



Electromagnetic waves

Lecture 1

Vector Analysis and Vector Algebra

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1-Vector Analysis and Vector Algebra

1-1 Vector is a quantity having both magnitude and direction such as displacement, velocity, force and acceleration.

Example 1

Write the vector for each of the following: a. of the vector $(1, -3, -5)$ to $(2, -7, 0)$.

b. of the vector $(2, -7, 0)$ to $(1, -3, -5)$. c. The location vector to $(4, 90)$. (- .) solution

$$a \langle -1, 4, -5 \rangle \quad b \langle 1, -4, 5 \rangle$$

The two vectors in a and b are different in sign only, and this shows that they have the same magnitude, but they are opposite

1-2 Vector Algebra

Laws of vector algebra. If A, B and C are vectors and m and n are scalars, then

1. $A + B = B + A$ Commutative Law for Addition
2. $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$ Associative Law for Addition
3. $mA = Am$ Commutative Law for Multiplication
4. $m(nA) = (mn)A$ Associative Law for Multiplication
5. $(m + n)A = mA + nA$ Distributive Law
6. $m(A + B) = mA + mB$ Distributive Law

Example:

Let us take $A = 10$ and $B = 5$

$$10 + 5 = 5 + 10$$

$$15 = 15$$

Example:

Prove:- $(3+7) = (-3)+(-7)$

Proof:

$$-(10) = -3-7$$

$$-10 = -10$$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$$

Example:

Let us take $A = 2$, $B = 4$ and $C = 6$

$$\text{L.H.S} = A+(B+C) = 2 + (4 + 6)$$

$$= 12$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = (A+B)+C = (2 + 4) + 6$$

$$=12$$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$$

$$12 = 12$$

Example:

Let us take $A = 2$, $B = 3$ and $C = 5$

$$\text{L.H.S} = A \times (B + C) = 2 \times (3+5)$$

$$= 2 \times 8$$

$$= 16$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = A \times B + A \times C = 2 \times 3 + 2 \times 5$$

$$= 6 + 10$$

$$= 16$$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$$

$$16 = 16$$

Example

$$A=4, m=5$$

$$mA = Am$$

$$5 \times 4 = 4 \times 5$$

$$20 = 20$$

Example

$$A=5$$

$$m=3$$

$$n=2$$

$$m(nA) = (mn)A$$

$$3(2 \times 5) = (3 \times 2)5$$

$$3 \times 10 = 6 \times 5$$

$$30 = 30$$

1-3 Scalar product

The process of multiplying a vector quantity by another vector quantity, the product of which is a non-vector scalar quantity, which has only an amount..

- The dot product of two vectors is given by the formula

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |a||b| \cos(\theta).$$

1-3-1 The following laws are valid:

1. $A \cdot B = B \cdot A$ Commutative Law for Dot Products
2. $A \cdot (B + C) = A \cdot B + A \cdot C$ Distributive Law
3. $m(A \cdot B) = (mA) \cdot B = A \cdot (mB) = (A \cdot B)m$, where m is a scalar.

$$4. i \cdot i = j \cdot j = k \cdot k = 1, i \cdot j = j \cdot k = k \cdot i = 0$$

5. If $A = A_1 i + A_2 j + A_3 k$ and $B = B_1 i + B_2 j + B_3 k$, then

$$A \cdot B = A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_2 + A_3 B_3$$

$$A \cdot A = A^2 = A_1^2 + A_2^2 + A_3^2$$

$$B \cdot B = B^2 = B_1^2 + B_2^2 + B_3^2$$

6. If $A \cdot B = 0$ and A and B are not null vectors, then A and B are perpendicular.

Example: Find the scalar product of the vectors $a = 2i + 3j - 6k$ and $b = i + 9k$.

Solution: To find the scalar product of the given vectors a and b , we will multiply their corresponding components.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} &= (2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}) \cdot (\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} + 9\mathbf{k}) \\ &= 2 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 0 + (-6) \cdot 9 \\ &= 2 + 0 - 54 \\ &= -52 \end{aligned}$$

Example: Calculate the scalar product of vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} when the modulus of \mathbf{a} is 9, modulus of \mathbf{b} is 7 and the angle between the two vectors is 60° .

