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Topic Dot Product (OR) Scalar product of two vectors

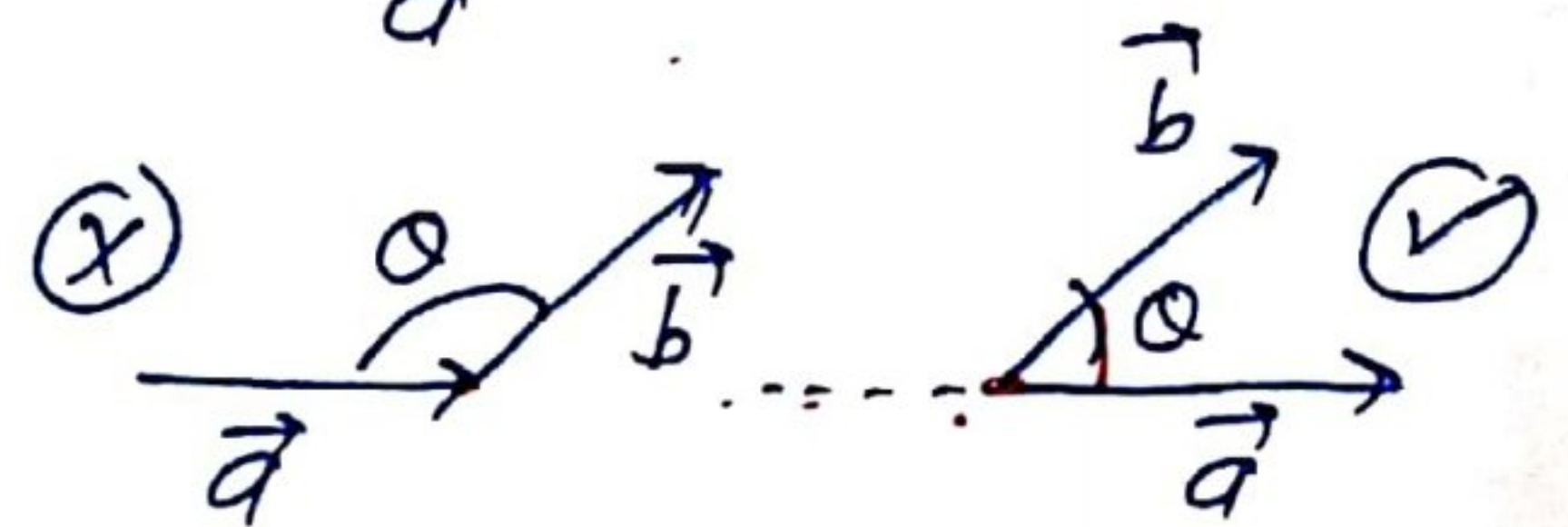
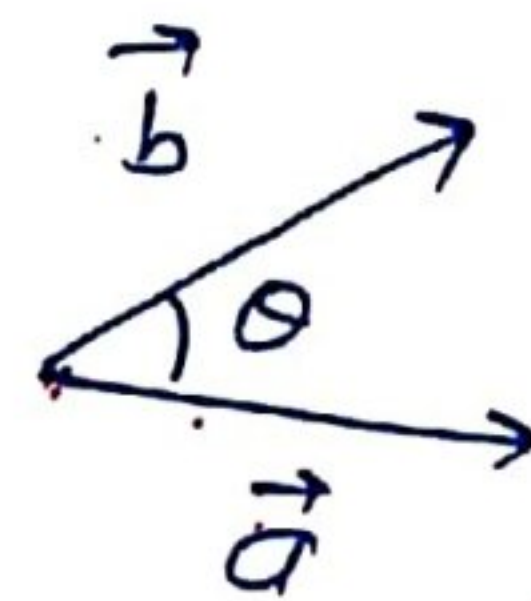
(1) $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$

(2) $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ is always a scalar quantity

