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CHAPTER: VECTORS

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Ques 1 If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are mutually perpendicular vectors of equal magnitudes, show that the vector  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}$  is equally inclined to  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  &  $\vec{c}$ . Also find the angle.

Soln Given  $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b} \perp \vec{c}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0; \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 0, \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

$$\text{Given } |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = |\vec{c}| = \lambda \quad (\text{let})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have } |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 &= (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \\ &= |\vec{a}|^2 + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} + |\vec{b}|^2 + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \\ &\quad + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} + |\vec{c}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lambda^2 + \lambda^2 + \lambda^2$$

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 = 3\lambda^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = \sqrt{3}\lambda$$

Let  $\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3$  are the angles made by the  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}$  with  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  &  $\vec{c}$  respectively

$$\cos \phi_1 = \frac{(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \cdot \vec{a}}{|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| |\vec{a}|} = \frac{|\vec{a}|^2 + 0 + 0}{(\sqrt{3}\lambda)(\lambda)} = \frac{\lambda^2}{(\sqrt{3}\lambda)(\lambda)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$



$$\Rightarrow \phi_1 = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\cos \phi_2 = \frac{(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| |\vec{b}|} = \frac{|\vec{b}|^2 + 0 + 0}{|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| |\vec{b}|} = \frac{\lambda^2}{(\sqrt{3}\lambda)(\lambda)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_2 = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\text{Similarly } \phi_3 = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\text{Clearly } \phi_1 = \phi_2 = \phi_3 = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

Ques 2 → If the sum of two unit vectors is also a unit vector. Find the magnitude of their difference.

Soln let  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  are two unit vectors

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

Given  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  is also a unit vector

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

we have Quary

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 2 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\text{To find } |\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = ?$$

we have

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

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

$$= 1 + 1 - 2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = 3$$

$$\boxed{|\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = \sqrt{3}} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$



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Ques 3 → Find the values of 'a' for which the vector  
 $\vec{r} = (a^2 - 4)\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - (a^2 - 9)\hat{k}$  makes acute angles  
 with the coordinate axes

Soln  $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$  are the unit vectors along x, y, z-axes  
 resp.

