

## Objective Questions

### Question 1.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

A unit vector in the direction of the vector  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  is

A.  $\left(\hat{i} - \frac{3}{2}\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}\right)$

B.  $\left(\frac{2}{5}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{5}\hat{j} + \frac{6}{5}\hat{k}\right)$

C.  $\left(\frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{k}\right)$

D. none of these

### Answer:

Tip – A vector in the direction of another vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by  $\lambda(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})$  and the unit vector is given by  $\frac{\lambda(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})}{\sqrt{(a\lambda)^2 + (b\lambda)^2 + (c\lambda)^2}}$

So, a vector parallel to  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$  is given by  $\lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  where  $\lambda$  is an arbitrary constant.

Now,  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2} = 7$

Hence, the required unit vector

$$= \frac{\lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})}{\sqrt{(2\lambda)^2 + (3\lambda)^2 + (6\lambda)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})}{\lambda\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{k}$$

**Question 2.**

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A unit vector in the direction of the vector  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  is

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C.  $\left(\frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{k}\right)$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given vector  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

Property : The unit vector corresponding to the vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k} = \frac{a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$

Therefore the unit vector corresponding to the vector  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

is

$$\hat{a} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 6^2}}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 16}}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{49}}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{7}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{k}$$

**Question 3.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

Two adjacent sides of a triangle are represented by the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$ . The area of the triangle is

A. 41 sq units

B. 37 sq units

C.  $\frac{41}{2}$  sq units

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given - Two adjacent sides of a triangle are represented by the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$

To find – Area of the triangle

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip – Area of triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$  and magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Hence,

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -5 & 7 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{k}(21 + 20)$$

$$= 41\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{41^2} = 41$$

i.e. the area of the parallelogram =  $\frac{41}{2}$  sq. units

#### Question 4.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

A unit vector in the direction of the vector  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  is

A.  $\left(\hat{i} - \frac{3}{2}\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}\right)$

B.  $\left(\frac{2}{5}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{5}\hat{j} + \frac{6}{5}\hat{k}\right)$

C.  $\left(\frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{k}\right)$

D. none of these

#### Answer:

Tip – A vector in the direction of another vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by  $\lambda(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})$  and the unit vector is given by  $\frac{\lambda(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})}{\sqrt{(a\lambda)^2 + (b\lambda)^2 + (c\lambda)^2}}$

So, a vector parallel to  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$  is given by  $\lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  where  $\lambda$  is an arbitrary constant.

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Hence, the required unit vector

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**Question 5.**

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Two adjacent sides of a triangle are represented by the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$ . The area of the triangle is

A. 41 sq units

B. 37 sq units

C.  $\frac{41}{2}$  sq units

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given - Two adjacent sides of a triangle are represented by the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$

To find – Area of the triangle

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip – Area of triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$  and magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Hence,

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -5 & 7 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{k}(21 + 20)$$

$$= 41\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{41^2} = 41$$

i.e. the area of the parallelogram =  $\frac{41}{2}$  sq. units

### Question 6.

Mark ( $\surd$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The direction cosines of the vector  $\vec{a} = (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$  are

A. -2, 1, -5

B.  $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{-1}{6}, \frac{-5}{6}$

C.  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{5}{\sqrt{30}}$

D.  $\frac{-2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{30}}$

### Answer:

Formula to be used – The direction cosines of a vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}.$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the vector  $-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\left( \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{30}}$$

**Question 7.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The direction cosines of the vector  $\vec{a} = (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$  are

A. -2, 1, -5

B.  $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{-1}{6}, \frac{-5}{6}$

C.  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{5}{\sqrt{30}}$

D.  $\frac{-2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{30}}$

**Answer:**

Formula to be used – The direction cosines of a vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}.$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the vector  $-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\left( \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{30}}$$

**Question 8.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

The direction cosines of the vector  $\vec{a} = (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$  are

A. -2, 1, -5

B.  $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{-1}{6}, \frac{-5}{6}$

C.  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{5}{\sqrt{30}}$

D.  $\frac{-2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{30}}$

**Answer:**

Given vector  $\vec{r} = -2\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$

Property: for the vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ ,

1) Direction ratios dr's are a,b,c

2) Direction cosines dc's are  $\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$

Therefore the dc's of the vector  $-2\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+1^2+(-5)^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+1^2+(-5)^2}},$   
 $\frac{-5}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+1^2+(-5)^2}}$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{4+1+25}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{4+1+25}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{4+1+25}}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{30}}$$

**Question 9.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If A(1, 2, -3) and B(-1, -2, 1) are the end points of a vector  $\overline{AB}$  then the direction cosines of  $\overline{AB}$  are

A. -2, -4, 4

B.  $\frac{-1}{2}, -1, 1$

C.  $\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given A(1,2,-3) and B(-1,-2,1)





Property: The position vector of the vector joining two points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is  $(x_2 - x_1)\hat{i} + (y_2 - y_1)\hat{j} + (z_2 - z_1)\hat{k}$

So, the position vector of the line joining A and B is

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = (-1 - 1)\hat{i} + (-2 - 2)\hat{j} + [1 - (-1)]\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

Property: for the vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ , Direction cosines dc's are  $\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$

$$\text{Therefore the Dc's of the vector } \overrightarrow{AB} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+(-4)^2+4^2}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+(-4)^2+4^2}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+(-4)^2+4^2}}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{4+16+16}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{4+16+16}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{4+16+16}}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{36}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{36}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{36}}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{6}, -\frac{4}{6}, \frac{4}{6}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$$

#### Question 10.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If A(1, 2, -3) and B(-1, -2, 1) are the end points of a vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  then the direction cosines of  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  are

A. -2, -4, 4

B.  $-\frac{1}{2}, -1, 1$

C.  $\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given - A(1, 2, -3) and B(-1, -2, 1) are the end points of a vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$

Tip – If P(a<sub>1</sub>, b<sub>1</sub>, c<sub>1</sub>) and Q(a<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>2</sub>, c<sub>2</sub>) be two points then the vector  $\overrightarrow{PQ}$  is represented by  $(a_2 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - b_1)\hat{j} + (c_2 - c_1)\hat{k}$

Hence,  $\overrightarrow{AB} = (-1 - 1)\hat{i} + (-2 - 2)\hat{j} + (1 + 3)\hat{k} = -2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

Formula to be used – The direction cosines of a vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}.$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the vector  $-2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\left( \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{-2}{6}, \frac{-4}{6}, \frac{4}{6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$$

**Question 11.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If A(1, 2, -3) and B(-1, -2, 1) are the end points of a vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  then the direction cosines of  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  are

A. -2, -4, 4

B.  $\frac{-1}{2}, -1, 1$

C.  $\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given - A(1, 2, -3) and B(-1, -2, 1) are the end points of a vector  $\overrightarrow{AB}$

Tip - If P(a<sub>1</sub>, b<sub>1</sub>, c<sub>1</sub>) and Q(a<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>2</sub>, c<sub>2</sub>) be two points then the vector  $\overrightarrow{PQ}$  is represented by  $(a_2 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - b_1)\hat{j} + (c_2 - c_1)\hat{k}$

Hence,  $\overrightarrow{AB} = (-1 - 1)\hat{i} + (-2 - 2)\hat{j} + (1 + 3)\hat{k} = -2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

Formula to be used - The direction cosines of a vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}.$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the vector  $-2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\left( \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{-2}{6}, \frac{-4}{6}, \frac{4}{6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$$

**Question 12.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If a vector makes angle  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  with the x-axis, y-axis and z-axis respectively then the value of  $(\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma)$  is

A. 1

B. 2

C. 0

D. 3

**Answer:**

Given - A vector makes angle  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  with the x-axis, y-axis and z-axis respectively.

