

22. If we write  $\vec{r}' = x'\hat{i} + y'\hat{j} + z'\hat{k}$ , then (using Eq. 3-30) we find  $\vec{r}' \times \vec{F}$  is equal to

$$(y'F_z - z'F_y)\hat{i} + (z'F_x - x'F_z)\hat{j} + (x'F_y - y'F_x)\hat{k}.$$

- (a) Here,  $\vec{r}' = \vec{r}$  where  $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ , and  $\vec{F} = \vec{F}_1$ . Thus, dropping the primes in the above expression, we set (with SI units understood)  $x = 3$ ,  $y = -2$ ,  $z = 4$ ,  $F_x = 3$ ,  $F_y = -4$  and  $F_z = 5$ . Then we obtain  $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}_1 = (6.0\hat{i} - 3.0\hat{j} - 6.0\hat{k}) \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$ .
- (b) This is like part (a) but with  $\vec{F} = \vec{F}_2$ . We plug in  $F_x = -3$ ,  $F_y = -4$  and  $F_z = -5$  and obtain  $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}_2 = (26\hat{i} + 3.0\hat{j} - 18\hat{k}) \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$ .
- (c) We can proceed in either of two ways. We can add (vectorially) the answers from parts (a) and (b), or we can first add the two force vectors and then compute  $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times (\vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2)$  (these total force components are computed in the next part). The result is  $(32\hat{i} - 24\hat{k}) \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$ .
- (d) Now  $\vec{r}' = \vec{r} - \vec{r}_o$  where  $\vec{r}_o = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ . Therefore, in the above expression, we set  $x' = 0$ ,  $y' = -4$ ,  $z' = 0$ ,  $F_x = 3 - 3 = 0$ ,  $F_y = -4 - 4 = -8$  and  $F_z = 5 - 5 = 0$ . We get  $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r}' \times (\vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2) = 0$ .