

## DOT PRODUCT

Q.1 Find the dot product of two vectors  $\vec{A} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{B} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$

Sol<sup>n</sup>.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} &= (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) \\&= 6 - 6 + 24 \\&= \underline{\underline{24}} \text{ Ans}\end{aligned}$$

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**Q.2** Find the value of  $m$  so that the vector  $\underline{3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}}$  may be perpendicular to the vector  $\underline{2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + m\hat{k}}$ .

Sol: If two vectors are perpendicular then  $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ .

$$(3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + m\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$6 - 12 + m = 0$$

$$\boxed{m = 6}$$

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**Q.3** What is the angle between the following pair of vectors?

$$\text{Given } \vec{A} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{B} = -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k} \Rightarrow \frac{\vec{B}}{\vec{B}} = -2(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}}{|\vec{A}| |\vec{B}|} = \frac{(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})}{(\sqrt{3}) \sqrt{3(2)^2}}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{B} = -2\vec{A}}$$

$\theta = \pi$

$\cos \theta = -1$

$\theta = 180^\circ$

$$= \frac{-2 - 2 - 2}{6} = -\frac{6}{6} = -1.$$

$$\vec{B} = 2\vec{A}$$

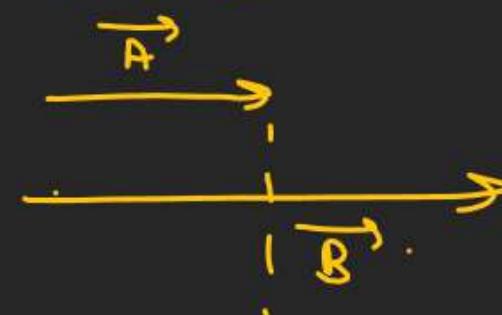
$(\theta = 0)$

= Another Method

$$\vec{A} = \lambda \vec{B}$$

where  $\lambda$  is a Constant

$$\vec{A} \parallel \vec{B}$$



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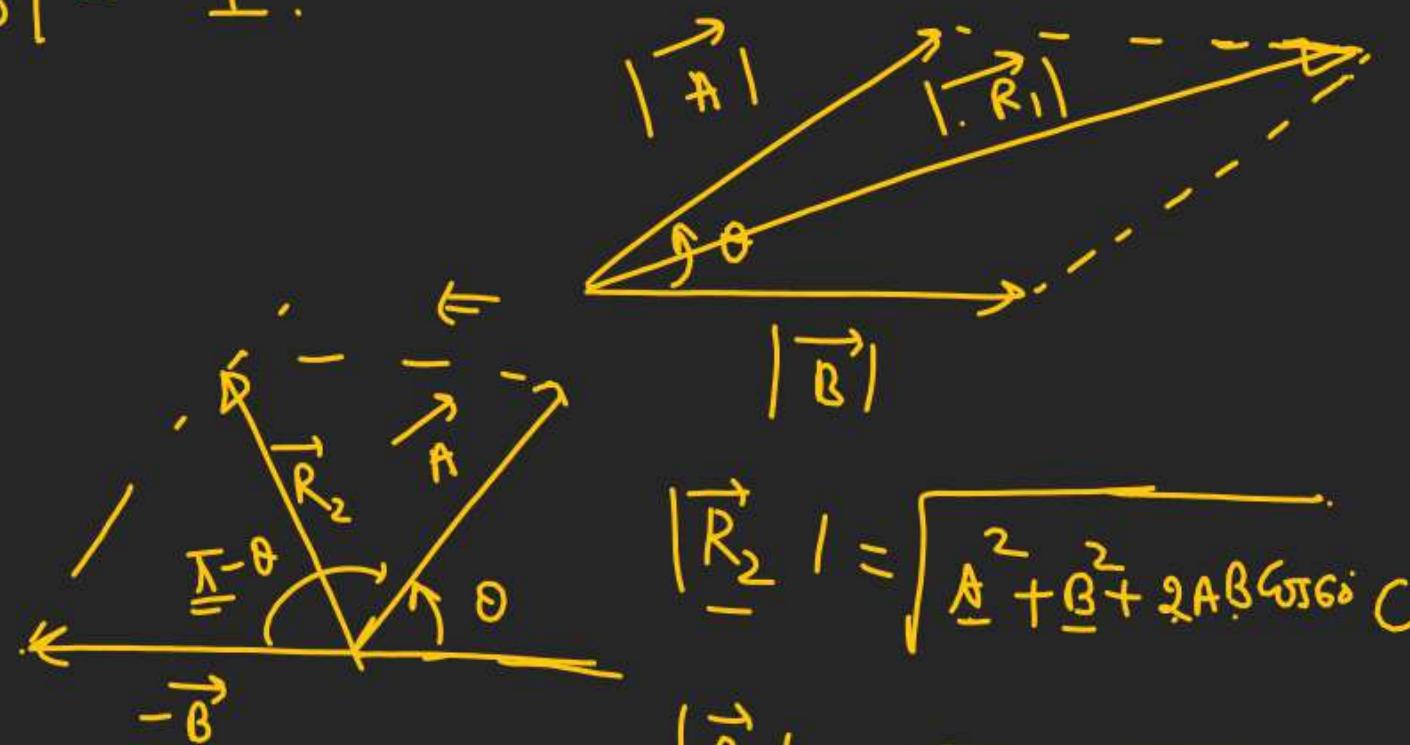
**Q.4** If the sum of two unit vectors is a unit vector, then find the magnitude of their difference.

