

Chapter : 25. PRODUCT OF THREE VECTORS

Exercise : 25A

Question: 1

Solution:

$$1. [\hat{i} \ \hat{j} \ \hat{k}] = [\hat{j} \ \hat{k} \ \hat{i}] = [\hat{k} \ \hat{i} \ \hat{j}] = 1$$

Let, $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$ be unit vectors in the direction of positive X-axis, Y-axis, Z-axis respectively.

Hence,

$$\text{Magnitude of } \hat{i} \text{ is } 1 \Rightarrow |\hat{i}| = 1$$

$$\text{Magnitude of } \hat{j} \text{ is } 1 \Rightarrow |\hat{j}| = 1$$

$$\text{Magnitude of } \hat{k} \text{ is } 1 \Rightarrow |\hat{k}| = 1$$

To Prove :

$$[\hat{i} \ \hat{j} \ \hat{k}] = [\hat{j} \ \hat{k} \ \hat{i}] = [\hat{k} \ \hat{i} \ \hat{j}] = 1$$

Formulae :

a) Dot Products :

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

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

b) Cross Products :

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

$$ii) \hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}, \hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}, \hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j}$$

$$iii) \hat{j} \times \hat{i} = -\hat{k}, \hat{k} \times \hat{j} = -\hat{i}, \hat{i} \times \hat{k} = -\hat{j}$$

c) Scalar Triple Product :

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

Now,

$$(i) [\hat{i} \ \hat{j} \ \hat{k}] = \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k})$$

$$= \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i})$$

$$= 1 \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = 1)$$

$$\therefore [\hat{i} \ \hat{j} \ \hat{k}] = 1 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

$$(ii) [\hat{j} \ \hat{k} \ \hat{i}] = \hat{j} \cdot (\hat{k} \times \hat{i})$$

$$= \hat{j} \cdot \hat{j} \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j})$$

$$= 1 \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{j} \cdot \hat{j} = 1)$$

$$\therefore [\hat{j} \ \hat{k} \ \hat{i}] = 1 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

$$(iii) [\hat{k} \ \hat{i} \ \hat{j}] = \hat{k} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{j})$$

$$= \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k})$$

$$= 1 \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = 1)$$

$$\therefore [\hat{k} \hat{i} \hat{j}] = 1 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(3)}$$

From eq(1), eq(2) and eq(3),

$$[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}] = [\hat{j} \hat{k} \hat{i}] = [\hat{k} \hat{i} \hat{j}] = 1$$

Hence Proved.

Notes :

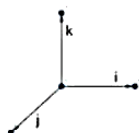
1. A cyclic change of vectors in a scalar triple product does not change its value i.e.

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = [\vec{b} \vec{c} \vec{a}] = [\vec{c} \vec{a} \vec{b}]$$

2. Scalar triple product of unit vectors taken in a clockwise direction is 1, and that of unit vectors taken in anticlockwise direction is -1

$$[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}] = 1$$

$$[\hat{k} \hat{j} \hat{i}] = -1$$



$$\text{ii. } [\hat{i} \hat{k} \hat{j}] = [\hat{k} \hat{j} \hat{i}] = [\hat{j} \hat{i} \hat{k}] = -1$$

Let, $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$ be unit vectors in the direction of positive X-axis, Y-axis, Z-axis respectively.

Hence,

$$\text{Magnitude of } \hat{i} \text{ is } 1 \Rightarrow |\hat{i}| = 1$$

$$\text{Magnitude of } \hat{j} \text{ is } 1 \Rightarrow |\hat{j}| = 1$$

$$\text{Magnitude of } \hat{k} \text{ is } 1 \Rightarrow |\hat{k}| = 1$$

To Prove :

$$[\hat{i} \hat{k} \hat{j}] = [\hat{k} \hat{j} \hat{i}] = [\hat{j} \hat{i} \hat{k}] = -1$$

Formulae :

a) Dot Products :

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

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b) Cross Products :

$$\text{i) } \hat{i} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k} \times \hat{k} = 0$$

$$\text{ii) } \hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}, \hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}, \hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j}$$

$$\text{iii) } \hat{j} \times \hat{i} = -\hat{k}, \hat{k} \times \hat{j} = -\hat{i}, \hat{i} \times \hat{k} = -\hat{j}$$

c) Scalar Triple Product :

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

Answer :

$$\text{(I) } [\hat{i} \hat{k} \hat{j}] = \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{k} \times \hat{j})$$

$$= \hat{i} \cdot (-\hat{i}) \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{k} \times \hat{j} = -\hat{i})$$

$$= -\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i}$$

$$= -1 \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = 1)$$

$$\therefore [\hat{i} \quad \hat{k} \quad \hat{j}] = -1 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

$$(ii) [\hat{k} \quad \hat{j} \quad \hat{i}] = \hat{k} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{i})$$

$$= \hat{k} \cdot (-\hat{k}) \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{j} \times \hat{i} = -\hat{k})$$

$$= -\hat{k} \cdot \hat{k}$$

$$= -1 \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = 1)$$

$$\therefore [\hat{k} \quad \hat{j} \quad \hat{i}] = -1 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

$$(iii) [\hat{j} \quad \hat{i} \quad \hat{k}] = \hat{j} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{k})$$

$$= \hat{j} \cdot (-\hat{j}) \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{i} \times \hat{k} = -\hat{j})$$

$$= -\hat{j} \cdot \hat{j}$$

$$= -1 \dots\dots\dots (\because \hat{j} \cdot \hat{j} = 1)$$

$$\therefore [\hat{j} \quad \hat{i} \quad \hat{k}] = -1 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(3)}$$

From eq(1), eq(2) and eq(3),

$$[\hat{i} \quad \hat{k} \quad \hat{j}] = [\hat{k} \quad \hat{j} \quad \hat{i}] = [\hat{j} \quad \hat{i} \quad \hat{k}] = -1$$

Hence Proved.

Notes :

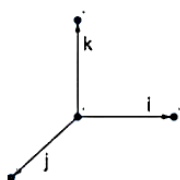
1. A cyclic change of vectors in a scalar triple product does not change its value i.e.

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = [\vec{b} \quad \vec{c} \quad \vec{a}] = [\vec{c} \quad \vec{a} \quad \vec{b}]$$

2. Scalar triple product of unit vectors taken in a clockwise direction is 1, and that of unit vectors taken in anticlockwise direction is -1

$$[\hat{i} \quad \hat{j} \quad \hat{k}] = 1$$

$$[\hat{k} \quad \hat{j} \quad \hat{i}] = -1$$



Question: 3

Find i. $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

Given Vectors :

$$1) \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

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

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

To Find : $[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}]$

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given vectors,

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2(2 \times 2 - 1 \times 1) - 1((-1) \times 2 - 3 \times 1) + 3((-1) \times 1 - 3 \times 2) \\ &= 2(3) - 1(-5) + 3(-7) \\ &= 6 + 5 - 21 \\ &= -10 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = -10$$

ii. $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

Given Vectors :

1) $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

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

3) $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

To Find : $[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}]$

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given vectors,

$$\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

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

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

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(2 \times 2 - (-1) \times (-1)) - (-3)(1 \times 2 - 3 \times (-1)) + 4(1 \times (-1) - 3 \times 2)$$

$$= 2(3) + 3(5) + 4(-7)$$

$$= 6 + 15 - 28$$

$$= -7$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = -7$$

$$\text{iii. } \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}, \vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{k}$$

Given Vectors :

$$1) \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}$$

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

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

To Find : $[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}]$

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given vectors,

$$\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

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

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(1 \times (-1) - (-1) \times 0) - (-3)(1 \times (-1) - 3 \times (-1)) + 0(1 \times 0 - 3 \times 1)$$

$$= 2(-1) + 3(2) + 0$$

$$= -2 + 6$$

$$= 4$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 4$$

Question: 3

Solution:

$$i. \vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{c} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

Given :

Coterminous edges of parallelepiped are $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ where,

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

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

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

To Find : Volume of parallelepiped

Formulae :

1) Volume of parallelepiped :

If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coterminous edges of parallelepiped,

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then, volume of parallelepiped V is given by,

$$V = [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

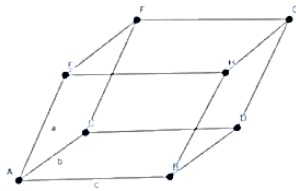
Answer :

Volume of parallelepiped with coterminous edges

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

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

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



$$V = [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1((-1) \times (-1) - 2 \times 1) - 1(1 \times (-1) - 1 \times 1) + 1(1 \times 2 - 1 \times (-1))$$

$$= 1(-1) - 1(-2) + 1(3)$$

$$= -1 + 2 + 3$$

$$= 4$$

Therefore,

Volume of parallelepiped = 4 cubic unit

$$\text{ii. } \vec{a} = -3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}, \vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}, \\ \vec{c} = 7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

Given :

Coterminous edges of parallelopiped are $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ where,

$$\vec{a} = -3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

To Find : Volume of parallelepiped

Formulae :

1) Volume of parallelepiped :

If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coterminous edges of parallelepiped,

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then, volume of parallelepiped V is given by,

$$V = [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

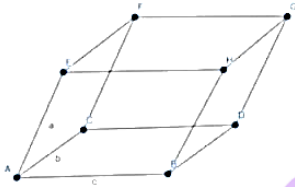
Answer :

Volume of parallelopiped with coterminous edges

$$\vec{a} = -3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$



$$V = [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 7 & 5 \\ -5 & 7 & -3 \\ 7 & -5 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -3(7 \times (-3) - (-5) \times (-3)) - 7((-5) \times (-3) - 7 \times (-3)) + 5((-5) \times (-5) - 7 \times 7)$$

$$= -3(-36) - 7(36) + 5(-24)$$

$$= 108 - 252 - 120$$

$$= -264$$

As volume is never negative

Therefore,

Volume of parallelepiped = 264 cubic unit

$$\text{iii. } \vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}, \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}, \vec{c} = \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

Given :

Coterminous edges of parallelopiped are $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ where,

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

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

$$\vec{c} = \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

To Find : Volume of parallelepiped

Formulae :

1) Volume of parallelepiped :

If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coterminous edges of parallelepiped,

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then, volume of parallelepiped V is given by,

$$V = [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

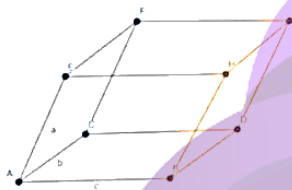
Answer :

Volume of parallelepiped with coterminous edges

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 0\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$



$$V = [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1(1 \times 1 - 1 \times (-1)) - (-2)(2 \times 1 - 0 \times (-1)) + 3(2 \times 1 - 0 \times 1)$$

$$= 1(2) + 2(2) + 3(2)$$

$$= 2 + 4 + 6$$

$$= 12$$

Therefore,

Volume of parallelepiped = 12 cubic unit

$$\text{iv. } \vec{a} = 6\hat{i}, \vec{b} = 2\hat{j}, \vec{c} = 5\hat{k}$$

Given :

Coterminous edges of parallelepiped are $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ where,

$$\vec{a} = 6\hat{i}$$

$$\vec{b} = 2\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{c} = 5\hat{k}$$

To Find : Volume of parallelepiped

Formulae :

1) Volume of parallelepiped :

If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coterminous edges of parallelepiped,

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then, volume of parallelepiped V is given by,

$$V = [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

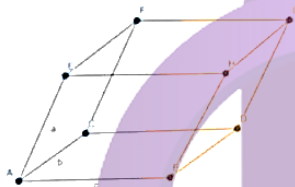
Answer :

