

# RIS Practice Exam solutions

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## Linear Algebra and Quaternions

### Question 1

-a

We know that the area of a parallelogram  $S = B \cdot H$  where  $B$  is the base and  $H$  is the height, and assuming  $B$  to be  $v_1$

$$S = v_1 \cdot v_2 \cdot \sin(\pi/6)$$

$$40 = 10 \cdot v_2 \cdot 0.5$$

$$v_2 = 8$$

-b

### Solution 1:

Using the vector formula:  $v_1 \cdot v_2 = a_1(b_1) + a_2(b_2) + a_3(b_3)$

$$v_1 = [10 \ 0 \ 0]^T$$

$$v_2 = [8 \cdot \cos(\pi/6) \ 8 \cdot \sin(\pi/6) \ 0]^T$$

$$v_2 = [4\sqrt{3} \ 4 \ 0]^T$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = 10 \cdot 4\sqrt{3} = 40\sqrt{3}$$

### Solution 2:

Using the following formula:  $v_1 \cdot v_2 = |v_1||v_2|\cos(\theta)$

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = 8 \cdot 10 \cdot \cos(\pi/6)$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = 80 \cdot 0.5\sqrt{3} = 40\sqrt{3}$$

-c

Remember that the result of the cross product is a vector that is perpendicular to the plane defined by the two vectors used in the cross product.

### **Solution 1:**

We have:

$$v_1 = [10 \ 0 \ 0]^T$$

$$v_2 = [4\sqrt{3} \ 4 \ 0]^T$$

Using the vector formula:

$$v_1 \times v_2 = [a_2(b_3) - a_3(b_2), \ a_3(b_1) - a_1(b_3), \ a_1(b_2) - a_2(b_1)]$$

$$v_1 \times v_2 = [0, \ 0, \ 40]$$

### **Solution 2:**

Using the magnitude of both vectors and sin of the angle in between:

