

VECTORS

Exercise 1

Q(1). (a) $\overrightarrow{OP} = \underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 4\underline{k}$ $|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 4\underline{k}) \cdot (\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 4\underline{k})} = \sqrt{(1^2 + 3^2 + 4^2)} = \sqrt{26}$

(b) $\overrightarrow{OP} = 2\underline{i} + 4\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}$ $|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(2\underline{i} + 4\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}) \cdot (2\underline{i} + 4\underline{j} + 5\underline{k})} = \sqrt{(2^2 + 4^2 + 5^2)} = \sqrt{45}$

(c) $\overrightarrow{OP} = 4\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$ $|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(4\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}) \cdot (4\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} + 2\underline{k})} = \sqrt{(4^2 + 0^2 + 2^2)} = \sqrt{20}$

Q(2). (a) $\overrightarrow{OP} = 2\underline{i} - \underline{j} - \underline{k}$ $|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(2^2 + 1^2 + 1^2)} = \sqrt{6}$, $\frac{\overrightarrow{OP}}{|\overrightarrow{OP}|} = \frac{2\underline{i} - \underline{j} - \underline{k}}{\sqrt{6}}$, then

$\cos \theta_1 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}$, $\cos \theta_2 = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}}$ and $\cos \theta_3 = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}}$.

(b) $\overrightarrow{OP} = 4\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$ $|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(4^2 + 0^2 + 2^2)} = \sqrt{20}$, $\frac{\overrightarrow{OP}}{|\overrightarrow{OP}|} = \frac{4\underline{i} + 0\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}}{\sqrt{20}}$, then

$\cos \theta_1 = \frac{4}{\sqrt{20}}$, $\cos \theta_2 = 0$ and $\cos \theta_3 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{20}}$

(c) $\overrightarrow{OP} = -\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + \underline{k}$ $|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2)} = \sqrt{6}$, $\frac{\overrightarrow{OP}}{|\overrightarrow{OP}|} = -\frac{-\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + \underline{k}}{\sqrt{6}}$, then

$\cos \theta_1 = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}}$, $\cos \theta_2 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}$ and $\cos \theta_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$

Q(3). (a) $\overrightarrow{OP} = \underline{i} + \underline{j} + \underline{k}$ then direction ratios line OP is 1:1:1

$|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2)} = \sqrt{3}$, $\frac{\overrightarrow{OP}}{|\overrightarrow{OP}|} = \frac{\underline{i} + \underline{j} + \underline{k}}{\sqrt{3}}$, then direction cosine of line OP :

$\cos \theta_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, $\cos \theta_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ and $\cos \theta_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

(b) $\overrightarrow{OP} = -\underline{i} + \underline{j} + \underline{k}$ then direction ratios line OP is -1:1:1

$$|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2)} = \sqrt{3}, \quad \frac{\overrightarrow{OP}}{|\overrightarrow{OP}|} = -\frac{-\underline{i} + \underline{j} + \underline{k}}{\sqrt{3}}, \text{ then direction cosine of line OP :}$$

$$\cos \theta_1 = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}, \cos \theta_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ and } \cos \theta_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

(c) $\overrightarrow{OP} = 2\underline{i} + \underline{j} - \underline{k}$ then direction ratios line OP is 2:1:-1

$$|\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(2^2 + 1^2 + 1^2)} = \sqrt{6}, \quad \frac{\overrightarrow{OP}}{|\overrightarrow{OP}|} = \frac{2\underline{i} + \underline{j} - \underline{k}}{\sqrt{6}}, \text{ then direction cosine of line OP :}$$

$$\cos \theta_1 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, \cos \theta_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ and } \cos \theta_3 = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Q(4). Determine the angles $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$ for the vectors with the direction cosines:

$$(a) \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2} \right\}, \Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \cos \beta = 0, \cos \gamma = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\alpha = \pi/6, \beta = \pi/2 \text{ and } \gamma = \pi/3$$

$$(b) \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right\} \Rightarrow \alpha = \beta = \gamma = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$(c) \left\{ \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3} \right\} \Rightarrow \alpha = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{3}, \beta = \cos^{-1} -\frac{1}{3}, \gamma = \cos^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3}$$