Volume of parallelopiped with coterminous edges

$$\vec{a} = 6\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = 0\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$



$$V = [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 6(2 \times 5 - 0 \times 0) - 0(0 \times 5 - 0 \times 0) + 0(0 \times 0 - 0 \times 2)$$

$$= 6(10) + 0 + 0$$

$$= 60$$

Therefore,

Volume of parallelepiped = 60 cubic unit
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Question: 4

Solution:

$$\text{i. } \vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}, \vec{b} = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{c} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

Given Vectors :

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

$$\vec{b} = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

To Prove : Vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

i.e. $[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given vectors,

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

$$\vec{b} = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -3 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1(3 \times 5 - (-3) \times (-4)) - (-2)((-2) \times 5 - 1 \times (-4)) + 3((-2) \times (-3) - 3 \times 1)$$

$$= 1(3) + 2(-6) + 3(3)$$

$$= 3 - 12 + 9$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

Hence, the vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

Note : For coplanar vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

$$\text{ii. } \vec{a} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{c} = 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Given Vectors :

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

To Prove : Vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

$$\text{i.e. } [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given vectors,

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 7 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1((-1) \times 3 - 7 \times (-1)) - 3(2 \times 3 - 0 \times (-1)) + 1(2 \times 7 - 0 \times (-1))$$

$$= 1(4) - 3(6) + 1(14)$$

$$= 4 - 18 + 14$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

Hence, the vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

Note : For coplanar vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

$$\text{iii. } \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}, \vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

Given Vectors :

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

To Prove : Vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

$$\text{i.e. } [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

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$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given vectors,

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 3 & -4 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(2 \times 7 - (-3) \times (-4)) - (-1)(1 \times 7 - 3 \times (-3)) + 2(1 \times (-4) - 3 \times 2)$$

$$= 2(2) + 1(16) + 2(-10)$$

$$= 4 + 16 - 20$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

Hence, the vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

Note : For coplanar vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

Question: 5

Solution:

$$\text{i. } \vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}), \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}), \text{ and } \vec{c} = (3\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$$

Given : Vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

Where,

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

To Find : value of λ

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

As vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

For given vectors,

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & \lambda & 5 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2(2 \times 5 - 3 \times \lambda) - (-1)(1 \times 5 - 3 \times 3) + 1(1 \times \lambda - 3 \times 2) \\ &= 2(10 - 3\lambda) - 4 + 1(\lambda - 6) \\ &= 20 - 6\lambda - 4 + \lambda - 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 10 - 5\lambda \quad \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

From eq(1) and eq(2),

$$10 - 5\lambda = 0$$

$$\therefore 5\lambda = 10$$

$$\boxed{\therefore \lambda = 2} \quad \text{ii. } \vec{a} = \lambda\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}, \vec{b} = -7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} \text{ and } \vec{c} = \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

Given : Vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

Where,

$$\vec{a} = \lambda\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = -7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

To Find : value of λ

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2.c_3 - c_2.b_3) - a_2(b_1.c_3 - c_1.b_3) + a_3(b_1.c_2 - c_1.b_2)$$

Answer :

As vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 0 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

For given vectors,

$$\vec{a} = \lambda\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = -7\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] &= \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -10 & -5 \\ -7 & -5 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \lambda((-5) \times (-3) - 0 \times (-4)) - (-10)((-7) \times (-3) - 0 \times 1) \\ &\quad + (-5)((-7) \times (-4) - 1 \times (-5)) \\ &= \lambda(15) + 10(21) - 5(33) \\ &= 15\lambda + 45 \end{aligned}$$

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 15\lambda + 45 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

From eq(1) and eq(2),

$$15\lambda + 45 = 0$$

$$\therefore 15\lambda = -45$$

$$\therefore \lambda = -3 \quad \text{iii. } \vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{c} = \lambda\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$$

Given : Vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar.

Where,

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

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

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

To Find : value of λ

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2.c_3 - c_2.b_3) - a_2(b_1.c_3 - c_1.b_3) + a_3(b_1.c_2 - c_1.b_2)$$

Answer :

As vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 0 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

For given vectors,

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

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

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

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ \lambda & -1 & \lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1(1 \times \lambda - (-1) \times (-1)) - (-1)(2 \times \lambda - (-1) \times \lambda) + 1(2 \times (-1) - \lambda \times 1)$$

$$= 1(\lambda - 1) + 1(3\lambda) + 1(-\lambda - 2)$$

$$= \lambda - 1 + 3\lambda - 2 - \lambda$$

$$= 3\lambda - 3$$

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 3\lambda - 3 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

From eq(1) and eq(2),

$$3\lambda - 3 = 0$$

$$\therefore 3\lambda = 3$$

$\therefore \lambda = 1$

Question: 6

If Given Vectors :

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

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

To Find : $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}]$

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\bar{a} \quad \bar{b} \quad \bar{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given vectors,

$$\bar{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\bar{b} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\bar{c} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$[\bar{a} \quad \bar{b} \quad \bar{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & -5 \\ 3 & -4 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2((-3) \times (-1) - (-4) \times (-5)) - (-1)((-1) \times 1 - 3 \times (-5)) + 1((-4) \times 1 - 3 \times (-3))$$

$$= 2(-17) + 1(14) + 1(5)$$

$$= -34 + 14 + 5$$

$$= -15$$

$$\therefore [\bar{a} \quad \bar{b} \quad \bar{c}] = -15$$

Question: 7

Solution:

Given :

1) Coterminous edges of parallelepiped are

$$\bar{a} = -12\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{k}$$

$$\bar{b} = 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\bar{c} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 15\hat{k}$$

2) Volume of parallelepiped,

$$V = 546 \text{ cubic unit}$$

To Find : value of λ

1) Volume of parallelepiped :

If $\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}$ are coterminous edges of parallelepiped,

Where,

$$\bar{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\bar{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\bar{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then, volume of parallelepiped V is given by,

$$V = [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

Given volume of parallelepiped,

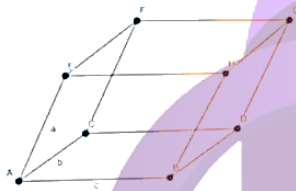
$$V = 546 \text{ cubic uniteq(1)}$$

Volume of parallelepiped with coterminous edges

$$\vec{a} = -12\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 15\hat{k}$$



$$V = [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -12 & 0 & \lambda \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -15 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -12(3 \times (-15) - 1 \times (-1)) - 0 + \lambda(0 \times 1 - 3 \times 2)$$

$$= 528 - 0 - 6\lambda$$

$$= 528 - 6\lambda$$

$$\therefore V = (528 - 6\lambda) \text{ cubic uniteq(2)}$$

From eq(1) and eq(2)

$$528 - 6\lambda = 546$$

$$\therefore -6\lambda = 18$$

$$\therefore \lambda = -3$$

Question: 8

Solution:

Given Vectors :

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

To Prove : Vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are parallel to same plane.

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

Vectors will be parallel to the same plane if they are coplanar.

For vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ to be coplanar, $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 0$

Now, for given vectors,

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

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

$$\vec{c} = 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 7 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1(3 \times (-1) - 7 \times (-1)) - 3(2 \times 3 - 0 \times (-1)) + 1(2 \times 7 - 0 \times (-1))$$

$$= 1(4) - 3(6) + 1(14)$$

$$= 4 - 18 + 14$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 0$$

Hence, given vectors are parallel to the same plane.

Question: 9

Solution:

Given : vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar. Where,

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

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{k}$$

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

To Prove : $c^2 = ab$

Formulae :

1) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

As vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

For given vectors,

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

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{k}$$

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

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a & a & c \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ c & c & b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= a(0 \times b - c \times 1) - a(1 \times b - 1 \times c) + c(1 \times c - 0 \times c)$$

$$= a(-c) - a(b - c) + c(c)$$

$$= -ac - ab + ac + c^2$$

$$= -ab + c^2$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = -ab + c^2 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

From eq(1) and eq(2),

$$-ab + c^2 = 0$$

Therefore,

$c^2 = ab$

Hence proved.

Note : Three vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$ & $\vec{c}$ are coplanar if and only if

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = 0$$

Question: 10

Solution:

Given :

Let A, B, C & D be four points with position vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ & $\vec{d}$:

Therefore,

$$\vec{a} = 4\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{d} = 5\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

To Prove : Points A, B, C & D are coplanar.

Formulae :

1) Vectors :

If A & B are two points with position vectors $\vec{a}$ & $\vec{b}$,

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

then vector $\vec{AB}$ is given by,

$$\vec{AB} = \vec{b} - \vec{a}$$

$$(b_1 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - a_2)\hat{j} + (b_3 - a_3)\hat{k}$$

2) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

3) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2.c_3 - c_2.b_3) - a_2(b_1.c_3 - c_1.b_3) + a_3(b_1.c_2 - c_1.b_2)$$

Answer :

For given position vectors,

$$\vec{a} = 4\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{d} = 5\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

Vectors $\vec{BA}$, $\vec{CA}$ & $\vec{DA}$ are given by,

$$\vec{BA} = \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

$$= (4 - 2)\hat{i} + (8 - 4)\hat{j} + (12 - 6)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \vec{BA} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

$$\vec{CA} = \vec{a} - \vec{c}$$

$$= (4 - 3)\hat{i} + (8 - 5)\hat{j} + (12 - 4)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{CA} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 8\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

$$\overrightarrow{DA} = \vec{a} - \vec{d}$$

$$= (4 - 5)\hat{i} + (8 - 8)\hat{j} + (12 - 5)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{DA} = -\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 7\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(3)}$$

Now, for vectors

$$\overrightarrow{BA} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{CA} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{DA} = -\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

$$[\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & 8 \\ -1 & 0 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(3 \times 7 - 0 \times 8) - 4(1 \times 7 - (-1) \times 8) + 6(1 \times 0 - (-1) \times 3)$$

$$= 2(21) - 4(15) + 6(3)$$

$$= 42 - 60 + 18$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore [\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = 0$$

Hence, vectors $\overrightarrow{BA}$, $\overrightarrow{CA}$ & $\overrightarrow{DA}$ are coplanar.

Therefore, points A, B, C & D are coplanar.

Note : Four points A, B, C & D are coplanar if and only if $[\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = 0$

Question: 11

Solution:

Given :

Let A, B, C & D be four points with position vectors $\vec{a}$, $\vec{b}$, $\vec{c}$ & $\vec{d}$:-

Therefore,

$$\vec{a} = 6\hat{i} - 7\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{b} = 16\hat{i} - 19\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{d} = 2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}$$

To Prove : Points A, B, C & D are coplanar.

Formulae :

1) Vectors :

If A & B are two points with position vectors $\vec{a}$ & $\vec{b}$:-

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

then vector $\overrightarrow{AB}$ is given by,

$$\overline{AB} = \vec{b} - \vec{a}$$

$$(b_1 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - a_2)\hat{j} + (b_3 - a_3)\hat{k}$$

2) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

3) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given position vectors,

$$\vec{a} = 6\hat{i} - 7\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{b} = 16\hat{i} - 19\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{d} = 2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}$$

Vectors $\overline{BA}$, $\overline{CA}$ & $\overline{DA}$ are given by,

$$\overline{BA} = \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

$$= (6 - 16)\hat{i} + (-7 + 19)\hat{j} + (0 + 4)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overline{BA} = -10\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} + 4\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

$$\overline{CA} = \vec{a} - \vec{c}$$

$$= (6 - 0)\hat{i} + (-7 - 3)\hat{j} + (0 + 6)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overline{CA} = 6\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} + 6\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

$$\overline{DA} = \vec{a} - \vec{d}$$

$$= (6 - 2)\hat{i} + (-7 + 5)\hat{j} + (0 - 10)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overline{DA} = 4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 10\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(3)}$$

Now, for vectors

$$\overline{BA} = -10\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\overline{CA} = 6\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\overline{DA} = 4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 10\hat{k}$$

$$[\overline{BA} \quad \overline{CA} \quad \overline{DA}] = \begin{vmatrix} -10 & 12 & 4 \\ 6 & -10 & 6 \\ 4 & -2 & -10 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -10((-10) \times (-10) - (-2) \times 6) - 12(6 \times (-10) - 4 \times 6) + 4(6 \times (-2) - (-10) \times 4)$$

$$= -10(112) - 12(-84) + 4(28)$$

$$= -1120 + 1008 + 112$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore [\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = 0$$

Hence, vectors $\overrightarrow{BA}$, $\overrightarrow{CA}$ & $\overrightarrow{DA}$ are coplanar.

