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$$[\vec{l} \vec{m} \vec{n}] [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{l} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{l} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{l} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{m} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{m} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{m} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{n} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{n} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{n} \cdot \vec{c} \end{vmatrix}, \text{ where } \vec{l}, \vec{m}, \vec{n} \text{ & } \vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c} \text{ are non coplanar vectors.}$$



$$\begin{vmatrix} l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \\ m_1 & m_2 & m_3 \\ n_1 & n_2 & n_3 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]^2 = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{c} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$Q \equiv [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] (\vec{p} \times \vec{q}) = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{p} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{q} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{a} \\ \vec{p} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{q} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{b} \\ \vec{p} \cdot \vec{c} & \vec{q} \cdot \vec{c} & \vec{c} \end{vmatrix}$$

Row by Column

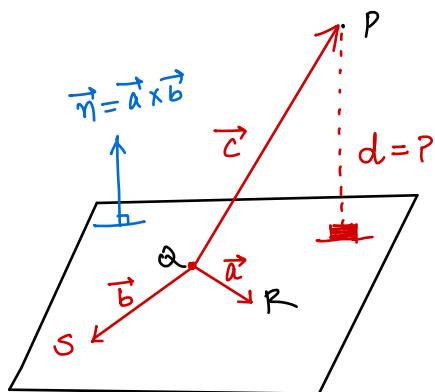
$$\left| \begin{array}{ccc|cc} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & p_1 & q_1 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 & p_2 & q_2 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 & p_3 & q_3 \end{array} \right|$$

* Q

Let P be a point not on the plane that passes through Q, R and S. Show that the

distance d from P to the plane is $d = \left| \frac{[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}]}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|} \right|$ where $\vec{a} = \overrightarrow{QR}$; $\vec{b} = \overrightarrow{QS}$ and $\vec{c} = \overrightarrow{QP}$

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$$d = \left| \text{projection of } \vec{c} \text{ on } \vec{n} \right|$$

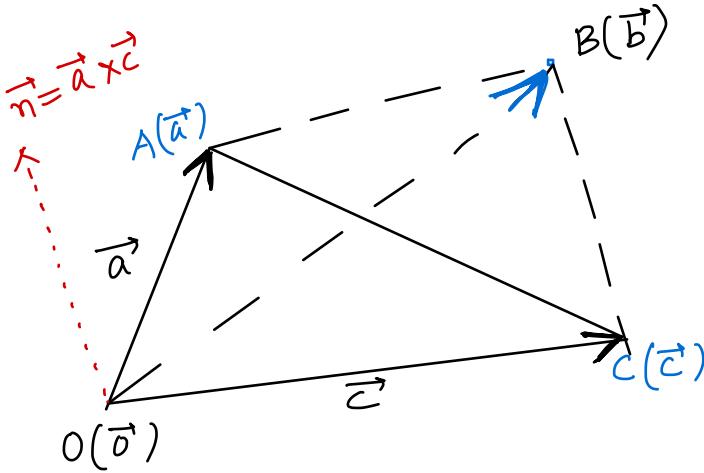
$$= \left| \frac{\vec{c} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|} \right|$$

$$d = \left| \frac{[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}]}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|} \right| \quad (\text{H.P.})$$

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Volume of a tetrahedron OABC = $\vec{V} = \frac{1}{6} [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \frac{1}{6} [\vec{OA}, \vec{OB}, \vec{OC}]$ where O is the origin.

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Vol. of tetrahedron

$$= \frac{1}{3} (\text{Ar of Base}) \times \text{Height}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (\Delta AOC) \times \text{Height}$$