To Find -  $(\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma)$

Formula to be used -  $\cos^2\alpha + \cos^2\beta + \cos^2\gamma = 1$

Hence,

$$\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma$$

$$= (1 - \cos^2\alpha) + (1 - \cos^2\beta) + (1 - \cos^2\gamma)$$

$$= 3 - (\cos^2\alpha + \cos^2\beta + \cos^2\gamma)$$

$$= 3 - 1$$

$$= 2$$

**Question 13.**

Mark ( $\sqrt{\phantom{x}}$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If a vector makes angle  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  with the x-axis, y-axis and z-axis respectively then the value of  $(\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma)$  is

A. 1

B. 2

C. 0

D. 3

**Answer:**

Given - A vector makes angle  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  with the x-axis, y-axis and z-axis respectively.

To Find -  $(\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma)$

Formula to be used -  $\cos^2\alpha + \cos^2\beta + \cos^2\gamma = 1$

Hence,

$$\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma$$

$$= (1 - \cos^2\alpha) + (1 - \cos^2\beta) + (1 - \cos^2\gamma)$$

$$= 3 - (\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma)$$

$$= 3 - 1$$

$$= 2$$

**Question 14.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If a vector makes angle  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  with the x-axis, y-axis and z-axis respectively then the value of  $(\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma)$  is

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 0
- D. 3

**Answer:**

Given  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the angles made by the vector with X, Y and z axes respectively

$\Rightarrow \cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma$  are the direction cosines .

As we know that if  $\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma$  are the direction cosines , then the relation between them is  $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$

We also know that  $\cos^2 \theta = 1 - \sin^2 \theta$

So we can write  $(1 - \sin^2 \alpha) + (1 - \sin^2 \beta) + (1 - \sin^2 \gamma) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow 3 - (\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma = 2$$

**Question 15.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The vector  $(\cos \alpha \cos \beta) \hat{i} + (\cos \alpha \cos \beta) \hat{j} + (\sin \alpha) \hat{k}$  is a

- A. null vector
- B. unit vector

C. a constant vector

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Tip – Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

A unit vector is a vector whose magnitude = 1.

Formula to be used -  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$

Hence, magnitude of  $(\cos\alpha\cos\beta)\hat{i} + (\cos\alpha\sin\beta)\hat{j} + (\sin\alpha)\hat{k}$  will be given by  $\sqrt{(\cos\alpha\cos\beta)^2 + (\cos\alpha\sin\beta)^2 + (\sin\alpha)^2}$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2\alpha(\cos^2\beta + \sin^2\beta) + \sin^2\alpha}$$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha}$$

= 1 i.e a unit vector

**Question 16.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

The vector  $(\cos\alpha\cos\beta)\hat{i} + (\cos\alpha\sin\beta)\hat{j} + (\sin\alpha)\hat{k}$  is a

A. null vector

B. unit vector

C. a constant vector

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given vector

$$\cos\alpha\cos\beta\hat{i} + \cos\alpha\sin\beta\hat{j} + \sin\alpha\hat{k}$$

UNIT VECTOR: the vector with magnitude as 1.

Property: The magnitude of the vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$

The magnitude of the given vector is  $\sqrt{(\cos \alpha \cos \beta)^2 + (\cos \alpha \sin \beta)^2 + \sin^2 \alpha}$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2 \alpha (\cos^2 \beta + \sin^2 \beta) + \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$= 1$$

As the magnitude of the given vector is 1, it is a UNIT VECTOR.

**Question 17.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The vector  $(\cos \alpha \cos \beta)\hat{i} + (\cos \alpha \sin \beta)\hat{j} + (\sin \alpha)\hat{k}$  is a

- A. null vector
- B. unit vector
- C. a constant vector
- D. none of these

**Answer:**

Tip – Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

A unit vector is a vector whose magnitude = 1.

Formula to be used -  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$

Hence, magnitude of  $(\cos \alpha \cos \beta)\hat{i} + (\cos \alpha \sin \beta)\hat{j} + (\sin \alpha)\hat{k}$  will be given by

$$\sqrt{(\cos \alpha \cos \beta)^2 + (\cos \alpha \sin \beta)^2 + (\sin \alpha)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2 \alpha (\cos^2 \beta + \sin^2 \beta) + \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$= 1 \text{ i.e a unit vector}$$

**Question 18.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

What is the angle which the vector  $(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \sqrt{2}\hat{k})$  makes with the z-axis?

A.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given vector is  $1\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + \sqrt{2}\hat{k}$

Property: for the vector  $\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ , Direction cosines dc's are  $\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$

Therefore the dc's of the given vector is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2+\sqrt{2}^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2+\sqrt{2}^2}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2+\sqrt{2}^2}}$

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

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{4}}$$

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

Let the angle made by the vector with the Z axis be  $\gamma$ .

we got that the cosine of the angle  $\gamma$  is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$



$$\Rightarrow \cos \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \gamma = \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

**Question 19.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

What is the angle which the vector  $(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \sqrt{2}\hat{k})$  makes with the z-axis?

A.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Formula to be used – The direction cosines of a vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}.$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the vector  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \sqrt{2}\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}} \right)$$

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

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

The direction cosine of z-axis =  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  where  $\theta$  is the angle the vector makes with the z-axis.

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

### Question 20.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

What is the angle which the vector  $(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \sqrt{2}\hat{k})$  makes with the z-axis?

A.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

### Answer:

Formula to be used – The direction cosines of a vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}.$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the vector  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \sqrt{2}\hat{k}$  is given by

$$\left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}} \right)$$

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

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

The direction cosine of z-axis =  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  where  $\theta$  is the angle the vector makes with the z-axis.

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

### Question 21.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

if  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 2$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

### Answer:

Given  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 2$

And  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$

Let angle between the vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be  $\theta$

Using the dot product property of the vectors,

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

Substituting the given values in the equation,

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

### Question 22.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 2$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

### Answer:

Given -  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$  and  $|\vec{b}| = 2$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$

To find - Angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$

Hence,  $\sqrt{6} = 2\sqrt{3} \cos \theta$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$

### Question 23.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 2$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

- A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$
- B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- C.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$  and  $|\vec{b}| = 2$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$

To find – Angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta$

Hence,  $\sqrt{6} = 2\sqrt{3}\cos\theta$  i.e.  $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$

**Question 24.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

- A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$
- B.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- C.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given

Given  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2}, |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$

And  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$

Let angle between the vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be  $\theta$

Using the dot product property of the vectors,

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

Substituting the given values in the equation,

$$-1 = \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(\pi - \theta) = \cos \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi - \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

**Question 25.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$

and  $\vec{b}$  is

- A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$
- B.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- C.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$

To find – Angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$

Hence,  $-1 = \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}\cos \theta$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad \therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$

**Question 26.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

- A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$
- B.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- C.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are vectors such that  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$

To find – Angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \cos \theta$

Hence,  $-1 = \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2} \cos \theta$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$   $\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$

**Question 27.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The angle between the vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  is

A.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{5}{7}$

B.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5}$

C.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

To find – Angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \cos \theta$

Tip – Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$



Here,  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 3 + 4 + 3 = 10$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

Hence,  $10 = \sqrt{14}\sqrt{14}\cos\theta$  i.e.  $\cos\theta = \frac{10}{14} = \frac{5}{7}$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{7}$$

**Question 28.**

Mark ( $\surd$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The angle between the vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  is

A.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{5}{7}$

B.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5}$

C.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

To find - Angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta$

Tip - Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Here,  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 3 + 4 + 3 = 10$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

Hence,  $10 = \sqrt{14}\sqrt{14}\cos\theta$  i.e.  $\cos\theta = \frac{10}{14} = \frac{5}{7}$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{7}$$