Therefore, points A, B, C & D are coplanar.

Note : Four points A, B, C & D are coplanar if and only if $[\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = 0$

Question: 12

Find the value of

Solution:

Given :

Let, A, B, C & D be four points with given position vectors

$$\vec{a} = 1\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

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

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

$$\vec{d} = 6\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

To Find : value of λ

Formulae :

1) Vectors :

If A & B are two points with position vectors $\vec{a}$ & $\vec{b}$,

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

then vector $\overrightarrow{AB}$ is given by,

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \vec{b} - \vec{a}$$

$$(b_1 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - a_2)\hat{j} + (b_3 - a_3)\hat{k}$$

2) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

3) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given position vectors,

$$\vec{a} = 1\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

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

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

$$\vec{d} = 6\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

Vectors $\vec{BA}$, $\vec{CA}$ & $\vec{DA}$ are given by,

$$\vec{BA} = \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

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

$$\therefore \vec{BA} = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

$$\vec{CA} = \vec{a} - \vec{c}$$

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

$$\therefore \vec{CA} = 3\hat{i} + (2 - \lambda)\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(2)}$$

$$\vec{DA} = \vec{a} - \vec{d}$$

$$= (1 - 6)\hat{i} + (2 + 4)\hat{j} + (3 - 2)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \vec{DA} = -5\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + \hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(3)}$$

Now, for vectors

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

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

$$\vec{DA} = -5\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$[\vec{BA} \quad \vec{CA} \quad \vec{DA}] = \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & (2 - \lambda) & 2 \\ -5 & 6 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= -2((2 - \lambda) \times 1 - 2 \times 6) - 3(3 \times 1 - 2 \times (-5))$$
$$+ 1(6 \times 3 - (2 - \lambda) \times (-5))$$

$$= -2(-\lambda - 10) - 3(13) + 1(28 - 5\lambda)$$

$$= 2\lambda + 20 - 39 + 28 - 5\lambda$$

$$= 9 - 3\lambda$$

$$\therefore [\vec{BA} \quad \vec{CA} \quad \vec{DA}] = 9 - 3\lambda \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(4)}$$

Four points A, B, C & D are coplanar if and only if

$$[\vec{BA} \quad \vec{CA} \quad \vec{DA}] = 0 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(5)}$$

From eq(4) and eq(5)

$$9 - 3\lambda = 0$$

$$3\lambda = 9$$

$$\boxed{\lambda = 3}$$

Question: 13

Solution:

Given :

Let, A, B, C & D be four points with given position vectors

$$\vec{a} = -\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

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

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

$$\vec{d} = 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

To Find : value of λ

Formulae :

1) Vectors :

If A & B are two points with position vectors $\vec{a}$ & $\vec{b}$,

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

then vector $\vec{AB}$ is given by,

$$\vec{AB} = \vec{b} - \vec{a}$$

$$(b_1 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - a_2)\hat{j} + (b_3 - a_3)\hat{k}$$

2) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

3) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2.c_3 - c_2.b_3) - a_2(b_1.c_3 - c_1.b_3) + a_3(b_1.c_2 - c_1.b_2)$$

Answer :

For given position vectors,

$$\vec{a} = -\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

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

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

$$\vec{d} = 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Vectors $\vec{BA}$, $\vec{CA}$ & $\vec{DA}$ are given by,

$$\vec{BA} = \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

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

$$\therefore \vec{BA} = -2\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{CA} &= \vec{a} - \vec{c} \\ &= (0 - 1)\hat{i} + (-1 - \lambda)\hat{j} + (1 - 1)\hat{k} \\ \therefore \overline{CA} &= -\hat{i} + (-1 - \lambda)\hat{j} + 0\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(2)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{DA} &= \vec{a} - \vec{d} \\ &= (0 - 0)\hat{i} + (-1 - 3)\hat{j} + (1 - 3)\hat{k} \\ \therefore \overline{DA} &= 0\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(3)}\end{aligned}$$

Now, for vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{BA} &= -2\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \\ \overline{CA} &= -\hat{i} + (-1 - \lambda)\hat{j} + 0\hat{k} \\ \overline{DA} &= 0\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}[\overline{BA} \quad \overline{CA} \quad \overline{DA}] &= \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & (-1 - \lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -2((-1 - \lambda) \times (-2) - (-4) \times 0) - 0((-1) \times (-2) - 0 \times 0) \\ &\quad + 2((-1) \times (-4) - (-1 - \lambda) \times 0) \\ &= -2(2 + 2\lambda) - 0 + 2(4) \\ &= -4 - 4\lambda + 8 \\ &= 4 - 4\lambda \\ \therefore [\overline{BA} \quad \overline{CA} \quad \overline{DA}] &= 4 - 4\lambda \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(4)}\end{aligned}$$

Four points A, B, C & D are coplanar if and only if

$$[\overline{BA} \quad \overline{CA} \quad \overline{DA}] = 0 \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(5)}$$

From eq(4) and eq(5)

$$4 - 4\lambda = 0$$

$$4\lambda = 4$$

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

Question: 14

Solution:

Given Points :

$$A \equiv (4, 5, 1)$$

$$B \equiv (0, -1, -1)$$

$$C \equiv (3, 9, 4)$$

$$D \equiv (-4, 4, 4)$$

To Prove : Points A, B, C & D are coplanar.

Formulae :

4) Position Vectors :

If A is a point with co-ordinates $\{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$

then its position vector is given by,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

5) Vectors :

If A & B are two points with position vectors $\vec{a}$ & $\vec{b}$,

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

then vector $\overrightarrow{AB}$ is given by,

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \vec{b} - \vec{a}$$

$$(b_1 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - a_2)\hat{j} + (b_3 - a_3)\hat{k}$$

6) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

7) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given points,

$$A \equiv (4, 5, 1)$$

$$B \equiv (0, -1, -1)$$

$$C \equiv (3, 9, 4)$$

$$D \equiv (-4, 4, 4)$$

Position vectors of above points are,

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

$$\vec{b} = 0\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

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

Vectors $\overrightarrow{BA}$, $\overrightarrow{CA}$ & $\overrightarrow{DA}$ are given by,

$$\overrightarrow{BA} = \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

$$= (4 - 0)\hat{i} + (5 + 1)\hat{j} + (1 + 1)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{BA} = 4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(1)}$$

$$\overrightarrow{CA} = \vec{a} - \vec{c}$$

$$= (4 - 3)\hat{i} + (5 - 9)\hat{j} + (1 - 4)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{CA} = \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(2)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{DA} &= \vec{a} - \vec{d} \\ &= (4 + 4)\hat{i} + (5 - 4)\hat{j} + (1 - 4)\hat{k} \\ \therefore \overrightarrow{DA} &= 8\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(3)}\end{aligned}$$

Now, for vectors

$$\overrightarrow{BA} = 4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{CA} = \hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{DA} = 8\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$[\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & -4 & -3 \\ 8 & 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4((-4) \times (-3) - 1 \times (-3)) - 6(1 \times (-3) - (-3) \times 8) + 2(1 \times 1 - (-4) \times 8)$$

$$= 4(15) - 6(21) + 2(33)$$

$$= 60 - 126 + 66$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore [\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = 0$$

Hence, vectors $\overrightarrow{BA}$, $\overrightarrow{CA}$ & $\overrightarrow{DA}$ are coplanar.

Therefore, points A, B, C & D are coplanar.

Note : Four points A, B, C & D are coplanar if and only if $[\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = 0$

Question: 15

Solution:

Given :

Points A, B, C & D are coplanar where,

$$A \equiv (3, 2, 1)$$

$$B \equiv (4, \lambda, 5)$$

$$C \equiv (4, 2, -2)$$

$$D \equiv (6, 5, -1)$$

To Find : value of λ

Formulae :

1) Position Vectors :

If A is a point with co-ordinates (a_1, a_2, a_3)

then its position vector is given by,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

2) Vectors :

If A & B are two points with position vectors $\vec{a}$ & $\vec{b}$;

Where,

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

then vector $\overline{AB}$ is given by,

$$\overline{AB} = \bar{b} - \bar{a}$$

$$(b_1 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - a_2)\hat{j} + (b_3 - a_3)\hat{k}$$

3) Scalar Triple Product:

If

$$\bar{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\bar{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

$$\bar{c} = c_1\hat{i} + c_2\hat{j} + c_3\hat{k}$$

Then,

$$[\bar{a} \quad \bar{b} \quad \bar{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

4) Determinant :

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1(b_2 \cdot c_3 - c_2 \cdot b_3) - a_2(b_1 \cdot c_3 - c_1 \cdot b_3) + a_3(b_1 \cdot c_2 - c_1 \cdot b_2)$$

Answer :

For given points,

$$A \equiv (3, 2, 1)$$

$$B \equiv (4, \lambda, 5)$$

$$C \equiv (4, 2, -2)$$

$$D \equiv (6, 5, -1)$$

Position vectors of above points are,

$$\bar{a} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\bar{b} = 4\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

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

$$\bar{d} = 6\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

Vectors $\overline{BA}$, $\overline{CA}$ & $\overline{DA}$ are given by,

$$\overline{BA} = \bar{a} - \bar{b}$$

$$= (3 - 4)\hat{i} + (2 - \lambda)\hat{j} + (1 - 5)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overline{BA} = -\hat{i} + (2 - \lambda)\hat{j} - 4\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(1)}$$

$$\overline{CA} = \bar{a} - \bar{c}$$

$$= (3 - 4)\hat{i} + (2 - 2)\hat{j} + (1 + 2)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overline{CA} = -\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(2)}$$

$$\overline{DA} = \bar{a} - \bar{d}$$

$$= (3 - 6)\hat{i} + (2 - 5)\hat{j} + (1 + 1)\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \overline{DA} = -3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \dots\dots\dots\text{eq(3)}$$

Now, for vectors

$$\overline{BA} = -\hat{i} + (2 - \lambda)\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{CA} = -\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{DA} = -3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$[\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & (2-\lambda) & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ -3 & -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -1(0 \times 2 - 3 \times (-3)) - (2-\lambda)(2 \times (-1) - (-3) \times 3) - 4((-1) \times (-3) - (-3) \times 0)$$

$$= -1(9) - (2-\lambda)(7) - 4(3)$$

$$= -9 - 14 + 7\lambda - 12$$

$$= 7\lambda - 35$$

$$\therefore [\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = 7\lambda - 35 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(4)}$$

But points A, B, C & D are coplanar if and only if

$$[\overrightarrow{BA} \quad \overrightarrow{CA} \quad \overrightarrow{DA}] = 0 \dots\dots\dots \text{eq(5)}$$

From eq(4) and eq(5)

$$7\lambda - 35 = 0$$

$$\therefore 7\lambda = 35$$

Exercise : 25B

Question: 1

$$\text{If } \vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}, \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}, \vec{c} = \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - z\hat{k}$$

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

Since, these two vectors are equal, therefore comparing these two vectors we get,

$$x = 3, -y = 2, -z = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3, y = -2, z = -1$$

$$\therefore x + y + z = 3 + (-2) + (-1) = 3 - 2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Ans: } x + y + z = 0$$

