



Supervised work N°2 of Mechanics

Vector analysis

Exercise 1

\vec{i} , \vec{j} and \vec{k} being the unit vectors of the rectangular axes Oxyz, we consider the vectors:

$$\vec{r}_1 = \vec{i} + 3\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}, \quad \vec{r}_2 = 4\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + 2\vec{k} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{r}_3 = 3\vec{i} - \vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$$

1. Show these 3 vectors graphically.
2. Calculate their moduli
3. Calculate products $\vec{r}_1 \cdot \vec{r}_2$ and $\vec{r}_1 \wedge \vec{r}_2$.

Exercise 2

We give the three vectors $\vec{V}_1(1, 1, 0)$, $\vec{V}_2(0, 1, 0)$ and $\vec{V}_3(0, 0, 2)$.

1. Calculate norms $\|\vec{V}_1\|$, $\|\vec{V}_2\|$ and $\|\vec{V}_3\|$, deduce the unit vectors \vec{v}_1 , \vec{v}_2 and \vec{v}_3 respectively from \vec{V}_1 , \vec{V}_2 and de \vec{V}_3 .
2. Calculate $\cos(\widehat{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2})$, knowing that the corresponding angle is between 0 and π .
3. Calculate the mixed product $\vec{v}_1 \cdot (\vec{v}_2 \wedge \vec{v}_3)$. What does this product represent?

Exercise 3

Consider in space, referred to the direct orthonormal reference frame $(O, \vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k})$ the points A(2, 0, 0), B(2, -2, 0) and C(2, 3, -1).

1. Calculate the vector product $\vec{OA} \wedge \vec{OB}$
2. Calculate the area of triangle OAB.
3. Calculate the mixed product $(\vec{OA}, \vec{OB}, \vec{OC})$, Deduce the volume of the parallelepiped built on the vectors.

Exercise 4

Let be a vector $\vec{U} = (t\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}) / (\sqrt{t^2 + 9})$

1. Show that \vec{U} is a unit vector?
2. Calculate its derivative with respect to time?

Supplementary exercise:

Let be three vectors \vec{A} , \vec{B} and \vec{C} , such as; $\vec{A} = -2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$, $\vec{B} = 2\vec{i} - \vec{j} + \vec{k}$, $\vec{C} = x\vec{i} + 1\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$

1- Calculate x and z so that the vector \vec{C} or :

- a- Parallel to \vec{A}
- b- Parallel to \vec{B}

2- If, $\vec{C} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$ Calculate x, y and z so that the vector \vec{C} or : Perpendicular to \vec{A} and \vec{B} at the same time.