Solution: To determine the scalar product of vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} , we will use the scalar product formula.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} &= |\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \cos\theta \\ &= 9 \times 7 \cos 60^\circ \\ &= 63 \times 1/2 \\ &= 31.5 \end{aligned}$$

Example 1: Find the angle between the two vectors $2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$, and $5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$.

Solution:

The two given vectors are:

$$\vec{a} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}, \text{ and } \vec{b} = 5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$$

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{4 + 9 + 1} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$|\mathbf{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + (-2)^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{25 + 4 + 9} = \sqrt{38}$$

Using the dot product we have $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 2.(5) + 3.(-2) + 1.(3) = 10 - 6 + 3 = 7$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}| \cdot |\mathbf{b}|}$$

$$= \frac{7}{\sqrt{14} \cdot \sqrt{38}}$$

$$= \frac{7}{2 \cdot \sqrt{7} \times 19}$$

$$= \frac{7}{2\sqrt{133}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{7}{2\sqrt{133}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} 0.304 = 72.3^\circ$$

1-4 Vector products

The process of multiplying a vector quantity by another vector quantity, the product of which is a vector quantity with magnitude and direction.

- The cross product of two vectors is given by the formula

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}| \sin(\theta).$$

Cross or vector product

1-4-1 The following laws are valid:

1. $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}$ Commutative Law for Cross Products
Fails
2. $\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C}$ Distributive Law
3. $m(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) = (m\mathbf{A}) \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} \times (m\mathbf{B}) = (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B})m$, where m is a scalar.
4. $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k} = 0$,
 $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = -\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{k}$,
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 $\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i} = -\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{j}$.
5. If $\mathbf{A} = A_1 \mathbf{i} + A_2 \mathbf{j} + A_3 \mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{B} = B_1 \mathbf{i} + B_2 \mathbf{j} + B_3 \mathbf{k}$,
then
6. The magnitude of $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$ is the same as the area of a parallelogram with sides \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} .
7. If $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = 0$ and \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are not null vectors, then \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are parallel.

Example: Find the cross product of two vectors $\vec{a} = (3,4,5)$ and $\vec{b} = (7,8,9)$

Solution:

The cross product is given as,

$$\begin{array}{r} \hat{i} \quad \hat{j} \quad \hat{k} \\ \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix} \\ = [(4 \times 9) - (5 \times 8)] \hat{i} - [(3 \times 9) - (5 \times 7)] \hat{j} + [(3 \times 8) - (4 \times 7)] \hat{k} \\ = (36 - 40) \hat{i} - (27 - 35) \hat{j} + (24 - 28) \hat{k} = -4 \hat{i} + 8 \hat{j} - 4 \hat{k} \end{array}$$

Example: Two vectors have their scalar magnitude as $|a|=2\sqrt{3}$ and $|b| = 4$, while the angle between the two vectors is 60° .

Calculate the cross product of two vectors.

Solution:

We know that $\sin 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}/2$

The cross product of the two vectors is given by, $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = |a||b|\sin(\theta)\hat{n} = 2\sqrt{3} \times 4 \times \sqrt{3}/2 = 12\hat{n}$

Example If $\vec{a} = (2, -4, 4)$ and $\vec{b} = (4, 0, 3)$, find the angle between them.

Solution

$$\vec{a} = 2i - 4j + 4k$$

$$\vec{b} = 4i + 0j + 3k$$

The magnitude of \vec{a} is

$$|a| = \sqrt{(2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2)} = \sqrt{36} = 6$$

The magnitude of \vec{b} is

$$|b| = \sqrt{(4^2 + 0^2 + 3^2)} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

As per the cross product formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \times \vec{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -4 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= [(-4 \times 3) - (4 \times 0)]\hat{i} \\ &\quad - [(3 \times 2) - (4 \times 4)]\hat{j} \\ &\quad + [(2 \times 0) - (-4 \times 4)]\hat{k} \\ &= -12\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 16\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (-12, 10, 16)$$

The length of the \vec{c} is

$$|c| = \sqrt{(-12)^2 + 10^2 + 16^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{144 + 100 + 256}$$

$$= \sqrt{500}$$

$$= 10\sqrt{5}$$

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

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

$$\sin \theta = 10\sqrt{5} / (5 \times 6)$$

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{5} / 3$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{5} / 3)$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1}(0.74)$$

$$\theta = 48^\circ$$