5. Determine the lengths $|\overrightarrow{AB}|$ of the vectors \underline{AB} , given that the end points A and B. Use your results to determine the direction cosines for each of these vectors.

$$(a) \quad A=(1,1,1), \quad B=(2,0,6)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \underline{i} - \underline{j} + 5\underline{k} \text{ and } |\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{27}.$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{27}}, \cos \beta = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{27}}, \cos \gamma = \frac{5}{\sqrt{27}},$$

$$(b) \quad A=(2,-1,1), \quad B=(-2,2,2)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -4\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} \quad \text{and} \quad |\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{18}.$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{-4}{\sqrt{18}}, \quad \cos \beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}}, \quad \cos \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}},$$

$$(c) \quad A = (-1, 3, 1), \quad B = (-2, -1, 0).$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} - 1\mathbf{k} \quad \text{and} \quad |\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 4^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{18}.$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{18}}, \quad \cos \beta = \frac{4}{\sqrt{18}}, \quad \cos \gamma = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{18}},$$

Q(6). Write down the position vectors OP in terms of the unit vectors i, j, k given that O is the origin and the points P are:

$$(a) \quad (1, 1, 1) \quad \overrightarrow{OP} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}, \quad (b) \quad (2, 3, 4) \quad \overrightarrow{OP} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}, \quad (c) \quad (1, 2, 3)$$

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = \mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k},$$

Q(7). Determine the values of α, β and γ in order to that:

$$(1 - \alpha)\mathbf{i} + \beta(1 - \alpha^2)\mathbf{j} + (\gamma - 2)\mathbf{k} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$$

Equating i, j and k components

$$(1 - \alpha) = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{2} \quad \beta(1 - \alpha^2) = 3 \Rightarrow \beta = 4 \quad \text{and} \quad (\gamma - 2) = 2, \Rightarrow \gamma = 4$$

Q(8). Form the sum $\underline{a} + \underline{b}$ and difference $\underline{a} - \underline{b}$ of the vectors:

$$(a) \quad \underline{a} = 3\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k} \quad \underline{b} = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a} + \underline{b} = 4\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k} \Rightarrow \underline{a} - \underline{b} = 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$$

$$(b) \quad \underline{a} = -\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k} \quad \underline{b} = \mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a} + \underline{b} = \mathbf{j} \Rightarrow \underline{a} - \underline{b} = -2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}$$

$$(c) \quad \underline{a} = 3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k} \quad \underline{b} = \mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a} + \underline{b} = 4\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k} \Rightarrow \underline{a} - \underline{b} = 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$$

Q(9). State which of the following pairs of vectors a and b are parallel and which are anti-parallel:

$$(a) \quad \underline{a} = \mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} \quad \underline{b} = -4\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k} \Rightarrow \underline{b} = -4\underline{a}, \quad \underline{b} // \underline{a},$$

$$(b) \quad \underline{a} = -2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k} \quad \underline{b} = 2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} \Rightarrow \underline{b} = -\underline{a}, \quad \underline{b} // \underline{a},$$

$$(c) \quad \underline{a} = 4\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k} \quad \underline{b} = 3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} \Rightarrow \underline{b} \text{ and } \underline{a}, \text{ are anti parallel.}$$

Q(10). Express the following vectors \underline{a} as the product of a scalar and a unit vector:

$$(a) \underline{a} = 2\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k} \Rightarrow \frac{\underline{a}}{|\underline{a}|} = \frac{2\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k}}{\sqrt{14}}, \quad \underline{a} = \sqrt{14} \text{ times unit vector}$$

$$(b) \underline{a} = -2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k} \Rightarrow \frac{\underline{a}}{|\underline{a}|} = \frac{-2\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k}}{\sqrt{14}}, \quad \underline{a} = \sqrt{14} \text{ times unit vector}$$

$$(c) \underline{a} = 4\underline{i} - \underline{j} - 3\underline{k} \Rightarrow \frac{\underline{a}}{|\underline{a}|} = \frac{4\underline{i} - \underline{j} - 3\underline{k}}{\sqrt{26}}, \quad \underline{a} = \sqrt{26} \text{ times unit vector}$$