for acute angle

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} > 0$$

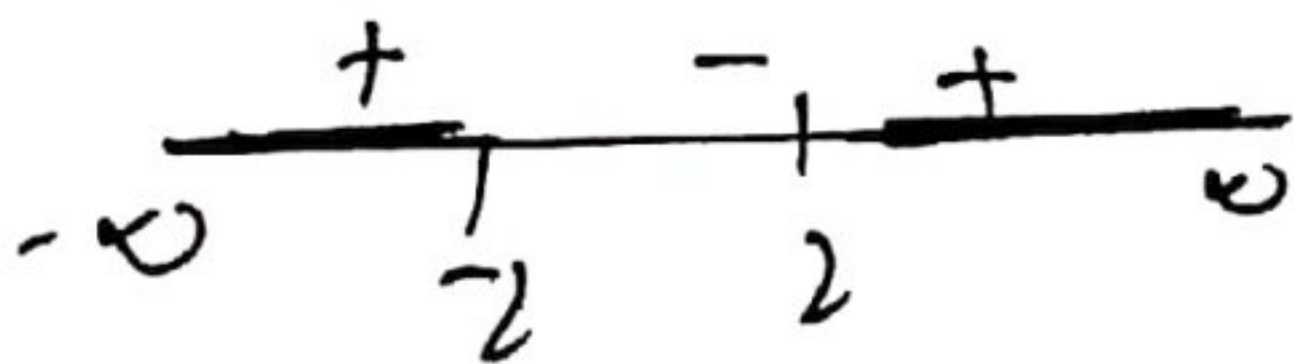
for obtuse angle

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} < 0$$

Given  $\vec{r} \cdot \hat{i} > 0$

$$a^2 - 4 > 0$$

$$(a+2)(a-2) > 0$$



$$a \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{j} > 0$$

$$2 > 0$$

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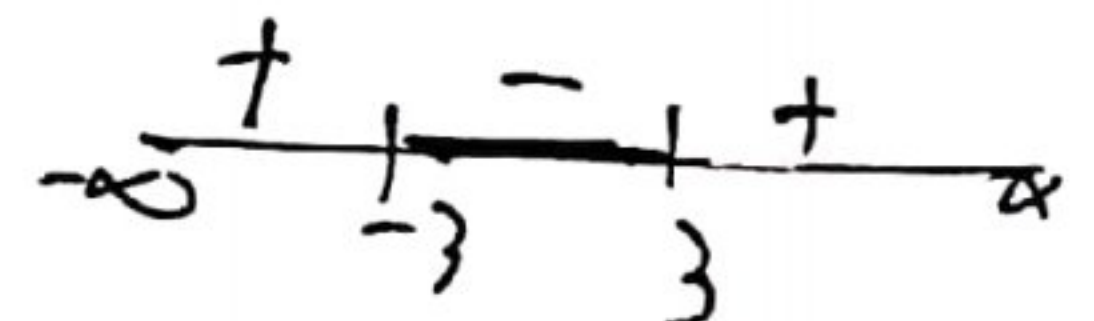
$$a \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \hat{k} > 0$$

$$-(a^2 - 9) > 0$$

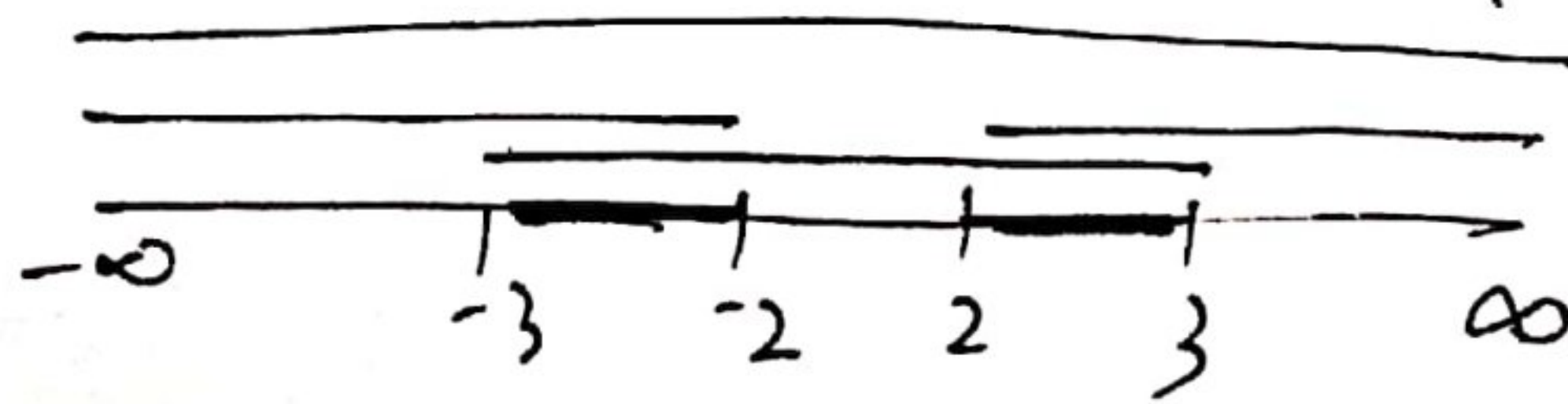
$$a^2 - 9 < 0$$

$$(a+3)(a-3) < 0$$



$$a \in (-3, 3)$$

Common



$$\therefore a \in (-3, -2) \cup (2, 3) \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$

Ques 4 → If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are three vectors such that  
 $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$ , then show that  $\vec{a} = \vec{0}$  or  $\vec{b} = \vec{c}$   
 or  $\vec{a} \perp (\vec{b} - \vec{c})$

Soln Given  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{either } \vec{a} = \vec{0} \text{ or } \vec{b} - \vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

(or)  $\vec{a} \perp (\vec{b} - \vec{c})$  Ans



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Q. No. 5 → For any two vectors  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  show that

(i)  $|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|$  (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality)

(2)  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|$  (Triangle Inequality)

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

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

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but we always have  $|\cos \theta| \leq 1$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \quad \underline{\text{Proved}}$$

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

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

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

where  $\cos \theta \leq 1$

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

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 \leq (|\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}| \quad \underline{\text{Proved}}$$



Q. 6  $\rightarrow$  If  $\vec{a}$  is a non-zero vector of magnitude 'a' and  $\lambda$  a non-zero scalar then  $\lambda\vec{a}$  is a unit vector if

