

1. Solve for k if we know that $\vec{a} = (3, -8, 2)$, $\vec{b} = (-4, 7, 1)$ and $\vec{c} = (14, -41, k)$ are coplanar /4

$$(14, -41, k) = m(3, -8, 2) + n(-4, 7, 1)$$

$$x \quad 14 = 3m - 4n \Rightarrow 14 + 4n = 3m$$

$$y \quad -41 = -8m + 7n \Rightarrow -41 + 8m = 7n$$

$$z \quad k = 2m + n \Rightarrow k - 2m = n$$

$$-41 + 8m = 7(k - 2m)$$

$$-41 + 8m = 7k - 14m$$

$$22m = 7k + 41$$

$$m = \frac{7k + 41}{22}$$

$$\frac{7k + 41}{22} = \frac{14 + 4k}{11}$$

$$77k + 451 = 308 + 88k$$

$$\frac{143}{11} = \frac{11k}{11}$$

$$13 = k$$

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2. Give possible values for m and n such that the vectors $\vec{u} = (3, m, 5)$ and $\vec{v} = (-2, 8, n)$ are perpendicular. There are many different possible answers here. (No decimal approximations).

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$$(3, m, 5) \cdot (-2, 8, n) = 0$$

$$-6 + 8m + 5n = 0$$

$$\text{let } m = 1$$

$$-6 + 8(1) + 5n = 0$$

$$2 = -5n \Rightarrow -\frac{2}{5} = n$$

A possible pair of values making the vectors perpendicular are $m = 1$ and $n = -\frac{2}{5}$
(There are many different possible answers; do not use decimal approximations.)

3. Determine the measure of the angle between the vectors $\vec{c} = (-4, -1, -2)$ and $\vec{d} = (1, 5, -2)$. Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a degree (i.e., one decimal place) if necessary. /3

$$-4 - 5 + 4 = \sqrt{(-4)^2 + (-1)^2 + (-2)^2} \sqrt{1^2 + 5^2 + (-2)^2} \cos \theta$$

$$-5 = \sqrt{21} \sqrt{30} \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{-5}{\sqrt{21} \sqrt{30}} = \cos \theta$$

$$\cos^{-1}(-0.19) = \theta$$

$$101.49^\circ = \theta$$

$$\theta = 101.5^\circ$$

Round your answer to one tenth of a degree if necessary (i.e., one decimal place).

4. The vectors \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} are mutually perpendicular (i.e., each of the vectors is perpendicular with each of the other vectors). If we know that $|\vec{a}| = 4$, $|\vec{b}| = 10$ and $|\vec{c}| = 5$, evaluate $(\vec{a} - \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{c} + \vec{b} - \vec{a})$ /3

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - |\vec{a}|^2 - |\vec{c}|^2 - \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$$

Perpendicular = 0

$$0 + 0 - (4)^2 - (5)^2 = 0$$

$$-16 - 25 = 0$$

$$-41 = 0$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} - \vec{c} \cdot \vec{c} - \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$$

$$(\vec{a} - \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{c} + \vec{b} - \vec{a}) = -41$$