

# Matrix theory - Assignment1

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**Abstract—This document illustrates scalar and vector products of two vectors**

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<https://github.com/shreeprasadbhat/matrixtheory/tree/master/assignment1/codes>

and latex-tikz codes from

<https://github.com/shreeprasadbhat/matrix-theory/blob/master/assignment1/>

## 3.2 Vector product

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 5 & -4 \\ 5 & 0 & -3 \\ -(-4) & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} (0 \times -2) + (-5 \times 1) + (-4 \times -3) \\ (5 \times -2) + (0 \times 1) + (-3 \times -3) \\ (4 \times -2) + (3 \times 1) + (0 \times -3) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 1 PROBLEM

Find scalar and vector products of the two vectors

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 2 CONSTRUCTION

### 2.1 Scalar product

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}^T = (a_1 \times b_1 + a_2 \times b_2 + a_3 \times b_3)$$

### 2.2 Vector product

Vector product can be expressed as product of a skew-symmetric matrix and vector

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_3 & a_2 \\ a_3 & 0 & -a_1 \\ -a_2 & a_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 3 SOLUTION

### 3.1 Scalar product

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}^T \\ &= (3 \times -2 + -4 \times 1 + 5 \times -3) = -25 \end{aligned}$$