- (A)  $\lambda = 1$  (B)  $\lambda = -1$  (C)  $a = |\lambda|$  (D)  $a = \frac{1}{|\lambda|}$

Soln

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

Given  $\lambda\vec{a}$  is a unit vector

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

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

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda| a = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{a = \frac{1}{|\lambda|}} \text{ (D) Ans}$$

Q. 7  $\rightarrow$  If  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  are unit vectors, find the range of greatest and least values of  $\sqrt{|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| + |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|}$

Sol Given  $|\vec{a}| = 1$  &  $|\vec{b}| = 1$

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

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

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

$$= 2 + 2\cos\theta$$

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

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = 2 \times 2(\cos^2\theta/2) \Rightarrow \boxed{|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = 2\cos\theta/2}$$



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

we have  $\sqrt{3}|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| + |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$   
 $= \sqrt{3}(2\cos\frac{\theta}{2}) + 2\sin\frac{\theta}{2}$   
 $= 2\sqrt{3}\cos\frac{\theta}{2} + 2\sin\frac{\theta}{2}$

Max value =  $\sqrt{(2\sqrt{3})^2 + (2)^2}$   
 $= \sqrt{12 + 4} = 4$

Min value =  $-\sqrt{12 + 4} = -4$  } Ans

Concept

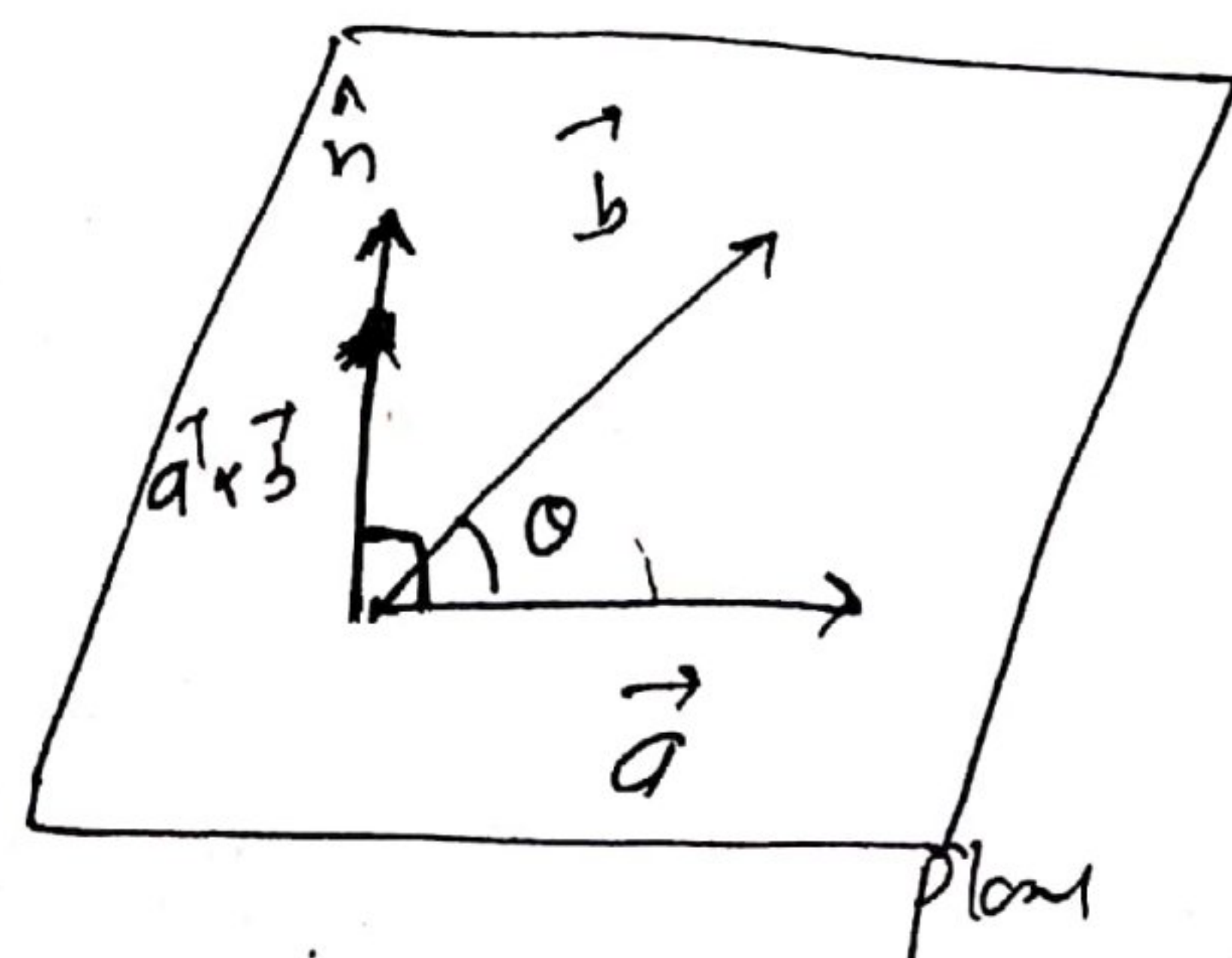
$$a\cos\theta + b\sin\theta$$

Max value =  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$   
 Min value =  $-\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

$\therefore$  ~~Ans~~

Topic Vector Product / Cross Product of Two vectors.