Q(11). Find the vectors \overline{AB} , and their direction cosines given that A and B have position vectors \underline{a} and \underline{b} , respectively, where

$$(a) \underline{a} = \underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + 2\underline{k} \quad \underline{b} = -\underline{i} + \underline{j} - 4\underline{k}$$

$$\overline{AB} = \underline{b} - \underline{a} = -2\underline{i} + 4\underline{j} - 6\underline{k} \quad \text{direction cosines of AB is } -2 : 4 : -6$$

$$(b) \underline{a} = -2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k} \quad \underline{b} = 2\underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k}$$

$$\overline{AB} = \underline{b} - \underline{a} = 4\underline{i} - 4\underline{j} + 2\underline{k} \quad \text{direction cosines of AB is } 4 : -4 : 2$$

$$(c) \underline{a} = 4\underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k} \quad \underline{b} = 3\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + 3\underline{k}$$

$$\overline{AB} = \underline{b} - \underline{a} = -\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 2\underline{k} \quad \text{direction cosines of AB is } -1 : 3 : 2$$

Q(12). Find the scalar products $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}$ and hence find the angle between the vectors \underline{a} and \underline{b} given that:

$$(a) \underline{a} = \underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k} \quad \underline{b} = -4\underline{i} + 12\underline{j} - 4\underline{k} \Rightarrow \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = -4 - 36 - 4 = -44$$

$$(b) \underline{a} = -2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k} \quad \underline{b} = 2\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k} \Rightarrow \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = -4 - 9 - 4 = -44$$

$$(c) \underline{a} = 4\underline{i} - \underline{j} - 3\underline{k} \quad \underline{b} = 3\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + 3\underline{k} \Rightarrow \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = 12 - 2 - 9 = 1$$

13 Find unit vectors parallel to the vectors \underline{a} where:

$$(a) \underline{a} = \underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k} \quad \text{Unit vector parallel to } \underline{a} = \underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k} \text{ is } \Rightarrow \frac{\underline{a}}{|\underline{a}|} = \frac{\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k}}{\sqrt{11}},$$

$$(b) \underline{a} = -2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k} \quad \text{Unit vector parallel to } \underline{a} = -2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k} \text{ is } \Rightarrow \frac{\underline{a}}{|\underline{a}|} = \frac{-2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k}}{\sqrt{14}},$$

(c) $\underline{a} = 4\underline{i} - \underline{j} - 3\underline{k}$ Unit vector parallel to $\underline{a} = 4\underline{i} - \underline{j} - 3\underline{k}$ is $\Rightarrow \frac{\underline{a}}{|\underline{a}|} = \frac{4\underline{i} - \underline{j} - 3\underline{k}}{\sqrt{26}}$,

Q(14). Evaluate the vector products $\underline{b} \times \underline{a}$ given that

(a) $\underline{a} = -2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k}$ $\underline{b} = 2\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k} \Rightarrow \underline{b} \times \underline{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

(b) $\underline{a} = -\underline{i} + \underline{j} + \underline{k}$ $\underline{b} = 2\underline{i} + 4\underline{j} + 3\underline{k} \Rightarrow \underline{b} \times \underline{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{b} \times \underline{a} = \underline{i} - 5\underline{j} - 6\underline{k}$

(c) $\underline{a} = -\underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k}$ $\underline{b} = 2\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + 2\underline{k} \Rightarrow \underline{b} \times \underline{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{b} \times \underline{a} = 4\underline{i} - 4\underline{j}$

Q(15). Evaluate the triple scalar products $\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c})$ and $\underline{b} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{c})$ given that:

(a) $\underline{a} = -2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - \underline{k}$ $\underline{b} = 2\underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k}$ and $\underline{c} = 4\underline{i} - \underline{j} - 3\underline{k}$

