

CHAPTER - 17

VECTORS

JEE MAIN - SECTION I

1. 2

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

$$\text{length of} = \sqrt{1+1+4^2}$$

$$\text{Median} = \sqrt{18}$$

2. 4

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & \alpha & \beta \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow 1 + \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 3 \Rightarrow \alpha = \pm 1, \beta = 1$$

3. 4

$$\text{We must have } \lambda(\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = \vec{a} + \frac{2\hat{k} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{i}}{3}$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = \frac{22}{35}, \vec{a} = \frac{41}{105}\hat{i} - \frac{88}{105}\hat{j} - \frac{40}{105}\hat{k}$$

4. 1

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow 2|\vec{b}||\vec{c}|\cos\theta = 49 - 34 = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times 5 \times 3 \cos\theta = 15 \Rightarrow \cos\theta = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{3} = 60^\circ$$

5. 3

$$|a + b + c|^2 \geq 0$$

$$|a|^2 + |b|^2 + |c|^2 + 2(a \cdot b + b \cdot c + c \cdot a) \geq 0$$

$$3 + 6\cos\theta \geq 0$$

$$\cos\theta \geq -\frac{1}{2}$$

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

6. 4

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r} &= x_1(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) + x_2(\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) + x_3(\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) \\ \Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot \vec{a} &= x_2[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c}], \vec{r} \cdot \vec{b} = x_3[\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \times \vec{a}] \text{ and } \vec{r} \cdot \vec{c} = x_1[\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} \times \vec{b}] = x_1[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c}] \\ \Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 4\vec{r} \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})\end{aligned}$$

7. 4

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{OP} &= \left(3 \cos \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \hat{i} + \left(3 \sin \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \hat{j} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \\ \overline{OR} &= \left(4 \cos \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) \hat{i} + \left(4 \sin \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) \hat{j} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{j}) = 2\sqrt{2}(-\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \\ \text{Now, } \overline{OP} + \overline{OR} &= \overline{OP} + \overline{OR} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + 7\hat{j})\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \overline{OM} = \frac{\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + 7\hat{j})}{2} = \frac{2\hat{i} + 10\hat{j}}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\hat{i} + 5\hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{Now, PT : TR} = 1 : 2 \Rightarrow \overline{OT} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}(\hat{i} + 5\hat{j})$$

8. 4

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Let } |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = |\vec{c}| &= \lambda \\ \text{We have } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} &= |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \alpha = \lambda^2 \cos \alpha \\ \Rightarrow \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} &= |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \cos \beta = \lambda^2 \cos \beta \\ \Rightarrow \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} &= |\vec{c}| |\vec{a}| \cos \gamma = \lambda^2 \cos \gamma \\ \text{Now, } |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 &\geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) &\geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow 3\lambda^2 + 2\lambda^2(\cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma) &\geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma &\geq -\frac{3}{2}\end{aligned}$$

9. 2

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Given, } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} &= 0 \Rightarrow \vec{a} \text{ is perpendicular to } \vec{b}. \\ \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} &= 0 \Rightarrow \vec{a} \text{ is perpendicular to } \vec{c}. \\ \therefore \vec{a} &\text{ is perpendicular to the plane of } \vec{b} \text{ and } \vec{c}. \\ \text{Also } \vec{a} &\text{ is a unit vector.}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} = \pm \frac{\vec{b} \times \vec{c}}{|\vec{b} \times \vec{c}|} \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\text{But } |\vec{b} \times \vec{c}| = |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{ From (1) we have } \vec{a} = \pm 2(\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \therefore n = \pm 2$$

10. 2

$$|\vec{a}| = 3, |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}| = 3 \Rightarrow |\vec{c} - \vec{a}| = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{c} - \vec{a}|^2 = 8 \Rightarrow |\vec{c}|^2 + |\vec{a}|^2 - 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 + 9 - 2c = 8 \quad [\because \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = |\vec{c}|]$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 - 2c + 1 = 0 \quad [\because |\vec{c}| = 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow |(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c}| = |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \sin(30) = 3 \times 1 \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

