

MATLAB EXERCISE 1.1 **Vector magnitude.** Using MATLAB, write a function `vectorMag()` that calculates the magnitude of a given vector. The input to the function is either a one-dimensional (1-D) vector, $\mathbf{a} = a_x \hat{\mathbf{x}}$, or a 2-D one, $\mathbf{a} = a_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + a_y \hat{\mathbf{y}}$, or a 3-D vector,

$$\mathbf{a} = a_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + a_y \hat{\mathbf{y}} + a_z \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad (\text{Cartesian vector components}) \quad (\text{S1.1})$$

– in a Cartesian coordinate system (Fig.S1.1), and it is specified as either a row or column array, named `vector`, with the elements of the array representing respective Cartesian components of the vector \mathbf{a} . (*vectorMag.m on IR*)¹

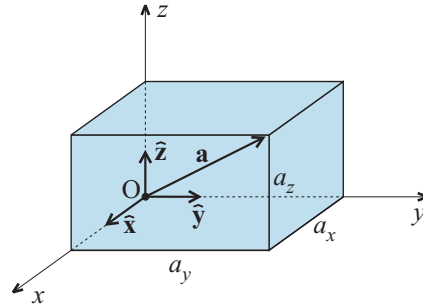


Figure S1.1 Decomposition of a vector (\mathbf{a}) onto components (a_x , a_y , and a_z) in a Cartesian coordinate system, Eq.(S1.1); for MATLAB Exercise 1.1.

SOLUTION:

¹*IR* = Instructor Resources (for the book).

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% Book: MATLAB-Based Electromagnetics (Pearson Prentice Hall)  
% Author: Branislav M. Notaros  
% Instructor Resources  
% (c) 2011  
%  
% This MATLAB code or any part of it may be used only for  
% educational purposes associated with the book  
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% Vector magnitude  
  
% Function that calculates magnitude of the given vector  
% (row or column vector).  
function mag = vectorMag(vector)  
[m,n]= size(vector);  
if (m~=1)&&(n~=1)  
    mag = 0;  
    disp('Error - vector of improper dimensions');  
else  
mag = sqrt(sum(vector.^2));  
end;
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