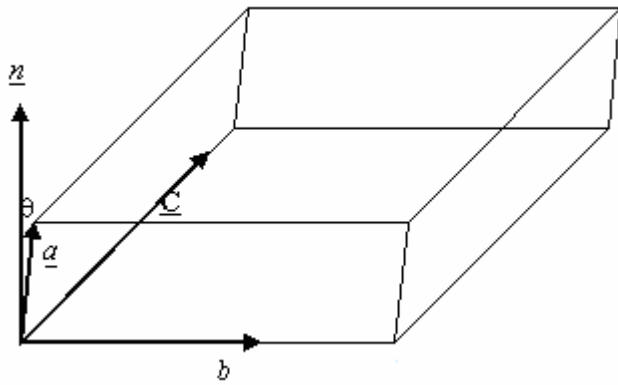
$$\Rightarrow \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{b} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

(b) $\underline{a} = \underline{i} - 3\underline{j} + \underline{k}$ $\underline{b} = -4\underline{i} + 12\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}$ and $\underline{c} = 2\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 & 1 \\ -4 & 12 & -4 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{b} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 12 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Q(16). The scalar quantity $\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c})$ is known as the scalar triple product of \underline{a} and $\underline{b} \times \underline{c}$. It is often denoted by $[\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c}]$.

The magnitude of this quantity is the volume of the parallelepiped formed by the vectors \underline{a} , \underline{b} , and \underline{c} , i.e. $|\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c})| = |\underline{a}| |\underline{b} \times \underline{c}| \cos \theta$, θ being the angle between \underline{a} , and $\underline{b} \times \underline{c}$



Let \underline{a} , \underline{b} , \underline{c} be three given vectors. We can permute the three given vectors in six different ways. Also each manner of writing down the three vectors gives rise to two scalar triple products depending upon the positions of dot and cross. Thus, we have the following twelve scalar triple products

$$(\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \cdot \underline{c}, (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) \cdot \underline{a}, (\underline{c} \times \underline{a}) \cdot \underline{b}, (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) \times \underline{c}, (\underline{b} \cdot \underline{c}) \times \underline{a}, (\underline{c} \cdot \underline{a}) \times \underline{b}$$

$$(\underline{a} \times \underline{c}) \cdot \underline{b}, (\underline{b} \times \underline{a}) \cdot \underline{c}, (\underline{c} \times \underline{b}) \cdot \underline{a}, (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \times \underline{b}, (\underline{b} \cdot \underline{a}) \times \underline{c}, (\underline{c} \cdot \underline{b}) \times \underline{a}$$

We shall now prove the following two important results

- (i). A cyclic permutation of three vectors does not change the value of the scalar triple product and an anti-cyclic permutation changes the value in sign but not in magnitude.
- (ii). The positions of dot and cross can be interchanged without any change in the value of the scalar triple product.

Firstly suppose that \underline{a} , \underline{b} , \underline{c} is a right-handed system so have $V = (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \cdot \underline{c}$.

The vector triads $\underline{b}, \underline{c}, \underline{a}$ and $\underline{b}, \underline{c}, \underline{a}$ are also right-handed and the parallelepiped with OA, OB, OC as adjacent edges is the same as that with OB, OC, OA or with OC, OA, OB as adjacent edges. Thus,

$$V = [\underline{b}, \underline{c}, \underline{a}] \text{ and } V = [\underline{c}, \underline{a}, \underline{b}]$$

1. If $(\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \cdot \underline{c} = 0$ since $(\underline{a} \times \underline{b})$ is perpendicular to both \underline{a} and \underline{b} , then vectors $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$ and \underline{c} are coplanar.

2. For the nonzero vectors $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$, and \underline{c} , they are coplanar (ie lie on the same plane) if and only if $[\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c}] = 0$.