Question: 2

Solution:

Let $\vec{s}$ be the sum of the vectors $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{s} = \vec{a} + \vec{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{s} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} + 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{s} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{s}| = (4^2 + 3^2 + (-12)^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{s}| = (16 + 9 + 144)^{1/2} = (169)^{1/2} = 13$$

a unit vector in the direction of the sum of the vectors is given by:

$$\hat{s} = \frac{\vec{s}}{|\vec{s}|} = \frac{4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}}{13}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \hat{s} = \frac{4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}}{13}$$

Question: 3

Solution:

$$\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

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

Since these two vectors are perpendicular the dot product of these two vectors is zero.

$$\text{i.e.: } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2 + \lambda \times (-2) + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 = 2\lambda$$

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

$$\text{Ans: } \lambda = 5/2$$

Question: 4

Find the value of

Solution:

$$\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2p\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Since these two vectors are parallel

$$\therefore \frac{3}{1} = \frac{2}{-2p} = \frac{9}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{1} = \frac{1}{-p}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{-1}{3}$$

$$\text{Ans: } p = \frac{-1}{3}$$

Question: 5

Solution:

$$\vec{a} = \lambda\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

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

projection of a on b is given by: $\vec{a} \cdot \hat{b}$

$$|\vec{b}| = (2^2 + 6^2 + 3^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}| = (4 + 36 + 9)^{1/2} = (49)^{1/2} = 7$$

a unit vector in the direction of the sum of the vectors is given by:

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

Now it is given that: $\vec{a} \cdot \hat{b} = 4$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \left(\frac{2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}}{7} \right) = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda + 6 + (3 \times 4) = 28$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = (28 - 12 - 6)/2$$

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

$$\text{Ans: } \lambda = 5$$

Question: 6

$$\text{If } \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Now,

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

$$\Rightarrow 13^2 = 5^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 0 \dots (\cos\theta = \cos\frac{\pi}{2} = 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}|^2 = 169 - 25 = 144$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}| = 12$$

$$\text{Ans: } |\vec{b}| = 12$$

Question: 7

$$\text{If } (\vec{x} - \vec{a})(\vec{x} + \vec{a}) = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 - |\vec{a}|^2 = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + 15$$

Now, $\vec{a}$ is a unit vector,

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

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 = 1^2 + 15$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}| = 4$$

$$\text{Ans: } |\vec{x}| = 4$$

Question: 8

Solution:

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

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

Now,

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

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

$$\text{Ans: } \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

Question: 9

Solution:

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}$$

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

Now ,

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

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = 5\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = 5\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Question: 10

Solution:

projection of a on b is given by:

$\therefore$ the projection of the vector $(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$ along the vector $\hat{j}$ is:

$$(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \hat{j} = 0 + 1 + 0 = 1$$

Ans: the projection of the vector $(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$ along the vector $\hat{j}$ is: 1

Question: 11

Write the project

Solution:

$$\vec{a} = 7\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

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

projection of a on b is given by: $\vec{a} \cdot \hat{b}$

$$|\vec{b}| = (2^2 + 6^2 + 3^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}| = (4 + 36 + 9)^{1/2} = (49)^{1/2} = 7$$

a unit vector in the direction of the sum of the vectors is given by:

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

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \cdot \hat{b} &= (7\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot \left(\frac{2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}}{7} \right) = \frac{(7 \times 2) + (1 \times 6) - (4 \times 3)}{7} \\ &= \frac{14 + 6 - 12}{7} = \frac{8}{7} \end{aligned}$$

Ans: the projection of the vector $(7\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$ on the vector $(2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$.

Question: 12

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(4-1) - \hat{j}(-2-3) + \hat{k}(-1-6) = 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \vec{b} \times \vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) = (2 \times 3) + (1 \times 5) + (3 \times -7)$$

$$= 6 + 5 - 21 = -10$$

Ans: -10

Question: 13

Solution:

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

$$|\vec{a}| = (2^2 + (-3)^2 + 6^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| = (4 + 9 + 36)^{1/2} = (49)^{1/2} = 7$$

a unit vector in the direction of the sum of the vectors is given by:

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

a vector in the direction of $(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$ which has magnitude 21 units.

$$= 21\hat{a} = 21 \times \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{7} = 3(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) = 6\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 18\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Ans: } 6\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 18\hat{k}$$

Question: 14

$$\text{If } \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

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

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

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

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

Since $\vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b}$ is perpendicular to $\vec{c}$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow (2 - \lambda) \times 3 + (2 + 2\lambda) \times 1 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 8$$

Ans: $\lambda = 8$

Question: 15

Solution:

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

$$|\vec{a}| = (1^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| = (1 + 4 + 4)^{1/2} = (9)^{1/2} = 3$$

$$-\vec{a}$$

a unit vector in the direction of the sum of the vectors is given by:

$$\hat{a} = \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3}$$

a vector in the direction of $(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$, which has magnitude 15 units.

$$= 15\hat{a} = 15 \times \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3} = 5(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 5\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}.$$

$$\text{Ans: } 5\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}.$$

Question: 16

$$\text{If } \vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

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

$$\therefore (2\vec{a} - \vec{b} + 3\vec{c}) = 2(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) - (4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + 3(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

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

$$\text{LET, } (2\vec{a} - \vec{b} + 3\vec{c}) = \vec{s}$$

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

$$|\vec{s}| = (1^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{s}| = (1 + 4 + 4)^{1/2} = (9)^{1/2} = 3$$

a unit vector in the direction of the sum of the vectors is given by:

$$\hat{s} = \frac{\vec{s}}{|\vec{s}|} = \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3}$$

a vector of magnitude 6 units which is parallel to the vector $(2\vec{a} - \vec{b} + 3\vec{c})$, is:

$$6\hat{s} = 6 \times \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3} = 2(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}.$$

$$\text{Ans: } 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

Question: 17

Solution:

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$$

projection of a on b is given by: $\vec{a} \cdot \hat{b}$

$$|\vec{b}| = (1^2 + 1^2 + 0^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}| = (1 + 1)^{1/2} = (2)^{1/2}$$

a unit vector in the direction of the sum of the vectors is given by:

$$\hat{b} = \frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} = \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \hat{b} = (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = \frac{(1 \times 1) + (-1 \times 1)}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{0}{\sqrt{2}} = 0$$

Ans: the projection of the vector $(7\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$ on the vector $(2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$.

Question: 18

Solution:

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = 2$$

$$\text{Since, } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta$$

Substituting the given values we get:

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 45^\circ = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \theta = 45^\circ = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Question: 19

$$\text{If } \vec{a} = \hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

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

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) \times (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -7 & 7 \\ 3 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -7 & 7 \\ 3 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(-14 - (-14)) - \hat{j}(2 - 21) + \hat{k}(-2 - (-21)) \\ = 0\hat{i} + 19\hat{j} + 19\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 0\hat{i} + 19\hat{j} + 19\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = (0^2 + 19^2 + 19^2)^{1/2} = (2 \times 19^2)^{1/2} = 19\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 19\sqrt{2}$$

Question: 20

Solution:

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

$$|\vec{b}| = 2$$

$$\text{Since, } |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta$$

Substituting the given values we get:

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3} = 1 \times 2 \times \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \sin^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 60^\circ = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \theta = 60^\circ = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Question: 21

Solution:

It is given that:

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

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \sin \theta = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta = 0$$

Since $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$ cannot be 0 simultaneously $\therefore |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 0$

Conclusion: when $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{0}$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{0}$

Then $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 0$

Question: 22

Solution:

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \lambda \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$$

It is given that $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\lambda}{2} = \frac{3}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2 \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Ans: $\lambda = 2/3$

Question: 23

Solution:

We know that:

$$\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}, \hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}, \hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j},$$

$$\hat{j} \times \hat{i} = -\hat{k}, \hat{k} \times \hat{j} = -\hat{i}, \hat{i} \times \hat{k} = -\hat{j}$$

$$\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = 1$$

$$\therefore \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{j} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{k} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) = \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} + \hat{j} \cdot (-\hat{j}) + \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = 1 - 1 + 1 = 1$$

$$\text{Ans: } \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{j} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{k} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) = 1$$

Question: 24**Solution:**

Scalar triple product geometrically represents the volume of the parallelepiped whose three coterminous edges are represented by $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$. i.e. $V = [\vec{a}\vec{b}\vec{c}]$

$$\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

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

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

$$\therefore V = [\vec{a}\vec{b}\vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2(4 - 2) - (-3)(2 - (-3)) + 4(-2 - 6) = 4 + 15 - 32 = |-13| =$$

13 cubic units.

Ans: 13 cubic units.

Question: 25

$$\text{If } \vec{a} = -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

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

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

If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar then $[\vec{a}\vec{b}\vec{c}] = 0$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \begin{vmatrix} -2 & -2 & 4 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = -2(-8 - 4) + 2(4 + 8) + 4(4 - 16) = 24 + 24 - 48 = 0 = \text{R.H.S}$$

$\therefore \text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$

Hence proved that the vectors $\vec{a} = -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

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

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

Are coplanar.

Question: 26

$$\text{If } \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 27\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + \mu\hat{k}$$

It is given that $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{0}$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 27\hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + \mu\hat{k}) = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 6 & 27 \\ 1 & \lambda & \mu \end{vmatrix} = 0 = \hat{i}(6\mu - 27\lambda) - \hat{j}(2\mu - 27) + \hat{k}(2\lambda - 6)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 6/2 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\mu - 27 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = 27/2$$

Ans: $\lambda = 3, \mu = 27/2$

Question: 27

Solution:

It is given that:

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} 1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Question: 28

Solution:

When the two vectors are parallel or collinear, they can be added in a scalar way because the angle between them is zero degrees, they are in the same or opposite direction.

Therefore when two vectors $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are either parallel or collinear then

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

Question: 29

Find the direction

Solution:

Let the inclination with:

$$x\text{-axis} = -\alpha$$

$$y\text{-axis} = -\beta$$

$$z\text{-axis} = -\gamma$$

The vector is equally inclined to the three axes.

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \beta = \gamma$$

Direction cosines: $\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma$

We know that: $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha = 1 \dots (\alpha = \beta = \gamma)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \cos^2 \alpha = 1$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Question: 30**Solution:**

Let $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ and $Q(x_2, y_2, z_2)$ be the two points then Direction ratios of line joining P and Q i.e. PQ are $x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1, z_2 - z_1$

Here, P is (1, 5, 4) and Q is (4, 1, -2)

Direction ratios of PQ are: $(4 - 1), (1 - 5), (-2 - 4) = 3, -4, -6$

Ans: the direction ratios of $\overrightarrow{PQ}$ are: 3, -4, -6

Question: 31

Find the direction

Solution:

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

Let the inclination with:

x - axis = α

y - axis = β

z - axis = γ

Direction cosines: $\cos\alpha, \cos\beta, \cos\gamma = l, m, n$

For a vector $\vec{a} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$

$$l = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, m = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, n = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

$$\therefore l = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4 + 9}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 + 4 + 9}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}$$

$$\therefore n = \frac{3}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{1 + 4 + 9}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$$

Question: 32

If It is given that $\hat{a}$ and $\hat{b}$ are unit vectors, as well as $(\hat{a} + \hat{b})$ is also a unit vector

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

Since the modulus of a unit vector is unity.

