

SOLUTIONSVECTORSWORKSHEET No: 2 ①Qns: 1 \*

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

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

Now  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 2 + 6 + 2 = 10$

$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{1+4+1} = \sqrt{6}$

$\therefore$  projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b} = \frac{10}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{10}{\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{5\sqrt{6}}{3}$  Ans

Qns: 2 \*

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

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

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

Since  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$  are orthogonal ( $\perp$ )

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

$\Rightarrow 24 - 8 - (\lambda^2 + 9) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 25 - \lambda^2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = 25$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \pm 5}$  Ans (Note: Mistake in worksheet answer)

Qns: 3 \*

Given  $|\vec{a}| = 2$ ;  $|\vec{b}| = 3$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 4$

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



$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = 4 - 8 + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5}} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

Qn. 4 → Given  $\vec{a}$  is a unit vector

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

$$\text{Given } (\vec{x} - \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{a}) = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 - |\vec{a}|^2 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 - 1 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|\vec{x}| = 3} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

Qn. 5 → Given  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$  and  $|\vec{b}| = 2$

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

Let  $\theta$  be the angle b/w  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\theta = \pi/4} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$



Q. No. 6 →

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

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

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

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{\frac{4}{49} + \frac{9}{49} + \frac{36}{49}} = \sqrt{\frac{49}{49}} = 1$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{\frac{9}{49} + \frac{36}{49} + \frac{4}{49}} = 1$$

$$|\vec{c}| = \sqrt{\frac{36}{49} + \frac{4}{49} + \frac{9}{49}} = 1$$

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

∴  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  &  $\vec{c}$  are unit vectors

Now  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \frac{6}{49} - \frac{18}{49} + \frac{12}{49} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

$$\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \frac{18}{49} - \frac{12}{49} - \frac{6}{49} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{b} \perp \vec{c}$$

$$\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = \frac{12}{49} + \frac{6}{49} - \frac{18}{49} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{c} \perp \vec{a}$$

∴  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b} \perp \vec{c}$

⇒  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{c}$  are mutually  $\perp$  vectors PROVED

Q. No. 7 →  $A(1, 2, 3)$ ,  $B(0, 1, 2)$ ,  $C(-1, 0, 0)$

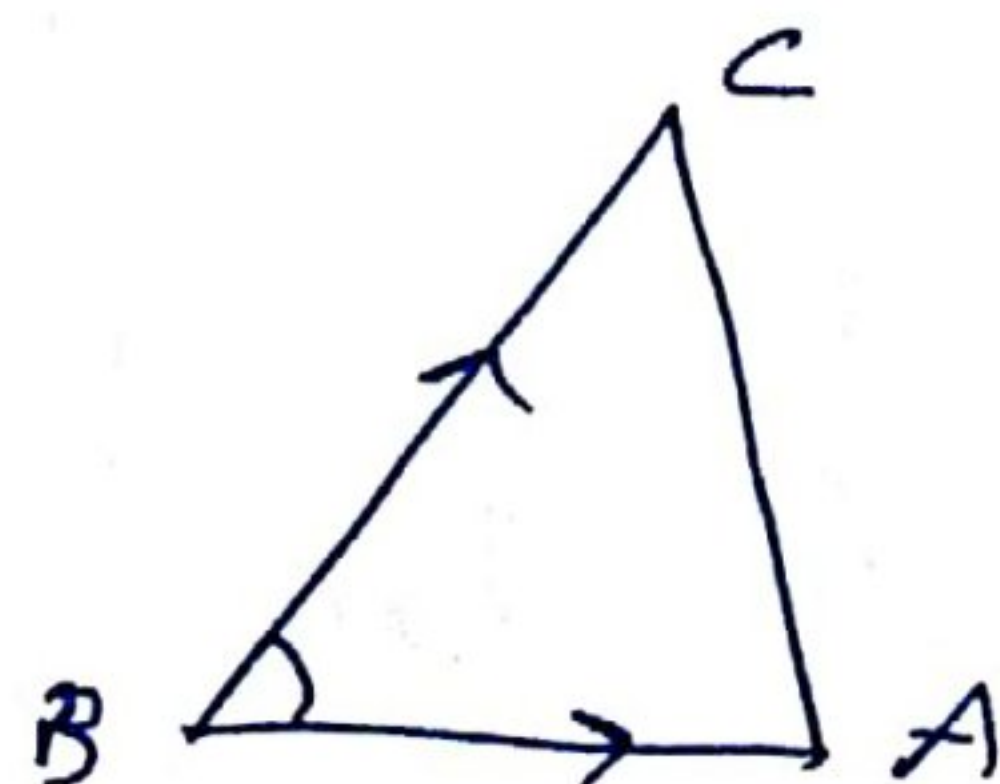
$$\vec{OA} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