Let,  $\hat{A}$  and  $\hat{B}$  be two unit vectors.

$$|\hat{A}| = |\hat{B}| = 1.$$

$$\vec{R}_1 = \underline{\hat{A} + \hat{B}}$$

$$\vec{R}_2 = (\vec{A} - \vec{B})$$



$$R_1 = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + 2AB \cos \theta.}$$

$$1 = \sqrt{1+1+2\cos\theta.}$$

$$1 = 2(1 + \cos\theta)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = 1 + \cos\theta.$$

$$|\vec{R}_2| = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + 2AB \cos 60^\circ} \quad \cos\theta = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \theta = +120^\circ.$$

$$|\vec{R}_2| = \sqrt{1+1+2\times\frac{1}{2}} : \sqrt{3} \text{ Ans}$$

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$\theta \rightarrow$  Angle b/w  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$ .

**Q.5 Prove that**  $(\vec{A} + 2\vec{B}) \cdot (2\vec{A} - 3\vec{B}) = 2A^2 + AB\cos\theta - 6B^2$

Sol:-

$$= 2(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{A}) - 3(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}) + 4(\vec{B} \cdot \vec{A}) - 6(\vec{B} \cdot \vec{B})$$

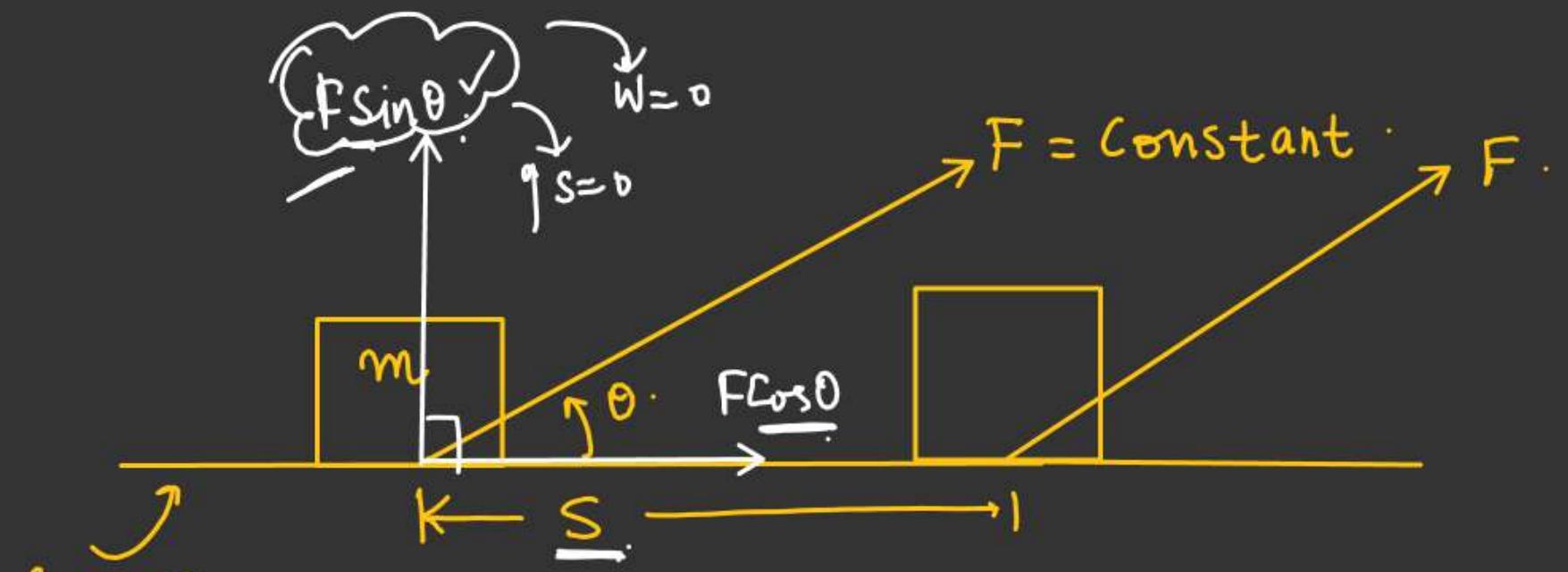
$$= 2A^2 - \frac{3AB\cos\theta + 4BA\cos\theta}{-6B^2}$$

$$= \underline{2A^2 + AB\cos\theta - 6B^2} \quad \swarrow$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \vec{A} \cdot \vec{A} = A^2 \\ \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = AB\cos\theta \\ \vec{B} \cdot \vec{B} = B^2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\swarrow (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = \vec{B} \cdot \vec{A})$$