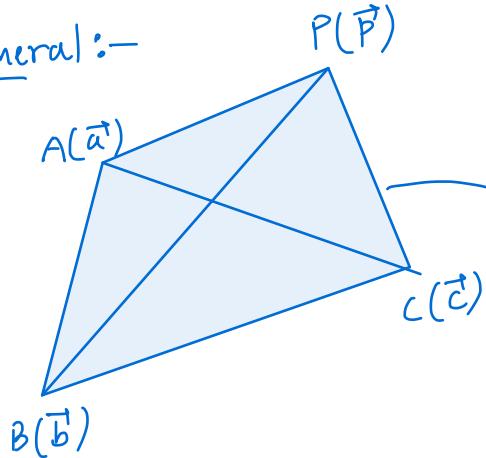
$$= \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times \vec{c}| \cdot (\text{Proj. of } \vec{b} \text{ on } \vec{n})$$

$$V = \frac{1}{6} |\vec{a} \times \vec{c}| \left| \frac{\vec{b} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{c})}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{c}|} \right|$$

$$V = \frac{1}{6} \left| [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] \right|$$

$$V = \frac{1}{6} \left| [\vec{OA} \vec{OB} \vec{OC}] \right|$$

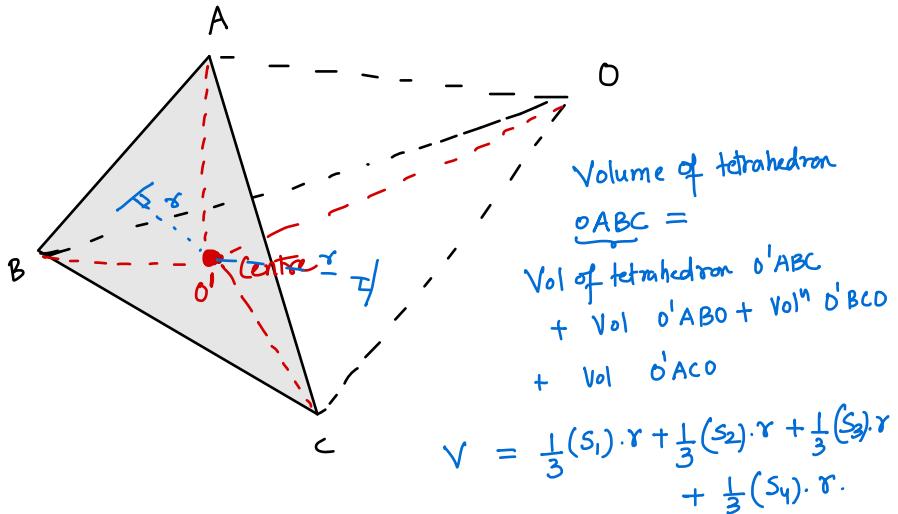
General :-



$$\text{Volume} = \frac{1}{6} \left| [\vec{PA} \vec{PB} \vec{PC}] \right|$$

 **Very Important Note :** If S_1, S_2, S_3 and S_4 are the areas of the four triangular faces of the tetrahedron with volume V. If r is the radius of the sphere touching the four faces

then $V = \frac{1}{3}(S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + S_4)r$



Note :-

To express scalar triple product of three vectors in terms of any three non coplanar vectors \vec{l}, \vec{m} and \vec{n}

Let $\vec{a} = a_1 \vec{l} + a_2 \vec{m} + a_3 \vec{n}$; $\vec{b} = b_1 \vec{l} + b_2 \vec{m} + b_3 \vec{n}$; $\vec{c} = c_1 \vec{l} + c_2 \vec{m} + c_3 \vec{n}$

then $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} [\vec{l} \vec{m} \vec{n}]$ Rem

Q If $\vec{a} = \vec{l} - \vec{m} + \vec{n}$, $\vec{b} = 2\vec{l} + \vec{m} - \vec{n}$, $\vec{c} = \vec{l} + \vec{m} + 2\vec{n}$
 and $[\vec{l} \vec{m} \vec{n}] = 4$ then find $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = ?$

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$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} [\vec{l} \vec{m} \vec{n}]$$

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If the value of $[\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} + 3\vec{c} \quad \vec{b} + 2\vec{c} + 3\vec{a} \quad \vec{c} + 2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}] = k[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$, then k equals -