11. C

$$\overline{AD} = \frac{\overline{AB} + \overline{AC}}{2}, \overline{BE} = \frac{\overline{BA} + \overline{BC}}{2}, \overline{CF} = \frac{\overline{CA} + \overline{CB}}{2}$$

12. 3

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \times (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 2(\vec{b} \times \vec{a})$$

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

$$= 2(8\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$$

$$\text{Required vector} = \pm 12 \frac{(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})}{3} = \pm 4(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

13. 2

$$4\hat{i} + (3 - \lambda_2)\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} = 4\hat{i} + 2\lambda_1\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 - \lambda_2 = 2\lambda_1 \Rightarrow 2\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 3 \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\text{Given } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 + 6\lambda_1 + 3(\lambda_3 - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow 2\lambda_1 + \lambda_3 = -1 \quad \dots (2)$$

$$\text{Now, } (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) = (\lambda_1, 3 - 2\lambda_1, -1 - 2\lambda_1)$$

Now check the options, option (2) is correct

14. 4

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

$$\Rightarrow b_1 + b_2 = 2 \dots\dots (1)$$

$$\text{and } (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \perp \vec{c} \Rightarrow (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5b_1 + b_2 = -10 \dots\dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2) $\Rightarrow b_1 = -3$ and $b_2 = 5$ then

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{b_1^2 + b_2^2 + 2} = 6$$

15. 3

$$\vec{b} \times \vec{c} - \vec{b} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0}$$

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

$$\vec{b} = \lambda(\vec{c} - \vec{a}) \dots\dots (1)$$

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

$$4 = \lambda(0 - 6) \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-4}{6} = \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$\text{From (1) } \vec{b} = \frac{-2}{3}(\vec{c} - \vec{a})$$

$$\vec{c} = \frac{-3}{2}\vec{b} + \vec{a} = \frac{-1}{2}(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

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

16. 2

Vector perpendicular to plane containing the vectors $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ is parallel to vector

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

\therefore Required magnitude of projection

$$= \frac{|(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})|}{|\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}|}$$

$$= \frac{|2 - 6 + 1|}{|\sqrt{6}|} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$$

17. 4

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 2 & x \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (2+x)\hat{i} + (x-3)\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{4+x^2+4x+x^2+9-6x+25} = \sqrt{2x^2-2x+38}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| \geq \sqrt{\frac{75}{2}} \Rightarrow |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| \geq 5\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$$

18. 1

Angle bisector is $x - y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|\beta - (1 - \beta)|}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |2\beta - 1| = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 2 \text{ or } -1$$

19. 4

We know that the unit vector along bisector of unit vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v} is $\frac{\vec{u} + \vec{v}}{2 \cos \frac{\theta}{2}}$, where θ is

the angle between vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v} .

Also, in an isosceles $\triangle ABC$ in which $AB = AC$, the median and bisector from A must be same line.

$$\begin{aligned} 20. \quad \vec{b} - 2\vec{c} = \lambda \vec{a} &\Rightarrow \vec{b} = 2\vec{c} + \lambda \vec{a} \Rightarrow |\vec{b}|^2 = |2\vec{c} + \lambda \vec{a}|^2 \Rightarrow 16 = 4|\vec{c}|^2 + \lambda^2 |\vec{a}|^2 + 4\lambda \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \\ &\Rightarrow 16 = 4 + \lambda^2 + 4\lambda \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + \lambda - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 3, -4 \end{aligned}$$

SECTION II (NUMERICAL)

$$\begin{aligned} 21. \quad 6 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 2\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} - 2\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} &= 9 \\ \Rightarrow (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) &= \frac{-3}{2} \Rightarrow |\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 \geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow 3 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) &\geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} &\geq \frac{-3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since, } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = \frac{-3}{2}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow |2\vec{a} + 5(-\vec{a})| = |3\vec{a}| = 3$$