## Application of Dot product →



Work done by  $F$  = (Work done by horizontal component)

$$\text{Work done by } F = \underline{\underline{F \cos \theta \times S}} \cdot \vec{F} \cdot \vec{S}$$

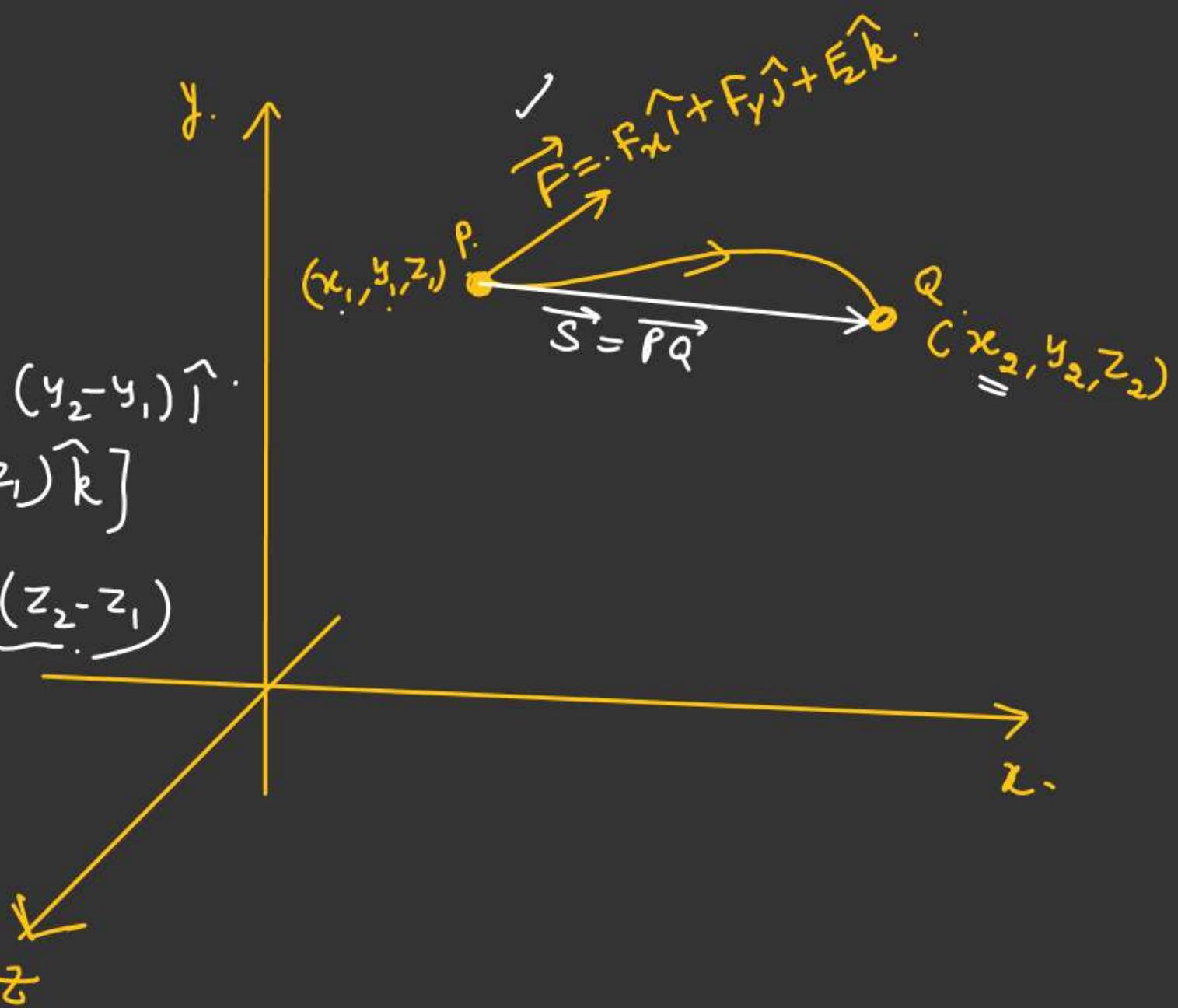
$$W = \boxed{\vec{F} \cdot \vec{S}}$$

$$\vec{S} = (x_2 - x_1)\hat{i} + (y_2 - y_1)\hat{j} + (z_2 - z_1)\hat{k}$$

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{S}$$

$$W = (\underline{F_x}\hat{i} + F_y\hat{j} + F_z\hat{k}) \cdot \left[ (x_2 - x_1)\hat{i} + (y_2 - y_1)\hat{j} + (z_2 - z_1)\hat{k} \right]$$

$$W = \underbrace{F_x(x_2 - x_1)}_{\Downarrow} + \underbrace{F_y(y_2 - y_1)}_{\Downarrow} + \underbrace{F_z(z_2 - z_1)}_{\Downarrow}$$



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Q.6

A body constrained to move along the z-axis of a co-ordinate system is subjected to a constant force  $\vec{F}$  given by  $\vec{F} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  newton where  $\hat{i}, \hat{j}$ , and  $\hat{k}$  represent unit vectors along x-, y, and z-axes of the system, respectively. Calculate the work done by this force in displacing the body through a distance of 4 m along the z-axis.