$$v_1 \times v_2 = |v_1| \cdot |v_2| \cdot \sin(\pi/6) \cdot n$$

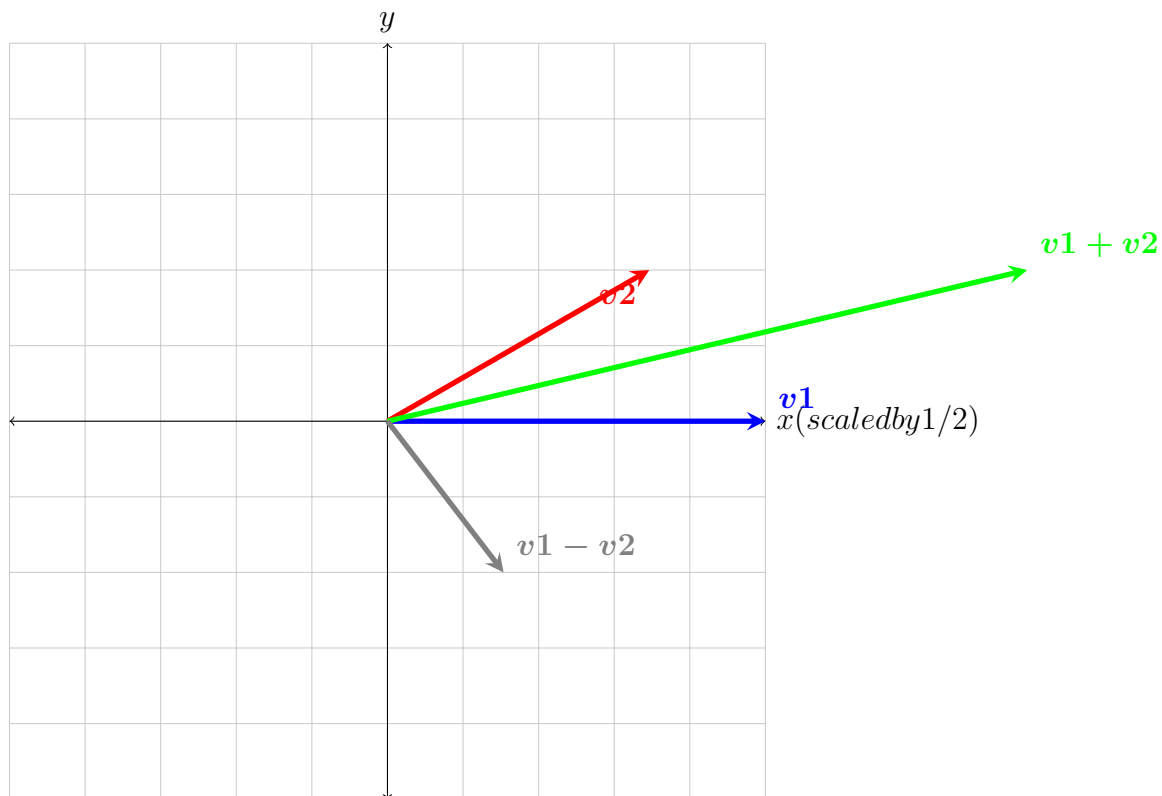
$$\text{Where: } n = [0 \ 0 \ 1]^T$$

$$|v_1| = 10$$

$$|v_2| = 8$$

$$v_1 \times v_2 = 10 \cdot 8 \cdot 0.5 \cdot n = 40n = [0 \ 0 \ 40]^T$$

-d



## Question 2

Answer:

a-  $v_2 = 8/3$

b-  $v_1 \cdot v_2 = 40\sqrt{3}$

c-  $v_1 \times v_2 = [0, 0, 40]$

## Question 3

For a rotation of 60 degrees around the y-axis:

$$q = [\cos(60/2), 0, \sin(60/2), 0]$$

$$q = [\sqrt{3}/2, 0, 1/2, 0]$$

$$q^* = [\sqrt{3}/2, 0, -1/2, 0]$$

And point  $(1, 1, 1)$  :

$$p = [1, 1, 1]^T$$

The equation for rotating a point  $p$  with quaternion  $q$  is  $p' = qpq^*$ . Please remember that

if you want to express the point in a new reference frame, where the quaternion represents the transformation between the frames, the equation is different, and is  $p' = q^*pq$ . In the first case you are rotating the point, in the second case you are rotating the reference frame. The two results are symmetric: rotating a point with angle  $\alpha$  is equal to rotate the reference frame of  $-\alpha$ .

### Solution 1

You can consider the point a vector and express it as a linear combination of the orthonormal vectors  $i, j, k$ . The point  $p = [1, 1, 1]^T$  can be expressed as  $p = i + j + k$ . Remember that  $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = ijk = -1$ , and that  $ij = k, jk = i, ki = j, ji = -k, kj = -i, ik = -j$ .

Therefore, you can express the rotation as:

$$p' = qpq^* = (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}j)(i + j + k)(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}j)$$

$$p' = (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}j)(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i - \frac{1}{2}k + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}j + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}k + \frac{1}{2}i)$$

$$p' = (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}j)(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}i + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}j + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2}k)$$

$$p' = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} + \frac{3+\sqrt{3}}{4}i + \frac{3}{4}j + \frac{3-\sqrt{3}}{4}k + \frac{1}{4}j - \frac{1+\sqrt{3}}{4}k - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{4}i$$

$$p' = \frac{3+\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{3}-1}{4}i + j + \frac{3-\sqrt{3}-1-\sqrt{3}}{4}k$$

$$p' = \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}i + j + \frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{2}k$$

$$\text{Therefore, } p' = [\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}, 1, \frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{2}]^T$$

### Solution 2

We can use the general formula for multiplication between quaternions:

$$V_1 \times V_2 = S_1S_2 - V_1 \cdot V_2, S_1V_2 + S_2V_1 + V_1 \times V_2$$

Knowing that  $p' = qpq^*$ , we can apply two multiplications, one after the other. Because of the associative property of multiplication, we can choose if performing  $qp$  first and multiply for  $q^*$ , or start with  $pq^*$  and multiply  $q$  with the result. In this example we will show the latter one:

$$p = i + j + k \Rightarrow S_p = 0; V_p = [1, 1, 1]^T$$

$$q = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}j \Rightarrow S_q = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}; V_q = [0, \frac{1}{2}, 0]^T$$

$$q^* = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}j \Rightarrow S_{q^*} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}; V_{q^*} = [0, -\frac{1}{2}, 0]^T$$

$$pq^* = \frac{1}{2}, [0, 0, 0]^T + [\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}]^T + \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}, [\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}]^T + [\frac{1}{2}, 0, -\frac{1}{2}]^T$$

$$pq^* = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2})$$

$$qpq^* = q(pq^*) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}, [\frac{\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3}+1)}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3}-1)}{4}]^T + [0, \frac{1}{4}, 0]^T + \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ (\sqrt{3}+1)/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 & (\sqrt{3}-1)/2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$qpq^* = 0, [\frac{\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3}+1)}{4}, 1, \frac{\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3}-1)}{4}]^T + [\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{4}, 0, -\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{4}]^T$$

$$qpq^* = (0, \frac{3+\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{3}-1}{4}, 1, \frac{3-\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{3}-1}{4}) = (0, \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}, 1, \frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{2})$$

$$\text{Therefore, } p' = [\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}, 1, \frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{2}]^T$$