(3) angle b/w two vectors

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

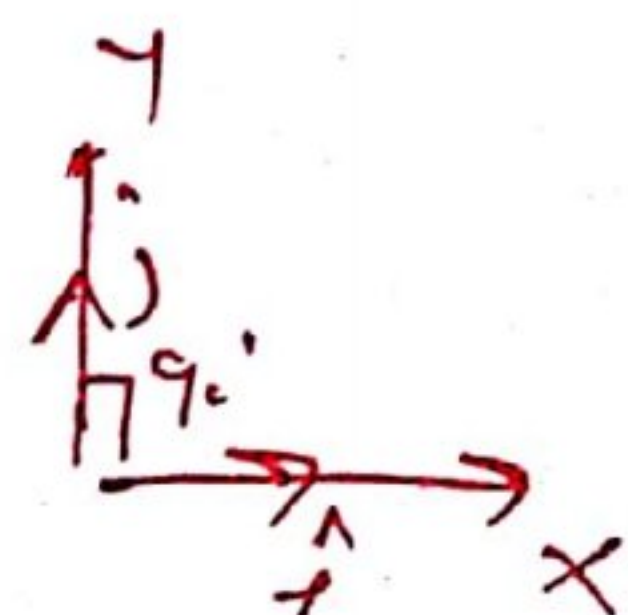
(vectors must be coinitial)



(4) If $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$ (or) orthogonal then $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

(5) $\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = 1$

Reason $\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = |\hat{i}| |\hat{i}| \cos 0^\circ$
 $= (1)(1)(1) = 1$



(6) $\hat{i} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{k} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{i} = 0$

Reason: angle b/w \hat{i} & \hat{j} is 90° and $\cos(90^\circ) = 0$

(7) e.g. $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ & $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

then $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$
 $= 2 + 12 - 6$

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 8$ (clearly a scalar quantity)

(8) If $\vec{a} = \vec{0}$ or $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$ then $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

Not (but converse need not be true: claim they can be \perp)

(9) $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}$ (commutative)

(10) $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c})$ (distributive)

(11) $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = |\vec{a}|^2$

(12) $|\vec{a}|^2 = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}$

(Mainly used in $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|$ or $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$)

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

(13) (i) $m(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = (m\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot (m\vec{b})$

(ii) $m\vec{a} \cdot n\vec{b} = mn(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$

(iii) $|m\vec{a}| = |m||\vec{a}|$ → Magnitude
→ modulus

(14) If $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + b_1\hat{j} + c_1\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = a_2\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + c_2\hat{k}$