(i)  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  is a vector of magnitude  $|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta$  and direction  $\hat{n}$  (unit vector perpendicular to the plane containing  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$ )



(ii)  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta)\hat{n}$

(iii)  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta$  ... ( $|\hat{n}| = 1$ )



(i)  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  is a vector which is  $\perp$  to both  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$

(ii) If  $\vec{a} = \vec{0}$  or  $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$   
then  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{0}$

(iii) If  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  are parallel or collinear  
i.e.  $\theta = 0$  or  $\theta = \pi$

$$\boxed{\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{0}}$$

(iv) If  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{0}$  then either  $\vec{a} = \vec{0}$  or  $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$   
or  $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$

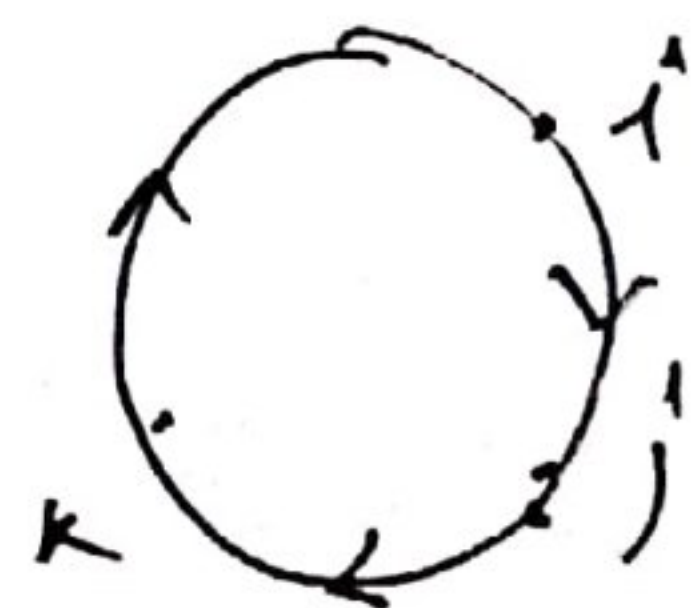
(v)  ~~$\vec{a} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0}$~~

$$(i) \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -(\vec{b} \times \vec{a})$$

$$(ii) \vec{a} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0} \text{ (angle } \theta = 0)$$

$$(iii) \hat{i} \times \hat{i} = \vec{0} = \hat{j} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k} \times \hat{k}$$

$$(iv) \begin{aligned} \hat{i} \times \hat{j} &= \hat{k} & \hat{j} \times \hat{k} &= \hat{i} & \hat{k} \times \hat{i} &= \hat{j} \\ \hat{j} \times \hat{i} &= -\hat{k} & \hat{i} \times \hat{k} &= -\hat{j} \end{aligned}$$



$$(v) \text{ Let } \vec{a} = a_1 \hat{i} + b_1 \hat{j} + c_1 \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = a_2 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + c_2 \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow \text{expand vector using}$$