**Question 29.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

The angle between the vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  is

A.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{5}{7}$

B.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5}$

C.  $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and

Magnitude  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{1 + 4 + 9} = \sqrt{14}$

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

Magnitude of  $|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{9 + 4 + 1} = \sqrt{14}$

Property:

$$\vec{r}_1 = x_1\hat{i} + y_1\hat{j} + z_1\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_2 = x_2\hat{i} + y_2\hat{j} + z_2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_1 \cdot \vec{r}_2 = (x_1 \cdot x_2)\hat{i} + (y_1 \cdot y_2)\hat{j} + (z_1 \cdot z_2)\hat{k}$$

Then

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$= (1 \times 3) + (-2 \times -2) + (3 \times 1)$$

$$= 3 + 4 + 3$$

$$= 10$$

Let angle between the vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be  $\theta$

Using the dot product property of the vectors,

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

Substituting the given values in the equation,

$$10 = \sqrt{14} \times \sqrt{14} \times \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{10}{14}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{5}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{7}$$

### Question 30.

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$  is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} - \vec{b} = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

$$= -8 + 3 + 5$$

$$= 0$$

As  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0$ , then the cosine of angle between the vectors  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$  is 0.

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

**Question 31.**

Mark ( $\surd$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$  is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

To find - Angle between  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip - Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Here,  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$

and  $\vec{a} - \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$

$\therefore (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) = -8 + 3 + 5 = 0$

$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{18}$

$|\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{38}$

Hence,  $0 = \sqrt{18}\sqrt{38} \cos \theta$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = 0$

$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

**Question 32.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$  is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

D.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

To find - Angle between  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip - Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

$$\text{Here, } \vec{a} + \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{a} - \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) = -8 + 3 + 5 = 0$$

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$|\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{38}$$

$$\text{Hence, } 0 = \sqrt{18}\sqrt{38} \cos \theta \text{ i.e. } \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

**Question 33.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $(2\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $(\vec{a} + 2\vec{b})$  is

A.  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{21}{40}\right)$

B.  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{31}{50}\right)$

C.  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{11}{30}\right)$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

To find - Angle between  $2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip - Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Here,  $2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 2(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$

and  $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + 2(3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 7\hat{i} + \hat{k}$

$\therefore (2\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) = (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (7\hat{i} + \hat{k}) = 35 - 4 = 31$

$|2\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{50}$

$|\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{7^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{50}$

Hence,  $31 = \sqrt{50}\sqrt{50} \cos \theta$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = \frac{31}{50}$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{31}{50}$$

**Question 34.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $(2\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $(\vec{a} + 2\vec{b})$  is

A.  $\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{21}{40} \right)$

B.  $\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{31}{50} \right)$

C.  $\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{11}{30} \right)$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

$$2\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$2\vec{b} = 6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

Let the vector  $2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  be  $\vec{U}$

$$\vec{U} = 2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k} + 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{U} = 2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{U}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 3^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{25 + 9 + 16} = \sqrt{50}$$



Let the vector  $2\vec{b} + \vec{a}$  be  $\vec{V}$

$$\vec{V} = \vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} + 6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{V} = \vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = 7\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{V}| = \sqrt{7^2 + 0^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{49 + 1} = \sqrt{50}$$

$$\vec{U} \cdot \vec{V} = (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (7\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$= (5 \times 7) + 0 - (4 \times 1)$$

$$= 35 - 4$$

$$= 31$$

Let angle between the vectors  $\vec{U}$  and  $\vec{V}$  be  $\theta$

Using the dot product property of the vectors,

$$\vec{U} \cdot \vec{V} = |\vec{U}| |\vec{V}| \cos \theta$$

Substituting the given values in the equation,

$$31 = \sqrt{50} \times \sqrt{50} \times \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{31}{50}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{31}{50}$$

**Question 35.**

Mark ( $\surd$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $(2\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $(\vec{a} + 2\vec{b})$  is

A.  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{21}{40}\right)$

B.  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{31}{50}\right)$

C.  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{11}{30}\right)$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

To find - Angle between  $2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$ .

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip - Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Here,  $2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 2(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$

and  $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + 2(3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 7\hat{i} + \hat{k}$

$\therefore (2\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) = (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (7\hat{i} + \hat{k}) = 35 - 4 = 31$

$|2\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{50}$

$|\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{7^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{50}$

Hence,  $31 = \sqrt{50}\sqrt{50} \cos \theta$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = \frac{31}{50}$

$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{31}{50}$

**Question 36.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k})$  be such that  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$  then  $\lambda = ?$

- A. 2
- B. -2
- C. 3
- D. -3

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

To find - Value of  $\lambda$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip - For perpendicular vectors,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = 0$  i.e. the dot product = 0

Hence,  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

$$\therefore (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 8 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \lambda = -2$$

**Question 37.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k})$  be such that  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$  then  $\lambda = ?$

- A. 2
- B. -2
- C. 3
- D. -3

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

To find – Value of  $\lambda$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip – For perpendicular vectors,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = 0$  i.e. the dot product=0

Hence,  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

$$\therefore (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 8 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \lambda = -2$$

**Question 38.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k})$  be such that  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$  then  $\lambda = ?$

- A. 2
- B. -2
- C. 3
- D. -3

**Answer:**

Given vectors  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$

Also given that  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

Let the angle between the vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be  $\theta$ .

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\text{So, } (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2 \times 3) + (4 \times -2) + (-1 \times \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 8 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -2$$

**Question 39.**

Mark ( $\sqrt{\quad}$ ) against the correct answer in the following:

What is the projection of  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  on  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$  ?

A.  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

B.  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$

C.  $\frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given vectors  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

Property:

Projection of the vector  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b}$  is  $\vec{a} \cdot \frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|}$

Therefore the projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b}$  is  $\frac{(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})}{\sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2}}$

$$= \frac{(2 \times 1) + (-1 \times -2) + (1 \times 1)}{\sqrt{1+4+1}}$$

$$= \frac{2+2+1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$= \frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$$

#### Question 40.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

What is the projection of  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  on  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$  ?

A.  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

B.  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$

C.  $\frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$

D. none of these

#### Answer:

Given -  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

To find - Projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b}$  i.e.  $\vec{a} \cos \theta$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}| |\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip - If  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors, then the projection of  $\vec{p}$  on  $\vec{q}$  is defined as  $\vec{p} \cos \theta$

Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} |\vec{a}| \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| \cos \theta = \frac{2 + 2 + 1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| \cos \theta = \frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$$

**Question 41.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

What is the projection of  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  on  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$  ?

