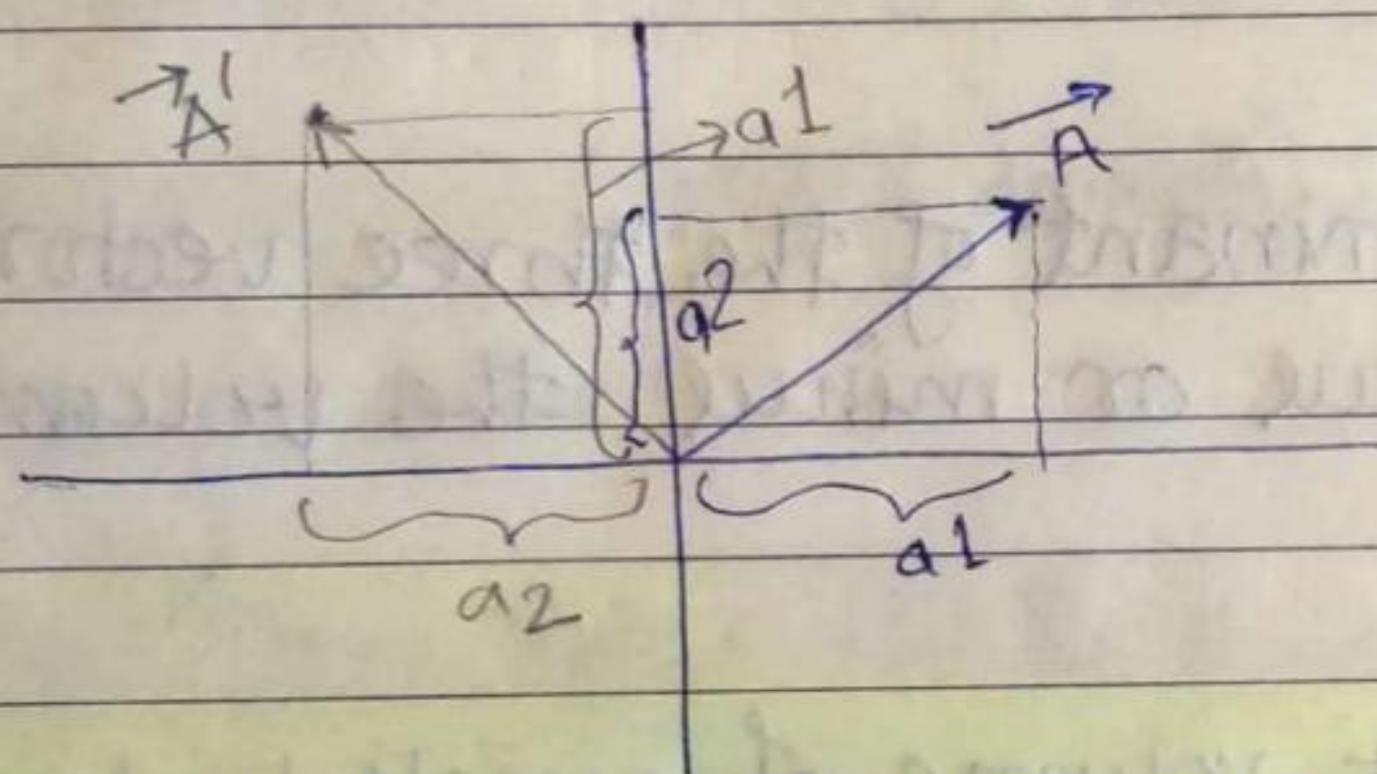
1Q example to find  $A'$  //

let's say that I have a plane vector  $A$  with two components  $\langle a_1, a_2 \rangle$  & I want to rotate it counterclockwise by  $90^\circ$ .

- (a)  $\langle a_2, a_1 \rangle$
- (b)  $\langle -a_2, a_1 \rangle$
- (c)  $\langle a_2, -a_1 \rangle$
- (d)  $\langle -a_1, a_2 \rangle$



Sol.



$$\vec{A} = \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle$$

→ rotate this box, by  $90^\circ$ .