(A) 6

(B) 9

(C) 12

(D) 18

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = k [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$$

$$\boxed{k = 18} \rightarrow [D]$$

Q If $[\bar{a} + 2\bar{b} + 3\bar{c}, 2\bar{a} + 3\bar{b} + \bar{c}, 3\bar{a} + \bar{b} + 2\bar{c}] = -18$, where $\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}$ are 3 non-coplanar vectors, then

$$\begin{vmatrix} \bar{a} \cdot \bar{a} & \bar{a} \cdot \bar{b} & \bar{a} \cdot \bar{c} \\ \bar{b} \cdot \bar{a} & \bar{b} \cdot \bar{b} & \bar{b} \cdot \bar{c} \\ \bar{c} \cdot \bar{a} & \bar{c} \cdot \bar{b} & \bar{c} \cdot \bar{c} \end{vmatrix} \text{ is equal}$$

$$[\bar{a} \ \bar{b} \ \bar{c}] \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -18$$

$$[\bar{a} \ \bar{b} \ \bar{c}]^2$$

$$[\bar{a} \ \bar{b} \ \bar{c}] = ?$$

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Vector Triple Product

Definition: $(\bar{a} \times \bar{b}) \times \bar{c}$ is a vector which is coplanar with \bar{a} and \bar{b} and perpendicular to \bar{c} .

Hence $(\bar{a} \times \bar{b}) \times \bar{c} = x\bar{a} + y\bar{b}$ (1) [linear combination of \bar{a} and \bar{b}]

$$\bar{c} \cdot (\bar{a} \times \bar{b}) \times \bar{c} = x(\bar{a} \cdot \bar{c}) + y(\bar{b} \cdot \bar{c})$$

$$0 = x(\bar{a} \cdot \bar{c}) + y(\bar{b} \cdot \bar{c}) \quad \dots \dots (2)$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{\bar{b} \cdot \bar{c}} = -\frac{y}{\bar{a} \cdot \bar{c}} = \lambda \quad (\text{say})$$

$$\therefore x = \lambda(\bar{b} \cdot \bar{c}) \text{ and } y = -\lambda(\bar{a} \cdot \bar{c})$$

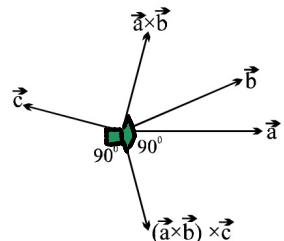
Substituting the values of x and y in $(\bar{a} \times \bar{b}) \times \bar{c} = \lambda(\bar{b} \cdot \bar{c})\bar{a} - \lambda(\bar{a} \cdot \bar{c})\bar{b}$

This is an identity and must be true for all values of $\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}$

Put $= \bar{a} = \hat{i}$; $\bar{b} = \hat{j}$ and $\bar{c} = \hat{i}$

$$(\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) \times \hat{i} = \lambda(\hat{j} \cdot \hat{i})\hat{i} - \lambda(\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i})\hat{j}$$

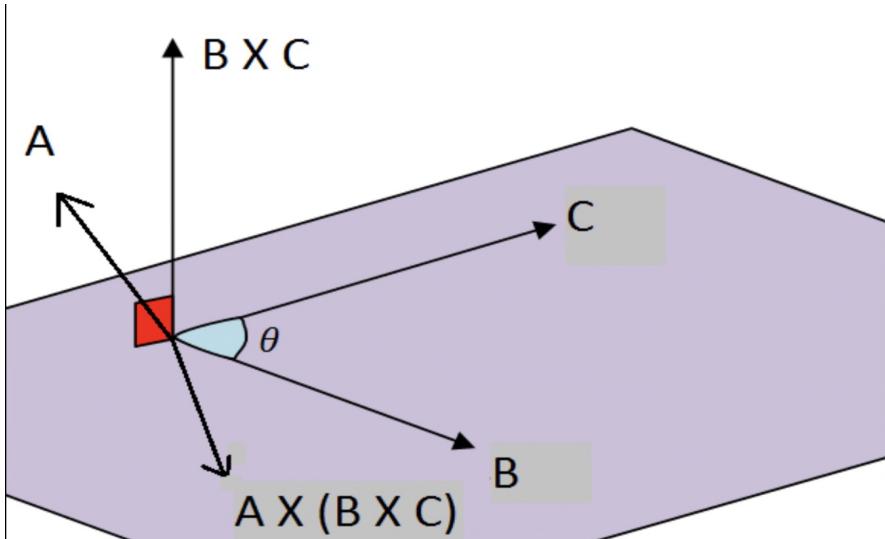
$$\hat{j} = -\lambda \hat{j} \Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$



