

## ANSWER KEYS

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1. (3)

Here,  $\vec{OA} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

$$\vec{OB} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{OC} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \vec{AB} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{BC} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{CA} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Clearly, } |\vec{AB}| = |\vec{BC}| = |\vec{CA}| = \sqrt{6}$$

So, these points are vertices of an equilateral triangle.

2. (3)

$$\vec{\alpha} = \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = 6\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} \dots (i)$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{\alpha} = x\vec{a} + y\vec{b}$$

$$\vec{\alpha} = x(6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) + y(2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\alpha} = (6x + 2y)\hat{i} - (3x + 6y)\hat{j} \dots (ii)$$

From (i) & (ii)

$$\Rightarrow 6x + 2y = 6 \text{ and } -3x - 6y = 12$$

$$\therefore x = 2, y = -3$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 2\vec{a} - 3\vec{b}$$

3. (4)

We know, if  $\vec{P}$  is collinear with  $\vec{Q}$ , then  $\vec{P} = \beta\vec{Q}$ , where  $\beta$  is a non-zero scalar.

Given,  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{c}$  are three non-zero vectors which are pairwise non-collinear.

Also, given  $\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}$  is collinear with  $\vec{c}$  and  $\vec{b} + 2\vec{c}$  is collinear with  $\vec{a}$

$$\therefore \vec{a} + 3\vec{b} = \lambda\vec{c} \dots (i)$$

$$\text{And } \vec{b} + 2\vec{c} = \mu\vec{a} \dots (ii)$$

where  $\lambda$ ,  $\mu$  are non-zero scalars.

From equation (i) and (ii)

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b} = \frac{\lambda}{3}\vec{c} - \frac{1}{3}\vec{a} = -2\vec{c} + \mu\vec{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -6, \mu = \frac{-1}{3}$$

Put,  $\lambda = -6$  in the equation (i)

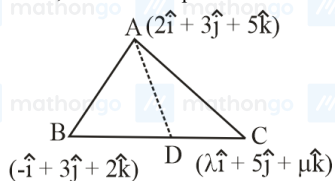
$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} + 3\vec{b} = -6\vec{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} + 3\vec{b} + 6\vec{c} = 0$$

4. (4)

Given that  $A(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$ ,  $B(-\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  and  $C(\lambda\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + \mu\hat{k})$  are vertices of a triangle

Since,  $D$  is the mid-point of  $B$  and  $C$



So, position vector of  $D$

$$= \left(\frac{\lambda-1}{2}\right)\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + \left(\frac{\mu+2}{2}\right)\hat{k}$$

Direction ratio of  $AD$  is  $\left(\frac{\lambda-5}{2}, 1, \frac{\mu-8}{2}\right)$  or  $\left(\frac{\lambda-5}{2\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{\mu-8}{2\sqrt{3}}\right)$ .

But direction cosine of  $AD$  should be

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Therefore,

$$\left(\frac{\lambda-5}{2}\right) = 1 = \left(\frac{\mu-8}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 7, \mu = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda - \mu = 4$$

5. (3)

Since  $\vec{r}$  is collinear with  $\vec{c}$ , we can write,

$$\vec{r} = k\vec{c}$$

$$|\vec{r}| = |k||\vec{c}|$$

Given,

$$|\vec{r}| = \frac{|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|}{2} = |k||\vec{c}|$$

$$|6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}| = 2|k||3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}|$$

$$\sqrt{56} = 2|k|\sqrt{14}$$

$$\therefore k = \pm 1$$

$$\therefore \vec{r} = \pm \vec{c}$$

6. (3)  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = -\sqrt{3}\vec{c}$

7. (1) Given  $|\vec{A} + \vec{B}| = n|\vec{A} - \vec{B}|$

$$\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + 2AB\cos\theta} = n\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - 2AB\cos\theta}$$

$$\text{Also } |A| = |B|$$

$$\sqrt{2A^2 + 2A^2\cos\theta} = n\sqrt{2A^2 - 2A^2\cos\theta}$$

Squaring both sides:

$$2A^2(1 + \cos\theta) = n^2 2A^2(1 - \cos\theta)$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{n^2 - 1}{n^2 + 1}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \theta = \cos^{-1}\left[\frac{n^2 - 1}{n^2 + 1}\right]$$

8. (4)

$$\text{Since, } \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} = 0 \text{ \& } \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Given, } |\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 36 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\text{Similarly, } |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 64 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\& |\vec{c}|^2 + |\vec{a}|^2 + 2\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 100 \quad \dots(4)$$

On adding Eqs. (2), (3) and (4), we get

$$2|\vec{a}|^2 + 2|\vec{b}|^2 + 2|\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 200$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 = 100 \quad \dots(5) \text{ [from Eqs. (1)]}$$

$$\text{Now, } |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a})$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 = 100 \text{ [from Eqs. (1) and (5)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = 10$$

9. (3)

$$\text{Given that, } |\vec{a}| = 2\sqrt{2}, |\vec{b}| = 3$$

$$\text{The longer vectors is } 5\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} + \vec{a} - 3\vec{b} = 6\vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

Length of one diagonal

$$= |6\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$$

$$= \sqrt{36\vec{a}^2 + \vec{b}^2 - 2 \times 6|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos 45^\circ}$$

$$= \sqrt{36 \times 8 + 9 - 12 \times 2\sqrt{2} \times 3 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{288 + 9 - 12 \times 6} = \sqrt{225} = 15$$

$$\text{Other diagonal is } 4\vec{a} + 5\vec{b}.$$

$$\text{Its length} = \sqrt{16 \times 8 + 25 \times 9 + 40 \times 6} = \sqrt{593}$$

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$$(2) \text{ Required value} = \frac{\frac{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}}{|\vec{b}|}}{\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|}} = \frac{|\vec{a}|}{|\vec{b}|} = \frac{7}{3}.$$