On rotation by  $90^\circ$

$$\vec{A}' = \langle -a_2, a_1 \rangle \quad \checkmark$$

# Geometrically, Determinant measures ??

is the area of parallelogram formed by  $\vec{A}$  &  $\vec{B}$

$$\det(\vec{A}, \vec{B}) = \text{Area of parallelogram formed by } \vec{A} \text{ \& } \vec{B}$$

\*\*\* absolute value of det.

$$\text{So triangle area} = \frac{1}{2} \det(\vec{A}, \vec{B})$$

→ Determinant is minus or plus the area.

$$\pm \text{area}(\square) = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \sin \theta = \det(\vec{A}, \vec{B})$$

$$\pm \text{area}(\triangle) = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \det(\vec{A}, \vec{B})$$



## ## Determinant in Space

↳ tells volumes

$i+j = \text{odd}$

$$\rightarrow \det(\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C})$$

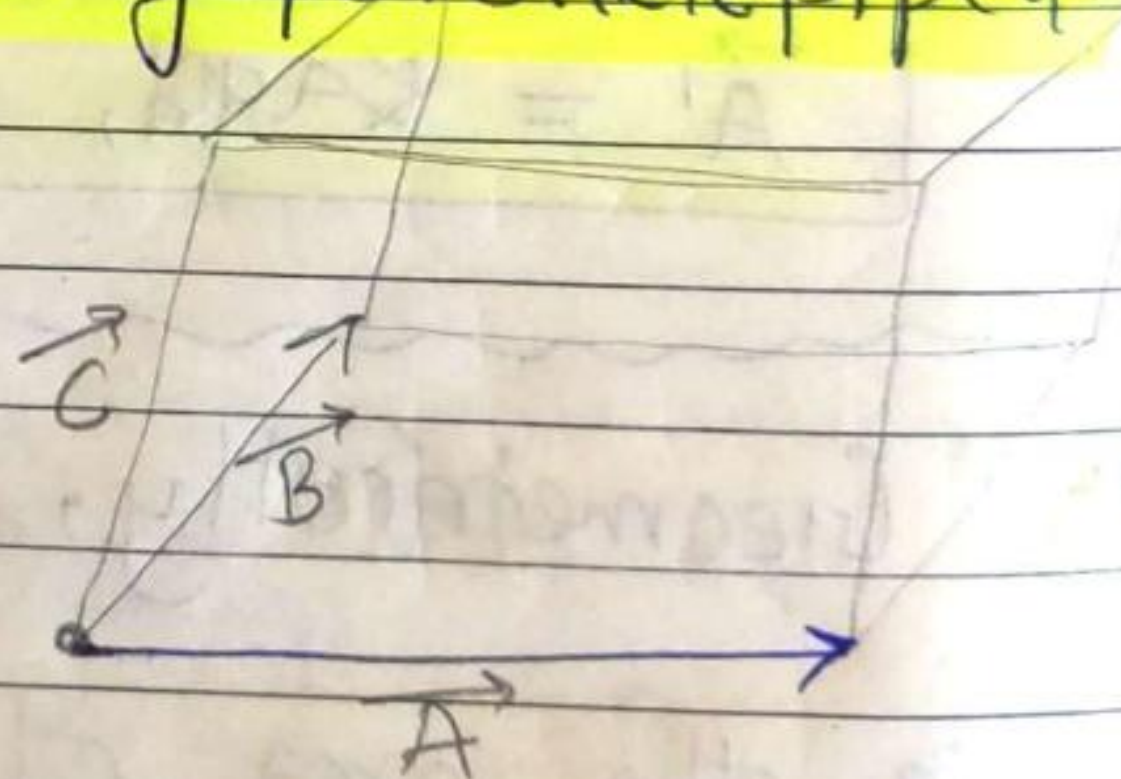
$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 \begin{vmatrix} b_2 & b_3 \\ c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} - a_2 \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + a_3 \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ c_1 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

- this gives us the volume of the box with sides  $A, B, C$ .

