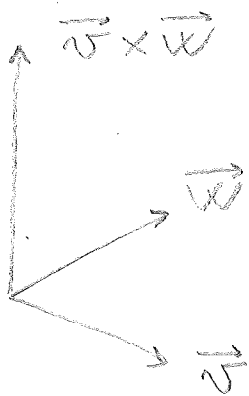


$$b) \vec{d} = -5 \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \quad \vec{F} = -19.6 \langle 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d} &= (-5 \cdot 19.6) \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \cdot \langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ &= \frac{5 \cdot 19.6}{2} = 49 \text{ (Joules)} \end{aligned}$$

CROSS PRODUCT



GEOMETRICALLY,

$\vec{v} \times \vec{w}$ IS A VECTOR

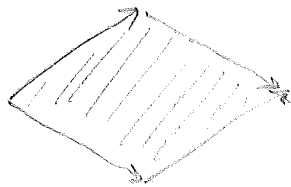
PERPENDICULAR TO THE
PLANE CONTAINING \vec{v} , \vec{w}

(OR ZERO IF $\vec{v} \parallel \vec{w}$)

WITH DIRECTION DETERMINED BY

RHR, LENGTH IS $\|\vec{v}\| \cdot \|\vec{w}\| \cdot \sin \alpha$

= AREA OF



NOTE: i) IF $\vec{v} \parallel \vec{w}$ THE $\sin \alpha = 0$

AND $\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = 0$

ii) $\vec{w} \times \vec{v} = -\vec{v} \times \vec{w}$ (CROSS PRODUCT
ANTI-COMMUTES)

iii) THE CROSS PRODUCT "ONLY WORKS"
IN 3 DIMENSIONS.

ALGEBRAICALLY:

$$\vec{v} = \langle a_1, b_1, c_1 \rangle, \vec{w} = \langle a_2, b_2, c_2 \rangle$$

THEN

A BIT OF AN ABUSE OF NOTATION...

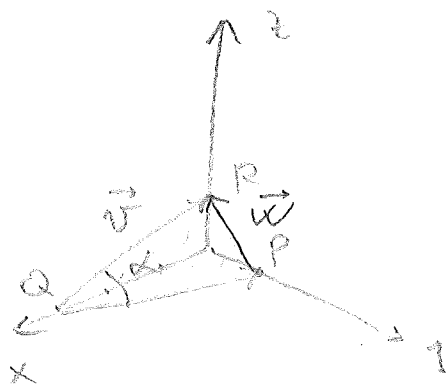
$$\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix} = \vec{i} \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & c_1 \\ b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix} - \vec{j} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$+ \vec{k} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (b_1 c_2 - c_1 b_2) \vec{i} - (a_1 c_2 - c_1 a_2) \vec{j} + (a_1 b_2 - b_1 a_2) \vec{k}$$

$$= \langle b_1 c_2 - c_1 b_2, -a_1 c_2 + c_1 a_2, a_1 b_2 - b_1 a_2 \rangle$$

E.G.: FIND A VECTOR \perp TO THE PLANE CONTAINING $P = (0, 1, 0)$, $Q = (3, 0, 0)$, $R = (0, 0, 1)$ AND THE AREA OF \widehat{PQR} .



$$\vec{v} = \vec{QR} \quad \vec{w} = \vec{PR}$$

$$= \langle -3, 0, 1 \rangle \quad = \langle 0, -1, 1 \rangle$$

$\vec{v} \times \vec{w}$ IS \perp TO PLANE

$$\vec{i} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \vec{j} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \vec{k} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 1, 3, 3 \rangle$$

$$\text{AND } \|\vec{v} \times \vec{w}\| = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\| \sin \alpha$$

$$= 2 \text{ AREA}(\triangle PQR)$$



$$\text{SO AREA} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1^2 + 3^2 + 3^2} = \frac{\sqrt{19}}{2}$$

ANOTHER WAY TO COMPUTE $\vec{v} \times \vec{w}$

$$\vec{v} = \langle a_1, b_1, c_1 \rangle \quad \vec{w} = \langle a_2, b_2, c_2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = \begin{array}{ccc} a_1 & a_2 & \\ b_1 & b_2 & \rightarrow \\ c_1 & c_2 & \rightarrow \\ a_1 & a_2 & \rightarrow \\ b_1 & b_2 & \rightarrow \\ c_1 & c_2 & \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} b_1 c_2 - c_1 b_2 \\ c_1 a_2 - a_1 c_2 \\ a_1 b_2 - b_1 a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \langle b_1 c_2 - c_1 b_2, c_1 a_2 - a_1 c_2, a_1 b_2 - b_1 a_2 \rangle$$

PROPERTIES OF CROSS PRODUCT

$$i) \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -\vec{b} \times \vec{a}$$

$$ii) (c\vec{a}) \times \vec{b} = c(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \vec{a} \times (c\vec{b})$$

$$iii) \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} + \vec{d}) = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{a} \times \vec{d}$$

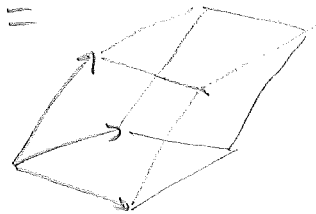
$$iv) \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{d}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{d})\vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{d}$$

$$\neq (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{d}!$$

$$v) \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{d}) = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{d} =$$

± VOLUME OF THE BOX

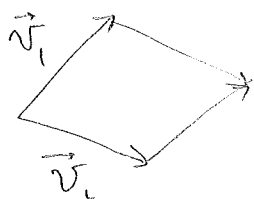
"SCALAR TRIPLE PRODUCT"



WHY DO THE AREA / VOLUME FORMULAS WORK?

$$\text{FACT: } \vec{v}_1 = \langle a_1, b_1 \rangle \quad \vec{v}_2 = \langle a_2, b_2 \rangle$$

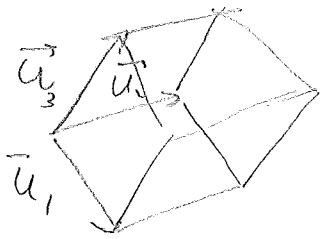
$$\text{THEN } \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} = \pm \text{AREA OF PARALLELOGRAM}$$



$$\vec{u}_1 = \langle a_1, b_1, c_1 \rangle, \quad \vec{u}_2 = \langle a_2, b_2, c_2 \rangle$$
$$\vec{u}_3 = \langle a_3, b_3, c_3 \rangle$$

THEN

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = \pm \text{VOLUME OF THE BOX}$$



PARALLELOGRAM FORMULA:

MOVE \vec{v}, \vec{u} SO THAT THEY LIE ON THE X-Y PLANE. THEN

$$\vec{v} = \langle a_1, b_1, 0 \rangle, \quad \vec{u} = \langle a_2, b_2, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{u} = \vec{i} \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & 0 \\ b_2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - \vec{j} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ a_2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \vec{k} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \pm \vec{k} \text{ (AREA OF PARALLELOGRAM)}$$

BOX FORMULA: $\vec{v} = \langle a_1, b_1, c_1 \rangle$

$$\vec{u} = \langle a_2, b_2, c_2 \rangle, \quad \vec{w} = \langle a_3, b_3, c_3 \rangle$$

$$(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w} = \left(\vec{i} \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & c_1 \\ b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix} - \vec{j} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix} + \vec{k} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} \right) \cdot \vec{w}$$