22. 1

If $\vec{d} = \alpha\vec{a} + \beta\vec{b} + \gamma\vec{c}$ by symmetry $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = k$

$$\therefore \vec{d} = k(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \Rightarrow \vec{d} \cdot \vec{a} = k(1 + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a})$$

$$\cos \alpha = k(1 + 2 \cos \theta) \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\vec{d} \cdot \vec{d} = 3K \cos \alpha \Rightarrow 3K \cos \alpha = 1 \quad \dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2), $3 \cos^2 \alpha = 1 + 2 \cos \theta$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \left(\frac{1 + \cos 2\alpha}{2} \right) = 1 + 2 \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 + 3 \cos 2\alpha = 2 + 4 \cos \theta \Rightarrow 4 \cos \theta - 3 \cos 2\alpha = 1.$$

23. 3

\vec{V} is coplanar with \vec{V}_1 and \vec{V}_2 and perpendicular to \vec{V}_3 .

$$\text{Let } \vec{V} = \lambda(\vec{V}_1 \times \vec{V}_2) \times \vec{V}_3 = -\lambda[\vec{V}_3 \times (\vec{V}_1 \times \vec{V}_2)]$$

$$= -\lambda[(\vec{V}_3 \cdot \vec{V}_2)\vec{V}_1 - (\vec{V}_3 \cdot \vec{V}_1)\vec{V}_2] = -\lambda[-5(\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) - (-2)(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})]$$

24. 5

$$|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1, \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{\ell} = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times (\vec{a} - 2\vec{b}) = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{a} - 2(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{b}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (2\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{\ell} = |2\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = 5.$$

25. 1

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = 0 \Rightarrow [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \\ \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} & \vec{c} \cdot \vec{c} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos \gamma & \cos \beta \\ \cos \gamma & 1 & \cos \alpha \\ \cos \beta & \cos \alpha & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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

SECTION - II

JEE ADVANCED LEVEL

26. A

$$\text{Let } \vec{r} = x_1 \hat{a} + x_2 \hat{b} + x_3 (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) \Rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot \hat{a} = x_1 + x_2 \hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} + x_3 (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) \cdot \hat{a} = x_1$$

$$\text{Also, } \vec{r} \cdot \hat{b} = x_1 \hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} + x_2 + x_3 (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) \cdot \hat{b} = x_2 \quad \text{and } \vec{r} \cdot (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) = x_1 \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) + x_2 \hat{b} \cdot (\hat{a} \times \hat{b})$$

- $+x_3(\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) \cdot (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}) = x_3 \Rightarrow \vec{r} = (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{a})\hat{a} + (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{b})\hat{b} + (\vec{r} \cdot (\hat{a} \times \hat{b}))(\hat{a} \times \hat{b})$
27. C $\vec{a} \times (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = \hat{i} - \hat{k} = [\hat{j} \times (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})] \Rightarrow (\vec{a} - \hat{j}) \times (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = \vec{0}$
 $\Rightarrow \vec{a} - \hat{j} = \lambda(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \Rightarrow \vec{a} = \lambda\hat{i} + (2\lambda + 1)\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}, \lambda \in R$
28. B $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b} - \vec{a} \times \vec{c}| = |\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} - \vec{c})| = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b} - \vec{c}|^2 - (\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} - \vec{c}))^2 = |\vec{b} - \vec{c}|^2 = |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 - 2|\vec{b}||\vec{c}|\cos\frac{\pi}{3} = 1$
29. C $1 + 9(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 - 6(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) + 4|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 9|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 + 4\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 47$
 $\Rightarrow 1 + 4 + 4 + 36 - 4\cos\theta = 47 \Rightarrow \cos\theta = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \text{Angle between } \vec{a} \text{ and } \vec{b} \text{ is } \frac{2\pi}{3}$
30. C Let $\vec{c} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$
 $\vec{a} \times \vec{c} = \vec{c} \times \vec{b}$
31. B $\vec{c} = x\vec{a} + y\vec{b} + z(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}); \quad \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \cos\theta$ [as \vec{a}, \vec{b} and \vec{c} are unit vectors]
 $\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = x|\vec{a}|^2 \Rightarrow x = \cos\theta$
 Also, $\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = y|\vec{b}|^2 = \cos\theta$
 $\Rightarrow \vec{c} = \cos\theta(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) + y(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$
 Now, $|\vec{c}|^2 = 1 = (\cos\theta(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) + y(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})) \cdot (\cos\theta(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) + y(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}))$
 $\Rightarrow 1 = \cos^2\theta(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) + y^2(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \Rightarrow 1 = \cos^2\theta(|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2) + y^2|\vec{a}|^2|\vec{b}|^2$
 $\Rightarrow 1 = 2\cos^2\theta + y^2 \Rightarrow \cos^2\theta = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{y^2}{2} \Rightarrow 0 \leq \cos^2\theta \leq \frac{1}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \leq \cos\theta \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \theta \in \left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}\right]$
32. D $((\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) + (\vec{a} \times \vec{c})) \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) + (\vec{a} \times \vec{c}) \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$
 $= ((\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b} - ((\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{b})\vec{c} + ((\vec{a} \times \vec{c}) \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b} - ((\vec{a} \times \vec{c}) \cdot \vec{b})\vec{c} = [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}](\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = 0$
33. A $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{c} = 5(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) - 6(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$
 $\Rightarrow (1 + \alpha)\hat{i} + \beta(1 + \alpha)\hat{j} + \gamma(1 + \alpha)(1 + \beta)\hat{k} = -\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$
 $\Rightarrow 1 + \alpha = -1, \beta = -4 \text{ and } \gamma(-1)(-3) = -2 \Rightarrow \gamma = -\frac{2}{3}$