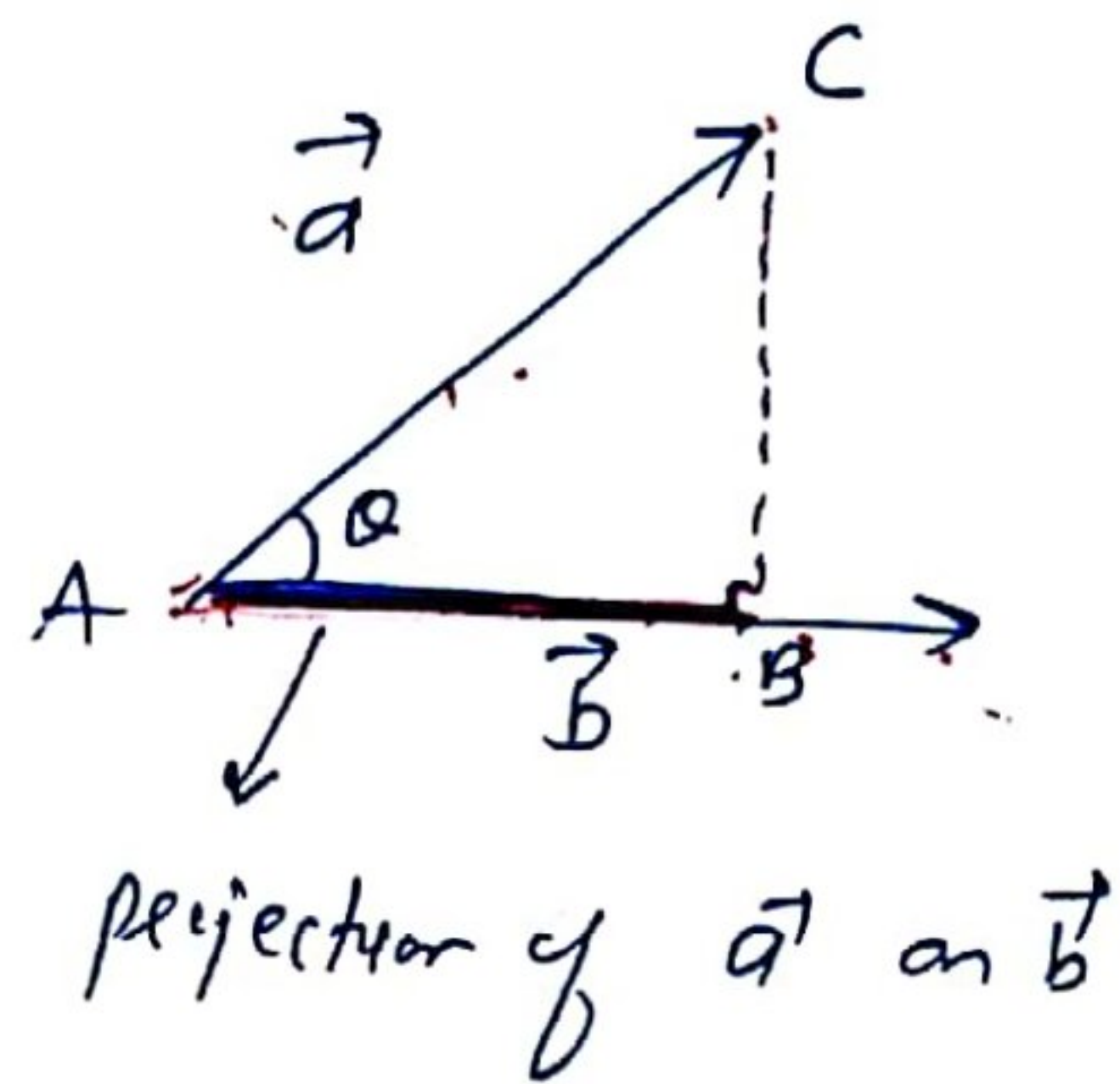
and \vec{a} & \vec{b} are perpendicular

then $\boxed{a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0}$ Imp

$\cos \theta = \frac{a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$

(15) Projection of \vec{a} on \vec{b}

of \vec{a} on \vec{b}
 Projection = $\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|}$ ✓
 (AB)



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

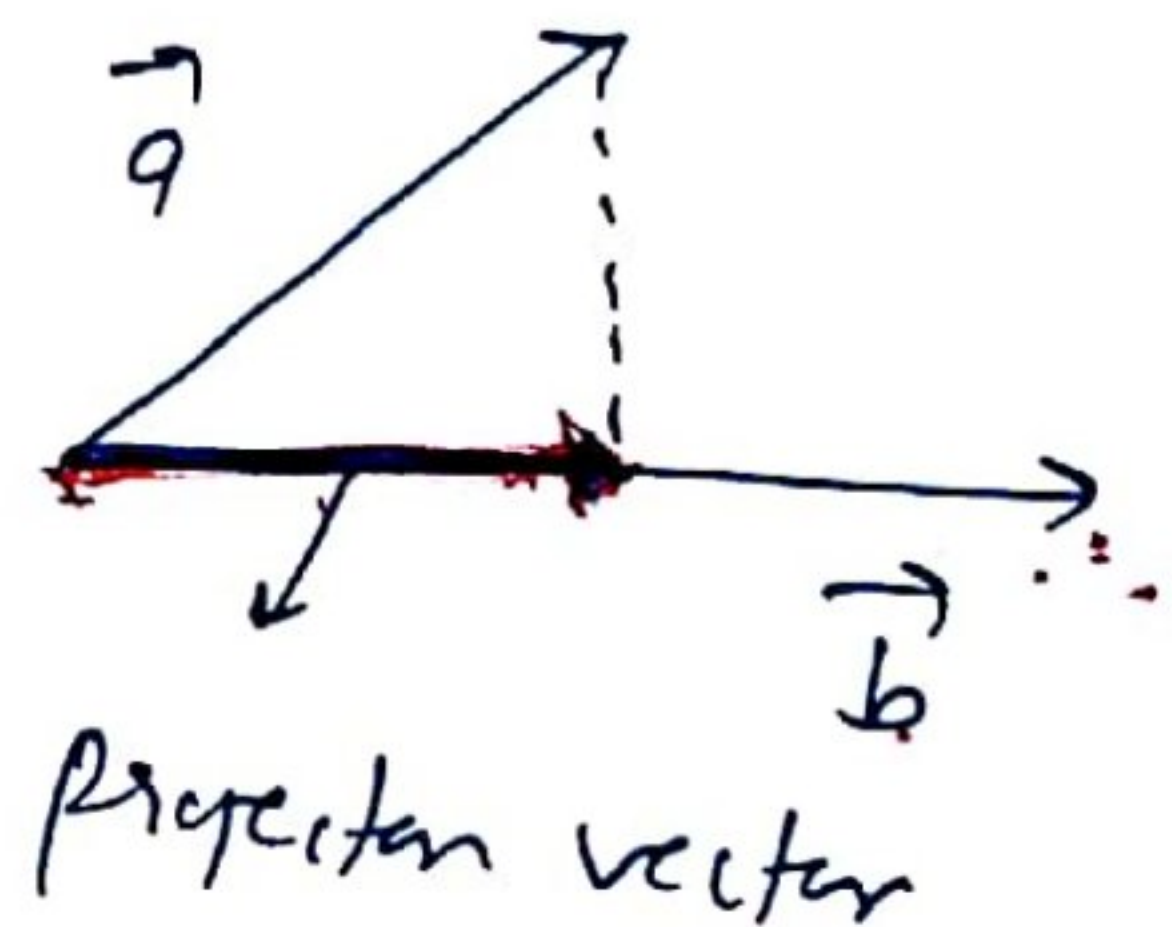
Projection of \vec{a} on $\vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} \right) = \vec{a} \cdot \hat{b}$ ✓
 (unit vector)