## ## Theorem 6

Geometrically the determinant of the three vectors  $A, B, C$  is again plus or minus the volume of parallelepiped.

$$\det(\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C}) = \pm \text{volume of parallelepiped.}$$



## ## Cross Product

→ You can apply to 2 vectors in space (3-D space)

Def:  $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$  is a vector

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

- Dot Product gives a scalar; Cross Product → vector.



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

⇒ Geometric meaning of ~~is~~ this relation?

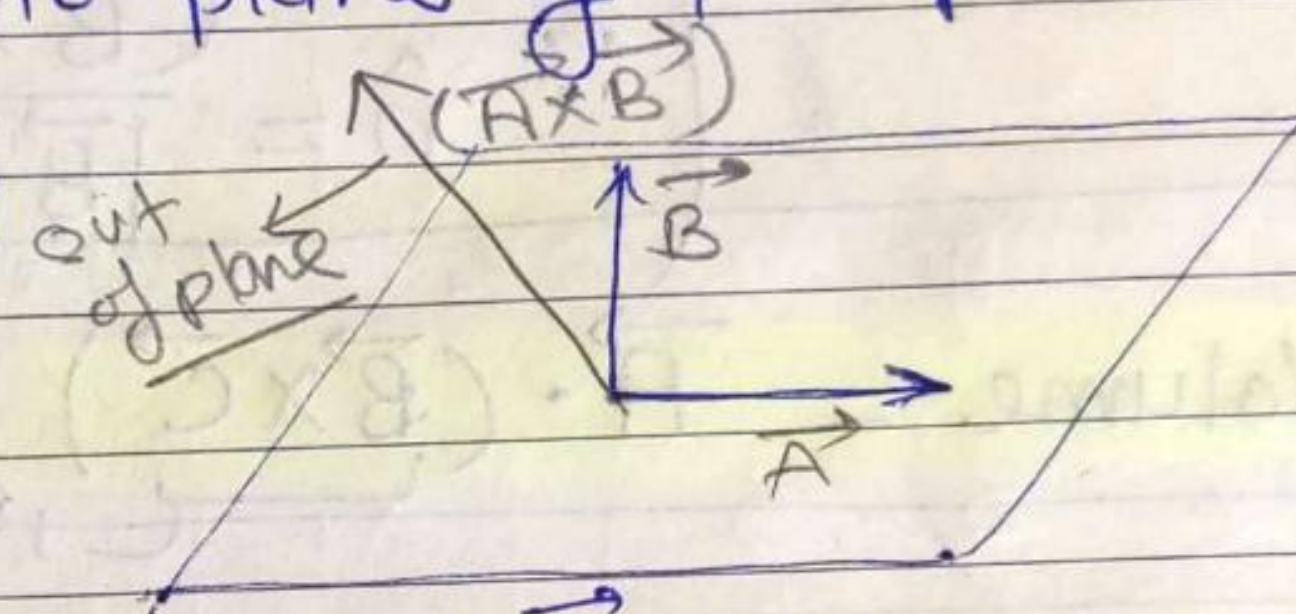
Theorem 6 Vector has length & direction. Let's start with length.

①  $|\vec{A} \times \vec{B}|$  = area of parallelogram in space formed by vector  $\vec{A}$ ,  $\vec{B}$ .

② direction  $(\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \perp$  to plane of the parallelogram.

it can be  $\perp$  (upside & downside)

How to decide?



→ Right Hand Rule 6 ① Hand toward  $\vec{A}$  direction

② Curl ur finger toward  $\vec{B}$

③ Get the thumb straight out  $\perp$

that tells ~~the~~  $(\vec{A} \times \vec{B})$  will go up.