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

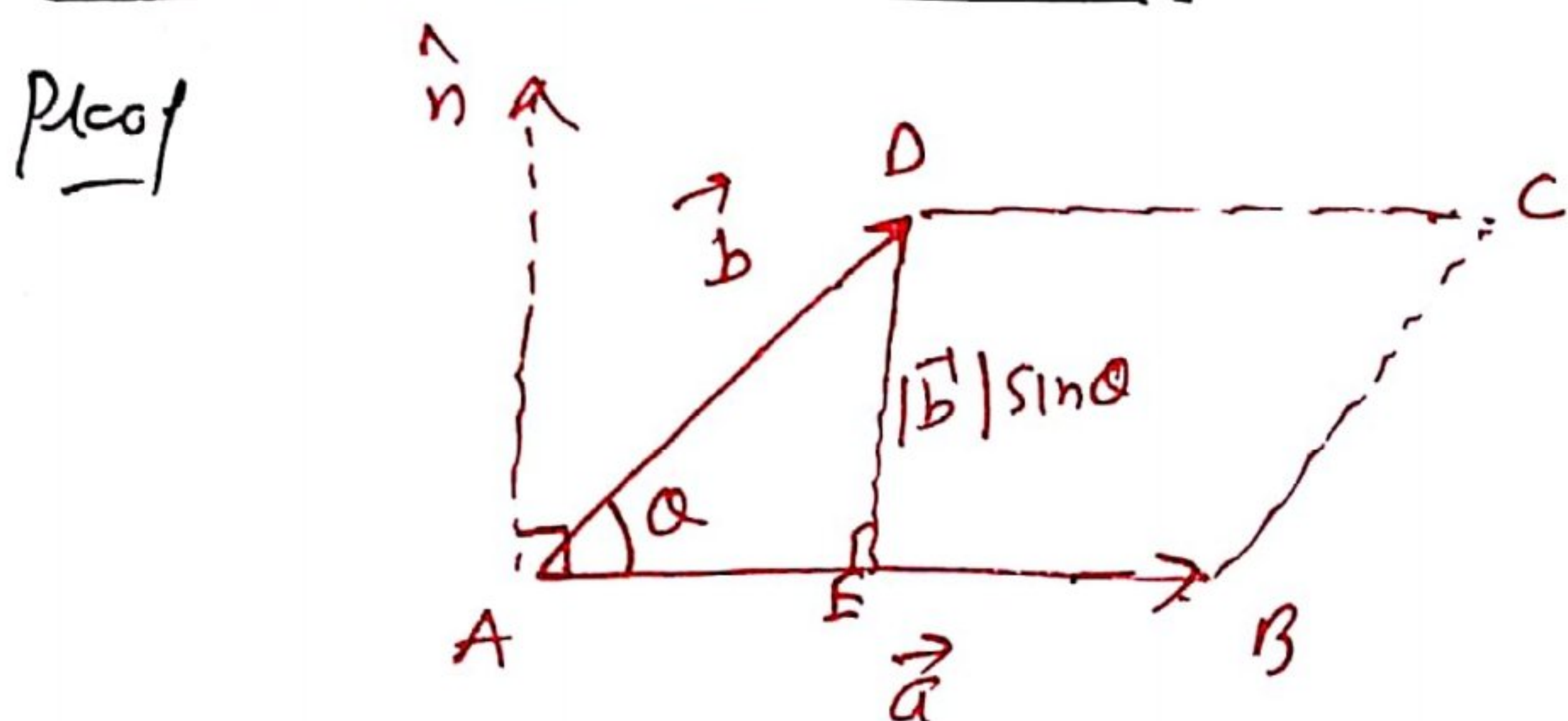
$$(ii) m \vec{a} \times n \vec{b} = mn (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$$

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

(iv) Applications of vector product

(i) Area of parallelogram with  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  as its adjacent sides

$$\boxed{\text{Area} \parallel\text{gm} = |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|}$$