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$$\vec{S} = 4\hat{k}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{S} = (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot 4\hat{k} \\ &= (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \\ &= \underline{\underline{12 \text{ J}}} \end{aligned}$$



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**Q.7**

*H.W.*  
By vector method, prove that if the diagonals of a parallelogram intersect perpendicularly, then the parallelogram is a rhombus.

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**Q.8**  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$  are unit vectors along x - and y-axes respectively. What is the magnitude and direction of the vectors  $\hat{i} + \hat{j}$  and  $\hat{i} - \hat{j}$ ? What are the components of a vector  $\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$  along the direction  $\hat{i} + \hat{j}$  and  $\hat{i} - \hat{j}$ ?  $\Rightarrow$

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$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\gamma}_1 &= \hat{i} + \hat{j}, \\ |\vec{\gamma}_1| &= \sqrt{(1)^2 + (1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{2}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\gamma}_1 = \frac{\vec{\gamma}_1}{|\vec{\gamma}_1|} = \left( \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\gamma}_2 &= \hat{i} - \hat{j}, \\ |\vec{\gamma}_2| &= \sqrt{(1)^2 + (-1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{2}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\gamma}_2 = \left( \frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

Component of  $\vec{A}$  along  $\vec{\gamma}_1$  ✓

$$= \left( \frac{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\gamma}_1}{|\vec{\gamma}_1|} \right) = \frac{(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j})}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{2+3}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ ✓ } .$$

$$\text{Vector component of } \vec{A} \text{ along } \vec{\gamma}_1 = \left( \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \cdot (\hat{\gamma}_1)$$

$$= \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = \underline{\underline{\frac{5}{2}(\hat{i} + \hat{j})}}$$

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Q.9

If  $\vec{A} = \vec{B} + \vec{C}$ , and the magnitudes of  $\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C}$  are 5, 4, and 3 units, then the angle between  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{C}$  is ✓

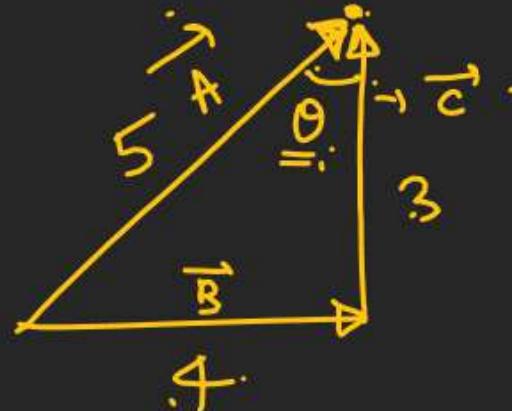
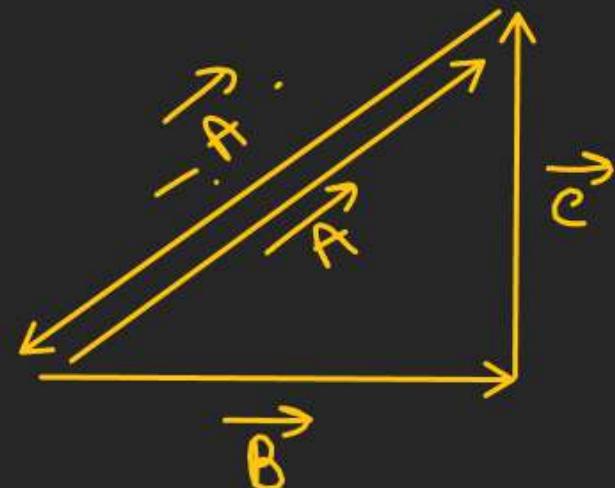
(A)  $\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{5} \right)$  ✓

(B)  $\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{4}{5} \right)$

(C)  $\sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{4} \right)$  ✗

(D)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  ✗

$$(\vec{B} + \vec{C}) \cdot (-\vec{A}) = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Right angle} \\ (\text{Sides of } \triangle) \end{array}$$



$$\cos \theta = \frac{3}{5} \quad - \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{---} \\ \theta \end{array}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{3}{5} \right)$$

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Q.10 Given:  $\vec{A} = A\cos \theta \hat{i} + A\sin \theta \hat{j}$ . A vector  $\vec{B}$ , which is perpendicular to  $\vec{A}$ , is given

