Announcements

Extra notes and example available on Compass2g

□ Sign-up for Quiz 1

□ Practice quiz available on PL

□ Upcoming deadlines:

- Thursday (9/6)
 - Prairie Learn HW1
- Friday (9/7)
 - Written Assignment 1



- Lecture Objectives
- Vector Projection
- □ Vector Cross Product
- Engineering Idealization
- General Procedure of Analysis

Vector Projections



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pP92q68KG24



Cross (or vector) product

The cross product of vectors **A** and **B** yields the vector **C**, which is written



 $\boldsymbol{C} = \boldsymbol{A} \times \boldsymbol{B}$

The magnitude of vector **C** is given by:

The vector **C** is perpendicular to the plane containing **A** and **B** (specified by the **right-hand rule**). Hence,

Cross (or vector) product

The right-hand rule is a useful tool for determining the direction of the vector resulting from a cross product. Note that a vector crossed into itself is zero, e.g., $i \times i = 0$



Considering the cross product in Cartesian coordinates

$$A \times B = (A_x \, \boldsymbol{i} + A_y \, \boldsymbol{j} + A_z \, \boldsymbol{k}) \times (B_x \, \boldsymbol{i} + B_y \, \boldsymbol{j} + B_z \, \boldsymbol{k})$$

$$= +A_x B_x (\boldsymbol{i} \times \boldsymbol{i}) + A_x B_y (\boldsymbol{i} \times \boldsymbol{j}) + A_x B_z (\boldsymbol{i} \times \boldsymbol{k})$$

$$+A_y B_x (\boldsymbol{j} \times \boldsymbol{i}) + A_y B_y (\boldsymbol{j} \times \boldsymbol{j}) + A_y B_z (\boldsymbol{j} \times \boldsymbol{k})$$

$$+A_z B_x (\boldsymbol{k} \times \boldsymbol{i}) + A_z B_y (\boldsymbol{k} \times \boldsymbol{j}) + A_z B_z (\boldsymbol{k} \times \boldsymbol{k})$$

$$= (A_y B_z - A_z B_y) \boldsymbol{i} - (A_x B_z - A_z B_x) \boldsymbol{j} + (A_x B_y - A_y B_x) \boldsymbol{k}$$

Cross (or vector) product

Also, the cross product can be written as a determinant.

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix}$$

Each component can be determined using 2×2 determinants.

Chapter 3: Equilibrium of a particle

Fundamental concepts

Idealizations:

• <u>Particle</u>:



• <u>Rigid Body</u>:

• <u>Concentrated Force</u>:

Understanding and applying these things allows for amazing ¹⁵ achievements in engineering!

General procedure for analysis

- 1. Read the problem carefully; write it down carefully.
- MODEL THE PROBLEM:
 Draw given diagrams neatly and construct additional figures as necessary.



- 3. Apply principles needed.
- 4. Solve problem symbolically. Make sure equations are dimensionally homogeneous.
- 5. Substitute numbers. Provide proper units *throughout*. Check significant figures. Box the final answer(s).