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

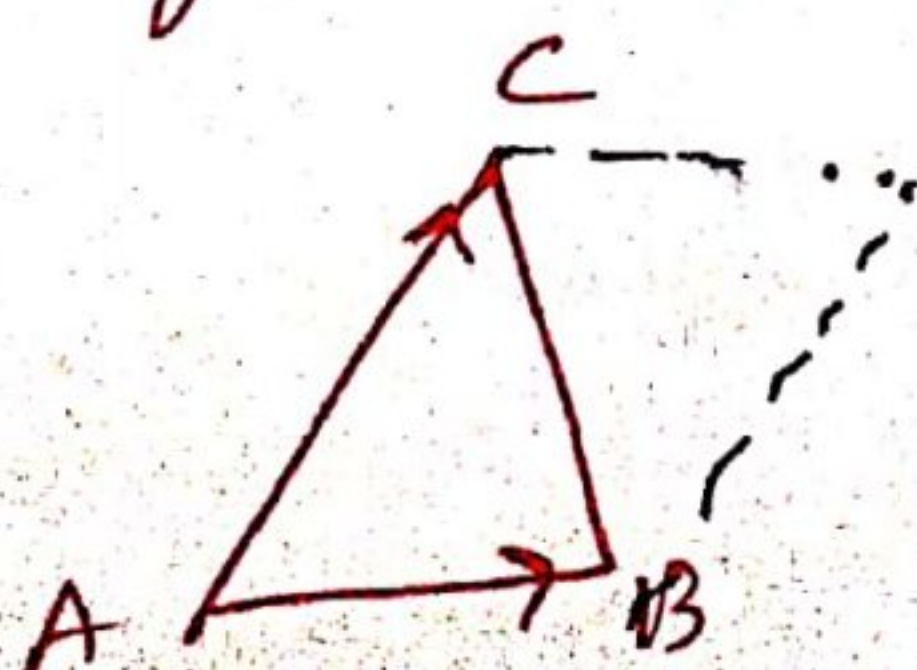
$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| (DE) \hat{n} \quad (\because \Delta ADE, \sin \theta = \frac{DE}{AD} = \frac{DE}{|\vec{b}|})$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (AB)(DE) \hat{n} \quad |\vec{b}| \sin \theta = DE$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (\text{Base})(\text{height}) \hat{n}$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = (\text{Base})(\text{height}) = \text{Area of parallelogram}$$

(ii) Area of Triangle ABC



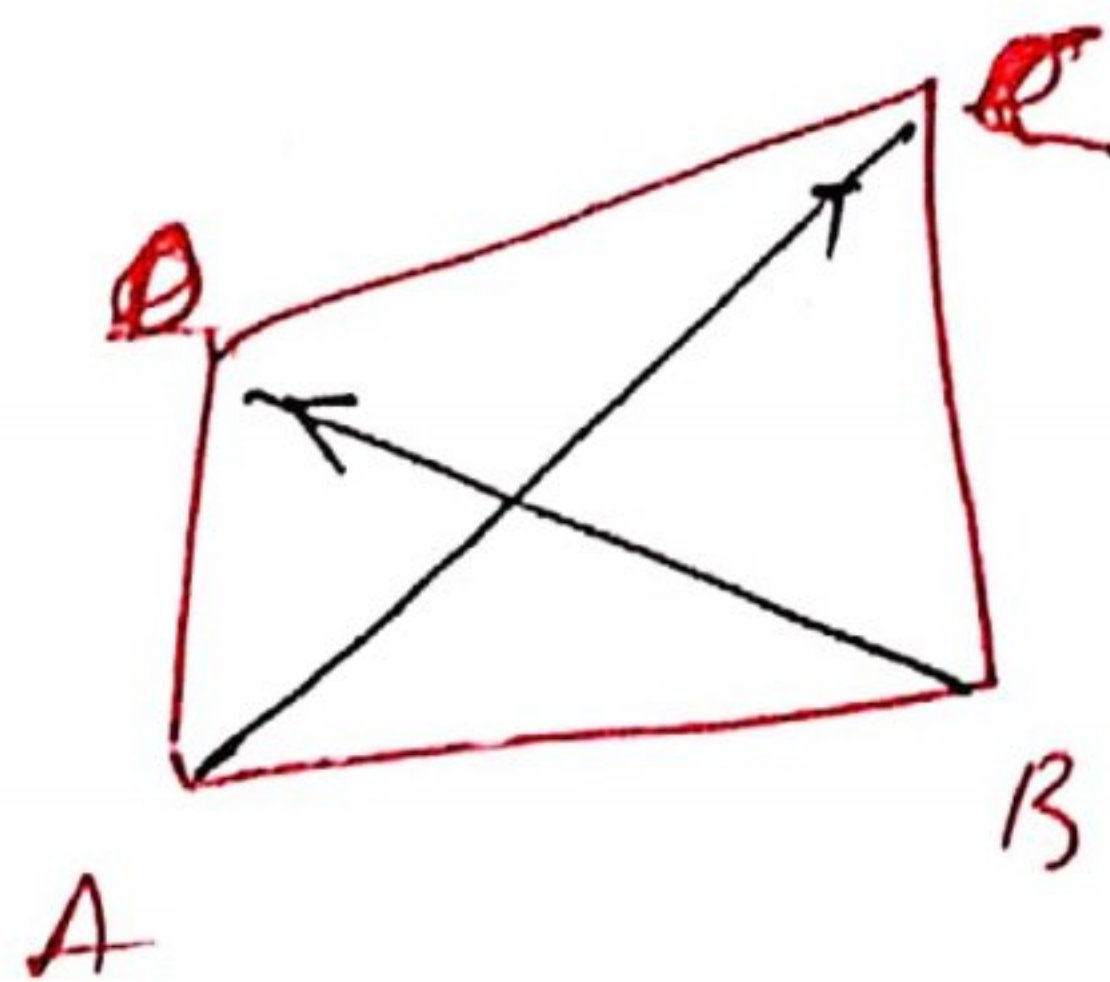
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}\| = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{AB} \times \vec{AC}| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{BA} \times \vec{BC}| \end{aligned}$$