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$$(\bar{a} \times \bar{b}) \times \bar{c} = (\bar{a} \cdot \bar{c})\bar{b} - (\bar{b} \cdot \bar{c})\bar{a}$$

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Note : Unit vector coplanar with \vec{a} and \vec{b} and perpendicular to \vec{c} is $\pm \frac{(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c}}{|(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c}|}$

Unit vector coplanar with \vec{a} and \vec{b} perpendicular to \vec{a} is $\pm \frac{(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{a}}{|(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{a}|}$

Note:-



$$[\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \quad \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \quad \vec{c} \times \vec{a}] = [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]^2 = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{c} \end{vmatrix}$$

Note that if $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are non coplanar

vectors then $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$, $\vec{b} \times \vec{c}$ and $\vec{c} \times \vec{a}$ will also be non coplanar vectors.

Proof:

$$\left(\underbrace{(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})}_{\vec{u}} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \right) \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})$$

$$\vec{u} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$$

$$(\vec{u} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})) \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})$$

$$((\vec{u} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{b} - (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})$$

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) = [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] [\vec{b} \vec{c} \vec{a}] = [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]^2$$

(H.P.)

Q If $\hat{a} \times (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) = \frac{1}{2} \hat{b}$ where \hat{b} and \hat{c} are non collinear then find the angle between \hat{a} and \hat{b} ; between \hat{a} and \hat{c} .

$$\hat{a} \times (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) = \frac{1}{2} \hat{b}$$

$$(\hat{a} \cdot \hat{c}) \hat{b} - (\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}) \hat{c} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{b}$$

$$\left((\hat{a} \cdot \hat{c}) - \frac{1}{2} \right) \hat{b} = (\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}) \hat{c} \quad \text{---①---}$$

Since \hat{b} and \hat{c} are non-collinear vector

$$\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$$

$$\hat{a} \cdot \hat{c} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \phi = 60^\circ. \text{ Ans}$$

Q If $\hat{i} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{i}) + \hat{j} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{j}) + \hat{k} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{k}) = \lambda \vec{a}$ then find λ ?

M-1 put $\vec{a} = \hat{i}$.

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

M-2

$$(\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i})\vec{a} - (\hat{i} \cdot \vec{a})\hat{i} + (\hat{j} \cdot \hat{j})\vec{a} - (\hat{j} \cdot \vec{a})\hat{j} + (\hat{k} \cdot \hat{k})\vec{a} - (\hat{k} \cdot \vec{a})\hat{k}$$

$$3\vec{a} - (\vec{a}) = 2\vec{a}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\lambda = 2}$$

Q

If

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{V}_1 &= \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \\ \vec{V}_2 &= \vec{b} \times (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) \\ \vec{V}_3 &= \vec{c} \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})\end{aligned}$$

then which of the following

hold(s) good?

(1) $\vec{V}_1, \vec{V}_2, \vec{V}_3$ are coplanar

(2) $\vec{V}_1, \vec{V}_2, \vec{V}_3$ form the sides of a triangle. can

(3) $\vec{V}_1 + \vec{V}_2 + \vec{V}_3$ is a null vectors

(4) $\vec{V}_1, \vec{V}_2, \vec{V}_3$ are linearly dependent

(5) $[\vec{V}_1 - \vec{V}_2 \quad \vec{V}_2 - \vec{V}_3 \quad \vec{V}_3 - \vec{V}_1] = 0.$

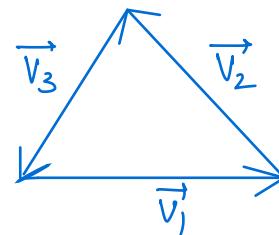
(6) $[\vec{V}_1 + \vec{V}_2 \quad \vec{V}_2 + \vec{V}_3 \quad \vec{V}_3 + \vec{V}_1] = 0.$

