

Lecture 1.

Assign. #1. Due Friday.

May 8, @ 10:20 am

(assignment box)

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2. handout.

• Course Introduction.

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Course web page: [~mxchen/phys2210902/info221.htm](http://www.sfu.ca/~mxchen/phys2210902/info221.htm).

Textbook & CD Rom.

Grading: 5% attendance of tutorial.

10% homework.

15% midterm #1. (May 29)

20% midterm #2 (July 3)

Final Exam: 50% or more.

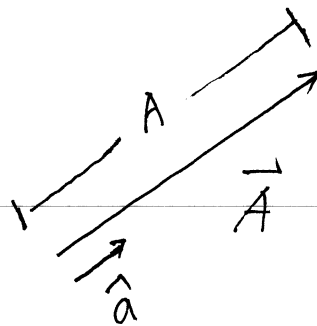
• Suggestion: Review Math 251. on vectors.

($\vec{E}$, $\vec{B}$ are vectors!)

Review of Vector Algebra.

• Definition

vector $\vec{A}$



$$\vec{A} = A \hat{a} : \text{magnitude : } A = |\vec{A}|$$

direction : $\hat{a}$ (unit vector along $\vec{A}$)

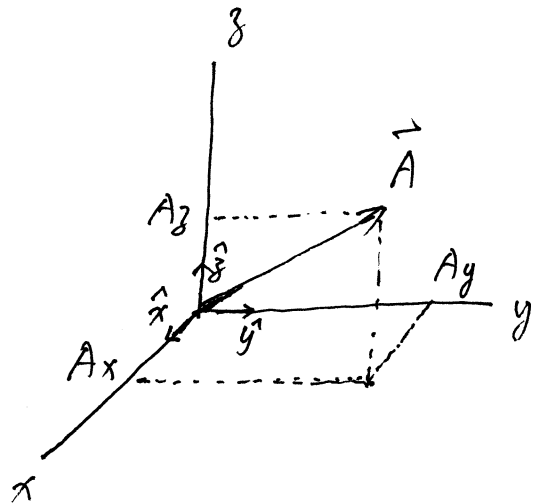
$$\hat{a} = \frac{\vec{A}}{A}, \quad |\hat{a}| = 1.$$

Cartesian Components.

$$\vec{A} = A_x \hat{x} + A_y \hat{y} + A_z \hat{z}$$

$\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}$ — base vectors
($\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k}$)

A_x, A_y, A_z — components



• Addition and subtraction of Vectors.

Method 1. Tip-to-tail.

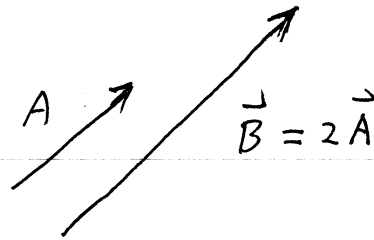
Method 2. ^{use} Components. — most useful.

• Multiplication

— Simple product.

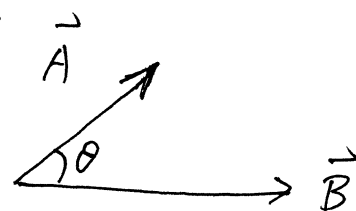
$$\vec{B} = k \cdot \vec{A}$$

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 scalar vector



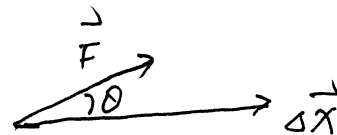
— Dot product (scalar product)
The result is a scalar.

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



e.g: Work by a force $\vec{F}$.

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{x}$$



$\Delta \vec{x}$ — displacement.
(distance)

Component form:

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

- Cross product (vector product)

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \hat{n} AB \sin \theta$$

$\hat{n}$ — normal to the plane containing $\vec{A}$ and $\vec{B}$

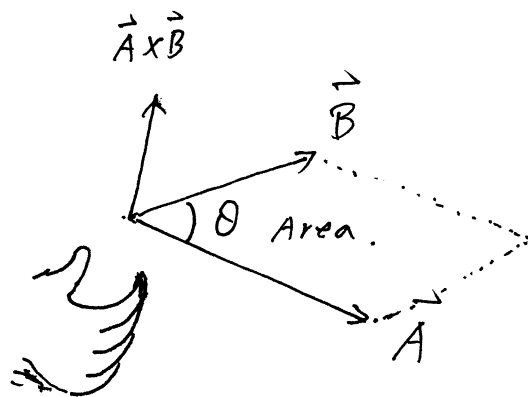
$\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$: The result is a vector.

Direction obeys the right-hand rule.

magnitude = $A \cdot B \cdot \sin \theta$ (area of parallelogram).

θ — angle between $\vec{A}$ and $\vec{B}$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{n} &\perp \vec{A} \\ \hat{n} &\perp \vec{B} \\ (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) &\perp \vec{A} \\ (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) &\perp \vec{B} \end{aligned}$$

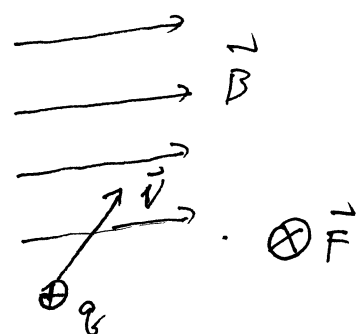


e.g. A charge q moving in a magnetic field $\vec{B}$

The force on q is:

$$\vec{F} = q \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

$\vec{F}$: into the page.



From the right-hand rule.

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = -\vec{B} \times \vec{A} \quad (\text{anticommutative})$$

$$(\vec{A} \times \vec{B} \neq \vec{B} \times \vec{A})$$

Component form:

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix}.$$

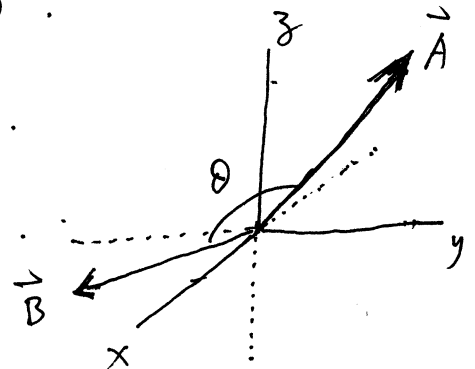
e.g. Given $\vec{A} = 2\hat{x} + 3\hat{y} + 3\hat{z}$.

$$\vec{B} = -\hat{x} - 5\hat{y} - \hat{z}.$$

Find the angle between $\vec{A}$ and $\vec{B}$.

[solution]:

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = AB \cos \theta.$$



$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}}{AB}$$

$$= \frac{A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z}{\sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2 + A_z^2} \sqrt{B_x^2 + B_y^2 + B_z^2}}$$

$$= \frac{-2 - 15 - 3}{\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 3^2} \sqrt{1 + 5^2 + 1}}$$

$$= \frac{-20}{\sqrt{22} \sqrt{27}}.$$

$$\theta = 145.1^\circ.$$

- Scalar triple product

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

$$\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \begin{vmatrix} A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \\ C_x & C_y & C_z \end{vmatrix}$$

- Vector triple product.

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

Note : $\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) \neq (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{C}$

(Doesn't obey the associative law)

i.e, $\vec{B} \times \vec{C}$ first.

Then $\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})$