## Question 4

Answer:

$$q = [0.966, 0, 0.259, 0]$$

$$q^* = [-0.966, 0, 0.259, 0]$$

$$qp^{new} = [\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}, 1, \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2}]^T$$

## Question 5

Answer:

$$q = [\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0]$$

$$q^* = [-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0]$$

$$qp^{new} = [0, 1, 1]^T$$

## Question 6

Answer:

$$q = [\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0]$$

$$q^* = [-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0]$$

$$qp^{new} = [0, -1, 1]^T$$

## Question 7

Answer:

$$q_{result} = -4 + 2i + 2j - 6k$$

## Question 8

Answer:

$$q_{result} = -1 - 3i + 8j$$

# URDF

## Question 1

The fixed parts have ( $\Rightarrow$ ) in front of them:

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## Question 2

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### Question 3

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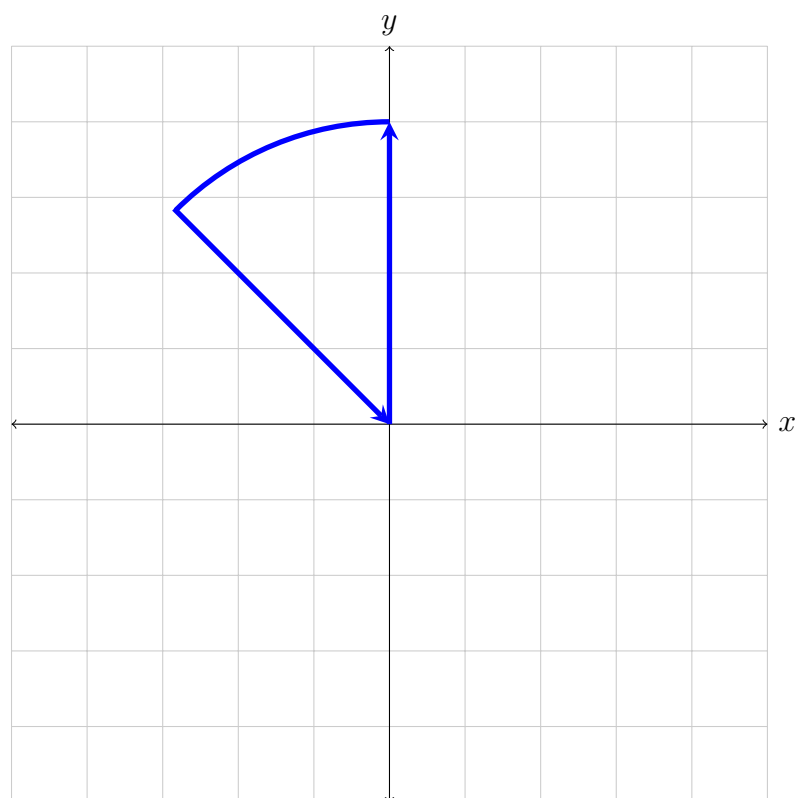


# Motion

## Question 1

a. Remember that the order of transformations starts from right to left:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -3\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \cos(45) & -\sin(45) & 0 \\ \sin(45) & \cos(45) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -3\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \cos(45) & -\sin(45) & -6\sin(45) \\ \sin(45) & \cos(45) & 6\cos(45) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(45) & -\sin(45) & -6\sin(45) + 3\sqrt{2} \\ \sin(45) & \cos(45) & 6\cos(45) - 3\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -6\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 3\sqrt{2} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 6\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - 3\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$



b.