SECTION IV (More than one correct)

34. A, B, C For coplanar vectors, $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 0 & 2\lambda - 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (2\lambda - 1)\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 0, \frac{1}{2}$

35. B, C Let $\vec{\alpha} = \hat{i} + x\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}, \vec{\beta} = 4\hat{i} + (4x - 2)\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$
 Given, $2|\vec{\alpha}| = |\vec{\beta}| \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{10 + x^2} = \sqrt{20 + 4(2x - 1)^2}$
 $\Rightarrow 10 + x^2 = 5 + (4x^2 - 4x + 1) \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 4x - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2, -\frac{2}{3}$

36. A, B, C $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = \vec{y} \cdot \vec{z} = \vec{z} \cdot \vec{x} = \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$.
 Let $\vec{a} = \lambda(\vec{x} \times (\vec{y} \times \vec{z})) = \lambda((\vec{x} \cdot \vec{z})\vec{y} - (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y})\vec{z}) = \lambda(\vec{y} - \vec{z})$
 $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{y} = \lambda$
 $\therefore \vec{a} = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{y})(\vec{y} - \vec{z})$
 Similarly $\vec{b} = (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{z})(\vec{z} - \vec{x})$
 $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{y})(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{z})$

SECTION V - (Numerical type)

37. 5
 $|\vec{p}| = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}, |\vec{q}| = 1$
 $\vec{d}_1 = \vec{p} + \vec{b} = 6\vec{p} - \vec{q}$
 $\vec{d}_2 = \vec{a} - \vec{b} = -4\vec{p} - 5\vec{q}$
 $|\vec{d}_1|^2 = 36p^2 + q^2 - 12 \times \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \times 1 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
 $= 36 \times \frac{2}{9} + 1 - 12 \times \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
 $= 32 + 1 - 8 = 25$
 $|\vec{d}_1| = 5$

38. 3

$$\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + (x-1)\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = (x+1)\hat{i} + \hat{j} + x\hat{k}$$

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

$$x(x+1) + (x-1) + 1 > 0$$

$$x^2 + x + x - 1 + 1 > 0$$

$$1x^2 + 2x + 0 > 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac < 0$$

$$4 - 4(1) < 0$$

$$1 - 1 + 1 < 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{2 < 1}}$$

$$a > 2$$

$$\text{least value is } \underline{\underline{3}}$$

39. 2

$$|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1 \quad |\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{3}$$

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

$$(\vec{c} - \vec{a} - 2\vec{b}) \cdot \vec{b} = 3(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{b}$$

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

$$\vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} = \frac{1}{2} + 2|\vec{b}|^2 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$[\vec{c} \cdot \vec{b}] = \left[\frac{5}{2} \right] = 2 //$$

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

$$3 = 1 + 1 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \underline{\underline{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}}$$

SECTION V - (Numerical type)

40. A A-Q, B-S, C-P, D-R