Now,

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

$$\Rightarrow 1^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 + 2 \times 1 \times 1 \times \cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = (1 - 1 - 1)/2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{-1}{2} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Ans: $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

Question: 1

If Thus, the given vectors $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are equal if and only if

$$x = 3, -y = 2, -z = 1$$

$$x = 3, y = -2, z = -1$$

$$x + y + z = 3 + (-2) + (-1) = 3 - 3 = 0$$

Question: 2

The sum of vectors is

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} + 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

$$= 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}$$

Let the unit vector in the direction of $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ be $\hat{c}$, then

$$\hat{c} = \frac{(\vec{a} + \vec{b})}{|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|} \Rightarrow \frac{(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k})}{|4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}|} = \frac{4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(4^2 + 3^2 + (-12)^2)}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}}{\sqrt{169}} = \frac{1}{13}(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 12\hat{k})$$

Question: 3

Solution:

If the scalar product (dot product) is zero, two non - zero vectors are perpendicular.

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

$$\Rightarrow 2.1 + \lambda.(-2) + 1.3 = 0 \quad (\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = 1)$$

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

$$-2\lambda = 5$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{5}{2}$$

Question: 4

Solution:

Two nonzero vectors are parallel if their vector product (cross product) is zero,

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 2 & 9 \\ 1 & -2p & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2.3 - (-2p).9)\hat{i} - (3.3 - 9.1)\hat{j} + (3.(-2p) - 1.2)\hat{k} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (6 + 18p)\hat{i} - (9 - 9)\hat{j} + (-6p - 2)\hat{k} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (6 + 18p)\hat{i} - 0\hat{j} + (-6p - 2)\hat{k} = 0 \Rightarrow 0\hat{i} - 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

On comparing with right hand side,

$$6 + 18p = 0$$

$$p = \frac{-6}{18} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{3} \text{ (You can solve using } -6p - 2)$$

Question: 5

Solution:

Projection of vector $\vec{a}$ on vector

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

So we first calculate the magnitude of vector $\vec{b}$ and the scalar product of a vector $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$,

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{(2^2 + 6^2 + 3^2)} \Rightarrow \sqrt{(4 + 36 + 9)} = \sqrt{49} \Rightarrow 7$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (\lambda\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \Rightarrow \lambda \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 6 + 4 \cdot 3 = 2\lambda + 6 + 12 = 2\lambda + 18$$

$$\text{Projection of vector } \vec{a} \text{ on vector } \vec{b} = \frac{1}{|\vec{b}|} (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = 4 \text{ (1)}$$

Putting the values from above in equation (1),

$$\frac{2\lambda + 18}{7} = 4 \Rightarrow 2\lambda = 28 - 18$$

$$2\lambda = 10$$

$$\lambda = 5$$

Question: 6

If $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ is perpendicular, $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$. So, using $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})^2$

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

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} = 13^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + |\vec{b}|^2 = 169$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^2 + 2 \cdot 0 + |\vec{b}|^2 = 169$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}|^2 = 169 - 25$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{b}|^2 = 144$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{144} \Rightarrow 12 \text{ (Negative value not considered as magnitude is positive).}$$

Question: 7

$$\text{If } (\vec{x} - \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{a}) = 15 \Rightarrow \vec{x} \cdot \vec{x} - \vec{a} \cdot \vec{x} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{x} - \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 - |\vec{a}|^2 = 15 \text{ (Using } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{a} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{x} \text{, commutative law)}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 - 1^2 = 15 \text{ (As magnitude of unit vector is 1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}|^2 = 15 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{x}| = \sqrt{16} \Rightarrow 4$$

Question: 8

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

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

$$= 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

Question: 9

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

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

$$= 5\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

Question: 10

Solution:

$$\text{Projection of vector } \vec{a} \text{ on vector } \vec{b} = \frac{1}{|\vec{b}|}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}),$$

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

$$= 0 + 1 + 0(\hat{i} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{k} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{i} = 0) = 1$$

Question: 11

$$\vec{a} \text{ on vector } \vec{b} = \frac{1}{|\vec{b}|}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2^2 + 6^2 + 3^2)}}((7\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}))$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(4 + 36 + 9)}}(7 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 6 + (-4) \cdot 3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{49}}(14 + 6 - 12)$$

$$= \frac{1}{7}(20-12)$$

$$= \frac{8}{7}$$

Question: 12

$\vec{b}$ and $\vec{c}$ then scalar product of that with $\vec{a}$:

$$\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (2 \cdot 2 - 1 \cdot 1)\hat{i} - ((-1) \cdot 2 - 3 \cdot 1)\hat{j} + ((-1) \cdot 1 - 3 \cdot 2)\hat{k}$$

$$= (4-1)\hat{i} - (-2-3)\hat{j} + (-1-6)\hat{k}$$

$$= 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k})$$

$$= 2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot (5) + 3 \cdot (-7)$$

$$= 6 + 5 - 21$$

$$= -10$$

Question: 13

$$\hat{a} \Rightarrow \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(2^2 + (-3)^2 + 6^2)}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(4 + 9 + 36)}} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{49}}$$

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

Now vector in the direction of the given vector and with magnitude 21 is

$$= 21 \cdot \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{7} \Rightarrow 3(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$$

$$= 6\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 18\hat{k}$$

Question: 14

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

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

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

$$(2-\lambda) \cdot 3 + (2+2\lambda) \cdot 1 + (3+\lambda) \cdot 0 = 0$$

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

$$8 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda = 8$$

Question: 15

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{a} &\Rightarrow \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(1^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2)}} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(1 + 4 + 4)}} = \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{9}} \\ &= \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3}\end{aligned}$$

Now vector in the direction of the given vector and with magnitude 15 is

$$\begin{aligned}&= 15 \cdot \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3} \Rightarrow 5(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \\ &= 5\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

Question: 16

$$\begin{aligned}2\vec{a} - \vec{b} + 3\vec{c} &= 2(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) - (4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + 3(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \\ &= (2 - 4 + 3)\hat{i} + (2 + 2 - 6)\hat{j} + (2 - 3 + 3)\hat{k} \\ &= \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \\ |2\vec{a} - \vec{b} + 3\vec{c}| &= |\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}| \Rightarrow \sqrt{(1^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2)} = \sqrt{(1 + 4 + 4)} \\ &\Rightarrow \sqrt{9} = 3 \\ \hat{a} &\Rightarrow \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{2\vec{a} - \vec{b} + 3\vec{c}}{|2\vec{a} - \vec{b} + 3\vec{c}|} \Rightarrow \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3}\end{aligned}$$

Vector with magnitude 6 in the direction of the vector is

$$\vec{m} = 6 \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{3} \right) \Rightarrow 2(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

Question: 17

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Projection of vector } \vec{a} \text{ on vector } \vec{b} &= \frac{1}{|\vec{b}|} (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \\ &= \frac{1}{|\vec{i} + \vec{j}|} ((\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j})) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1^2 + 1^2)}} ((\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j})) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 + 1)}} (1 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 1)\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1-1)$$

$$= 0$$

So, projection of vector on other is 0.

Question: 18

$$\cos\theta = \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{3} \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Question: 19

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -7 & 7 \\ 3 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = ((-7) \cdot 2 - (-2) \cdot 7)\hat{i} + (1 \cdot 2 - 3 \cdot 7)\hat{j} + (1 \cdot (-2) - 3 \cdot (-7))\hat{k}$$

$$= (-14 - (-14))\hat{i} + (2 - 21)\hat{j} + (-2 - (-21))\hat{k}$$

$$= 0\hat{i} - 19\hat{j} + 19\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{(19^2 + 19^2)} = \sqrt{2 \cdot 19^2} = 19\sqrt{2}$$

Question: 20

$$\sin\theta = \frac{|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{1 \cdot 2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

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

Question: 21

$$\sin\theta = \frac{|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} \text{ and } \cos\theta = \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}, \text{ using scalar product and vector product.}$$

Now $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 0$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$ also.

As $\cos\theta$ and $\sin\theta$ cannot be 0 simultaneously So, then either vector a is 0 or b is 0.

Question: 22

Find the value of

Solution:

If the vector product is zero, two vectors are parallel.

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & \lambda & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(9\lambda - 2 \cdot 3)\hat{i} - (1 \cdot 9 - 3 \cdot 3)\hat{j} + (1 \cdot 2 - 3 \cdot \lambda) = 0$$

$$(9\lambda - 6)\hat{i} - 0\hat{j} + (2 - 3\lambda)\hat{k} = 0$$

On comparing with the right hand side, we have

$$9\lambda - 6 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{6}{9} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Question: 23

$$\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}$$

$$\hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}$$

$$\hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j}$$

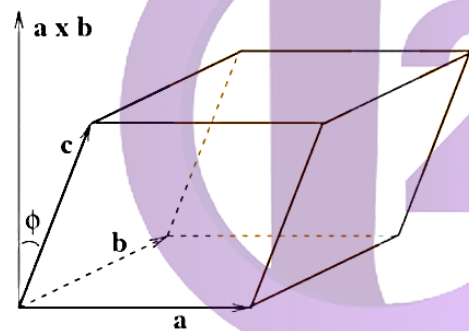
Then putting values in the equation

$$\hat{i}(\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{j}(\hat{i} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{k}(\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) = \hat{i}\hat{i} + \hat{j}(-\hat{j}) + \hat{k}\hat{k}$$

$$= 1 - 1 + 1 = 1$$

Question: 24

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



$$(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = \begin{vmatrix} c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-3)(-1) - 2(4) \cdot 3 - (2(-1) - 1(4))(-2) + (2(2) - 1(-3)) \cdot 2$$

$$= (3 - 8) \cdot 3 + (-2 - 4) \cdot 2 + (4 - (-3)) \cdot 2$$

$$= -15 - 12 + 14$$

$$= -27 + 14$$

$$= -13$$

$$\text{Volume of parallelepiped} = |(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}| = |-13| = 13 \text{ cubic unit}$$

Question: 25

$$\text{The volume of parallelepiped} = |(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}| = \begin{vmatrix} c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -2 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 4 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-2 \cdot -2 \cdot 4 \cdot 4) - (-2 \cdot -2 \cdot 4 \cdot -2) - 2 + (4 \cdot -2 \cdot (-2) \cdot -2) - 2$$

$$= (4 - 16)4 + (4 + 8)2 - (-8 - 4)2$$

$$= -48 + 24 - (-24)$$

$$= -48 + 48 = 0$$

So, planes are coplanar.

Question: 26

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 6 & 27 \\ 1 & \lambda & \mu \end{vmatrix} = \vec{0}$$

$$= (6\mu - 27\lambda)\hat{i} + (2\mu - 27\lambda)\hat{j} + (2\lambda - 1\cdot 6)\hat{k} = \vec{0}$$

On comparing with the right hand side, we have

$$6\mu - 27\lambda = 0$$

$$2\mu - 27 = 0$$

$$\mu = \frac{27}{2}$$

$$2\lambda - 6 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{6}{2} \Rightarrow 3$$

Question: 27

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

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

Equating both

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

$$\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = 1 \Rightarrow \tan\theta = 1$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Question: 28

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

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2|\vec{a}| \cdot |\vec{b}| \cdot \cos\theta \left(\text{using } \vec{a}^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 \right)$$

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

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

$$|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2|\vec{a}||\vec{b}| - |\vec{a}|^2 - |\vec{b}|^2 - 2|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta = 0$$

$$2|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|(1 - \cos\theta) = 0$$

As, magnitude of a vector cannot be zero (leaving zero vector)

$$1 - \cos\theta = 0$$

$$\cos\theta = 1$$

$$\theta = 0^\circ$$

So, vectors are either parallel or collinear.

Question: 29

$$l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1$$

Now given that equally inclined to three axes with an angle of θ . Then direction cosines l, m, n are

$$l = m = n = \cos\theta$$

Putting values of direction cosines in equation,

$$\cos^2\theta + \cos^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$$

$$3\cos^2\theta = 1$$

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

$$l = m = n = \cos\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Question: 30

$$\vec{PQ} \Rightarrow \vec{P} - \vec{Q} = (4-1)\hat{i} + (1-5)\hat{j} + (-2-4)\hat{k}$$

$$= 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

So direction ratios are 3, -4, -6.