Remember, a bang bang motion is defined by it's two states; acceleration and deceleration. The two states splits the time and distance in half. Also they share the same maximum speed

$$s = 1/2at^2$$

$$3 = 1/2a16$$

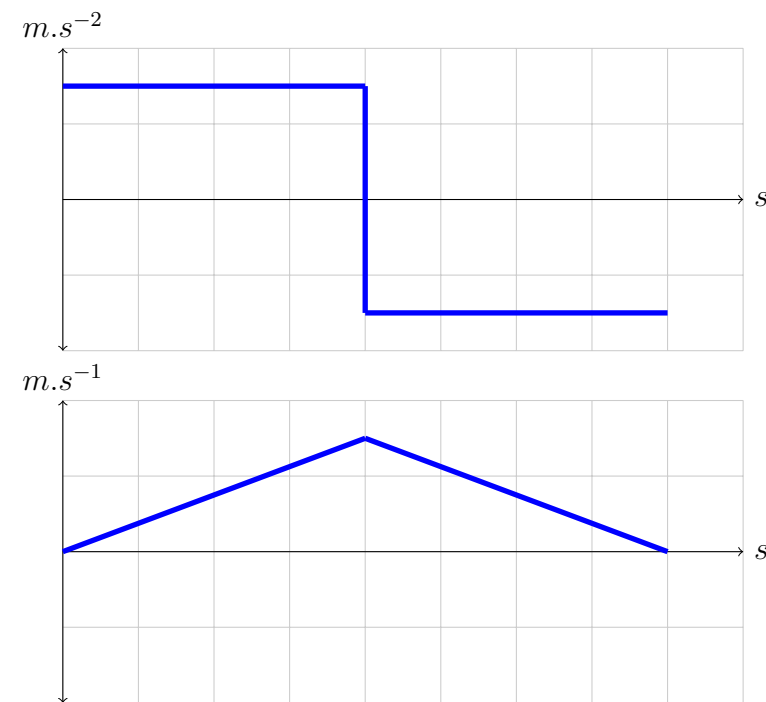
$$3 = 8a$$

$$a = 3/8 \text{ m.s}^{-2}$$

$$v = at$$

$$= 3/8 * 4$$

$$= 3/2 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$$

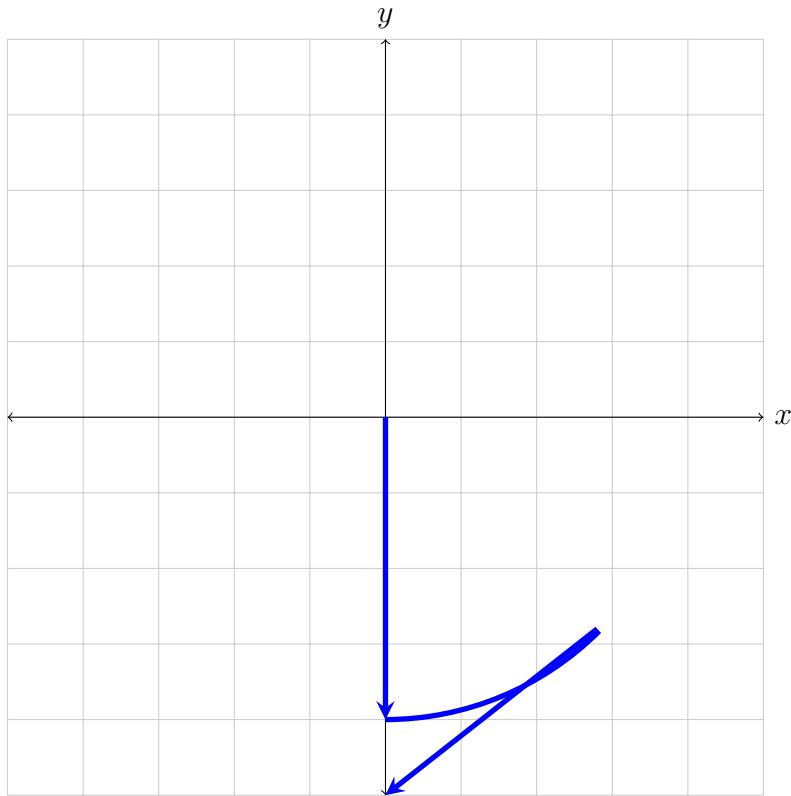


## Question 2

a.

