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PROPERTIES OF VECTOR PRODUCT

$$\underbrace{\vec{a} \times \vec{b}} \rightarrow \underline{\text{vector}}$$

(x) Moment

(a) **About a point** Moment = $\vec{r} \times \vec{F}$

Where \vec{r} be the position vector of any point P and \vec{F} be the force about the point O .

(b) **About a line** The moment of a force \vec{F} acting at a point P about a line L is a scalar given by $(\vec{r} \times \vec{F}) \cdot \hat{a}$.

Where, \hat{a} is a unit vector in the direction of the line, and $\vec{OR} = \vec{R}$, where O is any point on the line.

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Consider the following in respect of moment of a force :

~~X~~ 1. The moment of force about a point is independent of point of application of force.

✓ 2. The moment of a force about a line is a vector quantity.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

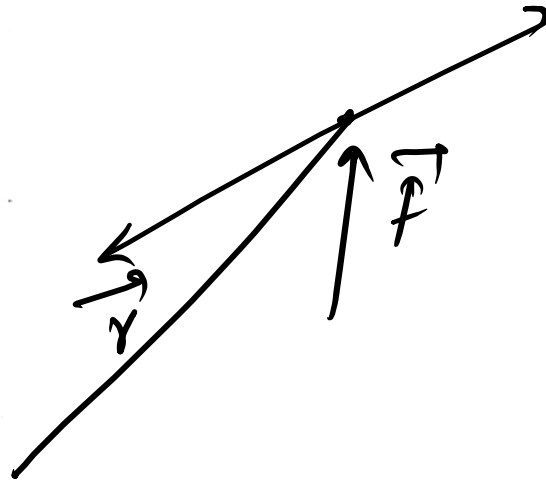
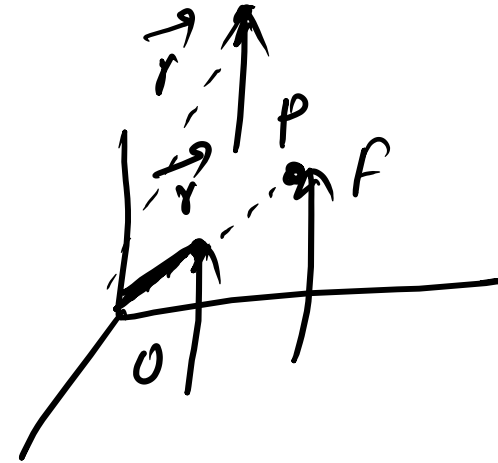
(a) 1 only

✓ (b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

$$\text{Moment} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$$



$$(\vec{r} \times \vec{F})$$

SCALAR TRIPLE PRODUCT

The scalar triple product of three vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} is $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$
 $[\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}]$.

or $[\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}] = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) \equiv \text{scalar}$

If $\mathbf{a} = a_1\mathbf{i} + a_2\mathbf{j} + a_3\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{b} = b_1\mathbf{i} + b_2\mathbf{j} + b_3\mathbf{k}$

and $\mathbf{c} = c_1\mathbf{i} + c_2\mathbf{j} + c_3\mathbf{k}$, then

$$[\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = +a_1 (b_2c_3 - b_3c_2) - a_2 (b_1c_3 - b_3c_1) + a_3 (b_1c_2 - b_2c_1)$$

(determinant)

PROPERTIES OF SCALAR TRIPLE PRODUCT

(i) The value of scalar triple product does not depend upon the position of dot and cross.

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}$$

(ii) If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are cyclically permuted the value of scalar product remains same.