Q(17). If $\underline{A} = 2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}$, $\underline{B} = 3\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$ and $\underline{C} = \underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + 3\underline{k}$ determine $\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}$, $\underline{A} \times \underline{B}$ and $\underline{A} \cdot (\underline{B} \times \underline{C})$.

$$\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} = (2\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} - 4\underline{k}) \cdot (3\underline{i} + 5\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}) = 13$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{A} \times \underline{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -14\underline{i} + 8\underline{j} + 4\underline{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{A} \cdot (\underline{B} \times \underline{C}) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -27$$

Q(18). If $\underline{A} = \underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}$, $\underline{B} = 3\underline{i} + \underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$ and $\underline{C} = \underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k}$ find $\underline{A} \times (\underline{B} \times \underline{C})$ and $(\underline{A} \times \underline{B}) \times \underline{C}$.

Use the expansion $\underline{A} \times (\underline{B} \times \underline{C}) = (\underline{A} \cdot \underline{C})\underline{B} - (\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B})\underline{C}$

$$(\underline{A} \cdot \underline{C}) = 3, \quad (\underline{A} \cdot \underline{B}) = 16,$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{A} \times (\underline{B} \times \underline{C}) = 3(3\underline{i} + \underline{j} + 2\underline{k}) - 16(\underline{i} - \underline{j} + \underline{k}) = (-7\underline{i} + 19\underline{j} - 10\underline{k})$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (\underline{A} \times \underline{B}) \times \underline{C} = 3(3\underline{i} + \underline{j} + 2\underline{k}) - 4(\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} + 5\underline{k}) = (5\underline{i} - 9\underline{j} - 14\underline{k})$$

Q(19). If $\underline{F} = x^2\underline{i} + x^4\underline{j} + 2x\underline{k}$ then $\frac{d\underline{F}}{dx} = 2x\underline{i} + 4x^3\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$ and $\frac{d^2\underline{F}}{dx^2} = 2\underline{i} + 12x^2$

$$\left| \frac{d\underline{F}}{dx} \right| = \sqrt{4x^2 + 16x^6 + 4}$$

Q(20). Find the unit normal vector to the surface $\phi = xz^2 + 3xy - 2yz^2 + 1 = 0$ at the point $(1, -2, -1)$

$$\nabla\phi = (z^2 + 3y)\underline{i} + (3x - 2z^2)\underline{j} + (2xz - 4yz)\underline{k}$$

$$(\nabla\phi)_{(1,-2,-1)} = -5\underline{i} + \underline{j} - 10\underline{k}$$

$$\underline{n} = \frac{(\nabla\phi)}{|\nabla\phi|} = \frac{-5\underline{i} + \underline{j} - 10\underline{k}}{\sqrt{62}}$$

Q(21). Determine the directional derivative of $\phi = xe^y + yz^2 + xyz$ at the point $(2, 0, 3)$ in the direction $\underline{A} = 3\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + \underline{k}$.

Directional derivative at a given direction is defined by $\nabla\phi \cdot \underline{n}$

$$\nabla\phi = (e^y + yz)\underline{i} + (xe^y + z^2 + xz)\underline{j} + (2yz + xz)\underline{k}$$

$$(\nabla\phi)_{(2,0,3)} = \underline{i} + 17\underline{j} \Rightarrow (\nabla\phi) \cdot \underline{n} = (\underline{i} + 17\underline{j}) \cdot \frac{(3\underline{i} - 2\underline{j} + \underline{k})}{\sqrt{14}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{-31}{\sqrt{14}}}}$$

Q(22). Determine the values of P such that the three vectors \underline{A} , \underline{B} , and \underline{C} are coplanar, when $\underline{A} = 2\underline{i} + \underline{j} + 4\underline{k}$, $\underline{B} = 3\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} + P\underline{k}$ and $\underline{C} = \underline{i} + 4\underline{j} + 2\underline{k}$.

