

3. Linear Algebra

1. (a) Angle between \vec{u} & \vec{v} is 90° .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Hence, } \|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}\| &= |\vec{u}| \cdot |\vec{v}| \\ &= 3 \times 5 = \underline{\underline{15}}\end{aligned}$$

~~(b)~~ $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$ would lie in the second quadrant of the x-y plane as per the right ~~left~~ hand rule for cross products.
Hence,

(b) ~~cross product~~ \angle

(c) ~~cross product~~ $>$

(d) $=$

2. (a) Given $|\vec{u}| = |\vec{v}| = 2\sqrt{2} = |\vec{u} + \vec{v}|$

$$\begin{aligned}|\vec{u} - \vec{v}|^2 &= |\vec{u}|^2 + |\vec{v}|^2 - 2|\vec{u}||\vec{v}|\cos\theta \\ 8 &= 8 + 8 - 2 \times 8 \times \cos\theta\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow 16(1 - \cos\theta) = 8$$

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

$$\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \underline{\underline{\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}}}$$

$$|\vec{u} + \vec{v}| = \sqrt{8 + 8 + 16 \times \frac{1}{2}} = \underline{\underline{2\sqrt{6}}}$$

$$(b) \underline{\underline{0 = 17/3}}$$

$$3. \text{ Matrix } \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ a & 6 & 2 \\ 0 & 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(a) \text{ I do the operation : } R_2 - aR_1 = R_2$$

$$\text{This gives me, } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 6-3a & 2-2a \\ 0 & 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

I need $6-3a$ to be ~~non~~ non 0.

If $6-3a$ is 0, I cannot make it 1 by scaling and hence would require a row interchange.

$$\text{Hence, } 6-3a = 0 \\ \text{or, } \underline{\underline{a = 2}}$$

$$(b) \text{ Det (matrix) } = 0$$

$$\text{So, } 1(12) - 3(5a) + 2(9a) = 0$$

$$\text{or, } 12 + 3a = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{a = -4}}$$