$\cos \theta = \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{\text{Projection}}{|\vec{a}|}$

→ Projection of \vec{a} on $\vec{b} = |\vec{a}| \cos \theta$ ✓

Imp Projection vector

Projection vector = (Projection) \hat{b}



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

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

$(m \cdot \vec{a})$ ✗

$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$ ✓

$m \cdot n$ ✗

(mn) ✓

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ ✓

QUESTIONS

(4)

Ques 1

Find the angle b/w the two vectors

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

Soln

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

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} &= (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \\ &= 3 + 4 + 3 = 10 \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1+4+9} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{9+4+1} = \sqrt{14}$$

Now $\cos \theta = \frac{10}{\sqrt{14}\sqrt{14}} = \frac{10}{14} = \frac{5}{7}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{7}\right)} \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$

Ques 2 Find the value of p so that the vectors

$$3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{i} + p\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \quad \text{are}$$

(i) orthogonal (ii) collinear / parallel

Soln

$$\text{let } \vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k} \quad \& \quad \vec{b} = \hat{i} + p\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

(i) orthogonal $\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 3 + 2p + 27 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{p = -15}$$

(ii) parallel: $\frac{3}{1} = \frac{2}{p} = \frac{9}{3} \Rightarrow 3 = \frac{2}{p} \Rightarrow \boxed{p = \frac{2}{3}} \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$

(5)

Qn 3 + let $\vec{a} = 4\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - \hat{k}$

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

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

find a vector \vec{d} which is perpendicular to both \vec{a} and \vec{b} and satisfying $\vec{d} \cdot \vec{c} = 21$

Soln = let required vector $\vec{d} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$

Given $\vec{d} \perp \vec{a}$ and $\vec{d} \cdot \vec{b}$ and $\vec{d} \cdot \vec{c} = 21$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{d} \cdot \vec{a} = 0 \text{ and } \vec{d} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$4x + 5y - z = 0$$

$$x - 4y + 5z = 0$$

$$3x + y - z = 21$$

Solving we get $x = 7$; $y = -7$, $z = -7$

$$\therefore \boxed{\vec{d} = 7\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}} \quad \underline{\underline{Ans}}$$

Qn 4 → Given $|\vec{a}| = 3$; $|\vec{b}| = 2$ & $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 6$

Find $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$

Sol = ✓ we have $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b})$

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

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

$$= 9 - 12 + 4$$

$$|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = 1 \quad \underline{\underline{Ans}}$$

Ques 5 → If $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$; $|\vec{a}| = 3$, $|\vec{b}| = 5$ and $|\vec{c}| = 7$
Find the ~~any~~ value of $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$

Soln we have $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$
 $\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = |\vec{0}|$
 $\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = 0$
 $\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 = 0$

If $\vec{a} = \vec{b}$
 then $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}|$
 If $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}|$
 then $\vec{a} \neq \vec{b}$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) = 0$$

$$|\vec{a}|^2 + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} + |\vec{b}|^2 + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} + |\vec{c}|^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 + 25 + 49 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = -\frac{83}{2}} \text{ Ans}$$

(OR)

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{0} \cdot \vec{0} = 0$$

$\vec{a} = \vec{b}$
 $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}$
Proof