Answer:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -6\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



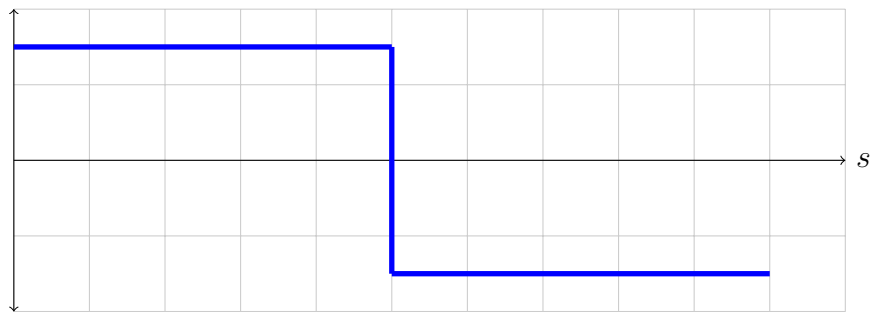
b.

Answer:

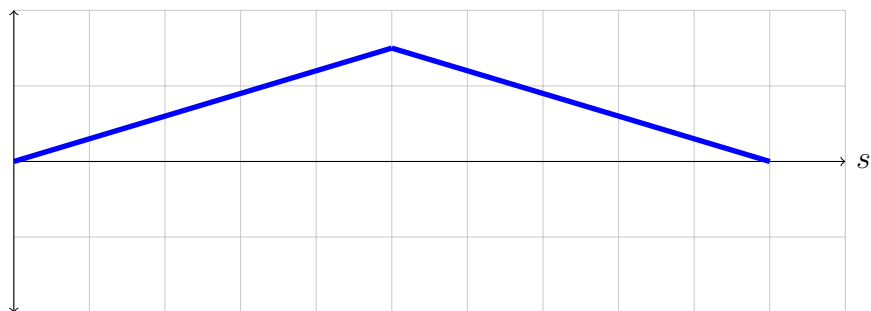
$$a = 6/25 \text{ m.s}^{-2}$$

$$v = 6/5 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{m.s}^{-2}$$



$$\text{m.s}^{-1}$$

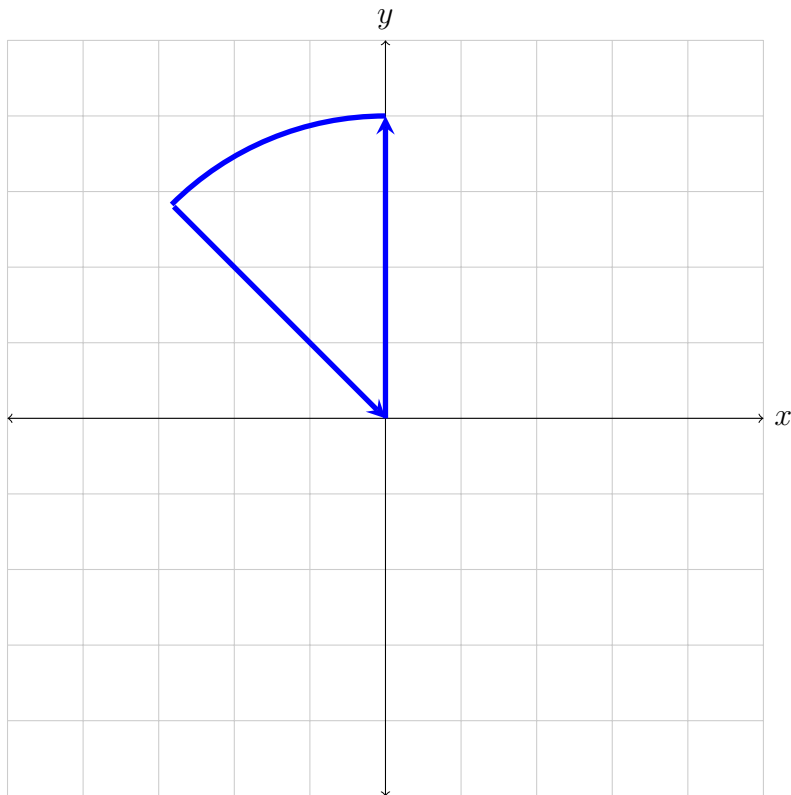


### Question 3

a.

