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$\vec{a}$     { ① magnitude / length / ~~norm.~~  
          ② direction .

**Problem 2**

$$O = (0, 0, 0).$$

Let  $A = (0, 1, -1)$  and  $B = (1, 2, 0)$  be two points in a plane. Let  $X$  be a point between  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $AX:XB = 2:1$ .

(a) Find  $\vec{AB}$  and  $\vec{AX}$ .

(b) Hence, find the coordinate of  $X$  by finding its position vector  $\vec{OX}$ . (Hint:  $\vec{AX} = \vec{OX} - \vec{OA}$ ).

$$(a) \quad \vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA}$$

$$= \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - (\vec{j} - \vec{k})$$

$$= \vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{AX} = \frac{2}{3} \underbrace{|\vec{AB}|}_{\text{magnitude}} \times \underbrace{\frac{\vec{AB}}{|\vec{AB}|}}_{\text{direction}} = \frac{2}{3} \vec{AB} = \frac{2}{3} (\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k})$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \vec{i} + \frac{2}{3} \vec{j} + \frac{2}{3} \vec{k}$$

$$(b) \quad \vec{AX} = \vec{OX} - \vec{OA}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{OX} = \vec{AX} + \vec{OA}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \vec{i} + \frac{2}{3} \vec{j} + \frac{2}{3} \vec{k} + \vec{j} - \vec{k}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \vec{i} + \frac{5}{3} \vec{j} - \frac{1}{3} \vec{k}$$

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### Problem 3

Let  $\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$  be two vectors.

(a) Find  $|\vec{a}|$  and  $|\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}|$ .

(b) Find the unit vector of  $\vec{b}$ .

(c) Let  $\vec{c}$  be another vector with magnitude  $|2\vec{a} + \vec{b}|$  and its direction is same as that of  $\vec{b}$ . Find the vector  $\vec{c}$ .

$$\vec{a} = a_1\vec{i} + a_2\vec{j} + a_3\vec{k}$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2} \quad (*)$$

$$(a) \quad \vec{a} = 2\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{38}$$

$$\vec{a} - 2\vec{b} = 2\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} + 5\vec{k} - 2(\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}) = -9\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}.$$

$$|\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{9^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{81 + 25} = \sqrt{106}.$$

$$(b) \quad \vec{a} \quad \hat{a} = \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

$$\hat{b} = \frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} = \frac{\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}}{\sqrt{1^2 + 3^2}} = \frac{\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}}{\sqrt{10}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}\vec{i} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}\vec{j} \quad \checkmark$$

$$(c) \quad 2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 2(2\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}) + \vec{i} + 3\vec{j} = 5\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} + 10\vec{k}$$

$$|2\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + (-3)^2 + 10^2} = \sqrt{134}$$

$$\vec{c} = \underbrace{\sqrt{134}}_{\text{magnitude}} \times \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}\vec{i} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}\vec{j}\right)}_{\text{direction (unit vector)}} = \frac{\sqrt{134}}{\sqrt{10}}\vec{i} + \frac{3\sqrt{134}}{\sqrt{10}}\vec{j}.$$

Scalar product / dot product / inner product .

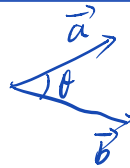
$$\vec{a} = a_1 \vec{i} + a_2 \vec{j} + a_3 \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1 \vec{i} + b_2 \vec{j} + b_3 \vec{k}.$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3 \quad (*)$$

Theorem:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta \quad (*).$$



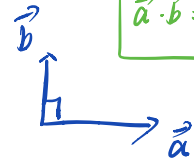
$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} \quad (**).$$

$$\text{if } \cos \theta > 0, \quad \theta < 90^\circ$$

$$\cos \theta < 0, \quad \theta > 90^\circ.$$

**Problem 4**

Let  $\vec{a} = \vec{i} + 3\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = -2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$  be two vectors.

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta = 0$$


(a) Find  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ .

(b) Find the angle between the vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

(c) Let  $\vec{c} = 3\vec{i} + x\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$  be a vector which is perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$ , find the value of  $x$ .

(d) Let  $\vec{d} = y\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}$  be a vector which is perpendicular to  $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$  find the value of  $y$ .

(a)  $\vec{a} = 1\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = -2\vec{i} + 1\vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1 \times (-2) + 3 \times 1 + (-2) \times 3 = -2 + 3 - 6 = -5$$

(b)  $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 3^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 1^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{14} \sqrt{14}} = -\frac{5}{14} < 0, \quad \theta > 90^\circ$$

$$\theta \approx 110.92^\circ$$

(c)  $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

$$(3\vec{i} + x\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}) \cdot (-2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}) = 3 \times (-2) + x \times 1 - 2 \times 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 12$$

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

$$(y\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0$$

$$y\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} - y\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + 3\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 3\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$y|\vec{a}|^2 + (3-y)\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 3|\vec{b}|^2 = 0$$

$$14y - 5(3-y) - 3 \times 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 3$$

### Problem 8

Let  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be two vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = 1$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 2$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1$ .

(a) Find the angle between the vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

(b) Find the value of  $(3\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + 3\vec{b})$  and  $|\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}|$ .

(c) Find the angle between two vectors  $\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}$  and  $2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}$ .

$$(a) \quad \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} = \frac{1}{1 \times 2} = \frac{1}{2} > 0.$$

$$\theta = 60^\circ$$

$$(b) \quad (3\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + 3\vec{b})$$

$$= 3\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} + 9\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 2\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} - 2\vec{b} \cdot 3\vec{b}$$

$$= 3|\vec{a}|^2 + 7\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 6|\vec{b}|^2 = 3 + 7 - 6 \times 2^2 = -14$$

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

$$|\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{(\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - 2\vec{b})}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|^2} + 4 \frac{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|^2} - 4\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}$$

$$= \sqrt{13}$$

$$(c) \quad \cos \theta = \frac{(\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}) \cdot (2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b})}{|\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}| |2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}|}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}) \cdot (2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}) &= 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} + 3\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 2\vec{b} \cdot 2\vec{a} - 2\vec{b} \cdot 3\vec{b} \\ &= -23 \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{(\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - 2\vec{b})} = \sqrt{13}.$$

$$|2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}| = \sqrt{(2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}) \cdot (2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b})} = \sqrt{4|\vec{a}|^2 + 12\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + 9|\vec{b}|^2}.$$

$$= \sqrt{52}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-23}{\sqrt{13} \cdot \sqrt{52}} = \frac{-23}{26} < 0. \Rightarrow \theta > 90^\circ.$$

$$\theta \approx 152.2^\circ$$