A.  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

B.  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$

C.  $\frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

To find – Projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b}$  i.e.  $\vec{a} \cos \theta$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}| |\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip – If  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors, then the projection of  $\vec{p}$  on  $\vec{q}$  is defined as  $\vec{p} \cos \theta$

Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} |\vec{a}| \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| \cos \theta = \frac{2 + 2 + 1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| \cos \theta = \frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$$

**Question 42.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$ , then

A.  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}|$

B.  $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$

C.  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$

Squaring on both the sides,

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

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 - 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \cdot \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$



**Question 43.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$ , then

A.  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}|$

B.  $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$

C.  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$

Tip – If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors then  $|\vec{a} \pm \vec{b}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 \pm 2ab\cos\theta}$

Hence,

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 4ab\cos\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$

**Question 44.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$ , then

A.  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}|$

B.  $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$

C.  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$

Tip - If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors then  $|\vec{a} \pm \vec{b}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 \pm 2ab\cos\theta}$

Hence,

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 4ab\cos\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$

**Question 45.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors then  $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b}) = ?$

- A. 3
- B. 5
- C. 6
- D. 12

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two mutually perpendicular unit vectors i.e.  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1$

To Find -  $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip -  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

$$\therefore |\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \cos \theta = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

Hence,

$$(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$$

$$= 15|\vec{a}|^2 + 10\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} - 18\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 12|\vec{b}|^2$$

$$= 15 - 12$$

$$= 3$$

**Question 46.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors then  $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b}) = ?$

- A. 3
- B. 5

C. 6

D. 12

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two mutually perpendicular unit vectors i.e.  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1$

To Find -  $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip -  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

$$\therefore |\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \cos \theta = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

Hence,

$$(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$$

$$= 15|\vec{a}|^2 + 10\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} - 18\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 12|\vec{b}|^2$$

$$= 15 - 12$$

$$= 3$$

**Question 47.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors then  $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b}) = ?$

A. 3

B. 5

C. 6

D. 12

**Answer:**

Given  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors

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

And angle between the vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

Asking to find  $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$

Multiplying ,

$$= (3 \times 5) |\vec{a}|^2 - (3 \times 6) (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) + (2 \times 5) (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}) - (2 \times 6) |\vec{b}|^2$$

$$= 15|\vec{a}|^2 - 18(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) + 10(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) - 12|\vec{b}|^2 \text{ [reason: dot product is commutative i.e, } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}]$$

$$= 15 - 8(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) - 12$$

$$= 15 - 12 \text{ [reason: } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0]$$

$$= 3$$

**Question 48.**

Mark ( $\surd$ ) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors then  $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b}) = ?$

- A. 3
- B. 5
- C. 6
- D. 12

**Answer:**

Given vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$

Also given  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

As they are perpendicular,  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

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

$$\Rightarrow (3 \times 1) + (1 \times \lambda) + (-2 \times -3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 + \lambda + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -9$$

**Question 49.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  are perpendicular to each other then  $\lambda = ?$

A. -3

B. -6

C. -9

D. -1

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

To find - Value of  $\lambda$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip - For perpendicular vectors,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = 0$  i.e. the dot product = 0

Hence,  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

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

$$\Rightarrow 3 + \lambda + 6 = 0$$

i.e.  $\lambda = -9$

**Question 50.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  are perpendicular to each other then  $\lambda = ?$

A. -3

B. -6

C. -9

D. -1

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

To find - Value of  $\lambda$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{q}$  are two vectors

Tip - For perpendicular vectors,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  i.e.  $\cos \theta = 0$  i.e. the dot product=0

Hence,  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

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

$$\Rightarrow 3 + \lambda + 6 = 0$$

i.e.  $\lambda = -9$

**Question 51.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\theta$  is the angle between two unit vectors  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{b}$  then  $\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}| = ?$

A.  $\cos \frac{\theta}{2}$

B.  $\sin \frac{\theta}{2}$

C.  $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{b}$  are two unit vectors with an angle  $\theta$  between them

To find -  $\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$

Formula used - If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors then  $|\vec{a} \pm \vec{b}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 \pm 2ab\cos\theta}$

$$\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2\sin^2 \theta$$

Tip -  $|\hat{a}|^2 = |\hat{b}|^2 = 1$  &  $\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} = \cos \theta$

Hence,

$$\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{|\hat{a}|^2 + |\hat{b}|^2 - 2\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 - 2\cos\theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{1 - \cos\theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times \sqrt{2\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$= \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$



**Question 52.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\theta$  is the angle between two unit vectors  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{b}$  then  $\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}| = ?$

A.  $\cos \frac{\theta}{2}$

B.  $\sin \frac{\theta}{2}$

C.  $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{b}$  are unit vectors

Let  $\theta$  be the angle between them.

Asking us to find the value of  $\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$

Let this value be T

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$$

Squaring on both the sides

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{4}|(\hat{a})^2 + (\hat{b})^2 - 2.(\hat{a}.\hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{4}|1 + 1 - 2.(\hat{a}.\hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{4}|2 - 2.(\hat{a}.\hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{2}{4}|1 - (\hat{a}.\hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{2} |1 - (\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{2} |1 - (|\hat{a}| |\hat{b}|) \cos \theta|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot |1 - (1 \cdot \cos \theta)|$$

$$(1 - \cos \theta) \text{ can be written as } 2 \cdot \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot |1 - (1 \cdot \cos \theta)|$$

$$= T^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot |2 \cdot \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}|$$

$$T^2 = \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

### Question 53.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\theta$  is the angle between two unit vectors  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{b}$  then  $\frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} - \hat{b}| = ?$

A.  $\cos \frac{\theta}{2}$

B.  $\sin \frac{\theta}{2}$

C.  $\tan \frac{\theta}{2}$

D. none of these

### Answer:

Given -  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{b}$  are two unit vectors with an angle  $\theta$  between them

To find -  $\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$

Formula used - If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors then  $|\vec{a} \pm \vec{b}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 \pm 2ab\cos\theta}$

$$\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2\sin^2\theta$$

Tip -  $|\hat{a}|^2 = |\hat{b}|^2 = 1$  &  $\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} = \cos\theta$

Hence,

$$\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{|\hat{a}|^2 + |\hat{b}|^2 - 2\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - 2\cos\theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{1 - \cos\theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times \sqrt{2\sin^2\frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$= \sin\frac{\theta}{2}$$

**Question 54.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$  then  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = ?$

A.  $\sqrt{174}$

B.  $\sqrt{87}$

C.  $\sqrt{93}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  are two vectors.

To find -  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip - Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(4 - 6) + \hat{j}(4 + 4) + \hat{k}(3 + 2)$$

$$= -2\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 8^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{93}$$

**Question 55.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$  then  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = ?$

A.  $\sqrt{174}$

B.  $\sqrt{87}$

C.  $\sqrt{93}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  are two vectors.

To find -  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip – Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(4 - 6) + \hat{j}(4 + 4) + \hat{k}(3 + 2)$$

$$= -2\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 8^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{93}$$

**Question 56.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$  then  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = ?$

A.  $\sqrt{174}$

B.  $\sqrt{87}$

C.  $\sqrt{93}$

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 1\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}[(-1 \times -4) - (2 \times 3)] - \hat{j}[(1 \times -4) - (2 \times 2)] + \hat{k}[(1 \times 3) - (2 \times -1)]$$

$$= \hat{i}[4 - 6] - \hat{j}[-4 - 4] + \hat{k}[3 + 2]$$

$$= -2\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 8^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{4 + 64 + 25} = \sqrt{93}$$

**Question 57.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 3\hat{k})$  then  $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = ?$

A.  $10\sqrt{3}$

B.  $5\sqrt{17}$

C.  $4\sqrt{19}$

D.  $2\sqrt{23}$

**Answer:**

Given vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{k}$

Asking us to find,  $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}|$

$$2\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}[0 - (-4 \times -3)] - \hat{j}[(1 \times 6) - (2 \times -3)] + \hat{k}[(1 \times -4) - 0]$$

$$= \hat{i}(-12) - \hat{j}(6+6) + \hat{k}(-4)$$

$$= -12\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = \sqrt{(-12)^2 + 12^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{414 + 144 + 16} = \sqrt{304}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 \cdot 19}$$

$$= 4\sqrt{19}$$

**Question 58.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 3\hat{k})$  then  $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = ?$

A.  $10\sqrt{3}$

B.  $5\sqrt{17}$

C.  $4\sqrt{19}$

D.  $2\sqrt{23}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{k}$  are two vectors.

To find -  $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}|$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip – Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

$$\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(12) + \hat{j}(-6 - 6) + \hat{k}(-4)$$

$$= 12\hat{i} - 12\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = \sqrt{12^2 + 12^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{304} = 4\sqrt{19}$$

#### Question 59.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 3\hat{k})$  then  $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = ?$

A.  $10\sqrt{3}$

B.  $5\sqrt{17}$

C.  $4\sqrt{19}$

D.  $2\sqrt{23}$

#### Answer:

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{k}$  are two vectors.