Answer:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

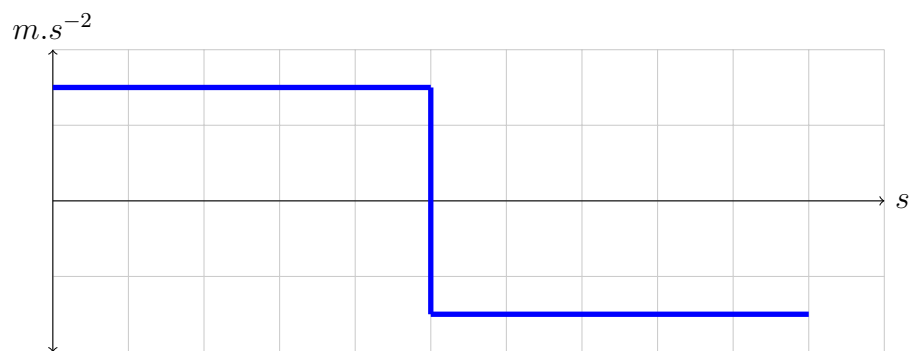


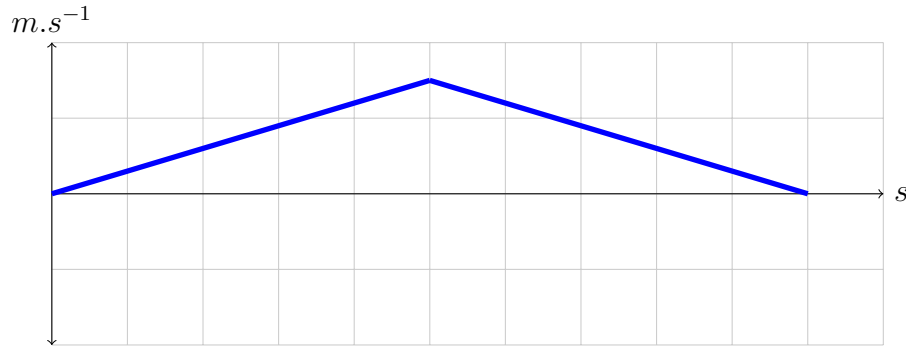
b.

Answer:

$$a = 1/2 \text{ m.s}^{-2}$$

$$v = 2 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$$





### Question 4

a.

Answer:

$$\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{CD} = 0$$

$$\vec{BC} \times \vec{CD} = [0, 0, 72]^\top$$

b.

Answer:

$$\vec{OA} + \vec{CD} = [6\sqrt{2}, 12, 0]^\top$$

$$\vec{OA} - \vec{CD} = [-6\sqrt{2}, 12, 0]^\top$$

c.

-The cross product are not commutative. Because the the operator uses the sine of the angle in between the two vectors and this angle is usually measured counterclockwise by convention.

-The dot product on the other hand is commutative. Because it uses the cosine of the angle in between the two vectors  $\Rightarrow \cos(-\theta) = \cos(\theta)$

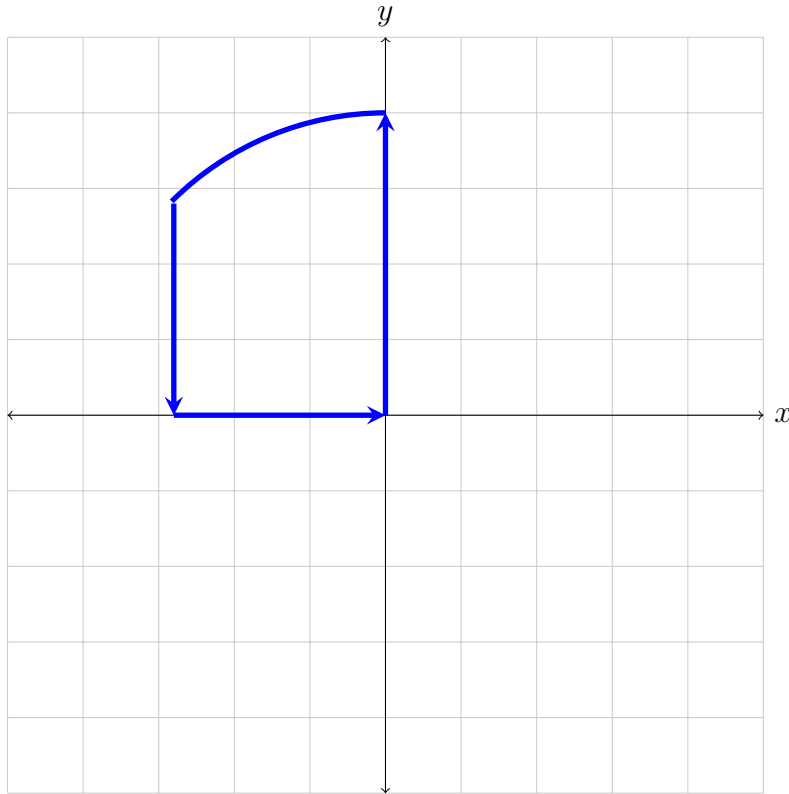
-While the sum of vectors is commutative as it uses simple linear operators.