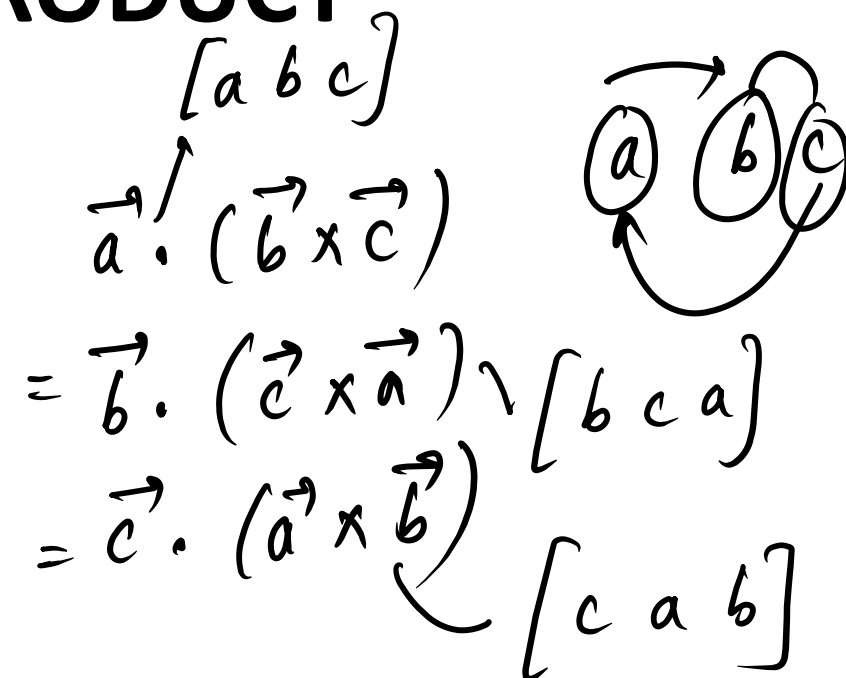
The change of cyclic order of vectors in scalar triple product changes the sign of the scalar but not the magnitude.

i.e., $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = [\vec{b} \ \vec{c} \ \vec{a}] = [\vec{c} \ \vec{a} \ \vec{b}]$

and $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = -[\vec{b} \ \vec{a} \ \vec{c}] = -[\vec{c} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{a}] = -[\vec{a} \ \vec{c} \ \vec{b}]$

(iii) The scalar triple product of three vectors is zero, if any two of them are equal.

(iv) The scalar triple product of three vectors is zero, if two of them are parallel or collinear.



$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{a}) = 0$$

PROPERTIES OF SCALAR TRIPLE PRODUCT

(v) If three vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} are collinear, then

$$[\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}] = 0. \checkmark$$

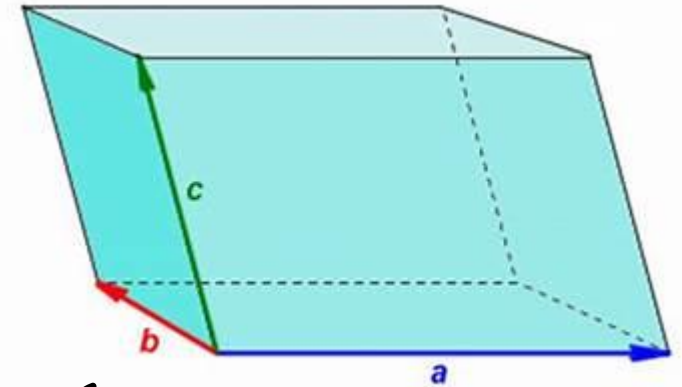
(vi) $[\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d}] = [\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}] + [\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{d}]$

(vii) $[\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c} \ \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{a}] = 2[\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}]$

(viii) $[\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{c} \ \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{a}] = 0$

(ix) $[\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c} \ \mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{a}] = [\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}]^2$

(x) Volume of parallelepiped = $[\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}]$ where \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} are adjacent sides of parallelepiped.