To find -  $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}|$



Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip – Magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

$$\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(12) + \hat{j}(-6 - 6) + \hat{k}(-4)$$

$$= 12\hat{i} - 12\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = \sqrt{12^2 + 12^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{304} = 4\sqrt{19}$$

#### Question 60.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $|\vec{a}| = 2, |\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

D.  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $|\vec{a}| = 2$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

To find – Angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \times \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}$

Tip -  $|\vec{p} \times \vec{q}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta$  & magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Hence,  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2} = 7$

$$\therefore 7 = 2 \times 7 \sin\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

**Question 61.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $|\vec{a}| = 2$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

D.  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

**Answer:**

Given

$$|\vec{a}| = 2$$

And  $|\vec{b}| = 7$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{9 + 4 + 36} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

Let the angle between the vector be  $\theta$

As we know that,

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| \cdot |\vec{b}| \sin \theta$$

Substituting the values,

$$7 = 2 \times 7 \times \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

**Question 62.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $|\vec{a}| = 2, |\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  then the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

D.  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $|\vec{a}| = 2$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

To find – Angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \times \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}$

Tip -  $|\vec{p} \times \vec{q}| = ||\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta$  & magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Hence,  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2} = 7$

$\therefore 7 = 2 \times 7\sin\theta$

$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$

**Question 63.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$  then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = ?$

- A. 5
- B. 7
- C. 13
- D. 12

**Answer:**

Given

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}$$

And  $|\vec{b}| = 7$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35 \text{ and } |\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| = ?$$

As we know that,

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta \text{ and } |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \sin \theta$$

Adding and subtracting the above equations,

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2 \cos^2 \theta + |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2 (1)$$

Substituting the given values, we get

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + 35^2 = \sqrt{26}^2 7^2$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + 1225 = 26 \cdot 49$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + 1225 = 1274$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 = 1274 - 1225$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 = 49$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| = 7$$

**Question 64.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$  then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = ?$

- A. 5
- B. 7
- C. 13
- D. 12

**Answer:**

Given -  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$

To find -  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \times \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}$  &  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  &  $\vec{q}$  are any two vectors

Tip -  $|\vec{p} \times \vec{q}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta$

So,

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{35}{7\sqrt{26}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{26}}$$

$$\therefore \cos\theta = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{26}}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta = \sqrt{26} \times 7 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}} = 7$$

**Question 65.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$  then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = ?$

- A. 5
- B. 7
- C. 13
- D. 12

**Answer:**

Given -  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 7$  and  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$

To find -  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$

Formula to be used -  $\vec{p} \times \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}$  &  $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$  where  $\vec{p}$  &  $\vec{q}$  are any two vectors

Tip -  $|\vec{p} \times \vec{q}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta$

So,

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{35}{7\sqrt{26}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{26}}$$

$$\therefore \cos\theta = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{26}}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta = \sqrt{26} \times 7 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}} = 7$$

**Question 66.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

Two adjacent sides of a || gm are represented by the vectors  $\vec{a} = (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$ . The area of the || gm is

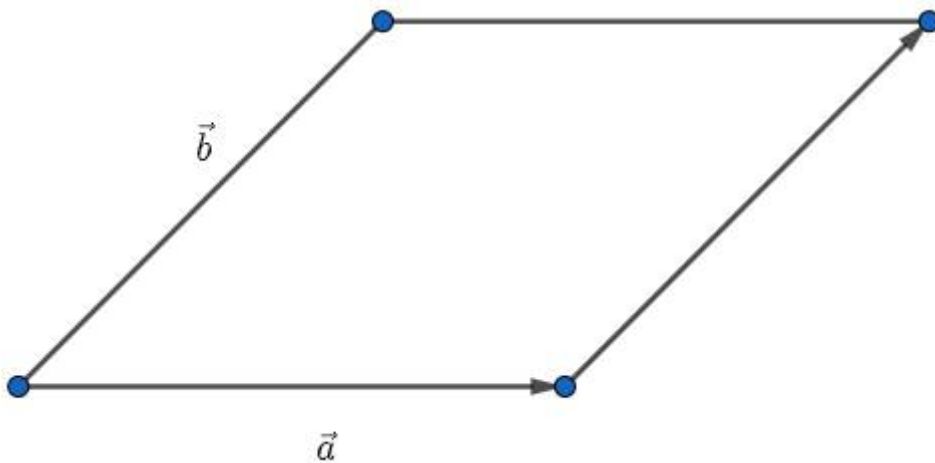
A.  $\sqrt{42}$  sq units

B. 6 sq units

C.  $\sqrt{35}$  sq units

D. none of these

**Answer:**



Given the adjacent sides of the parallelogram

$$\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

Property: The area of the parallelogram with the adjacent sides are  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

Therefore the area of the parallelogram is

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}[1 - (-4)] - \hat{j}[3 - 4] + \hat{k}[-3 - 1]$$

$$= 5\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$



$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 1^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{25 + 1 + 16} = \sqrt{42} \text{ sq.units}$$

**Question 67.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

Two adjacent sides of a || gm are represented by the vectors  $\vec{a} = (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$ . The area of the || gm is

A.  $\sqrt{42}$  sq units

B. 6 sq units

C.  $\sqrt{35}$  sq units

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given - Two adjacent sides of a || gm are represented by the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

To find – Area of the parallelogram

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip – Area of ||gm =  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$  and magnitude of a vector  $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Hence,

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(-4 - 1) + \hat{j}(4 - 3) + \hat{k}(-3 - 1)$$

$$= -5\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 1^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{42}$$

i.e. the area of the parallelogram =  $\sqrt{42}$  sq. units

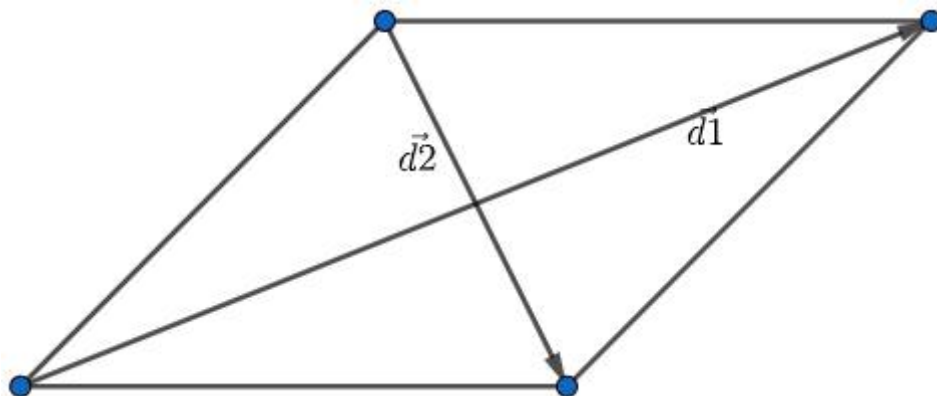
### Question 68.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

The diagonals of a || gm are represented by the vectors  $\vec{d}_1 = (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{d}_2 = (\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ . The area of the || gm is

- A.  $7\sqrt{3}$  sq units
- B.  $5\sqrt{3}$  sq units
- C.  $3\sqrt{5}$  sq units
- D. none of these

**Answer:**



Given diagonals of the parallelogram  $\vec{d}_1 = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{d}_2 = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

Area of the parallelogram as  $\vec{d}_1$  and  $\vec{d}_2$  as diagonals is  $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2|$

$$\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}[4 - 6] - \hat{j}[12 - (-2)] + \hat{k}[-9 - 1]$$

$$= -2\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} - 10\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-14)^2 + (-10)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 196 + 100} = \sqrt{300} = 10 \times \sqrt{3}$$

