VECTORS

12^{th} Maths - EXERCISE-10.3

1. Find the angle between two vectors \overrightarrow{a} and \overrightarrow{b} with magnitudes $\sqrt{3}$ and 2 respectively having $\overrightarrow{a} \cdot \overrightarrow{b} = \sqrt{6}$.

Solution: Given points are

$$||a|| = \sqrt{3} \tag{1}$$

$$||b|| = 2 \tag{2}$$

$$\overrightarrow{a}.\overrightarrow{b} = \sqrt{6} \tag{3}$$

$$\overrightarrow{a}.\overrightarrow{b} = ||a|| \, ||b|| \cos\theta \tag{4}$$

$$\sqrt{6} = \sqrt{3} \times 2 \times \cos\theta \tag{5}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{3} \times 2} \tag{6}$$

$$=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\theta = 45^{\circ}$$
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