Question: 31

$$l = \frac{a}{r}, m = \frac{b}{r}, n = \frac{c}{r}, \text{ where } a, b, c \text{ are direction ratios and } r \text{ is magnitude.}$$

Now direction ratios are 1, 2, 3 respectively and magnitude of vector is

$$r = \sqrt{(1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2)} = \sqrt{(1 + 4 + 9)} = \sqrt{14}$$

Putting the values

$$l = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}, m = \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}, n = \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$$

Question: 32

$$(\hat{a} + \hat{b})^2 = \hat{a}^2 + \hat{b}^2 + 2\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}$$

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

$$1^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \cos\theta$$

$$1 - 1 - 1 = 2\cos\theta$$

$$-1 = 2\cos\theta$$

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

Exercise : OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS

Question: 1

Solution:

Tip – A vector in the direction of another vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ is given by $\lambda(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})$ and the unit vector is given by $\frac{\lambda(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})}{\sqrt{(a\lambda)^2 + (b\lambda)^2 + (c\lambda)^2}}$

So, a vector parallel to $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ is given by $\lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$ where λ is an arbitrary constant.

$$\text{Now, } |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2} = 7$$

Hence, the required unit vector

$$= \frac{\lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})}{\sqrt{(2\lambda)^2 + (3\lambda)^2 + (6\lambda)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})}{\lambda\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2}}$$

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

Question: 1

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Question: 2

Solution:

Formula to be used – The direction cosines of a vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ is given by

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the vector $-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ is given by

$$\left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{30}}$$

Question: 2

Solution:

Formula to be used – The direction cosines of a vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ is given by

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Question: 3

Solution:

Given - A(1, 2, -3) and B(-1, -2, 1) are the end points of a vector $\overrightarrow{AB}$

Tip – If P(a_1, b_1, c_1) and Q(a_2, b_2, c_2) be two points then the vector $\overrightarrow{PQ}$ is represented by $(a_2 - a_1)\hat{i} + (b_2 - b_1)\hat{j} + (c_2 - c_1)\hat{k}$

Hence, $\overrightarrow{AB} = (-1 - 1)\hat{i} + (-2 - 2)\hat{j} + (1 + 3)\hat{k} = -2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

Formula to be used – The direction cosines of a vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ is given by

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Hence, the direction cosines of the vector $-2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ is given by

$$\left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2 + 4^2}} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{-2}{6}, \frac{-4}{6}, \frac{4}{6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$$

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Hence, the direction cosines of the vector $-2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{2^2+4^2+4^2}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{2^2+4^2+4^2}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{2^2+4^2+4^2}} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{-2}{6}, \frac{-4}{6}, \frac{4}{6} \right) \\ &= \frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Question: 4

Solution:

Given - A vector makes angle α , β and γ with the x-axis, y-axis and z-axis respectively.

To Find - $(\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma)$

Formula to be used - $\cos^2\alpha + \cos^2\beta + \cos^2\gamma = 1$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma \\ &= (1 - \cos^2\alpha) + (1 - \cos^2\beta) + (1 - \cos^2\gamma) \\ &= 3 - (\cos^2\alpha + \cos^2\beta + \cos^2\gamma) \\ &= 3 - 1 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

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Given - A vector makes angle α , β and γ with the x-axis, y-axis and z-axis respectively.

To Find - $(\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma)$

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Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma \\ &= (1 - \cos^2\alpha) + (1 - \cos^2\beta) + (1 - \cos^2\gamma) \\ &= 3 - (\cos^2\alpha + \cos^2\beta + \cos^2\gamma) \\ &= 3 - 1 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Question: 5

Solution:

Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

A unit vector is a vector whose magnitude = 1.

Formula to be used - $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$

Hence, magnitude of $(\cos\alpha\cos\beta)\hat{i} + (\cos\alpha\sin\beta)\hat{j} + (\sin\alpha)\hat{k}$ will be given by

$$\sqrt{(\cos\alpha\cos\beta)^2 + (\cos\alpha\sin\beta)^2 + (\sin\alpha)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2\alpha(\cos^2\beta + \sin^2\beta) + \sin^2\alpha}$$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha}$$

= 1 i.e a unit vector

Question: 5

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Question: 6

Solution:

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$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$$

Hence, the direction cosines of the vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \sqrt{2}\hat{k}$ is given by

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

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-θ

The direction cosine of z-axis = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ i.e. $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ where θ is the angle the vector makes with the z-axis.

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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Question: 7

Solution:

Given $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are vectors such that $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$ and $|\vec{b}| = 2$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$

To find – Angle between $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$:

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$

$$\text{Hence, } \sqrt{6} = 2\sqrt{3} \cos \theta \text{ i.e. } \cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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Question: 8

Solution:

Given $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are vectors such that $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$

To find – Angle between $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$:

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$

$$\text{Hence, } -1 = \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2} \cos \theta \text{ i.e. } \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{2} \therefore \theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Question: 8

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Given $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are vectors such that $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$

To find – Angle between $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$:

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta$

Hence, $-1 = \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}\cos\theta$ i.e. $\cos\theta = \frac{-1}{2}$ $\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$

Question: 9

Solution:

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

To find - Angle between $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$:

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta$

Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Here, $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 3 + 4 + 3 = 10$

$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{14}$

$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{14}$

Hence, $10 = \sqrt{14}\sqrt{14}\cos\theta$ i.e. $\cos\theta = \frac{10}{14} = \frac{5}{7}$

$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1}\frac{5}{7}$

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

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Question: 10

Solution:

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

To find - Angle between $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ and $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$:

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

$$\text{Here, } \vec{a} + \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{a} - \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) = -8 + 3 + 5 = 0$$

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$|\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{38}$$

$$\text{Hence, } 0 = \sqrt{18}\sqrt{38} \cos \theta \text{ i.e. } \cos \theta = 0$$

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

Question: 10

Solution:

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

To find - Angle between $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ and $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$:-

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

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$$\text{and } \vec{a} - \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) - (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}) = -8 + 3 + 5 = 0$$

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{18}$$

$$|\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{38}$$

$$\text{Hence, } 0 = \sqrt{18}\sqrt{38} \cos \theta \text{ i.e. } \cos \theta = 0$$

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Question: 11

Solution:

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

To find - Angle between $2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ and $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$:-

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

$$\text{Here, } 2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 2(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\text{and } \vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + 2(3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 7\hat{i} + \hat{k}$$

$$\therefore (2\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) = (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (7\hat{i} + \hat{k}) = 35 - 4 = 31$$

$$|2\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{50}$$

$$|\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{7^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{50}$$

Hence, $31 = \sqrt{50}\sqrt{50}\cos\theta$ i.e. $\cos\theta = \frac{31}{50}$

$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{31}{50}$

Question: 11

Solution:

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

To find - Angle between $2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ and $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Here, $2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 2(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$

and $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}) + 2(3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = 7\hat{i} + \hat{k}$

$\therefore (2\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) = (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (7\hat{i} + \hat{k}) = 35 - 4 = 31$

$|2\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{50}$

$|\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{7^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{50}$

Hence, $31 = \sqrt{50}\sqrt{50}\cos\theta$ i.e. $\cos\theta = \frac{31}{50}$

$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{31}{50}$

Question: 12

Solution:

Given - $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$

To find - Value of λ where $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - For perpendicular vectors, $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ i.e. $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = 0$ i.e. the dot product = 0

Hence, $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ $\cos\theta = 0$

$\therefore (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 6 - 8 - \lambda = 0$

i.e.

Question: 12

$\lambda = -2$

Solution:

Given - $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$

To find - Value of λ where $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

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$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ $\cos\theta = 0$

Hence, $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

$$\therefore (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 8 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \lambda = -2$$

Question: 13

Solution:

$$\text{Given - } \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

To find - Projection of $\vec{a}$ on $\vec{b}$ i.e. $\vec{a} \cos \theta$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - If $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors, then the projection of $\vec{p}$ on $\vec{q}$ is defined as $\vec{p} \cos \theta$

Magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

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

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} |\vec{a}| \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| \cos \theta = \frac{2 + 2 + 1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| \cos \theta = \frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Question: 13

Mark (✓) against

Solution:

$$\text{Given - } \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

To find - Projection of $\vec{a}$ on $\vec{b}$ i.e. $\vec{a} \cos \theta$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}| \cos \theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - If $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors, then the projection of $\vec{p}$ on $\vec{q}$ is defined as $\vec{p} \cos \theta$

Magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

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

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} |\vec{a}| \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| \cos \theta = \frac{2 + 2 + 1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}| \cos \theta = \frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Question: 14

Solution:

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

Tip - If $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are two vectors then $|\vec{a} \pm \vec{b}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 \pm 2ab\cos\theta}$

Hence,

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

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 4ab\cos\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$

Question: 14

Solution:

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

Tip - If $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are two vectors then $|\vec{a} \pm \vec{b}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 \pm 2ab\cos\theta}$

Hence,

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

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab\cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 4ab\cos\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{So, } \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$

Question: 15

Solution:

Given - $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are two mutually perpendicular unit vectors i.e. $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1$

To Find - $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

$$\therefore |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\frac{\pi}{2} = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

Hence,

$$(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$$

$$= 15|\vec{a}|^2 + 10\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} - 18\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 12|\vec{b}|^2$$

$$= 15 - 12$$

$$= 3$$

Question: 15

Solution:

Given $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are two mutually perpendicular unit vectors i.e. $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1$

To Find - $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

$$\therefore |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\frac{\pi}{2} = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

Hence,

$$(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$$

$$= 15|\vec{a}|^2 + 10\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} - 18\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 12|\vec{b}|^2$$

$$= 15 - 12$$

$$= 3$$

Question: 16

Mark (✓) against

Solution:

Given -

and

To find - Value of λ

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

Formula to be used -

where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - For perpendicular vectors,

$$\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$$

i.e.

$$\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = 0$$

i.e. the dot product = 0

Hence,

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \cos\theta = 0$$

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

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

i.e.

Question: 16

$$\lambda = -9$$

Mark (✓) against

Solution:

Given -

and

To find - Value of λ

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

Formula to be used -

where $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{q}$ are two vectors

Tip - For perpendicular vectors,

$$\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$$

i.e.

$$\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = 0$$

i.e. the dot product = 0

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \cos\theta = 0$$

Hence, $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

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

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

$$\text{i.e. } \lambda = -9$$

Question: 17

Solution:

Given - $\hat{a}$ and $\hat{b}$ are two unit vectors with an angle θ between them

$$\text{To find - } \frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$$

Formula used - If $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are two vectors then $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta}$

$$\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2\sin^2\theta$$

$$\text{Tip - } |\hat{a}|^2 = |\hat{b}|^2 = 1 \text{ \& } \hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} = 1$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} - \hat{b}| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{|\hat{a}|^2 + |\hat{b}|^2 + 2\hat{a}\hat{b}\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 + 2\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{1 + \cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times \sqrt{2\sin^2\frac{\theta}{2}} \\ &= \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Question: 17

Solution:

Given - $\hat{a}$ and $\hat{b}$ are two unit vectors with an angle θ between them

$$\text{To find - } \frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$$

Formula used - If $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are two vectors then $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + 2ab\cos\theta}$

$$\cos 2\theta = 1 - 2\sin^2\theta$$

$$\text{Tip - } |\hat{a}|^2 = |\hat{b}|^2 = 1 \text{ \& } \hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} = 1$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} - \hat{b}| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{|\hat{a}|^2 + |\hat{b}|^2 + 2\hat{a}\hat{b}\cos\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 + 2\cos\theta} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{1 + \cos \theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times \sqrt{2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$= \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

Question: 18

Solution:

Given - $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ are two vectors.

