



By the end of this unit, students will:

- understand the concepts and techniques in vectors, complex numbers, functions and graph sketching
- apply reasoning skills and solve problems in vectors, complex numbers, functions and graph sketching
  - communicate their arguments and strategies when solving problems

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construct proofs of results

• interpret mathematical information and ascertain the reasonableness of their solutions to problems. This week:

Vectors in three dimensions

The algebra of vectors in three dimensions:

- Scalar and Vector Products
- prove geometric results in the plane and construct simple proofs in three-dimensions.

## 2. Theoretical Components

Notes and examples are in Google Classroom – check the WK11 folder.

Vector Products – notes/examples:

https://bit.ly/3UdqP4p

Cross Product:

https://bit.ly/3KBXe1k

Video on Cross Product:

https://bit.ly/3nJJeJX

https://bit.ly/3m7il2q

## 3. Practical Components

**Learning Brief** 

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Ex 15H: 2, 3, 5.

Ex 15I: 5.

Ex 15J.1: 4, 5(c,d), 7, 9, 12

Ex15K.1: 1,2,5,9,13

## 4. Investigation

A: Investigate how vector products can be used to calculate the volume of a parallelepiped. Then prove that volume of a tetrahedron is 1/3 times the volume of a parallelepiped?

B: If |a| = 3,  $|b| = \sqrt{7}$  and  $a \times b = i + 2j - 3k$  find:

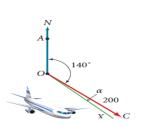
- a) **a** · **b**
- b) The area of the triangle AOB given that  $\overrightarrow{OA} = a$  and  $\overrightarrow{OB} = b$
- c) the volume of the tetrahedron OABC if C is the point (1, -1, 2)

20 marks



Vectors in aviation:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7tWOyOu-QG4



1. Goals