-The subtraction of two vector is not commutative, as the order effects the direction of the resulting vector.

d.

Answer:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



e.

$$a = 1 \text{ m.s}^{-2}$$

$$d = 12 \text{ m}$$

$$d = 0.5 \cdot a \cdot t^2$$

$$t = \sqrt{12 \cdot 2/1}$$

$$t = \sqrt{24} = 2\sqrt{6} \text{ s}$$

$$v = at$$

$$v = 1 \cdot 2\sqrt{6} = 2\sqrt{6} \text{ m.s}^{-1}$$

f.

$$a_c = 0 \text{ m.s}^{-2}$$

$$a_t = v^2/r$$

where  $r = 12$

$$\Rightarrow a_t = 24/12 = 2 \text{ m/s}^2$$

g.

$$d_1 = \Delta T \cdot v_1/2$$

$$d_1 = 3 \cdot 1/2 = 1.5 \text{ m}$$

$$d_2 = d_1 \cdot v_2/v_1$$

$$d_2 = 1.5 \text{ m}$$

The robot leaves the BC path 1.5 meters before reaching the C and arrives to CD 1.5 meters away from C.

h.

$$O = (0, 0, 0) \quad A = (0, 12, 0)$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(45) & -\sin(45) & 0 \\ \sin(45) & \cos(45) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot [0, 12, 0]^T =$$

$$= [-12\sin(45), 12\cos(45), 0]^T$$

$$= [-6\sqrt{2}, 6\sqrt{2}, 0]^T$$

To polar coordinates:

$$O = [0, 0]$$

$$A = [\frac{\pi}{2}, 12]$$

$$B = [\tan^{-1}(By/Bx) + \pi, \sqrt{Bx^2 + By^2}]$$

$$B = [\frac{3\pi}{2}, 12]$$

To spherical coordinates:

$$O = [0, 0, 0]$$

$$A = [\sqrt{12^2}, \tan^{-1}(Ay/Ax), \cos^{-1}(0/\sqrt{12^2})]$$

$$A = [12, 90, 90]$$

$$B = [\sqrt{(-6\sqrt{2})^2 + (6\sqrt{2})^2}, \tan^{-1}(-6\sqrt{2}/6\sqrt{2}) + 180, \cos^{-1}(0/\sqrt{(-6\sqrt{2})^2 + (6\sqrt{2})^2})]$$

$$B = [12, 135, 90]$$

$$B = [12, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$$

## Question 5

a.

Answer:

$$\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{CD} = 0$$

$$\vec{BC} \times \vec{CD} = [0, 0, -72]^T$$

b.

Answer:

$$\vec{OA} + \vec{CD} = [12, -6\sqrt{2}, 0]^T$$

$$\vec{OA} - \vec{CD} = [12, 6\sqrt{2}, 0]^T$$

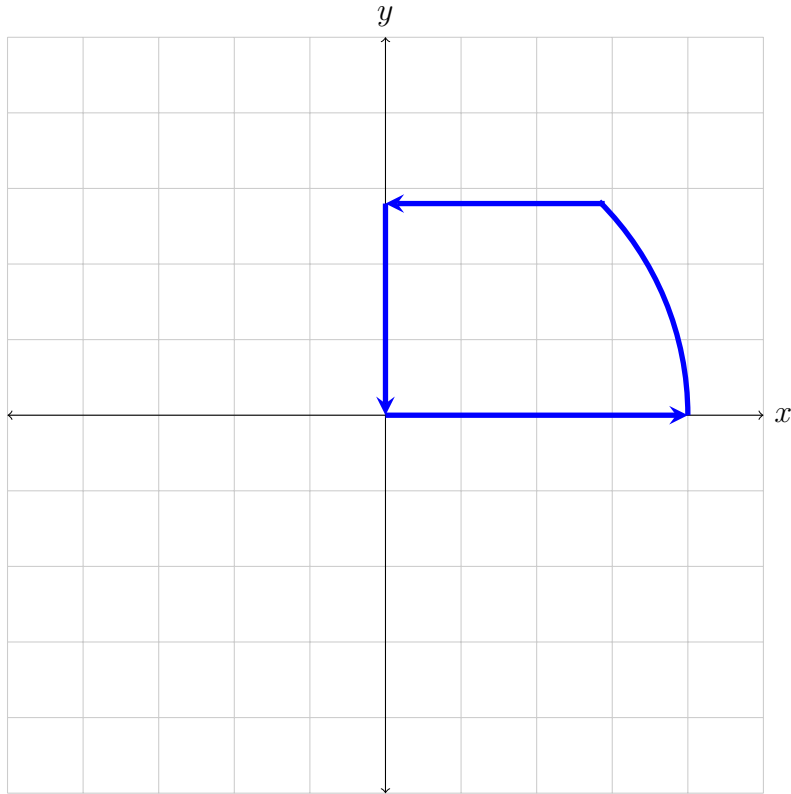
c.

