

MATH 251:H4–H6
Maple assignment 1
SPRING 2015

You are encouraged to discuss this assignment with other students and with the instructors, but the work you hand in should be your own. The web page

<http://www.math.rutgers.edu/courses/251/Maple/Lab1/Vectors.html>

can help you with this assignment; to find it, follow the “Maple in Math 251” link on the the Math 251 course webpage.

A website will be posted listing individualized data for each student. For this lab, the data will consist of coordinates for three points, p , q , and r , in \mathbb{R}^3 . Then \vec{pq} will denote the vector directed p to q and \vec{pr} will denote the vector directed from p to r . The vector \vec{v} will be $\vec{pq} \times \vec{pr}$, the cross product of the two vectors. T will be the triangle in \mathbb{R}^3 whose vertices are p , q , and r .

Use Maple to compute \vec{pq} , \vec{pr} , and \vec{v} . Use Maple to sketch these three vectors and the triangle T in one picture.

This assignment is due 10/9/15. Late submissions will *not* be accepted.

Please hand in a printout of all Maple instructions that you use.

- All pages should be labeled with your name and section number. Also, please staple together all the pages you hand in.
- **You should clean up your submission by removing the instructions that had errors.**

The work that you hand in should include:

1. A printout of all **Maple** instructions you have used. Identify clearly in your printout the components of the vectors \vec{pq} , \vec{pr} , and \vec{v} . (These identifications can be done “by hand” on your printout.)
2. A printout of a picture of the three vectors and the triangle T . The picture should include labeled axes and should show the geometry of the situation well. Label the points p , q , and r in your picture. Label the vector \vec{v} in your picture. Label the triangle T in your picture. (These labels can be done “by hand” on your printout.)