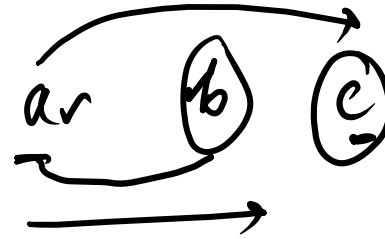


$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \text{area of parallelogram}$$

VECTOR TRIPLE PRODUCT

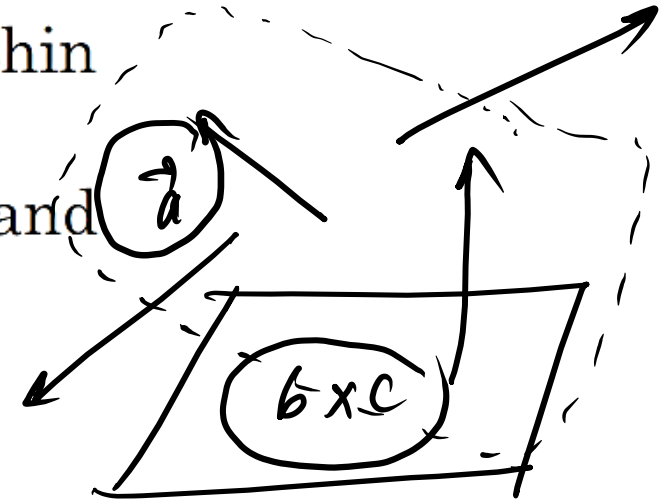
If \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} are three vector quantities, then $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$ represents the vector triple product and is given by

$$\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{b} - (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})\mathbf{c}$$



PROPERTIES OF VECTOR TRIPLE PRODUCT

- (i) The vector triple product $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$ is a linear combination of those two vectors, which are within brackets.
- (ii) The vector $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$ is perpendicular to \mathbf{a} and lies in the plane of \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} .
- (iii) Vector triple product is a vector quantity.
- (iv) $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) \neq (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{c}$



Q) If $\vec{r}_1 = \lambda\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{r}_2 = \hat{i} + (2-\lambda)\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ are such that $|\vec{r}_1| > |\vec{r}_2|$, then λ satisfies which one of the following?

- (a) $\lambda = 0$ only (b) $\lambda = 1$
 (c) $\lambda < 1$ (d) $\lambda > 1$

$$\vec{r}_1 = \lambda\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{r}_1| = \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 4 + 1} = \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 5}$$

$$|\vec{r}_2| = \sqrt{1^2 + (2-\lambda)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{1 + 4 - 4\lambda + \lambda^2 + 4}$$

$$= \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 9}$$

$$|\vec{r}_1| > |\vec{r}_2|$$

$$|\vec{r}_1|^2 > |\vec{r}_2|^2$$

$$\lambda^2 + 5 > \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 9$$

$$5 > -4\lambda + 9$$

$$-4 > -4\lambda$$

$$\lambda > 1$$

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Ans: (D)

Q) If $|\vec{a}| = 2$, $|\vec{b}| = 5$ and $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 8$, then what is the value of

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} ?$

(a) 4

(b) 6

(c) 8

(d) 10

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = ab \cos \theta$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = ab \sin \theta$$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 + |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = a^2 b^2 \cos^2 \theta + a^2 b^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$= a^2 b^2$$

$a = |\vec{a}|$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 + |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = a^2 b^2$$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 + 8^2 = 2^2 \times 5^2$$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 = 100 - 64 = 36$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 6$$

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(b) 6

(c) 8

(d) 10

Ans: (B)

Q) Let \vec{a} and \vec{b} be two unit vectors and α be the angle between them. If $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$ is also the unit vectors, then what is the value of α ?

(a) $\frac{\pi}{4}$

(b) $\frac{\pi}{3}$

~~(c) $\frac{2\pi}{3}$~~

(d) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = ab \cos \theta$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1 \times 1 \cos \alpha$$

$$\cos \alpha = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$$

$$|(\vec{a} + \vec{b})|^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$$

$$1^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 + 2 \cos \alpha$$

$$\frac{-1}{2} = \cos \alpha$$

$$\alpha = \pi - \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

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(c) $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

(d) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Ans: (C)

Q) If $x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is a unit vector and $x : y : z = \sqrt{3} : 2 : 3$, then what is the value of z ?