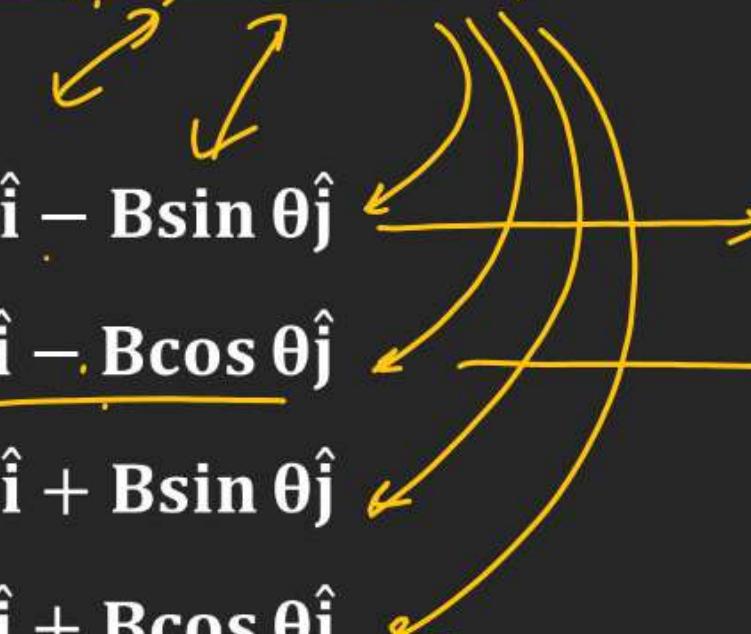
by

(A)  $B\cos \theta \hat{i} - B\sin \theta \hat{j}$

(B)  $B\sin \theta \hat{i} - B\cos \theta \hat{j}$

(C)  $B\cos \theta \hat{i} + B\sin \theta \hat{j}$

(D)  $B\sin \theta \hat{i} + B\cos \theta \hat{j}$



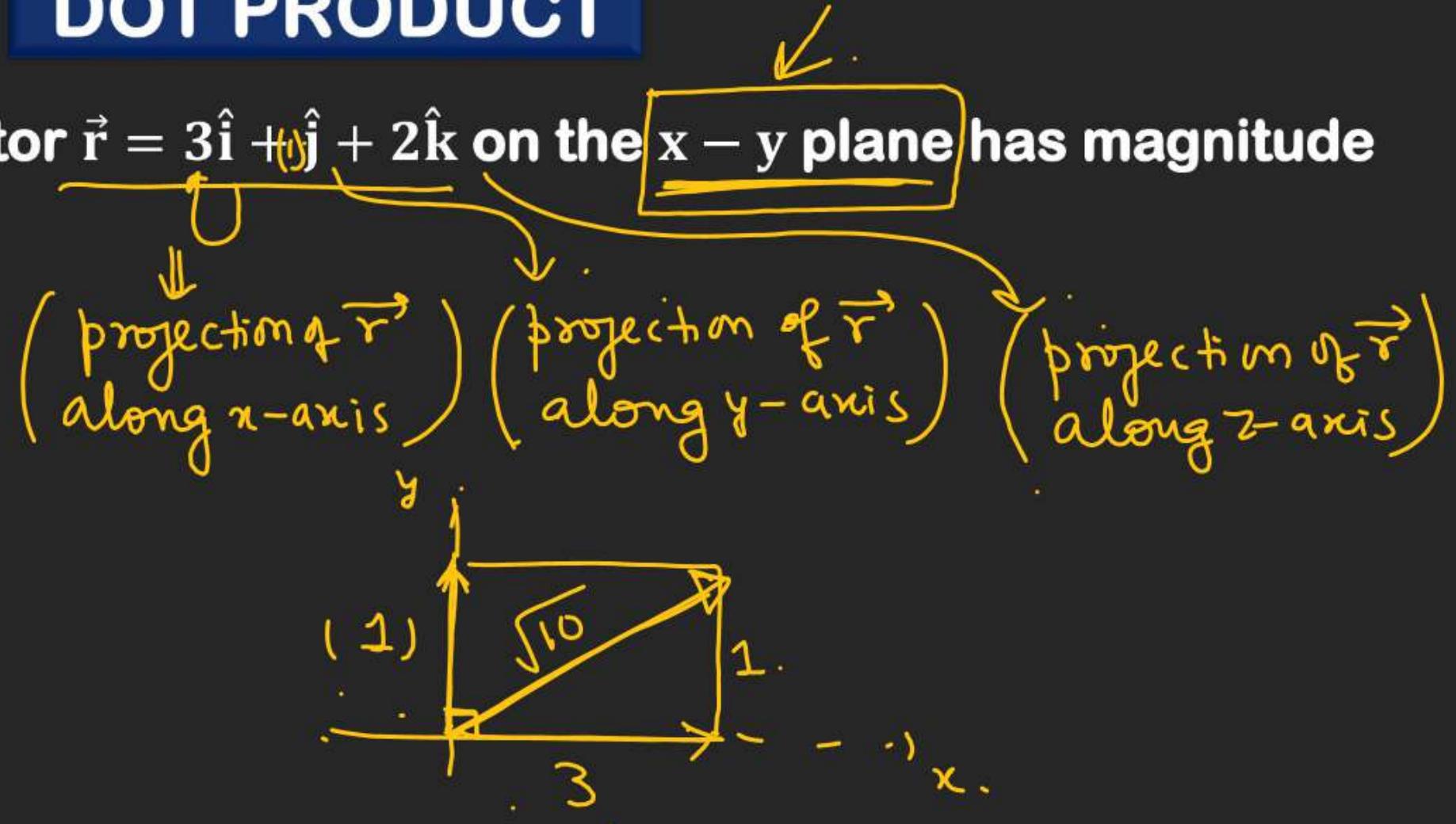
$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = AB \cos^2 \theta - AB \sin^2 \theta = AB (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta) \neq 0$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = AB \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta - AB \sin \theta \cdot (-\sin \theta) = 0$$