## Area of Quadrilateral

$$Area = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{AC} \times \vec{BD}|$$

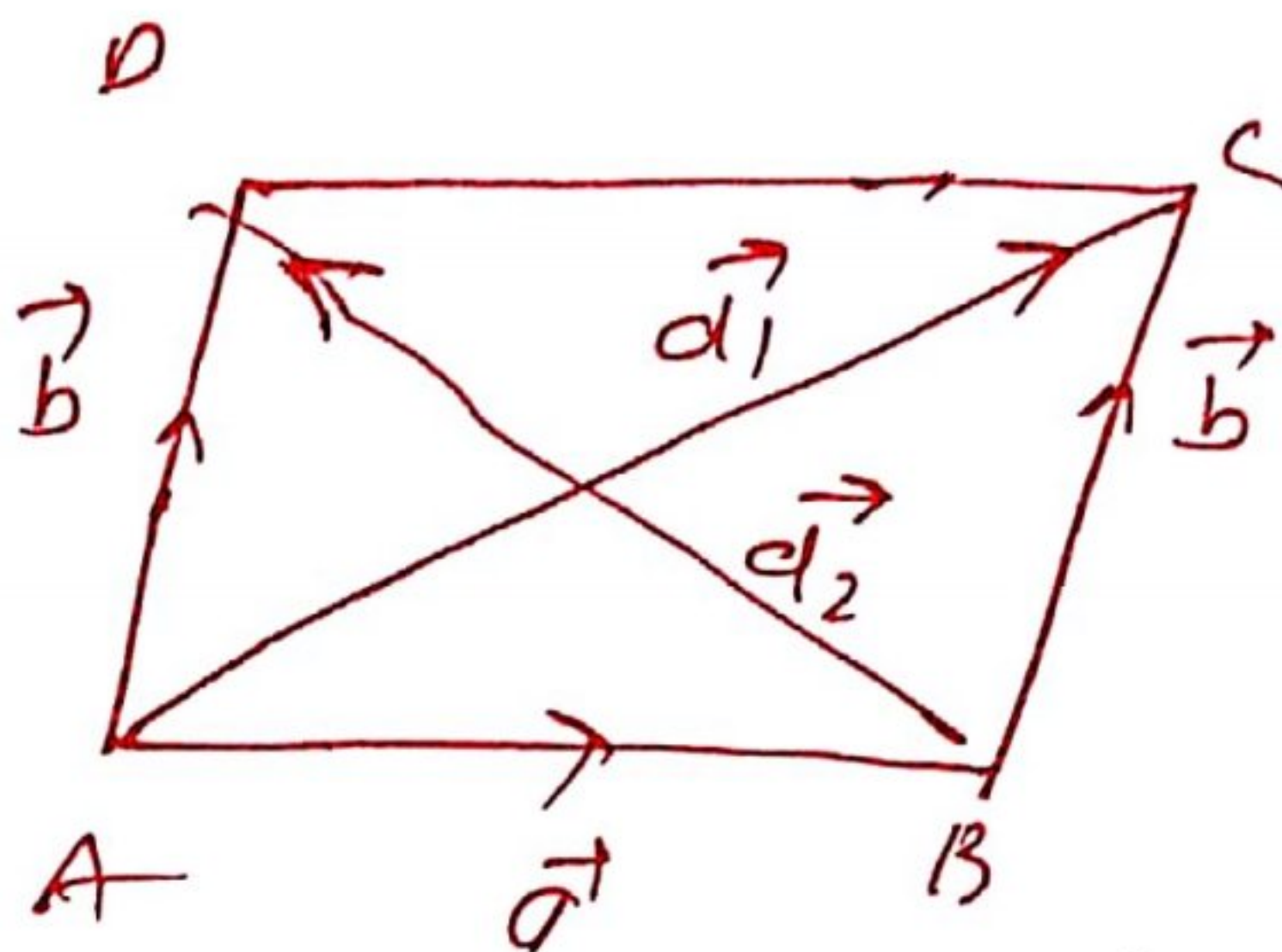
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diagonals.