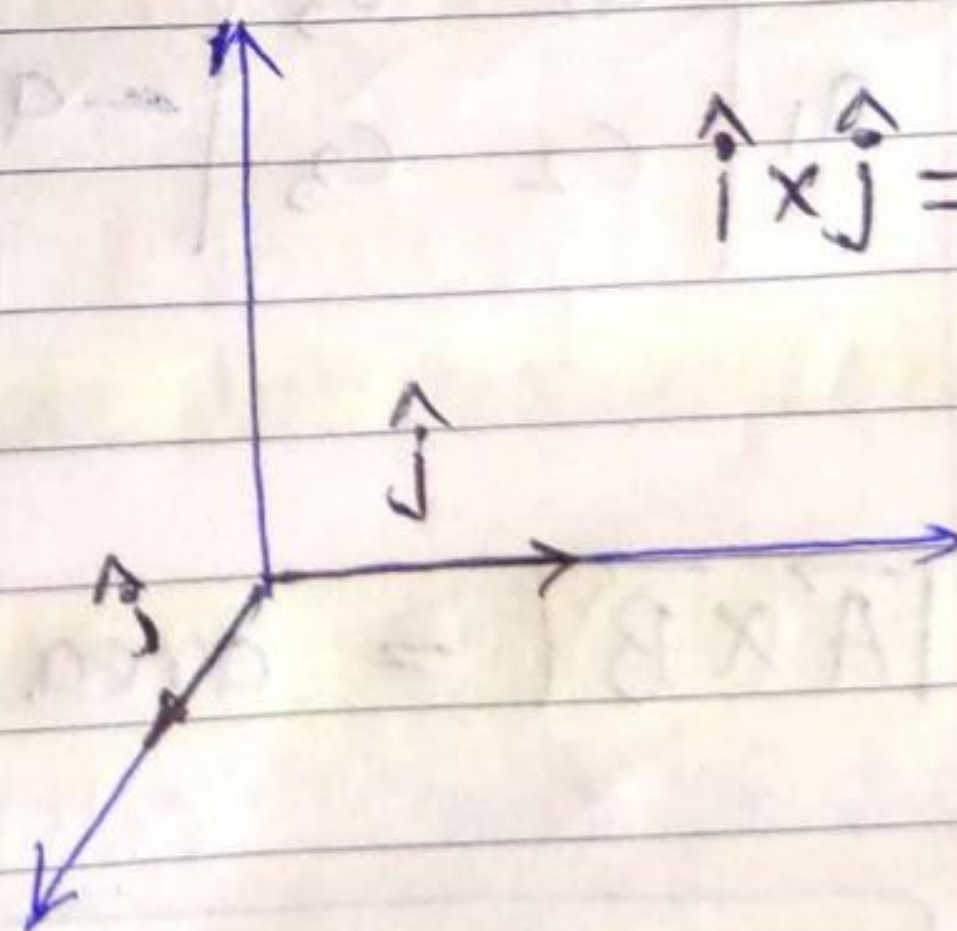
example: 2(a)

$$\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k} \text{ (from R.H.R.)}$$

using determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0\hat{i} - 0\hat{j} + 1\hat{k} = \hat{k}$$