When vectors \underline{A} , \underline{B} , and \underline{C} are coplanar, then $(\underline{A} \times \underline{B}) \cdot \underline{C} = 0$

$$(\underline{A} \times \underline{B}) \cdot \underline{C} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & p \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 42 - 7p = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{p = 6}}$$

Q(23). Find Curl (\underline{F}) and div(\underline{F}) for the vector function $\underline{F} = \text{grad}(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 3xyz)$

$$\underline{F} = \nabla\phi = (2x - 3yz)\underline{i} + (2y - 3xz)\underline{j} + (2z - 3xy)\underline{k}$$

$$\text{curl}\underline{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ (2x - 2yz) & (2y - 3xz) & (2z - 3xy) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}\underline{F} = \nabla^2\phi &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(2x - 3yz) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(2y - 3xz) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(2z - 3xy) \\ &= 2 + 2 + 2 = 6 \end{aligned}$$

Q(24). If $\Phi = \frac{x}{r^3}$,

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{r^3} - \frac{3x^2}{r^5}, \quad \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} = -\frac{3xy}{r^5}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} = -\frac{3xz}{r^5}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{3x^2}{r^5} - \frac{6x}{r^5} + \frac{15x^3}{r^7}, \quad \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{3x}{r^5} + \frac{15xy^2}{r^7}, \quad \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial z^2} = -\frac{3x^2}{r^5} + \frac{15xz^2}{r^7},$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \nabla^2\phi = \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

Q(25). If $\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ then, $\text{div}(\underline{r}) = \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial z} = 3.$ and

$$\text{curl}\underline{r} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Use the results, $\text{div}(\phi\underline{A}) = \phi\text{div}(\underline{A}) + \nabla\phi \cdot \underline{A}$ and $\nabla f(\underline{r}) = \frac{df}{dr} \underline{r}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}(r^n \underline{r}) &= r^n \text{div}\underline{r} + \nabla(r^n) \cdot \underline{r} \\ &= 3r^n + nr^{n-2} \underline{r} \cdot \underline{r} \\ &= 3r^n + nr^n = \underline{\underline{(3+n)r^n}} \end{aligned}$$

If $\Phi = \frac{1}{r}$,

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} = -\frac{x}{r^3}, \quad \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} = -\frac{y}{r^3}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} = -\frac{z}{r^3}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{3x^2}{r^5} - \frac{1}{r^3}, \quad \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{3y^2}{r^5} - \frac{1}{r^3}, \quad \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial z^2} = \frac{3z^2}{r^5} - \frac{1}{r^3}$$

Therefore, $\nabla^2\phi = \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial z^2} = 0$

Again use the results, $\text{curl}(\phi\underline{A}) = \phi\text{curl}(\underline{A}) + \nabla\phi \times \underline{A}$ and $\nabla f(r) = \frac{df}{dr} \frac{\underline{r}}{r}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl}(r^n \underline{r}) &= r^n \text{curl} \underline{r} + \nabla(r^n) \times \underline{r} \\ &= 0 + nr^{n-2} \underline{r} \times \underline{r} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Q(26). Let $\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ and $\underline{a} = a\underline{i} + b\underline{j} + c\underline{k}$ then,

$$\Rightarrow \underline{r} \times \underline{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ x & y & z \\ a & b & c \end{vmatrix} = (yc - zb)\underline{i} + (az - cx)\underline{j} + (bx - ay)\underline{k}$$

Therefore, $\text{curl}(\underline{r} \times \underline{a}) = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ yc - zb & az - cx & bx - ay \end{vmatrix} = -2\underline{a}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{div}(\underline{r} \times \underline{a}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(yc - zb) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(az - cx) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(bx - ay) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{r} \cdot \underline{a} = ax + by + cz$$

$$\nabla(\underline{r} \cdot \underline{a}) = \nabla(ax + by + cz) = \underline{a}$$