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

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

to find  $\angle ABC$  or  $\angle B$

Prepare  $\vec{BA}$  &  $\vec{BC}$  (co-initial vectors)





$$\Rightarrow \vec{BA} = \vec{OA} - \vec{OB} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{BC} = \vec{OC} - \vec{OB} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\cos B = \frac{\vec{BA} \cdot \vec{BC}}{|\vec{BA}| |\vec{BC}|}$$

$$= \frac{2 + 2 + 6}{\sqrt{4+4+9} \sqrt{1+1+4}}$$

$$= \frac{10}{\sqrt{17} \sqrt{6}}$$

$$\cos B = \frac{10}{\sqrt{102}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle B = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{10}{\sqrt{102}}\right) \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

Qn. 8 \* Given  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  ;  $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$   
and  $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j}$

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

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

Given  $(\vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b}) \perp \vec{c}$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 3\lambda + 2 + 2\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = 8} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}} \quad (\underline{\text{Note.}} \text{ Mistake in worksheet Answer})$$



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Q. No. 9 → Given  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are unit vectors

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 1 + 1 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = -\frac{3}{2}} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

Q. No. 10 →

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

$$\theta = 60^\circ \quad \& \quad \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos(60^\circ) = \frac{1/2}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{a}|} \quad \dots \left\{ \text{since } |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1/2}{|\vec{a}|^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 = 1$$

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

$$\therefore |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1 \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$



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Qn. 11 → given  $|\vec{a}|=3$ ,  $|\vec{b}|=4$ ,  $|\vec{c}|=5$

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$= 9 + 16 + 25$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 = 50$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = 5\sqrt{2}} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

Qn. 12 → given  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  ;  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$

and  $\vec{c} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

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

given  $\vec{d}$  is  $\perp$  to both  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  &  $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{d} = 15$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{d} \cdot \vec{a} = 0 \quad \& \quad \vec{d} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \quad \& \quad \vec{c} \cdot \vec{d} = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 4y + 2z = 0$$

$$3x - 2y + 7z = 0$$

$$2x - y + 4z = 15$$

Solving these equations, we get



$$x = \frac{160}{3} ; y = -\frac{5}{3} , z = -\frac{70}{3}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} = \frac{1}{3} (160\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 70\hat{k}) \quad \underline{\text{Ans}} \quad \text{(Note: Misprint in worksheet Ans)}$$

Q. 13

$$\text{Let } \vec{\beta} = 6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{\alpha} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_1 + \vec{\beta}_2$$

$$\text{Given } \vec{\beta}_1 \text{ parallel to } \vec{\alpha} \text{ \& } \vec{\beta}_2 \perp \text{ to } \vec{\alpha}$$

$$\text{We have } \vec{\beta}_1 = \lambda \vec{\alpha} \quad \dots \quad \left\{ \text{since parallel} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_1 = \lambda \hat{i} + \lambda \hat{j} + \lambda \hat{k}$$

$$\text{we have } \vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_1 + \vec{\beta}_2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_2 = (6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}) - (\lambda \hat{i} + \lambda \hat{j} + \lambda \hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_2 = \hat{i}(6-\lambda) + \hat{j}(-3-\lambda) + \hat{k}(-6-\lambda)$$

$$\text{we have } \vec{\beta}_2 \perp \vec{\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_2 \cdot \vec{\alpha} = 0$$

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

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



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$$\Rightarrow -3 - 3\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = -1}$$

$$\therefore \vec{\beta}_1 = -\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{\beta}_2 = 7\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now } \vec{\beta}_1 + \vec{\beta}_2 = (-\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}) + (7\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

$$= 6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$= \vec{\beta} \quad \text{verified}$$

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