(a) $\frac{3}{16}$

(b) 3

(c) $\frac{3}{4}$

(d) 2

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = 1$$

$$\underbrace{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x : y : z &= \sqrt{3} : 2 : 3 \\ x &= \sqrt{3}k \\ y &= 2k \\ \underline{z} &= \underline{3k} \end{aligned} \right|$$

$$(\sqrt{3}k)^2 + (2k)^2 + (3k)^2 = 1$$

$$3k^2 + 4k^2 + 9k^2 = 1$$

$$16k^2 = 1$$

$$k = \frac{1}{4} \quad \Bigg| \quad -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$z = 3k$$

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Ans: (C)

Q) Which one of the following is the unit vector perpendicular to the vectors $4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$ and $-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$?

(a) $\frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$

(b) $\frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$

(d) $\frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}}{\sqrt{3}}$

~~(c)~~ \hat{k}
 $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ (Let)

$$\vec{a} \cdot (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) = 0$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot (-3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4x + 2y &= 0 \\ -3x + 2y &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = 0 \quad ; \quad y = 0$$

$$\vec{a} = z\hat{k}$$

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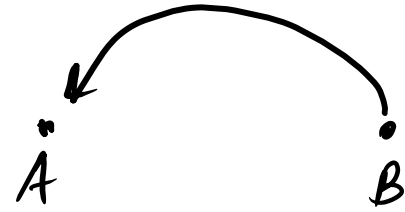
(c) $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$

(d) $\frac{\hat{\mathbf{i}} + \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \hat{\mathbf{k}}}{\sqrt{3}}$

Ans: (C)

Q) A force $\vec{F} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ acts on a particle to displace it from the point $A(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$ to the point $B(3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$. The work done by the force will be

- (a) 5 units (b) 7 units (c) 9 units (d) 10 units



$$\begin{aligned} \text{displacement} &= (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) \\ &= 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 8\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work done} &= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r} \\ &= (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}) = 2 - 9 + 16 \\ &= -7 + 16 = \underline{9 \text{ units}} \end{aligned}$$

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Ans: (c)

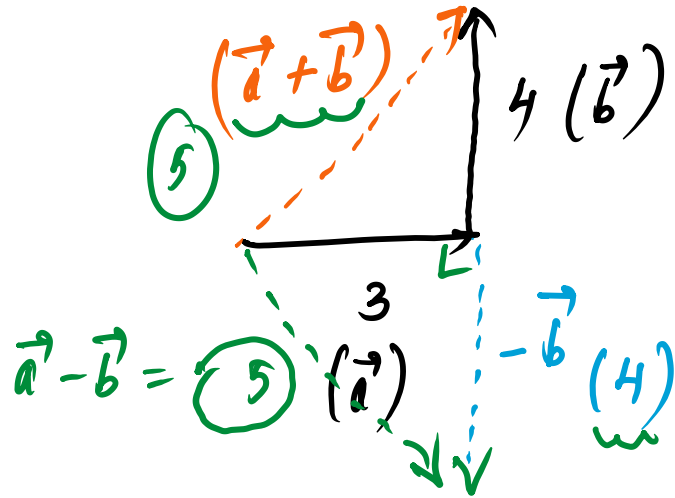
Q) If $|\vec{a}| = 3$, $|\vec{b}| = 4$ and $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = 5$, then what is the value of $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|$?

(a) 8

(b) 6

(c) $5\sqrt{2}$

(d) 5



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(d) 5

Ans: (d)

Q) If the magnitude of the sum of two non-zero vectors is equal to the magnitude of their difference, then which one of the following is correct?