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Q.11 ✓ The projection of a vector  $\vec{r} = 3\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  on the **x – y plane** has magnitude

- (A) 3 → projection along x-axis
- (B) 4
- (C)  $\sqrt{14}$
- (D)  $\sqrt{10}$  ✓



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**Q.12** The resultant of the three vectors  $\overrightarrow{OA}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{OB}$ , and  $\overrightarrow{OC}$  shown in Fig. is

- { (A)  $r$  }
- { (B)  $2r$  }
- { (C)  $r(1 + \sqrt{2})$  }
- { (D)  $r(\sqrt{2} - 1)$  }

$$\vec{R} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{OB} + \overrightarrow{OC}$$

$$\vec{R} = r\hat{j} + \left[ \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j} \right] + r\hat{i}$$

$$\vec{R} = \left( \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} + r \right)\hat{i} + \left( r + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \right)\hat{j}$$

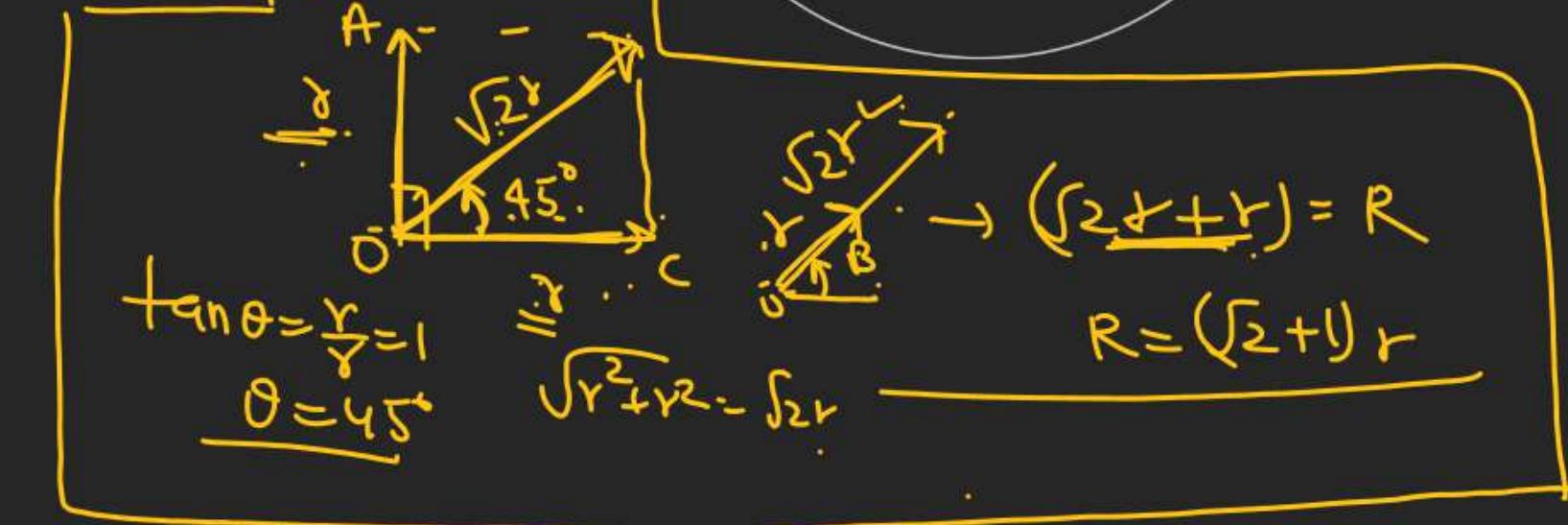
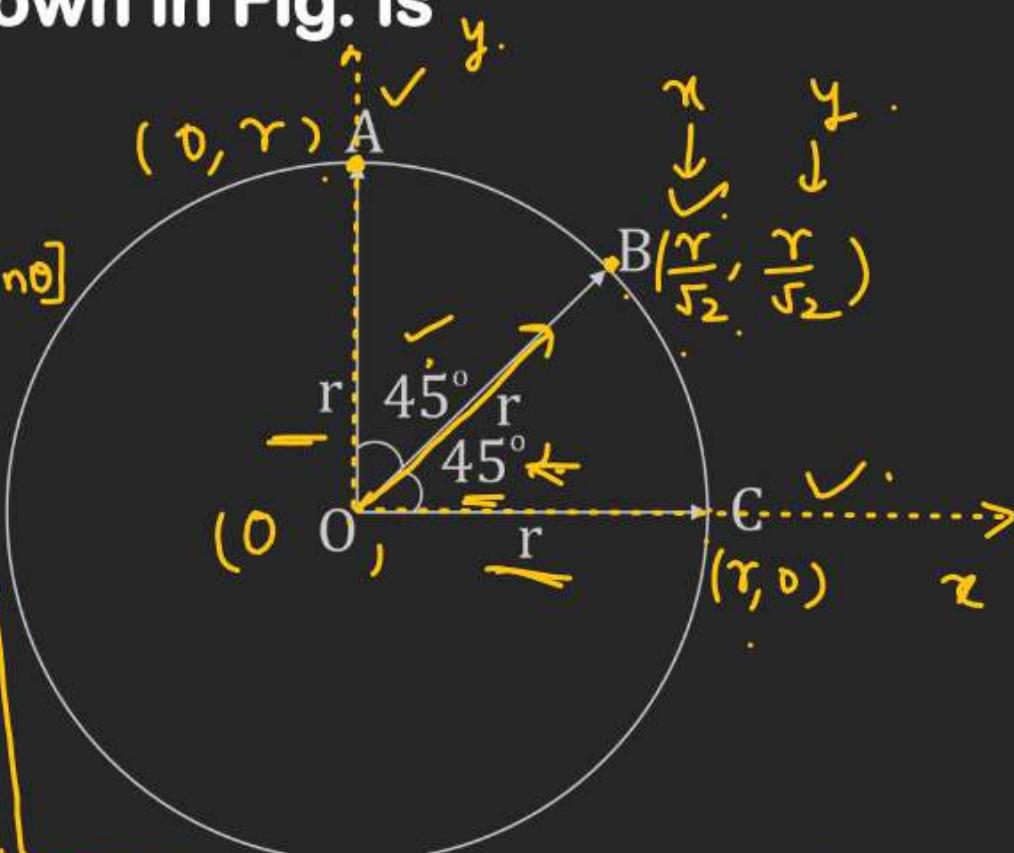
$$|\vec{R}| = \sqrt{\left( \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} + r \right)^2 + \left( r + \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2}$$