$$\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = ?$$

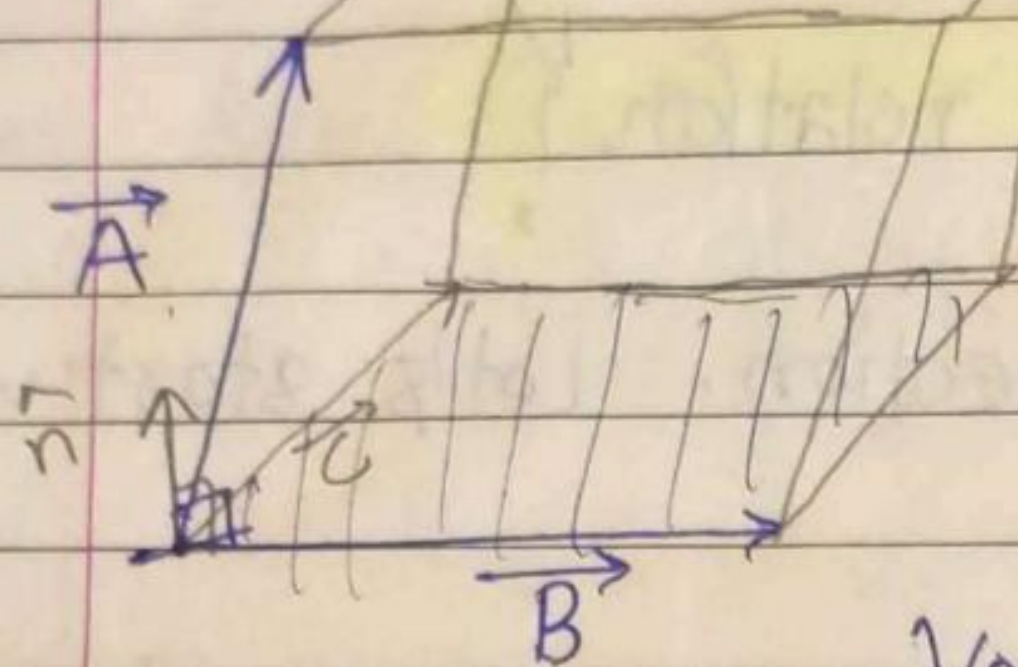


920: How do I find volume if I don't want to know about determinants.



## ## Another look at volume &—

$$\text{Volume} = \text{area}(\text{base}) \times \text{height}$$



Area in space b/w two vectors  $\vec{B}$  &  $\vec{C}$ ;  $= |\vec{B} \times \vec{C}|$

$$\text{Volume} = |\vec{B} \times \vec{C}| \cdot (\vec{A} \cdot \hat{n})$$

how much  $\vec{A}$  goes in direction of  $\hat{n}$ .

$$\text{Volume} = |\vec{B} \times \vec{C}| \cdot \left( \vec{A} \cdot \frac{(\vec{B} \times \vec{C})}{|\vec{B} \times \vec{C}|} \right)$$

$$\because \hat{n} = \frac{(\vec{B} \times \vec{C})}{|\vec{B} \times \vec{C}|}$$

$$\text{Volume} = \vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})$$

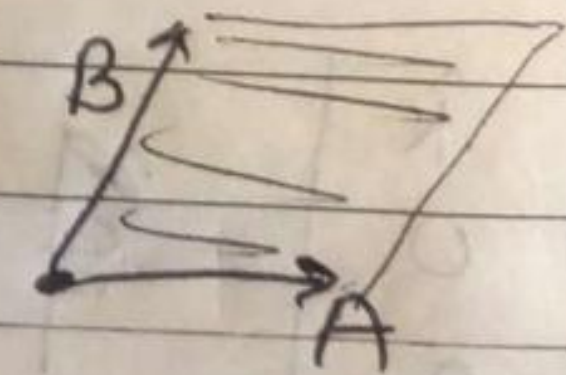
scalar product

$$\det(\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C}) = \vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})$$

Verification

$$\det(\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C}) = \vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})$$

$$a_1 \begin{vmatrix} b_2 & b_3 \\ c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} - a_2 \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + a_3 \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ c_1 & c_2 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 \begin{vmatrix} b_2 & b_3 \\ c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + a_2 \begin{vmatrix} -b_3 & -b_2 \\ -c_3 & -c_2 \end{vmatrix} + a_3 \begin{vmatrix} -b_2 & -b_1 \\ -c_2 & -c_1 \end{vmatrix}$$

- $|\vec{A} \times \vec{B}| = \text{area of parallelogram}$  

- $\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = -\vec{B} \times \vec{A}$  are not same as ~~Right~~ thumb direction change on applying R.H.R.

- $\vec{A} \times \vec{A} = 0$ , (area zero)