- (a) The vectors are parallel
- (b) The vectors are perpendicular
- (c) The vectors are anti-parallel
- (d) The vectors must be unit vectors

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$$

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2$$

$$\cancel{|\vec{a}|^2} + \cancel{|\vec{b}|^2} + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$$

$$= \cancel{|\vec{a}|^2} + \cancel{|\vec{b}|^2} - 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$$

$$4(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = 0$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$

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Ans: (b)

Q) If $|\vec{a}| = 4, |\vec{b}| = 2$ and the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} is $\pi/6$

then $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2$ is equal to

(a) 48

(b) 16

(c) \vec{a}

(d) none of these

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = (ab \sin \theta)^2$$

$$= a^2 b^2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$= 4^2 \times 2^2 \times \frac{1}{4} = 16$$

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Q) If $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$, then what is $\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$ equal to ?

(a) x

(b) $x + y$

(c) $-(x + y + z)$

(d) $(x + y + z)$

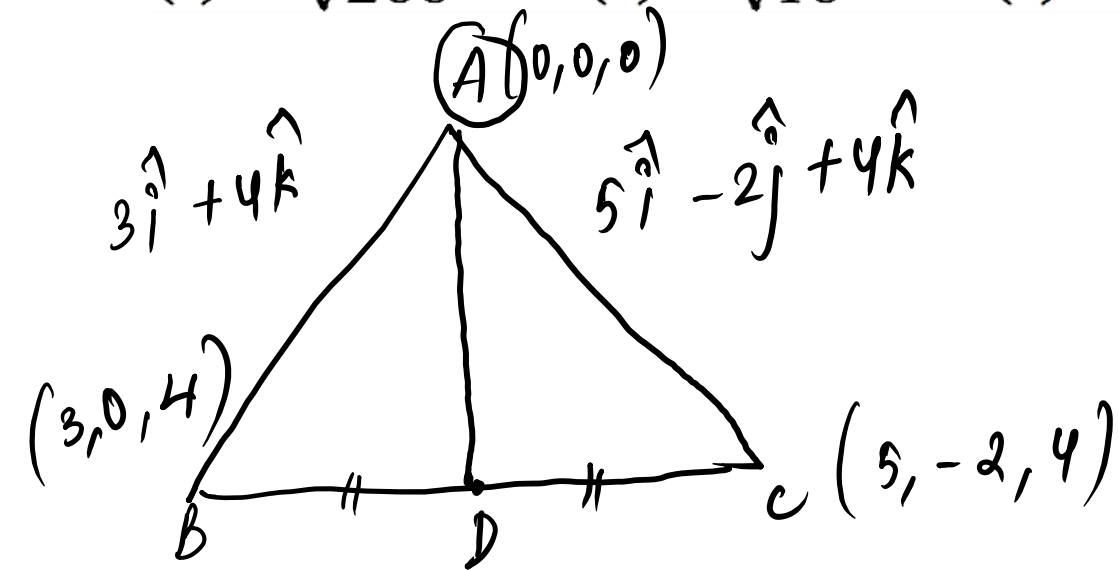
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Ans: (d)

Q) The vectors $\vec{AB} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{k}$ & $\vec{AC} = 5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ are the sides of a triangle ABC. The length of the median through A is

- (a) $\sqrt{288}$ (b) $\sqrt{18}$ (c) $\sqrt{72}$ (d) $\sqrt{33}$



Median length = $|\vec{AD}|$

$$D \rightarrow \left(\frac{3+5}{2}, \frac{0-2}{2}, \frac{4+4}{2} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow (4, -1, 4) \Rightarrow \vec{AD} = 4\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\sqrt{4^2 + (-1)^2 + 4^2} = \underline{\underline{\sqrt{33}}}$$

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Ans: (d)

Q) The volume of the parallelepiped whose sides are given by

$$\overline{OA} = 2i - 2j, \quad \overline{OB} = i + j - k, \quad \overline{OC} = 3i - k, \text{ is}$$

$$\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}$$

(a) $\frac{4}{13}$

(b) 4

(c) $\frac{2}{7}$

(d) none of these

$$[a \ b \ c] = -2 + 4 + 0 = 2$$

$$= \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) = -2 + 4 + 0 = 2$$

$$(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \times (3\hat{i} - \hat{k})$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(1 \times -1 - 0) - \hat{j}(1 \times -1 - (-1) \times 3) + \hat{k}(1 \times 0 - 1 \times 3) = -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

