

ANSWER KEYS

1. (1) 2. (2) 3. (2) 4. (3) 5. (1) 6. (3) 7. (4) 8. (1)

9. (1) 10. (4)

1. (1) $A(1, 5, 35), B(7, 5, 5), C(1, \lambda, 7), D(2\lambda, 1, 2)$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = 6\hat{i} - 30\hat{k}, \overrightarrow{BC} = -6\hat{i}(\lambda - 5)\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{CD} = (2\lambda - 1)\hat{i} + (1 - \lambda)\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

Points are coplanar

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 0 & -30 \\ -6 & \lambda - 5 & 2 \\ 2\lambda - 1 & 1 - \lambda & -5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 6(-5\lambda + 25 - 2 + 2\lambda)$$

$$- 30(-6 + 6\lambda - (2\lambda^2 - \lambda - 10\lambda + 5))$$

$$= 6(-3\lambda + 23) - 30(-2\lambda^2 + 11\lambda - 5 - 6 + 6\lambda)$$

$$= 6(-3\lambda + 23) - 30(-2\lambda^2 + 17\lambda - 11)$$

$$= 6(-3\lambda + 23 + 10\lambda^2 - 85\lambda + 55)$$

$$= 6(10\lambda^2 - 88\lambda + 78) = 12(5\lambda^2 - 44\lambda + 39)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 12(5\lambda^2 - 44\lambda + 39)$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \frac{44}{5}$$

2. (2)

Given the three vectors are coplanar.

$$\text{Hence, } \begin{vmatrix} \mu & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \mu & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \mu \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(\mu^2 - 1) - 1(\mu - 1) + 1(1 - \mu) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(\mu - 1)(\mu + 1) - 2(\mu - 1) = 0 \quad [\because a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)]$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mu - 1)(\mu(\mu + 1) - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mu - 1)(\mu^2 + \mu + 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mu - 1)(\mu - 1)(\mu + 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = 1, 1, -2$$

Therefore, the sum of the distinct real values of $\mu = -2 + 1 = -1$.

- 3.

$$(2) \pm 1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \lambda \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow -\lambda + 3 = \pm 1 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2 \text{ or } \lambda = 4$$

For $\lambda = 4$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2+1+4}{\sqrt{6}\sqrt{18}} = \frac{7}{6\sqrt{3}}$$

4. (3)

$$(2\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \cdot \left\{ (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times (\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \right\}$$

$$= (2\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \cdot \left\{ (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{a} + 2(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{b} \right\}$$

$$= (2\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \cdot \left\{ (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a})\vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{a} + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{b} - 2(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{a} \right\} \quad [\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0, |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1]$$

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

5. (1)

We have,

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

$$= \frac{[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]}{[\vec{c} \vec{a} \vec{b}]} + \frac{[\vec{b} \vec{a} \vec{c}]}{[\vec{c} \vec{a} \vec{b}]}$$

$$= \frac{[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]}{[\vec{c} \vec{a} \vec{b}]} - \frac{[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]}{[\vec{c} \vec{a} \vec{b}]} = 0$$

6. (3)

Given, $|\vec{a}| = 1, |\vec{b}| = 2, |\vec{c}| = 3$ and

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$ (as the three vectors are mutually perpendicular)

So,

$$\left[\left(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} \right) \times \left(\vec{b} - \vec{a} \right) \right] \cdot \vec{c}$$

$$= \left[\vec{a} \times \vec{b} - 0 + 0 - \vec{b} \times \vec{a} + \vec{c} \times \vec{b} - \vec{c} \times \vec{a} \right] \cdot \vec{c}$$

$$= \left[2 \left(\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \right) \cdot \vec{c} + \left(\vec{c} \times \vec{b} \right) \cdot \vec{c} - \left(\vec{c} \times \vec{a} \right) \cdot \vec{c} \right]$$

$$= 2 \left(\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \right) \cdot \vec{c} + 0 - 0$$

$$= 2 \left[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \right]$$

$$= 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3$$

$$= 12$$

7. (4)

$$|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = |\vec{c}| = 2$$

$$\text{Given: } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 = |\vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{c}|^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{c} \cdot \vec{c} = 4$$

$$\text{Volume of tetrahedron} = \frac{1}{6} \left[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right]$$

$$\text{Now, } \left[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right]^2 = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{c} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4(12) + 2(-4) + 2(-4) = 32$$

$$\therefore \left[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right] = \sqrt{32} = 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{Volume} = \frac{1}{6} \times 4\sqrt{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

8. (1)

$$\left(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \right) \vec{b} - \left(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \right) \vec{a} = \frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \vec{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 - \left(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \right) \vec{a} = \frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \vec{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow -|\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \cos \theta = \frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{8}{9}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

9. (1)

$$\text{Given, } \vec{r} \times \vec{a} = \vec{b}$$

Taking right cross product with \vec{c} , we get,

$$\left(\vec{r} \times \vec{a} \right) \times \vec{c} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \Rightarrow \left(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{c} \right) \vec{a} - \left(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \right) \vec{r} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\vec{a} - \vec{r} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \Rightarrow \vec{r} = 3\left(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k} \right) - \left(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = 5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 9\hat{k} \Rightarrow |\vec{r}| = \sqrt{155}$$



10. (4) $\frac{1}{n}$

The given expression

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left\{ \left\{ \vec{a} \times \vec{c} + \vec{b} \times \vec{a} + \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right\} \times \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) \right\} \cdot \left(\vec{b} + \vec{c} \right) \\
 &= \left\{ \left(\vec{a} \times \vec{c} \right) \times \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) + \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{a} \right) \times \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) \right\} \cdot \left(\vec{b} + \vec{c} \right) \\
 &= \left[\left(\vec{a} \cdot \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) \right) \vec{c} - \left(\vec{c} \cdot \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) \right) \vec{a} + \left(\vec{b} \cdot \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) \right) \vec{a} - \left(\vec{a} \cdot \left(\left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) \vec{b} \right) \right) \right] \cdot \left(\vec{b} + \vec{c} \right) \\
 &= \left[\left(\vec{a} \cdot \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) \right) \left(\vec{c} - \vec{b} \right) \cdot \left(\vec{b} + \vec{c} \right) \right] = \left(\vec{a} \cdot \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right) \right) \left[\left| \vec{c} \right|^2 - \left| \vec{b} \right|^2 \right] = 0 \\
 &\left[\left| \vec{b} \right| = \left| \vec{c} \right| = 1 \right].
 \end{aligned}$$