Another Method

Diagram illustrating the resultant vector  $\vec{R}$  as the sum of  $\overrightarrow{OA}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OB}$ . The angle between  $\overrightarrow{OA}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OB}$  is  $45^\circ$ . The magnitude of  $\vec{R}$  is given by  $R = \sqrt{r^2 + r^2 + 2r^2 \cos 45^\circ} = \sqrt{2r^2 + r^2} = r\sqrt{3}$ .

$$= \left( \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} + r \right) (\sqrt{2})$$

$$|\vec{R}| = r(\sqrt{2} + 1)$$



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**Q.13** Given two vectors  $\vec{A} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{B} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$ .  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$ .

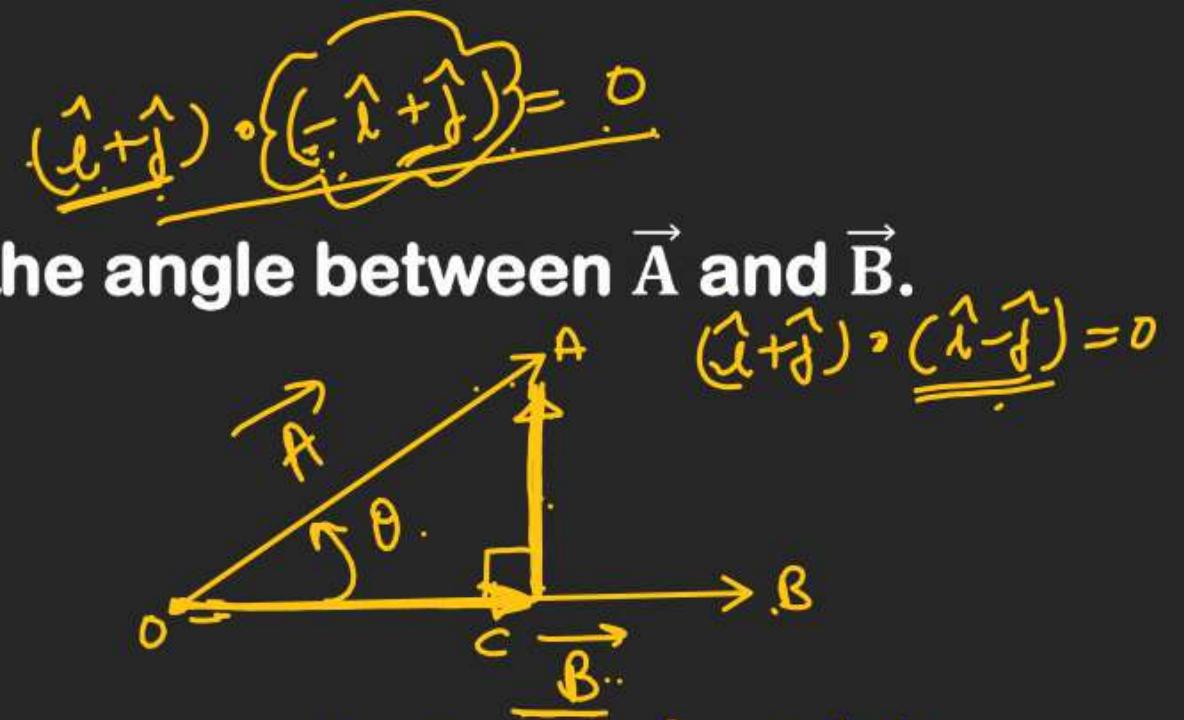
Which of the following statements is/are correct?