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Ans: (d)

Q) If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are two unit vectors such that $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$ and $5\vec{a} - 4\vec{b}$ are perpendicular to each other then the angle

\vec{A}

between \vec{a} and \vec{b} is

(a) 45°

(b) 60°

(c) $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$

(d) $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{7}\right)$

$a = 1$
 $b = 1$

$5a^2 + 6\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 8b^2 = 0$

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \frac{8b^2 - 5a^2}{6}$

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \frac{8(1) - 5(1)}{6}$

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$

$ab \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$

$1 \cdot 1 \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$

$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$

$\theta = 60^\circ$

$\vec{A} \perp \vec{B}$

$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

$(\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 4\vec{b}) = 0$

$5\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} - 4(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) + 10(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}) - 8(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}) = 0$

Q) If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are two unit vectors such that $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$ and $5\vec{a} - 4\vec{b}$ are perpendicular to each other then the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} is

(a) 45°

(b) 60°

(c) $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$

(d) $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{7}\right)$

Ans: (b)

Q) Let \vec{u} , \vec{v} and \vec{w} be vectors such that $\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w} = \vec{0}$. If

$|\vec{u}| = 3$, $|\vec{v}| = 4$ and $|\vec{w}| = 5$, then $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} + \vec{w} \cdot \vec{u}$ is

- (a) 47 (b) -25 (c) 0 (d) 25

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Ans: (b)

Q) If \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are unit vectors and θ is the angle between them, then what is $\sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$ equal to?

(a) $\frac{|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}|^2}{4}$

(b) $\frac{|\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}|^2}{4}$

(c) $\frac{|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}|^2}{2}$

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(d) $\frac{|\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}|^2}{2}$

Ans: (b)

Q) The scalar $\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} + \vec{C}) \times (\vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C})$ equals :

(a) 0

(b) $[\vec{A} \ \vec{B} \ \vec{C}] + [\vec{B} \ \vec{C} \ \vec{A}]$

(c) $[\vec{A} \ \vec{B} \ \vec{C}]$

(d) None of these

Q) The scalar $\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} + \vec{C}) \times (\vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C})$ equals :

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(b) $[\vec{A} \ \vec{B} \ \vec{C}] + [\vec{B} \ \vec{C} \ \vec{A}]$

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Ans: (d)

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Ans: (c)

Q) If $\vec{\beta}$ is perpendicular to both $\vec{\alpha}$ and $\vec{\gamma}$ where $\vec{\alpha} = \vec{k}$ and $\vec{\gamma} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$, then what is $\vec{\beta}$ equal to?

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Ans: (b)

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- (a) $\vec{a} = \vec{b}$
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Ans: (c)

Q) Let \vec{u} , \vec{v} and \vec{w} be vectors such that $\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w} = 0$. If

$|\vec{u}| = 3$, $|\vec{v}| = 4$ and $|\vec{w}| = 5$, then $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} + \vec{w} \cdot \vec{u}$ is

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(b) $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$

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Ans: (d)

Q) If the vectors \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} form the sides BC , CA and AB respectively of a triangle ABC , then

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Ans: (b)

Q) Let $\vec{a} = \vec{i} - \vec{k}$, $\vec{b} = x\vec{i} + \vec{j} + (1-x)\vec{k}$ and

$\vec{c} = y\vec{i} + x\vec{j} + (1+x-y)\vec{k}$. Then $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$ depends on

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Q) If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are unit vectors inclined at an angle of 30° to each other, then which one of the following is correct ?

(a) $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| > 1$

(b) $1 < |\vec{a} + \vec{b}| < 2$

(c) $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = 2$

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Ans: (b)

Q) If \vec{a} is a position vector of a point $(1, -3)$ and A is another point $(-1, 5)$, then what are the coordinates of the point B such that $\overrightarrow{AB} = \vec{a}$?

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