To find - $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$= -2\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 8^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{93}$$

Question: 18

Solution:

Given - $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ are two vectors.

To find - $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

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$$= -2\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 8^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{93}$$

Question: 19

Mark (✓) against

Solution:Given - $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{k}$ are two vectors.To find - $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}|$ Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$ Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

$$\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(12) + \hat{j}(-6 - 6) + \hat{k}(-4)$$

$$= 12\hat{i} - 12\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = \sqrt{12^2 + 12^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{304} = 4\sqrt{19}$$

Question: 19

Mark (✓) against

Solution:Given - $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{k}$ are two vectors.To find - $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}|$ Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$ Tip - Magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

So,

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$$= \hat{i}(12) + \hat{j}(-6 - 6) + \hat{k}(-4)$$

$$= 12\hat{i} - 12\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = \sqrt{12^2 + 12^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{304} = 4\sqrt{19}$$

Question: 20**Solution:**Given - $|\vec{a}| = 2$, $|\vec{b}| = 7$ and $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ To find - Angle between $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \times \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}$

Tip- $|\vec{p} \times \vec{q}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta$ & magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$
 $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

$$\text{Hence, } |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2} = 7$$

$$\therefore 7 = 2 \times 7\sin\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Question: 20

Solution:

$$\text{Given - } |\vec{a}| = 2, |\vec{b}| = 7 \text{ and } \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

To find - Angle between $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \times \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}$

Tip- $|\vec{p} \times \vec{q}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta$ & magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by
 $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

$$\text{Hence, } |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2} = 7$$

$$\therefore 7 = 2 \times 7\sin\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Question: 21

Solution:

$$\text{Given - } |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}, |\vec{b}| = 7 \text{ and } |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$$

To find - $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \times \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}$ & $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ where $\vec{p}$ & $\vec{q}$ are any two vectors

$$\text{Tip - } |\vec{p} \times \vec{q}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta$$

So,

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{35}{7\sqrt{26}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{26}}$$

$$\therefore \cos\theta = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{26}}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta = \sqrt{26} \times 7 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}} = 7$$

Question: 21**Solution:**

Given - $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}$, $|\vec{b}| = 7$ and $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$

To find - $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$

Formula to be used - $\vec{p} \times \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n}$ & $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\cos\theta$ where $\vec{p}$ & $\vec{q}$ are any two vectors

Tip - $|\vec{p} \times \vec{q}| = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta\hat{n} = |\vec{p}||\vec{q}|\sin\theta$

So,

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{35}{7\sqrt{26}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{26}}$$

$$\therefore \cos\theta = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{26}}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}}$$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta = \sqrt{26} \times 7 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}} = 7$$

Question: 22**Solution:**

Given - Two adjacent sides of a || gm are represented by the vectors $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

To find - Area of the parallelogram

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip - Area of ||gm = $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$ and magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by $|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Hence,

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(-4 - 1) + \hat{j}(4 - 3) + \hat{k}(-3 - 1)$$

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

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 1^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{42}$$

i.e. the area of the parallelogram = $\sqrt{42}$ sq. units

Question: 23**Solution:**

Given - Two diagonals of a || gm are represented by the vectors $\vec{d}_1 = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

$$\vec{d}_2 = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

To find - Area of the parallelogram

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip - Area of ||gm = $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2|$ and magnitude of a vector $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

Hence,

$$\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(4 - 6) + \hat{j}(-2 - 12) + \hat{k}(-9 - 1)$$

$$= -2\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} - 10\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2| = \sqrt{2^2 + 14^2 + 10^2} = \sqrt{300}$$

$$\text{i.e. the area of the parallelogram} = \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{300} = 5\sqrt{3} \text{ sq. units}$$

Question: 1

Solution:

Given - Two adjacent sides of a triangle are represented by the vectors $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$ and

$$\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$$

To find - Area of the triangle

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip - Area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$ and magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by

$$|\vec{p}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

Hence,

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -5 & 7 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{k}(21 + 20)$$

$$= 41\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{41^2} = 41$$

$$\text{i.e. the area of the parallelogram} = \frac{41}{2} \text{ sq. units}$$

Question: 1

Solution:

Given - Two adjacent sides of a triangle are represented by the vectors $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$

To find - Area of the triangle

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip - Area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$ and magnitude of a vector $\vec{p} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ is given by

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$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -5 & 7 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$\therefore |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{41^2} = 41$$

i.e. the area of the parallelogram = $\frac{41}{2}$ sq. units

Question: 25

Solution:

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

To find - A unit vector perpendicular to the two given vectors.

Formula to be used - $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ where $\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$

Tip - A vector perpendicular to two given vectors is their cross product.

The unit vector of any vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ is given by $\frac{(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$

Hence,

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$$

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

$$= -2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}, \text{ which the vector perpendicular to the two given vectors.}$$

$$\text{The required unit vector} = \frac{-2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{2^2 + 2^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

Question: 25

Solution:

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

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Tip - A vector perpendicular to two given vectors is their cross product

The unit vector of any vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ is given by $\frac{(a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$

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Question: 26

Solution:

Given - $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are three unit vectors and $(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) = 0$

To find - $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$

Tip - $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = |\vec{c}| = 1$

So,

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 3 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = \frac{-3}{2}$$

Question: 26

Solution:

Given - $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are three unit vectors and $(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) = 0$

To find - $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$

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$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = \frac{-3}{2}$$

Question: 27

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Solution:

Given - $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are three mutually perpendicular unit vectors

To find - $[\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}]$

Tip - $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = |\vec{c}| = 1$ & $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} & (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2 \\ &= |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}] = \sqrt{3}$$

Question: 27

Solution:

Given - $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are three mutually perpendicular unit vectors

To find - $[\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}]$

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So,

$$\begin{aligned} & (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2 \\ &= |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore [\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}] = \sqrt{3}$$

Question: 28

Solution:

To find - $[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}]$

Formula to be used - $[\hat{a} \hat{b} \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\therefore [\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}]$$

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

$$= \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i}$$

$$= |\hat{i}|^2$$

$$= 1$$

Question: 28

Solution:

To find - $[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}]$

Formula to be used - $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\begin{aligned} &\therefore [\hat{i} \ \hat{j} \ \hat{k}] \\ &= \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) \\ &= \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} \\ &= |\hat{i}|^2 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Question: 29

Solution:

Given - The three coterminal edges of a parallelepiped are $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

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

To find - The volume of the parallelepiped

Formula to be used - $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip - The volume of the parallelepiped = $|[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]|$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} &[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] \\ &= \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) \\ &= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \{(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \times (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})\} \\ &= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (-5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) \\ &= -10 + 3 - 28 \\ &= -35 \end{aligned}$$

The volume = 35 sq units

Question: 29

Solution:

Given - The three coterminal edges of a parallelepiped are $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

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

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Formula to be used - $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

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Tip - The volume of the parallelepiped = $|[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]|$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] &= \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) \\
 &= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \{(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \times (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})\} \\
 &= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (-5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) \\
 &= -10 + 3 - 28 \\
 &= -35
 \end{aligned}$$

The volume = 35 sq units

Question: 30

Solution:

Given – The three coterminal edges of a parallelepiped are $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}$,

$$\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k} \text{ \& } \vec{c} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

To find – The value of λ

Formula to be used – $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip - The volume of the parallelepiped = $|[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]|$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] &= \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) \\
 &= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \{(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})\} \\
 &= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 4 & 3 & \lambda \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot ((21 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (\lambda - 28)\hat{j} - 11\hat{k}) \\
 &= 5(21 + 2\lambda) - 4(\lambda - 28) - 11 \\
 &= 206 + 6\lambda
 \end{aligned}$$

The volume = $206 + 6\lambda$

But, the volume = 216 sq units

$$\text{So, } 206 + 6\lambda = 216 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{10}{6} = \frac{5}{3}$$

Question: 30

Solution:

Given – The three coterminal edges of a parallelepiped are

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

$$\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k} \text{ \& } \vec{c} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

To find – The value of λ

$$\text{—————} [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ ————— } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip - The volume of the parallelepiped = $|[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]|$

Hence,

$$[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}]$$

$$= \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$$

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \{(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})\}$$

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 4 & 3 & \lambda \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot ((21 + 2\lambda)\hat{i} + (\lambda - 28)\hat{j} - 11\hat{k})$$

$$= 5(21 + 2\lambda) - 4(\lambda - 28) - 11$$

$$= 206 + 6\lambda$$

$$\text{The volume} = 206 + 6\lambda$$

$$\text{But, the volume} = 216 \text{ sq units}$$

$$\text{So, } 206 + 6\lambda = 216 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{10}{6} = \frac{5}{3}$$

Question: 31

Solution:

Given – The vectors $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}$ & $\vec{c} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$ are coplanar

To find – The value of λ

$$\text{Formula to be used — } [\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c})$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ where } \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

Tip – For vectors to be coplanar, $[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = 0$

Hence,

$$[\hat{a} \ \hat{b} \ \hat{c}] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \times \hat{c}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot \{(\hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}) \times (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & \lambda + 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (2(\lambda + 1)\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 4(\lambda + 1)\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(\lambda - 1) + 8(\lambda - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12(\lambda-1)=0 \text{ i.e. } \lambda=1$$

Question: 31

Solution:

Given – The vectors $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}$ & $\vec{c} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$ are coplanar

To find – The value of λ

$$[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{---} \quad \vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = b_1\hat{i} + b_2\hat{j} + b_3\hat{k}$$

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Hence,

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

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

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot \{(\hat{i} + (\lambda + 1)\hat{j}) \times (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k})\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & \lambda + 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}) \cdot (2(\lambda + 1)\hat{j} - 2\hat{j} - 4(\lambda + 1)\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(\lambda - 1) + 8(\lambda - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12(\lambda - 1) = 0 \text{ i.e. } \lambda = 1$$

Question: 32

Solution:

Tip - $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) = \vec{c} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}$ since, dot product is commutative

Hence, $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})$ is meaningless.

Question: 32

Solution:

Tip - $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) = \vec{c} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}$ since, dot product is commutative

Hence, $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})$ is meaningless.

Question: 33

Solution:

Tip – The cross product of two vectors is the vector perpendicular to both the vectors.

$\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ gives a vector perpendicular to both $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$.

Now,

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$$

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

$$= |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= 0$$

Question: 33

Solution:

Tip – The cross product of two vectors is the vector perpendicular to both the vectors.

$\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ gives a vector perpendicular to both $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$.