Therefore the area of the parallelogram is  $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2| = \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times \sqrt{3}$

$$= 5\sqrt{3} \text{ sq units}$$

### Question 69.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The diagonals of a || gm are represented by the vectors  $\vec{d}_1 = (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{d}_2 = (\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ . The area of the || gm is

A.  $7\sqrt{3}$  sq units

B.  $5\sqrt{3}$  sq units

C.  $3\sqrt{5}$  sq units

D. none of these

### Answer:

Given - Two diagonals of a || gm are represented by the vectors  $\vec{d}_1 = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{d}_2 = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

To find - Area of the parallelogram

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip - Area of ||gm =  $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2|$  and magnitude of a vector  $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  is given by  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Hence,

$$\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(4 - 6) + \hat{j}(-2 - 12) + \hat{k}(-9 - 1)$$

$$= -2\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} - 10\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2| = \sqrt{2^2 + 14^2 + 10^2} = \sqrt{300}$$

i.e. the area of the parallelogram =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{300} = 5\sqrt{3}$  sq. units

**Question 70.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

Two adjacent sides of a triangle are represented by the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$ . The area of the triangle is

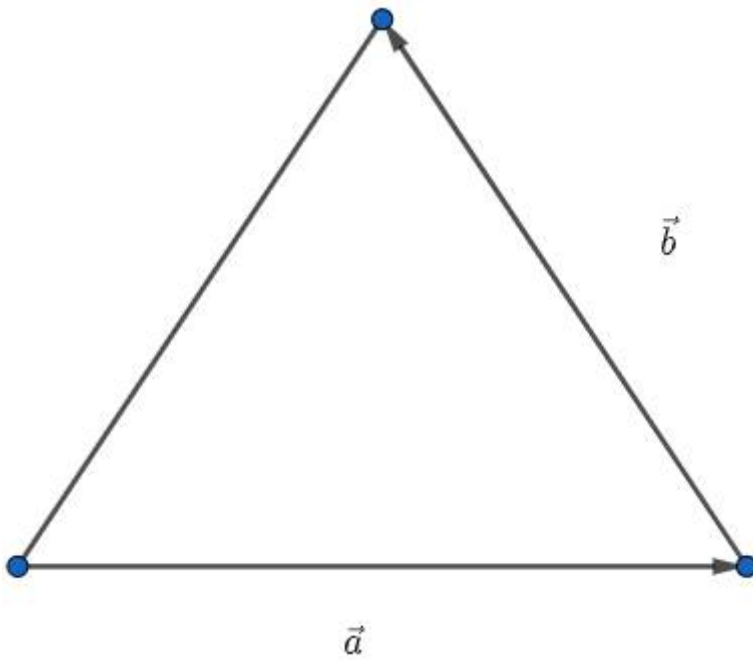
A. 41 sq units

B. 37 sq units

C.  $\frac{41}{2}$  sq units

D. none of these

**Answer:**



Given the adjacent sides of the triangle are  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$

Property: The area of the triangle with the sides  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is  $\frac{1}{2}|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -5 & 7 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{k}[21 - (-20)]$$

$$= 41\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 41$$

Therefore area of the triangle  $= \frac{1}{2} \times 41 = \frac{41}{2}$  sq. units

#### Question 71.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The unit vector normal to the plane containing  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  is

A.  $(\hat{j} - \hat{k})$

B.  $(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

C.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

D.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{k})$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$  &  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

To find – A unit vector perpendicular to the two given vectors.

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and

$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip – A vector perpendicular to two given vectors is their cross product.

The unit vector of any vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by  $\frac{(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$

Hence,

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

$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$= -2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  , which the vector perpendicular to the two given vectors.

The required unit vector  $= \frac{-2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

**Question 72.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

The unit vector normal to the plane containing  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  is

A.  $(\hat{j} - \hat{k})$

B.  $(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

C.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

D.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{k})$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$  &  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

To find – A unit vector perpendicular to the two given vectors.

Formula to be used -  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$  where  $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$  and

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip – A vector perpendicular to two given vectors is their cross product.

The unit vector of any vector  $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$  is given by  $\frac{(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$

Hence,

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$= -2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  , which the vector perpendicular to the two given vectors.

The required unit vector  $= \frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{2^2+2^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

**Question 73.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

The unit vector normal to the plane containing  $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  is

A.  $(\hat{j} - \hat{k})$

B.  $(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

C.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

D.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{k})$

**Answer:**

Given the plane is passing through  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

Property: The normal to the plane passing through  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  is  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$

Here ,

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}[-1 - (-1)] - \hat{j}[1 - (-1)] + \hat{k}[1 - (-1)]$$

$$= -2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

As it is a unit normal vector,

$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  is divided by its magnitude.



Therefore the unit normal vector is  $\frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+2^2}}$

$$= \frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{4+4}}$$

$$= \frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{8}}$$

$$= \frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{-\hat{j}+\hat{k}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

**Question 74.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are unit vectors such that  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$  then  $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = ?$

A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

B.  $\frac{-1}{2}$

C.  $\frac{3}{2}$

D.  $\frac{-3}{2}$

**Answer:**

Given  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are unit vectors and  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$

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

Let the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be  $\theta$

We can write the given relation as  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = -\vec{c}$

Squaring on both the sides

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b})^2 = \vec{c}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = |\vec{c}|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+1+2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})=1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})=-1$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Similarly we can prove that  $\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$  and  $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$

Asking us to find the value of  $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a})$

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

$$= -\frac{3}{2}$$

**Question 75.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are unit vectors such that  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$  then  $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = ?$

A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

B.  $-\frac{1}{2}$

C.  $\frac{3}{2}$

D.  $-\frac{3}{2}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are three unit vectors and  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) = 0$

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

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

So,

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = \frac{-3}{2}$$

**Question 76.**

Mark ( $\surd$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are unit vectors such that  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$  then  $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = ?$

A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

B.  $\frac{-1}{2}$

C.  $\frac{3}{2}$

D.  $\frac{-3}{2}$

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are three unit vectors and  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) = 0$

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

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

So,

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = \frac{-3}{2}$$

**Question 77.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors then  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = ?$

A. 1

B.  $\sqrt{2}$

C.  $\sqrt{3}$

D. 2

**Answer:**

Given  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors

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

$$\text{And } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0, \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 0, \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

Let the value of  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = T$

Squaring on both the sides,

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2 = T^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) = T^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) + (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) + |\vec{b}|^2 + (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}) + (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}) + |\vec{c}|^2 + (\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) + (\vec{c} \cdot \vec{b}) = T^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 = T^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+1+1 = T^2$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \sqrt{3}$$

**Question 78.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors then  $[\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}] = ?$

A. 1

B.  $\sqrt{2}$

C.  $\sqrt{3}$

D. 2

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are three mutually perpendicular unit vectors

To find -  $[\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}]$

Tip -  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = |\vec{c}| = 1$  &  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$

So,

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2$$

$$= |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a})$$

$$= 3$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = \sqrt{3}$$

**Question 79.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors then  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = ?$

A. 1

B.  $\sqrt{2}$

C.  $\sqrt{3}$

D. 2

**Answer:**

Given -  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are three mutually perpendicular unit vectors

To find -  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|$

Tip -  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = |\vec{c}| = 1$  &  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$

So,

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2$$

$$= |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a})$$

$$= 3$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = \sqrt{3}$$

**Question 80.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

$$[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}] = ?$$

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3

**Answer:**

Asking us to find the value of  $[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}]$

$$[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}] = \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) \text{ or } (\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) \cdot \hat{k}$$