(7) $[\vec{V}_1 \times \vec{V}_2 \quad \vec{V}_2 \times \vec{V}_3 \quad \vec{V}_3 \times \vec{V}_1] = 0.$

Sol" $\vec{V}_1 = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{c}$

$$\vec{V}_2 = (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}) \vec{c} - (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{a}$$

$$\vec{V}_3 = (\vec{c} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{a} - (\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) \vec{b}$$



$$\vec{V}_1 + \vec{V}_2 + \vec{V}_3 = \vec{0}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{V}_1 + \vec{V}_2 + \vec{V}_3 = \vec{0}}$$

Q If $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and \vec{c} is a vector such that $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} = \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$ & $|\vec{c}| = 6$. Then the volume of parallelopiped whose co-terminous edges are $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{b} \times \vec{c}$ will be-

(A) 180 (B) 214 (C) 232 (D) 244

$$\underline{\text{Soln}} \quad (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} = \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

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

$\Rightarrow \vec{a} = \lambda \vec{c} \Rightarrow \vec{a} \text{ & } \vec{c} \text{ are collinear}$

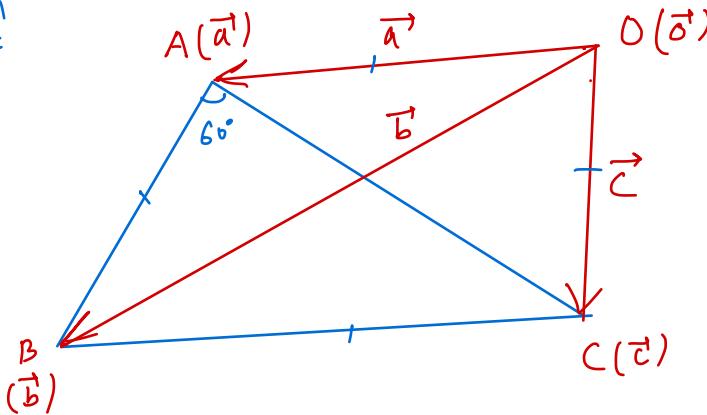
$$\star \quad \vec{c} = |\vec{c}| \hat{c} = |\vec{c}| \hat{a} \Rightarrow \vec{c} = 6 \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3} \right)$$

$\therefore \boxed{\vec{c} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}}$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a} & \vec{b} & \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \end{bmatrix} = 244 \text{ Ans} \rightarrow [D]$$

Q If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are 3 unit vectors from the vertex of a regular tetrahedron then find value of absolute value of $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = ?$

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$$\text{Volume} = \frac{1}{6} [\vec{OA} \vec{OB} \vec{OC}]$$

$$V = \frac{1}{6} [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$$

$$|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = |\vec{c}| = 1$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos 60^\circ$$

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]^2 = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{c} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

HW If $\hat{i} \times ((\vec{a} - \hat{j}) \times \hat{i}) + \hat{j} \times ((\vec{a} - \hat{k}) \times \hat{k})$
+ $\hat{k} \times ((\vec{a} - \hat{i}) \times \hat{k}) = 0$ and $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$
then value of $8(x^3 - xy + z^2) = ?$

If three non-zero unequal vectors $\vec{l} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$, $\vec{m} = b\hat{i} + c\hat{j} + a\hat{k}$ & $\vec{n} = c\hat{i} + a\hat{j} + b\hat{k}$ are such that

$$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{l} = \vec{r} \cdot \vec{m} = \vec{r} \cdot \vec{n} = 0 \text{ where } a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}_0 \text{ & } \vec{r} \text{ is non zero vector, then value of } \frac{a^2}{bc} + \frac{b^2}{ca} + \frac{c^2}{ab} ?$$

$\mathbb{R} - \{0\}$

So $\vec{l}, \vec{m}, \vec{n}$ are coplanar vectors

$$[\vec{l} \vec{m} \vec{n}] = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$3abc - a^3 - b^3 - c^3 = 0$$

$$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc$$

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HW

O-1 33 to 35.

O-2 Q1 to 7, 17.