Q(27). Let $\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ and $\underline{a} = a\underline{i} + b\underline{j} + c\underline{k}$ then, and $\underline{b} = d\underline{i} + e\underline{j} + f\underline{k}$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{r} \times \underline{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ x & y & z \\ a & b & c \end{vmatrix} = (yc - zb)\underline{i} + (az - cx)\underline{j} + (bx - ay)\underline{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (\underline{r} \times \underline{a}) \times \underline{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ yc - zb & az - cx & bx - ay \\ d & e & f \end{vmatrix} \\ &= [f(az - cx) - e(bx - ay)]\underline{i} + [d(bx - ay) - f(yc - zb)]\underline{j} + [e((yc - zb) - d(az - cx))]\underline{k} \\ \Rightarrow \operatorname{div}[(\underline{r} \times \underline{a}) \times \underline{b}] &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[f(az - cx) - e(bx - ay)] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}[d(bx - ay) - f(yc - zb)] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}[e((yc - zb) - d(az - cx))] \end{aligned}$$

$$\operatorname{curl}[(\underline{r} \times \underline{a}) \times \underline{b}] = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ fac - fcx - ebx + eay & dbx - day - fyc + fzb & eyc - ez b - daz + dcx \end{vmatrix} = 2\underline{b} \times \underline{a}$$

Q(28). (i) Let $\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$ and $\underline{a} = a\underline{i} + b\underline{j} + c\underline{k}$ then $(\underline{a} \circ \underline{r}) = ax + by + cz$

Therefore, $\frac{(\underline{a} \circ \underline{r})}{r^3} \underline{r} = \frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \underline{r}$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{curl} \frac{(\underline{a} \circ \underline{r})}{r^3} \underline{r} &= \operatorname{curl} \left(\frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \underline{r} \right) = \frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \operatorname{curl} \underline{r} + \nabla \left(\frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \right) \times \underline{r} \\ &= 0 + \nabla \left(\frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \right) \times \underline{r} \\ &= \left\{ (ax + by + cz) \nabla \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right) + \frac{1}{r^3} \nabla(ax + by + cz) \right\} \times \underline{r} \\ &= \left\{ (ax + by + cz) \frac{(-\underline{r})}{r^5} + \frac{1}{r^3} \underline{a} \right\} \times \underline{r} \\ &= \frac{\underline{a} \times \underline{r}}{r^3} \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{div} \left(\frac{\underline{a} \circ \underline{r}}{r^3} \right) \underline{r} &= \operatorname{div} \left(\frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \underline{r} \right) = \frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \operatorname{div} \underline{r} + \nabla \left(\frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \right) \cdot \underline{r} \\
 &= \frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} 3 + \nabla \left(\frac{ax + by + cz}{r^3} \right) \cdot \underline{r} \\
 &= \frac{3(ax + by + cz)}{r^3} + \left\{ (ax + by + cz) \nabla \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right) + \frac{1}{r^3} \nabla (ax + by + cz) \right\} \cdot \underline{r} \underline{a} \\
 &= \frac{3(ax + by + cz)}{r^3} + \left\{ (ax + by + cz) \frac{(-3\underline{r})}{r^5} + \frac{1}{r^3} \underline{a} \right\} \cdot \underline{r} \\
 &= \frac{\underline{a} \cdot \underline{r}}{r^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(iii)} \Rightarrow \operatorname{curl} \underline{r} = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ a & b & c \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix} = (bz - cy)\underline{i} + (cx - az)\underline{j} + (ay - bx)\underline{k}$$

Use the results, $\operatorname{curl}(\phi \underline{A}) = \phi \operatorname{curl}(\underline{A}) + \nabla \phi \times \underline{A}$ and $\nabla f(\underline{r}) = \frac{df}{dr} \frac{\underline{r}}{r}$