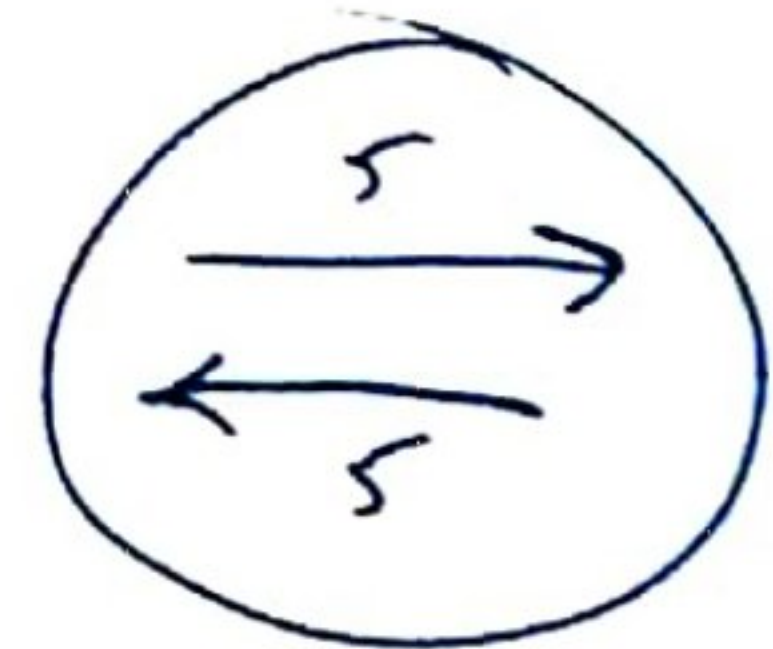
Ques 6 If $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$; $|\vec{a}| = 3$, $|\vec{b}| = 5$, $|\vec{c}| = 7$

Find the angle between \vec{b} & \vec{c}

Soln

$$\text{Given } \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{b} + \vec{c} = -\vec{a}$$



$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b} + \vec{c}| = |\vec{a}|$$

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = |\vec{a}|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 25 + 49 + 2\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = -65$$

$$\Rightarrow 2|\vec{b}||\vec{c}|\cos\theta = -65$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(5)(7)\cos\theta = -65$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = \frac{-65}{2 \times 5 \times 7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = -\frac{13}{14}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{13}{14}\right) \underline{\underline{Ans}}$$

Q. 7* If \hat{a} & \hat{b} are unit vectors inclined at an angle θ , then show that

(i) $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$ (2) $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} + \hat{b}|$ (3) $\tan\theta = \frac{|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|}{|\hat{a} + \hat{b}|}$

Soln. Given $|\hat{a}| = 1$ & $|\hat{b}| = 1$

we have $|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|^2 = (\hat{a} - \hat{b}) \cdot (\hat{a} - \hat{b})$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 &= |\vec{a}|^2 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + |\vec{b}|^2 \\
 &= 1 - 2|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta + 1 \\
 &= 1 - 2\cos\theta + 1 \\
 &= 2 - 2\cos\theta \\
 &= 2(1 - \cos\theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = 2 \times 2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = 2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} - \vec{b}| \quad \text{find}$$

$$(ii) \text{ we have } |\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b})$$

⋮

$$\text{get } \cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} + \vec{b}|$$

$$(iii) \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} = \frac{|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|}{|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$

Qn. 8 → The scalar product of the vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ with a unit vector along the sum of the vectors $2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ and $\lambda\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ is equal to 1. Find the value of λ .

Sol. Let $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$
 $\vec{b} = (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) + (\lambda\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) = (2+\lambda)\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

(9)

Now $\hat{b} = \frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|}$

$$\hat{b} = \frac{(2+\lambda)\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(2+\lambda)^2 + 36 + 4}}$$

$$\hat{b} = \frac{(2+\lambda)\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 44}}$$

Given $\vec{a} \cdot \hat{b} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \frac{(2+\lambda)\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 44}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (2+\lambda) + 6 - 2 = \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 44}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda + 6 = \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 44}$$

squaring

$$\lambda^2 + 36 + 12\lambda = \lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 44$$

$$\Rightarrow 8\lambda = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = 1} \quad \underline{\underline{Ans}}$$

Qn 9 & Given $\vec{B} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$; $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j}$

Express \vec{B} in the form $\vec{B} = \vec{B}_1 + \vec{B}_2$, where

\vec{B}_1 is parallel to \vec{a} and \vec{B}_2 is perpendicular to \vec{a} .