Answer: 4.c

d.

Answer:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



e.

Answer:

$$t = \sqrt{24} = 2\sqrt{6}s$$

$$v = 2\sqrt{6}m.s^{-1}$$

f.

Answer:

$$a_c = 0m.s^{-2}$$

$$a_t = 24/12 = 2m/s^2$$

g.

Answer:

$$d_1 = 1.5m$$

$$d_2 = 1.5m$$

The robot leaves the BC path 1.5 meters before reaching the C and arrives to CD 1.5 meters away from C.

h.

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

$$A = (12, 0, 0)$$

$$B = [6\sqrt{2}, 6\sqrt{2}, 0]^T$$



To polar coordinates:

$$O = [0, 0]$$

$$A = [0, 12]$$

$$B = [\frac{\pi}{4}, 12]$$

To spherical coordinates:

$$O = [0, 0, 0]$$

$$A = [12, 0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$$

$$B = [12, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$$

# Rigid Bodies

## Question 1

$$M_0 = F \cdot d \cdot \sin(\theta) = 12 \cdot 3 = 36N \cdot m$$

## Question 2

The minimum torque will be generated from S because the angle  $\theta = 0$

$\Rightarrow M_0 = F \cdot r \cdot \sin(0) = 0$  While the maximum torque will be generated from Q because the angle  $\theta = 90$

$$\Rightarrow M_0 = F \cdot r \cdot \sin(90) = F \cdot r$$

## Question 3

$$M = r \times F = r \cdot F \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot n$$

Where :  $n = [0, 0, 1]$

$$\Rightarrow M \cdot r = M \cdot r \cdot \cos(90) = 0$$

## Question 4

$$M = \sum r \times F$$

$$M = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot \sin(270) + 3 \cdot 10 \cdot \sin(90) = -10 + 30 = 20N.m$$

## Question 5

$$M = r \times F = r \cdot F \cdot \sin(90) = 5 \cdot 10 \cdot 1 \cdot n = 50\vec{i}N.m$$

## Question 6

$$M = r \times F = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 10 & 20 & 30 \end{vmatrix} = [2 \cdot 30 - 0 \cdot 20, 0 \cdot 10 - 1 \cdot 30, 1 \cdot 20 - 2 \cdot 10]$$
$$= [60, -30, 0]$$
$$M_y = -30N.m$$

# Sensor

## Question 1

Accuracy: Agreement of measured values with a given reference standard.

Repeatability: Capability of reproducing as output similar measured values over consecutive measurements of the same constant input quantity.

# Robot Unit

## Question 1

Mechanical unit: Rigid links connected through a rotational or a prismatic link (1 DOF).

Example: car's door

Sensor unit:

a. Proprioceptive: sense the internal state of the machine. Example: thermal sensor.

b. Exteroceptive: sense the external world. Example: ultrasonic sensor.

Actuation unit: a mechanism to introduce motion. Example: car's engine.

Supervision unit: Task planning and control or artificial intelligence. Example: micro-controller.

## Question 2

Mechanical unit: Rigid links connected through a rotational or a prismatic link (1 DOF).

Example: Gripper

Sensor unit:

a. Proprioceptive: sense the internal state of the machine. Example: IMU.

b. Exteroceptive: sense the external world. Example: pressure sensor.

Actuation unit: a mechanism to introduce motion. Example: motor.

Supervision unit: Task planning and control or artificial intelligence. Example: micro-controller.

## True or False

- 1 False
- 2 True
- 3 False
- 4 True
- 5 False
- 6 False
- 7 True
- 8 False
- 9 False
- 10 False
- 11 True
- 12 False
- 13 False
- 14 False
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