The value of  $\hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}$  and  $\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) = \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{i}) \text{ or } (\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) \cdot \hat{k} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k}$$

$$= 1 = 1$$

**Question 81.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

$$[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}] = ?$$

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3

**Answer:**

To find -  $[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}]$

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \hat{b} \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\therefore [\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}]$$

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

$$= \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i}$$

$$= |\hat{i}|^2$$

$$= 1$$

**Question 82.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \end{bmatrix} = ?$$

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 3

**Answer:**

To find -  $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \end{bmatrix}$

Formula to be used -  $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{a} & \hat{b} & \hat{c} \end{bmatrix} = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$= \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i}$$

$$= |\hat{i}|^2$$

$$= 1$$

**Question 83.**



Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{c} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$  be the coterminal edges of a parallelepiped then its volume is

A. 21 cubic units

B. 14 cubic units

C. 7 cubic units

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given – The three coterminal edges of a parallelepiped are  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ ,

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k} \text{ \& } \vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

To find – The volume of the parallelepiped

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip - The volume of the parallelepiped =  $|\ [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] |$

Hence,

$$[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]$$

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

$$= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \{(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \times (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})\}$$

$$= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (-5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k})$$

$$= -10 + 3 - 28$$

$$= -35$$

The volume = 35 sq units

**Question 84.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{c} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$  be the coterminal edges of a parallelepiped then its volume is

A. 21 cubic units

B. 14 cubic units

C. 7 cubic units

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given – The three coterminal edges of a parallelepiped are  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ ,

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k} \text{ \& } \vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

To find – The volume of the parallelepiped

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip - The volume of the parallelepiped =  $|[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]|$

Hence,

$$[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]$$

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

$$= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \{(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \times (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})\}$$

$$= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (-5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k})$$

$$= -10 + 3 - 28$$

$$= -35$$

The volume = 35 sq units

**Question 85.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$  and  $\vec{c} = (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$  be the coterminous edges of a parallelepiped then its volume is

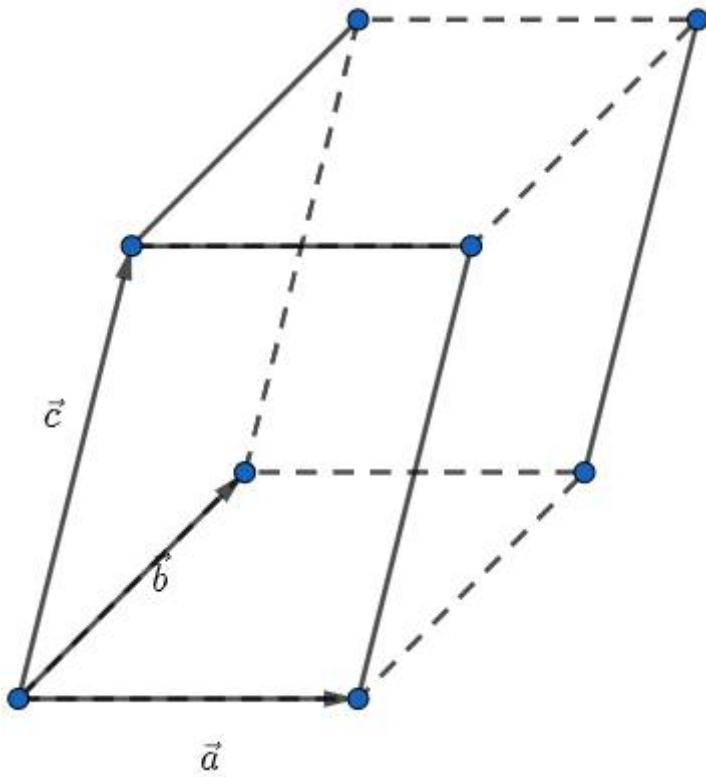
- A. 21 cubic units
- B. 14 cubic units
- C. 7 cubic units
- D. none of these

**Answer:**

Given  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

And  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$

$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  are the coterminous edges of the parallelepiped.



Property:

If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are the coterminous edges of the parallelepiped, the the volume of the parallelepiped is  $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$

$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$  is the scalar triple product.

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

$$\vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}[-4-1] - \hat{j}[-2-(-3)] + \hat{k}[-1-6]$$

$$= -5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (-5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k})$$

$$= -10 + 3 - 28$$

$$= -35$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = 35 \text{ cubic units}$$

OR

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2[-4-1] - (-3)[-2-(-3)] + 4[-1-6]$$

$$= -35$$

Therefore the volume of the parallelepiped with the given coterminous edges is 35 cubic units

**Question 86.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

If the volume of a parallelepiped having  $\vec{a} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = (4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{c} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$  as conterminous edges, is 216 cubic units then the value of  $\lambda$  is

A.  $\frac{5}{3}$

B.  $\frac{4}{3}$

C.  $\frac{2}{3}$

D.  $\frac{1}{3}$

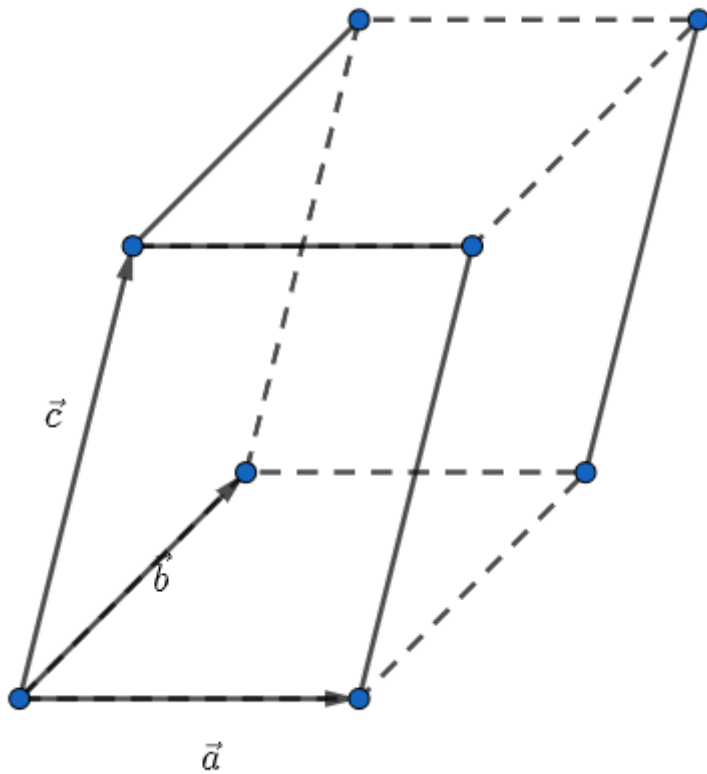
**Answer:**

Given volume of the parallelepiped is 216 cubic units

Given  $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

And  $\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \lambda\hat{k}$

$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$  are the coterminous edges of the parallelepiped.