(A)  $|\vec{A}| \cos \theta \left( \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$  is the component of  $\vec{A}$  along  $\vec{B}$ .

(B)  $|\vec{A}| \sin \theta \left( \frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$  is the component of  $\vec{A}$  perpendicular to  $\vec{B}$ .

(C)  $|\vec{A}| \cos \theta \left( \frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$  is the component of  $\vec{A}$  along  $\vec{B}$ .

(D)  $|\vec{A}| \sin \theta \left( \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$  is the component of  $\vec{A}$  perpendicular to  $\vec{B}$ .



Vector component of  
 $\vec{A}$  along  $\vec{B}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left\{ \frac{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}}{|\vec{B}|} \right\} \cdot (\hat{B}) \\ &= \frac{A B \cos \theta}{B} \times \hat{B} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{perpendicular component} &= \cdot (A \sin \theta) (\hat{i}) = (A \cos \theta) \cdot \left( \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &= A \sin \theta \left( \frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - \\ &\quad A \sin \theta \left( \frac{-\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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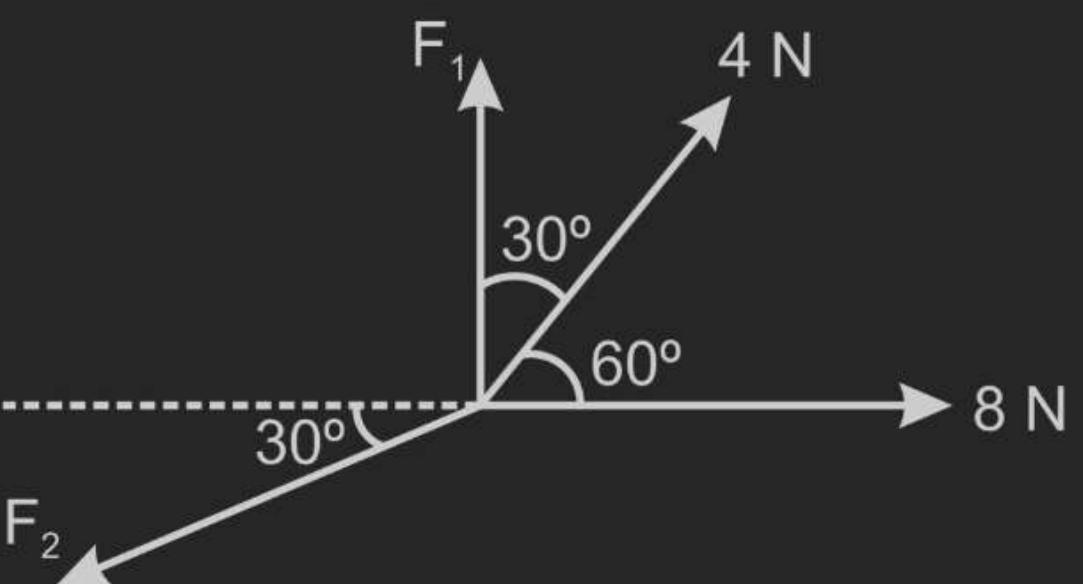
**Q.14** A plane is inclined at an angle  $30^\circ$  with horizontal. The component of a vector

$\vec{A} = -10\hat{k}$  perpendicular to this plane is: (here z-direction is vertically upwards)

- (A)  $5\sqrt{2}$
- (B)  $5\sqrt{3}$
- (C) 5
- (D) 2.5

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**Q.15** An object is in equilibrium under four concurrent forces in the directions shown in figure. Find the magnitude of  $\vec{F}_1$  and  $\vec{F}_2$ .



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**Q.15** One end of a string 0.5 m long is fixed to a point A and the other end is fastened to a small object of weight 8 N. The object is pulled aside by a horizontal force F, until it is 0.3 m from the vertical through A. Find the magnitudes of the tension T in the string and the force F.