$$\operatorname{curl}(\underline{a} \times \underline{r}) = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -(yc - zb) & -(az - cx) & -(bx - ay) \end{vmatrix} = 2\underline{a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{Curl} \left(\frac{\underline{a} \times \underline{r}}{r^3} \right) &= \frac{\operatorname{curl}(\underline{a} \times \underline{r})}{r^3} + \nabla \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right) \times (\underline{a} \times \underline{r}) \\
 &= \frac{2\underline{a}}{r^3} + \nabla \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right) \times (\underline{a} \times \underline{r}) \\
 &= \frac{2\underline{a}}{r^3} + \left(-\frac{3\underline{r}}{r^5} \right) \times (\underline{a} \times \underline{r}) \\
 &= \frac{2\underline{a}}{r^3} + \left(-\frac{3}{r^5} \right) \underline{r} \times (\underline{a} \times \underline{r}) = \frac{2\underline{a}}{r^3} + \left(-\frac{3}{r^5} \right) [r^2 \underline{a} - (\underline{r} \cdot \underline{a}) \underline{r}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\operatorname{Curl} \left(\frac{\underline{a} \times \underline{r}}{r^3} \right) = -\frac{\underline{a}}{r^3} + \frac{3\underline{r}}{r^3} (\underline{a} \circ \underline{r})$$

Q(29). If \underline{a} and \underline{b} are constant vectors and α is a scalar quantity satisfy a vector

equation $\alpha \underline{x} + \underline{a} \times \underline{x} = \underline{b}$, solve the vector equation for \underline{x} for $\begin{cases} \alpha \neq 0 \\ \alpha = 0 \end{cases}$

When $\alpha \neq 0$

$$\alpha \underline{x} + \underline{a} \times \underline{x} = \underline{b} \quad (1)$$

$$\underline{a} \times (1) \Rightarrow \alpha \underline{a} \times \underline{x} + \underline{a} \times (\underline{a} \times \underline{x}) = \underline{a} \times \underline{b} \quad (2)$$

$$\underline{a} \cdot (1) \Rightarrow \alpha \underline{a} \cdot \underline{x} + \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{x}) = \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{From (1)} \Rightarrow \alpha \underline{a} \times \underline{x} + (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{x}) \underline{a} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{a}) \underline{x} = \underline{a} \times \underline{b} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{From (3)} \Rightarrow \alpha \underline{a} \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} \text{ and } \underline{a} \cdot \underline{x} = \frac{\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}}{\alpha} \quad (5)$$

$$|\text{From (4) and (5)} \Rightarrow \alpha(\underline{b} - \alpha \underline{x}) + \frac{(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b})}{\alpha} \underline{a} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{a}) \underline{x} = \underline{a} \times \underline{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x} = \frac{\underline{a} \times \underline{b} - \frac{(\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b})}{\alpha} \underline{a} - \alpha \underline{b}}{\alpha^2 + \underline{a} \cdot \underline{a}}$$

When $\alpha = 0$

$$\underline{a} \times \underline{x} = \underline{b} \quad (1)$$

$$\underline{a} \times (1) \Rightarrow \underline{a} \times (\underline{a} \times \underline{x}) = \underline{a} \times \underline{b} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{From (1)} \Rightarrow (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{x}) \underline{a} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{a}) \underline{x} = \underline{a} \times \underline{b} \quad (3)$$

Let $\Rightarrow (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{x}) = t(\text{parameter})$

$$|\text{From (3)} \Rightarrow \underline{x} = \frac{t \underline{a} - \underline{a} \times \underline{b}}{\underline{a} \cdot \underline{a}}$$

31. Find the unit tangent vector to the surface of the paraboloid of revolution

$$z = x^2 + y^2 \text{ at the point } (1, 2, 5)$$

32. Find the equation of tangent plane and normal line to the surface $z = x^2 + y^2$ at the point $(2, -1, 5)$

33. Evaluate $\nabla \circ \left(r \nabla \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right) \right)$ and Evaluate $\nabla^2 \left[\nabla \circ \left(\frac{\underline{r}}{r^2} \right) \right]$

If $f(r)$ is a function of r only then find $f(r)$ such that $\nabla^2 f(r) = 0$

34. Prove that $\text{Curl}(\text{Curl}(\underline{A})) = -\nabla^2 \underline{A} + \nabla(\nabla \circ \underline{A})$

If $\underline{v} = \underline{\omega} \times \underline{r}$ prove that $\underline{\omega} = \frac{1}{2} \text{curl}(\underline{v})$ where $\underline{\omega}$ is a constant vector.

$(5, 2, 0)$, $(2, 1, 3)$ and $(4, 1, -1)$