$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = 216$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -4 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & \lambda \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 = 5[21 - (-2\lambda)] - (-4)[28 - \lambda] + 1[-8 - 3]$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 = 5[21 + 2\lambda] + 4[28 - \lambda] + 1[-11]$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 = 105 + 10\lambda + 112 - 4\lambda - 11$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 - 105 - 112 + 11 = 6\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\lambda = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{10}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{5}{3}$$

**Question 87.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If the volume of a parallelepiped having  $\vec{a} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = (4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{c} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$  as conterminous edges, is 216 cubic units then the value of  $\lambda$  is

A.  $\frac{5}{3}$

B.  $\frac{4}{3}$

C.  $\frac{2}{3}$

D.  $\frac{1}{3}$

**Answer:**

Given – The three coterminous edges of a parallelepiped are  $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

$$\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k} \text{ \& } \vec{c} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

To find – The value of  $\lambda$

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip - The volume of the parallelepiped =  $|[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]|$

Hence,

$$[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]$$

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

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \{(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})\}$$

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 4 & 3 & \lambda \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot ((21 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (\lambda - 28)\hat{j} - 11\hat{k})$$

$$= 5(21 + 2\lambda) - 4(\lambda - 28) - 11$$

$$= 206 + 6\lambda$$

$$\text{The volume} = 206 + 6\lambda$$

But, the volume = 216 sq units

$$\text{So, } 206 + 6\lambda = 216 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{10}{6} = \frac{5}{3}$$

### Question 88.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

If the volume of a parallelepiped having  $\vec{a} = (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = (4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k})$  and  $\vec{c} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$  as conterminous edges, is 216 cubic units then the value of  $\lambda$  is

A.  $\frac{5}{3}$

B.  $\frac{4}{3}$

C.  $\frac{2}{3}$

D.  $\frac{1}{3}$



**Answer:**

Given – The three coterminal edges of a parallelepiped are  $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

$$\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k} \text{ \& } \vec{c} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

To find – The value of  $\lambda$

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip - The volume of the parallelepiped =  $|[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]|$

Hence,

$$[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]$$

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

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \{(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})\}$$

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 4 & 3 & \lambda \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot ((21 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (\lambda - 28)\hat{j} - 11\hat{k})$$

$$= 5(21 + 2\lambda) - 4(\lambda - 28) - 11$$

$$= 206 + 6\lambda$$

The volume =  $206 + 6\lambda$

But, the volume = 216 sq units

$$\text{So, } 206 + 6\lambda = 216 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{10}{6} = \frac{5}{3}$$

**Question 89.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

It is given that the vectors  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{c} = (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})$  are coplanar.

Then, the value of  $\lambda$  is

A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

B.  $\frac{1}{3}$

C. 2

D. -1

**Answer:**

Given  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}$

And  $\vec{b} = 1\hat{i} + (1 + \lambda)\hat{j}$

$\vec{c} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$  are the coplanar.

If three vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are coplanar, then  $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = 0$

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 + \lambda & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2[2(1 + \lambda)] - 2[-4(1 + \lambda)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(1 + \lambda) + 8(1 + \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12(1 + \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

**Question 90.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

It is given that the vectors  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{c} = (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})$  are coplanar.

Then, the value of  $\lambda$  is

A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

B.  $\frac{1}{3}$

C. 2

D. 1

**Answer:**

Given – The vectors  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}$  &  $\vec{c} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$  are coplanar

To find – The value of  $\lambda$

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip – For vectors to be coplanar,  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = 0$

Hence,

$$[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot \{(\hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}) \times (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & \lambda + 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (2(\lambda + 1)\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 4(\lambda + 1)\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(\lambda - 1) + 8(\lambda - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12(\lambda - 1) = 0 \text{ i.e. } \lambda = 1$$

**Question 91.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

It is given that the vectors  $\vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{c} = (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})$  are coplanar.

Then, the value of  $\lambda$  is

A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

B.  $\frac{1}{3}$

C. 2

D. 1

**Answer:**

Given – The vectors  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}$  &  $\vec{c} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$  are coplanar

To find – The value of  $\lambda$

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip – For vectors to be coplanar,  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = 0$

Hence,

$$[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot \{(\hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}) \times (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & \lambda + 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (2(\lambda + 1)\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 4(\lambda + 1)\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(\lambda - 1) + 8(\lambda - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12(\lambda - 1) = 0 \text{ i.e. } \lambda = 1$$

### Question 92.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

Which of the following is meaningless?

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

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

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

D. none of these

### Answer:

Tip -  $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) = \vec{c} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}$  since, dot product is commutative

Hence,  $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})$  is meaningless.

### Question 93.

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

Which of the following is meaningless?

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

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

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

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Tip -  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) = \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{c} \times \hat{a}) = \hat{c} \cdot (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) = (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) \cdot \hat{c}$  since, dot product is commutative

Hence,  $\hat{a} \times (\hat{b} \cdot \hat{c})$  is meaningless.

**Question 94.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

Which of the following is meaningless?

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

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

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

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Option B is meaningless

Reason:

The term  $(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})$  is a scalar term and  $\vec{a}$  is a vector. Cross product can only be applied in between the vectors . It is meaning less if used in between scalars or between scalar and vector.

**Question 95.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = ?$

A. 0

B. 1

C.  $a^2b$

D. meaningless

**Answer:**

Tip – The cross product of two vectors is the vector perpendicular to both the vectors.

$\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  gives a vector perpendicular to both  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Now,

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

$$= |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

$$= |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= 0$$

**Question 96.**

Mark ( $\checkmark$ ) against the correct answer in the following:

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = ?$$

A. 0

B. 1

C.  $a^2b$

D. meaningless

**Answer:**

Asking us to find  $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$

By the definition of the scalar triple product,

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

Also  $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{a} = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}) \vec{b}$  [reason : dot product is associative]

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a})\vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a})\vec{b}$$

$$= 0$$

**Question 97.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = ?$$

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C.  $a^2b$
- D. meaningless

**Answer:**

Tip – The cross product of two vectors is the vector perpendicular to both the vectors.

$\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  gives a vector perpendicular to both  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

Now,

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

$$= |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$$

$$= |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= 0$$

**Question 98.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in each of the following:

For any three vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  the value of  $[\vec{a} - \vec{b} \ \vec{b} - \vec{c} \ \vec{c} - \vec{a}]$  is

A.  $2[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}]$

- B. 1



C. 0

D. none of these

**Answer:**

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) = \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{c} \times \hat{a})$  for any three arbitrary vectors

$$\therefore [\hat{a} - \hat{b} \ \hat{b} - \hat{c} \ \hat{c} - \hat{a}]$$

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

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

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

$$= [\hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) - \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) - \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{a}) + \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{a}) + \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{c} \times \hat{a}) - \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{c} \times \hat{a})]$$

$$= [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] - [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = 0$$

**Question 99.**

Mark (✓) against the correct answer in the following:

For any three vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  the value of  $[\vec{a} - \vec{b} \ \vec{b} - \vec{c} \ \vec{c} - \vec{a}]$  is

A.  $2[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}]$

B. 1


C. 0

D. none of these


**Answer:**

Asking us to find the value of  $[\vec{a} - \vec{b} \ \vec{b} - \vec{c} \ \vec{c} - \vec{a}]$

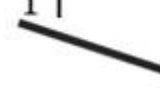
$$[\vec{a} - \vec{b} \quad \vec{b} - \vec{c} \quad \vec{c} - \vec{a}] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \cdot [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}]$$



Coefficients  
Of  $\vec{a}$



coefficients  
of  $\vec{b}$



coefficients  
of  $\vec{c}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \cdot [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}]$$

$$= 1[1] - (-1)[-1]$$

$$= 1 - 1$$

$$= 0$$

#### Question 100.

Mark ( $\surd$ ) against the correct answer in each of the following:

For any three vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  the value of  $[\vec{a} - \vec{b} \quad \vec{b} - \vec{c} \quad \vec{c} - \vec{a}]$  is

- A.  $2[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}]$
- B. 1
- C. 0
- D. none of these

#### Answer:

Formula to be used -  $[\hat{a} \quad \hat{b} \quad \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) = \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{c} \times \hat{a})$  for any three arbitrary vectors

$$\therefore [\hat{a} - \hat{b} \quad \hat{b} - \hat{c} \quad \hat{c} - \hat{a}]$$

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

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

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

$$= [\hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) - \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) - \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{a}) + \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{a}) + \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{c} \times \hat{a}) - \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{c} \times \hat{a})]$$

$$= [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] - [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = 0$$