Soln

(10)

Given \vec{P}_1 is parallel to \vec{a}

$$\Rightarrow \vec{P}_1 = \lambda \vec{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{P}_1 = \lambda (3\hat{i} - \hat{j})$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{P}_1 = 3\lambda\hat{i} - \lambda\hat{j}}$$

Given $\vec{P} = \vec{P}_1 + \vec{P}_2$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{P}_2 = \vec{P} - \vec{P}_1$$

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

$$\boxed{\vec{P}_2 = \hat{i}(2-3\lambda) + \hat{j}(1+\lambda) - 3\hat{k}}$$

Given $\vec{P}_2 \perp \vec{a}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{P}_2 \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

$$= (\hat{i}(2-3\lambda) + \hat{j}(1+\lambda) - 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - \hat{j}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 9\lambda - 1 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 = 10\lambda \Rightarrow \lambda = 1/2$$

$$\therefore \vec{P}_1 = \frac{3}{2}\hat{i} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{P}_2 = \frac{1}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{3}{2}\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

Now $\vec{P}_1 + \vec{P}_2 = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k} = \vec{P}$ Hence verified

WORKSHEET No 2VECTORS

Qns 1 Find the projection of the vector $2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ on the vector $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ Ans $\frac{5}{3}\sqrt{8}$

Qns 2 If $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ & $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$. If $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$ and $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$ are orthogonal. Find the value of λ Ans $\lambda = -5$

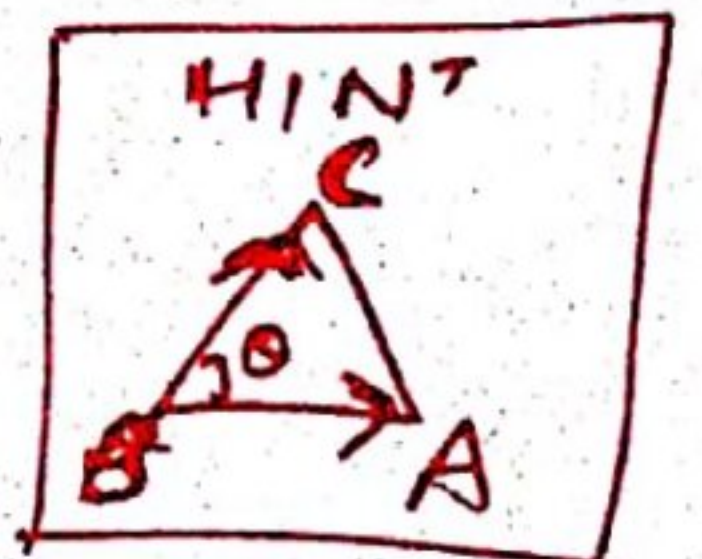
Qns 3 Find $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$, if two vectors \vec{a} & \vec{b} are such that $|\vec{a}| = 2$, $|\vec{b}| = 3$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 4$ Ans $\sqrt{5}$

Qns 4 If \vec{a} is a unit vector and $(\vec{x} - \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{a}) = 8$ Find $|\vec{x}|$ Ans 3

Qns 5 Find the angle b/w two vectors \vec{a} & \vec{b} with magnitudes $\sqrt{3}$ and 2 respectively having $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$ Ans $\pi/4$

Qns 6 Show that the vectors $\frac{1}{7}(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$; $\frac{1}{7}(3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$ & $\frac{1}{7}(6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$ are unit vectors and also show that they are mutually perpendicular to each other.

Qns 7 If the vertices A, B, C of a triangle ABC are $(1, 2, 3)$, $(-1, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 2)$ respectively then find $\angle ABC$ Ans $\angle ABC = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{10}{\sqrt{102}}\right)$



Suppose \vec{BA} & \vec{BC} then $\cos C = \frac{\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC}}{|\vec{BA}| |\vec{BC}|}$

Qn. 8 \rightarrow If $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ are such that $\vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b}$ is perpendicular to \vec{c} . Find the value of λ Ans = 10

Qn. 9 \rightarrow If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are unit vectors such that $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$. Find the value of $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$ Ans = $-\frac{3}{2}$

Qn. 10 \rightarrow Find the magnitude of two vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} , having the same magnitude and such that the angle between them is 60° and their scalar product is $\frac{1}{2}$ Ans $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1$

Qn. 11 \rightarrow Let $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ be three vectors such that $|\vec{a}| = 3$, $|\vec{b}| = 4$, $|\vec{c}| = 5$ and each one of them being perpendicular to the sum of the other two. Find $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|$ Ans $5\sqrt{2}$

Qn. 12 \rightarrow Let $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$. Find a vector \vec{d} which is perpendicular to both \vec{a} & \vec{b} and $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{d} = 15$ Ans $\frac{1}{3}(160\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 70\hat{k})$

Qn. 13 \rightarrow Decompose (break) the vector $6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$ into two vectors which ~~are~~ are parallel and perpendicular to the vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ Ans $-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ & $7\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$