

Assignment: Cross product and Applications

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Find the cross product of the given vectors.

1) $\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{RS}$

Given: $P = (-2, 5, -7)$ $Q = (-3, -5, -2)$
 $R = (-8, -6, -3)$ $S = (5, 9, -1)$

2) $\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{RS}$

Given: $P = (-1, 4, 1)$ $Q = (-4, -3, 4)$
 $R = (-2, 6, -3)$ $S = (-8, 3, 4)$

Find a vector that is perpendicular to the given vectors.

3) \overrightarrow{DP} and \overrightarrow{DQ}

Given: $D = (-3, 4, 8)$ $P = (2, -2, 4)$
 $Q = (0, -7, 5)$

4) \overrightarrow{XY} and \overrightarrow{XZ}

Given: $X = (4, 9, 5)$ $Y = (5, 3, 6)$
 $Z = (-9, -9, -4)$

Find the area of a triangle with the given vertices.

5) $A = (-6, 8, -3)$
 $B = (-3, 5, 7)$
 $C = (6, -9, -4)$

6) $X = (3, -2, 8)$
 $Y = (4, 3, -9)$
 $Z = (1, 0, 4)$

Find the area of a parallelogram with the given vectors as two adjacent sides.

7) \overrightarrow{AB} and \overrightarrow{AC}

Given: $A = (-4, 3, -7)$ $B = (8, -9, 6)$
 $C = (2, 9, 2)$

8) \overrightarrow{AB} and \overrightarrow{AC}

Given: $A = (-5, -1, 1)$ $B = (1, -9, -4)$
 $C = (5, 7, 6)$

Find the volume of a parallelepiped with the given vectors as adjacent edges.

9) \overrightarrow{TX} , \overrightarrow{TY} , and \overrightarrow{TZ}

Given: $T = (-8, 1, -5)$ $X = (2, -3, -3)$
 $Y = (-3, 9, -4)$ $Z = (1, -6, -2)$

10) \overrightarrow{PQ} , \overrightarrow{PR} , and \overrightarrow{PS}

Given: $P = (-1, -8, -1)$ $Q = (7, -6, -8)$
 $R = (8, 9, 3)$ $S = (-5, 5, 0)$

Answers to Assignment: Cross product and Applications

- 1) $-95\mathbf{i} + 67\mathbf{j} + 115\mathbf{k}$ 2) $-40\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 33\mathbf{k}$ 3) $26\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 37\mathbf{k}$ 4) $72\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} - 96\mathbf{k}$
5) $\frac{\sqrt{45283}}{2} \approx 106.399 \text{ units}^2$ 6) $\sqrt{446} \approx 21.119 \text{ units}^2$ 7) $6\sqrt{1562} \approx 237.133 \text{ units}^2$
8) $16\sqrt{89} \approx 150.944 \text{ units}^2$ 9) 120 units^3 10) 1625 units^3