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## Area of parallelogram

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{d}_1$$



$$\vec{a} + \vec{d}_2 = \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{d}_2 = \vec{b} - \vec{a}$$

$$Area \text{ of } \text{parallelogram} = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2|$$

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WORKSHEET No: 3 (VECTORS)

Qns 1 If  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  be two unit vectors and  $\theta$  is the angle between them &  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  is a unit vector.

Find  $\theta$

Ans  $\theta = 2\pi/3$

Qns 2 Let  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  be three unit vectors such that  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = 1$  and  $\vec{a}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$ .

If  $\vec{c}$  makes angle  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  with  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  respectively, then what is the value of  $\cos \alpha + \cos \beta$  Ans = -1

Qns 3 If the angle b/w the vectors  $x\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$  and  $x\hat{i} - x\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  is acute, then find the interval in which  $x$  lies. Ans  $(-\infty, 4) \cup (7, \infty)$

Qns 4 The vector  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  satisfy the equations  $2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{p}$  and  $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = \vec{q}$  where  $\vec{p} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$  and  $\vec{q} = \hat{i} - \hat{j}$ . If  $\theta$  is the angle b/w  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$ , then

(A)  $\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$  (B)  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  (C)  $\cos \theta = -\frac{4}{5}$  (D)  $\cos \theta = -\frac{3}{5}$   
(Ans: C)

Qns 5 If  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors such that  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{b}|$ , then prove that  $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$  is  $\perp$  to  $\vec{a}$



Qn 6 → Express the vector  $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  as the sum of a vector parallel and a vector perpendicular to  $2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$   
Ans  $-\frac{1}{2}\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{k}$  ;  $\frac{5}{2}(\hat{i} + \hat{k})$

Qn 7 → If  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  are non-collinear unit vectors such that  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{3}$  find  $(2\vec{a} - 5\vec{b}) \cdot (3\vec{a} + \vec{b})$   
Ans  $-11/2$

Qn 8 → If  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = 60$  &  $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = 40$  and  $|\vec{b}| = 46$   
 Find  $|\vec{a}|$  Ans 22

Qn 9 → Dot product of a vector with  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ ,  $\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  are 0, 5 & 8 respectively  
 Find the vector Ans  $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

Qn 10 → Find the values of  $x$  for which the angle b/w the vectors  $2x^2\hat{i} + 4x\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $7\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + x\hat{k}$  is obtuse  
Ans  $x \in (0, 1/2)$

Qn 11 → Show that the vectors  $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$  and  $3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  form the sides of a right angled triangle

Qn 12 → Prove that  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2$ , if and only if  $\vec{a}$  &  $\vec{b}$  are ~~per~~ perpendicular

Qn 13 → Find the value of  $\hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{j} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{k} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{j})$   
Ans 1

Qn 14 → Using vectors, find the area of the Triangle with vertices  $A(1, 1, 2)$ ,  $B(2, 3, 5)$ ,  $C(1, 5, 5)$   
Ans  $\frac{\sqrt{61}}{2}$  sq. units