Now,

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$$

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

$$= |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= 0$$

Question: 34

Solution:

Formula to be used - $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})$ for any three arbitrary vectors

$$\therefore [\vec{a} - \vec{b} \ \vec{b} - \vec{c} \ \vec{c} - \vec{a}]$$

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

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

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

$$= [\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) - \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) - \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{a}) + \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{a}) + \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) - \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})]$$

$$= [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] - [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 0$$

Question: 34

Solution:

Formula to be used - $[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})$ for any three arbitrary vectors

$$\therefore [\vec{a} - \vec{b} \ \vec{b} - \vec{c} \ \vec{c} - \vec{a}]$$

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

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

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

$$= [\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) - \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) - \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{a}) + \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{a}) + \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) - \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{a})]$$

$$= [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] - [\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{c}] = 0$$

Question: 1

Mark (✓) against

Solution:

Given vector $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

Property : The unit vector corresponding to the vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k} = \frac{a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$

Therefore the unit vector corresponding to the vector $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

is

$$\hat{a} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 6^2}}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 16}}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{49}}$$

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

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

Question: 2

Solution:

Given vector $\vec{r} = -2\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$

Property: for the vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$,

1) Direction ratios dr's are a,b,c

2) Direction cosines dc's are $\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$

Therefore the dc's of the vector $-2\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} - 5\hat{k} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + 1^2 + (-5)^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + 1^2 + (-5)^2}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + 1^2 + (-5)^2}}$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{4+1+25}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{4+1+25}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{4+1+25}}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{30}}$$

Question: 3

Solution:

Given A(1,2,-3) and B(-1,-2,1)

A

B



Property: The position vector of the of the vector joining two points (x_1, y_1, z_1) and (x_2, y_2, z_2) is $(x_2 - x_1)\hat{i} + (y_2 - y_1)\hat{j} + (z_2 - z_1)\hat{k}$

So, the position vector of the line joining A and B is

$$\vec{AB} = (-1 - 1)\hat{i} + (-2 - 2)\hat{j} + [1 - (-3)]\hat{k}$$

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

Property: for the vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$, Direction cosines dc's are $\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$

Therefore the Dc's of the vector $\vec{AB} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+(-4)^2+4^2}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+(-4)^2+4^2}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+(-4)^2+4^2}}$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{4+16+16}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{4+16+16}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{4+16+16}}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{36}}, \frac{-4}{\sqrt{36}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{36}}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{6}, -\frac{4}{6}, \frac{4}{6}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$$

Question: 4

Solution:

Given α, β and γ are the angles made by the vector with X,Y and z axes respectively

$\Rightarrow \cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma$ are the direction cosines .

As we know that if $\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma$ are the direction cosines , then the relation between them is $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$

We also know that $\cos^2 \theta = 1 - \sin^2 \theta$

So we can write $(1 - \sin^2 \alpha) + (1 - \sin^2 \beta) + (1 - \sin^2 \gamma) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow 3 - (\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma = 2$$

Question: 5

Solution:

Given vector

$$\cos \alpha \cos \beta \hat{i} + \cos \alpha \sin \beta \hat{j} + \sin \alpha \hat{k}$$

UNIT VECTOR: the vector with magnitude as 1.

Property: The magnitude of the vector $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$

The magnitude of the given vector is $\sqrt{(\cos \alpha \cos \beta)^2 + (\cos \alpha \sin \beta)^2 + \sin^2 \alpha}$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2 \alpha (\cos^2 \beta + \sin^2 \beta) + \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$= \sqrt{\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$= 1$$

As the magnitude of the given vector is 1, it is a UNIT VECTOR.

Question: 6

Solution:

Given vector is

$$1\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + \sqrt{2}\hat{k}$$

Property: for the vector $\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$, Direction cosines dc's are $\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2+c^2}}$

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$$\begin{aligned}\text{Therefore the dc's of the given vector is } & \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2+\sqrt{2}^2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2+\sqrt{2}^2}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1^2+1^2+\sqrt{2}^2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+1+2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+1+2}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1+1+2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{4}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\end{aligned}$$

Let the angle made by the vector with the Z axis be γ .

we got that the cosine of the angle γ is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \gamma = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Question: 7

Solution:

$$\text{Given } |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}, |\vec{b}| = 2$$

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

Let angle between the vectors $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ be θ

Using the dot product property of the vectors,

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

Substituting the given values in the equation,

$$\sqrt{6} = \sqrt{3} \times 2 \times \cos \theta$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Question: 8

Solution:

Given

$$\text{Given } |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2}, |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1$$

Let angle between the vectors $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ be θ

Using the dot product property of the vectors,

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

Substituting the given values in the equation,

$$-1 = \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \cos \theta$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos(\pi - \theta) = \cos \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi - \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

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

Question: 9

Solution:

Given vectors $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and

$$\text{Magnitude } |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{1 + 4 + 9} = \sqrt{14}$$

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

$$\text{Magnitude of } |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{9 + 4 + 1} = \sqrt{14}$$

Property:

$$\vec{r}_1 = x_1\hat{i} + y_1\hat{j} + z_1\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_2 = x_2\hat{i} + y_2\hat{j} + z_2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_1 \cdot \vec{r}_2 = (x_1 \cdot x_2)\hat{i} + (y_1 \cdot y_2)\hat{j} + (z_1 \cdot z_2)\hat{k}$$

Then

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

$$= (1 \times 3) + (-2 \times -2) + (3 \times 1)$$

$$= 3 + 4 + 3$$

$$= 10$$

Let angle between the vectors $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ be θ

Using the dot product property of the vectors,

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

Substituting the given values in the equation,

$$10 = \sqrt{14} \times \sqrt{14} \times \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{10}{14}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{5}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{7}$$

Question: 10

Solution:

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

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

$$\vec{a} - \vec{b} = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

$$= -8 + 3 + 5$$

$$= 0$$

As $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0$, then the cosine of angle between the vectors $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ and $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$ is 0.

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = 0$$

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

Question: 11**Solution:**

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

$$2\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$2\vec{b} = 6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

Let the vector $2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ be $\vec{U}$

$$\vec{U} = 2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k} + 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{U} = 2\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{U}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 3^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{25 + 9 + 16} = \sqrt{50}$$

Let the vector $2\vec{b} + \vec{a}$ be $\vec{V}$

$$\vec{V} = \vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k} + 6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{V} = \vec{a} + 2\vec{b} = 7\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{V}| = \sqrt{7^2 + 0^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{49 + 1} = \sqrt{50}$$

$$\vec{U} \cdot \vec{V} = (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (7\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$= (5 \times 7) + 0 - (4 \times 1)$$

$$= 35 - 4$$

$$= 31$$

Let angle between the vectors $\vec{U}$ and $\vec{V}$ be θ

Using the dot product property of the vectors,

$$\vec{U} \cdot \vec{V} = |\vec{U}| |\vec{V}| \cos \theta$$

Substituting the given values in the equation,

$$31 = \sqrt{50} \times \sqrt{50} \times \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{31}{50}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{31}{50}$$

Question: 12

Solution:

Given vectors $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$

Also given that $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

Let the angle between the vectors $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ be θ .

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

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2 \times 3) + (4 \times -2) + (-1 \times \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 8 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -2$$

Question: 13

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Solution:

Given vectors $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}$

Property:

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

Therefore the projection of $\vec{a}$ on $\vec{b}$ is $\frac{(2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 1\hat{k})}{\sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2}}$

$$= \frac{(2 \times 1) + (-1 \times -2) + (1 \times 1)}{\sqrt{1+4+1}}$$

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

$$= \frac{5}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Question: 14

Solution:

Given |

Squaring both sides,

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 4 \cdot \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$

Question: 15

Solution:

Given $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ are mutually perpendicular unit vectors

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

And angle between the vectors $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ is $\frac{\pi}{2}$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

Asking to find $(3\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \cdot (5\vec{a} - 6\vec{b})$

Multiplying,

$$= (3 \times 5) |\vec{a}|^2 - (3 \times 6) (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) + (2 \times 5) (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}) - (2 \times 6) |\vec{b}|^2$$

$$= 15|\vec{a}|^2 - 18(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) + 10(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) - 12|\vec{b}|^2 \text{ [reason: dot product is commutative i.e., } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}]$$

$$= 15 - 8(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) - 12$$

$$= 15 - 12 \text{ [reason: } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0]$$

$$= 3$$

Question: 16

Solution:

Given vectors $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ and

Also given $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$ $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$

As they are perpendicular, $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$

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

$$\Rightarrow (3 \times 1) + (1 \times \lambda) + (-2 \times -3) = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -9$$

Question: 17

Solution:

Given $\hat{a}$ and $\hat{b}$ are unit vectors

Let θ be the angle between them.

Asking us to find the value of $\frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$

Let this value be T

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$$

Squaring on both the sides

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{4} |(\hat{a})^2 + (\hat{b})^2 - 2.(\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{4} |1 + 1 - 2.(\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{4} |2 - 2.(\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{2}{4} |1 - (\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{2} |1 - (\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b})|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{2} |1 - (|\hat{a}||\hat{b}|\cos\theta)|$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot |1 - (1 \cdot \cos\theta)|$$

$(1 - \cos\theta)$ can be written as $2 \cdot \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow T^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot |1 - (1 \cdot \cos\theta)|$$

$$= T^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot |2 \cdot \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}|$$

$$T^2 = \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

Question: 18

Solution:

Given vectors $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} \times \vec{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}[(-1 \times -4) - (2 \times 3)] - \hat{j}[(1 \times -4) - (2 \times 2)] + \hat{k}[(1 \times 3) - (2 \times -1)] \\ &= \hat{i}[4 - 6] - \hat{j}[-4 - 4] + \hat{k}[3 + 2] \\ &= -2\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 8^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{4 + 64 + 25} = \sqrt{93}$$

Question: 19

Solution:

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

Asking us to find, $|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}|$

$$2\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}[0 - (-4 \times -3)] - \hat{j}[(1 \times 6) - (2 \times -3)] + \hat{k}[(1 \times -4) - 0]$$

$$= \hat{i}(-12) - \hat{j}(6+6) + \hat{k}(-4)$$

$$= -12\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{b} \times 2\vec{a}| = \sqrt{(-12)^2 + 12^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{144 + 144 + 16} = \sqrt{304}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 \cdot 19}$$

$$= 4\sqrt{19}$$

Question: 20

Solution:

Given

$$|\vec{a}| = 2$$

$$\text{And } |\vec{b}| = 7$$

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

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{9 + 4 + 36} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

Let the angle between the vector be θ

As we know that,

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

Substituting the values,

$$7 = 2 \times 7 \times \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Question: 21

Solution:

Given

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{26}$$

$$\text{And } |\vec{b}| = 7$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 35 \text{ and } |\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| = ?$$

As we know that, $|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$ and $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \sin \theta$

Adding and subtracting the above equations,

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

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2 (1)$$

Substituting the given values, we get

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + 35^2 = \sqrt{26}^2 7^2$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + 1225 = 26 \cdot 49$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 + 1225 = 1274$$

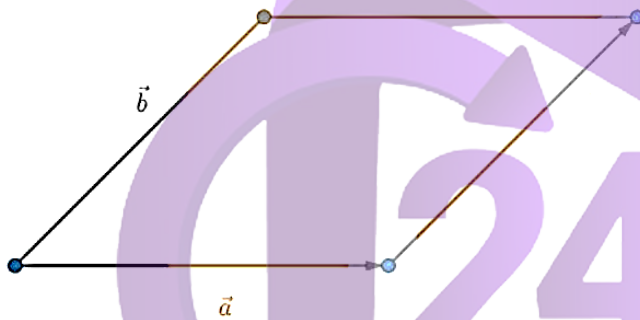
$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 = 1274 - 1225$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|^2 = 49$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| = 7$$

Question: 22

Solution:



Given the adjacent sides of the parallelogram

$$\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k} \text{ and } \vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

Property: The area of the parallelogram with the adjacent sides are $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ is $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

Therefore the area of the parallelogram is

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

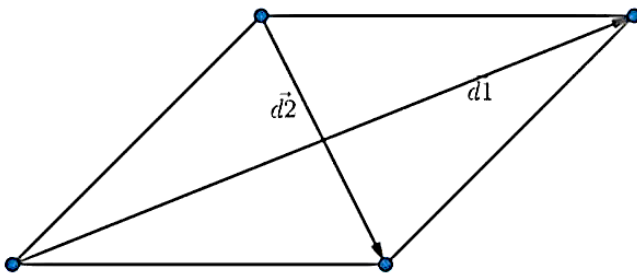
$$= \hat{i}[1 - (-4)] - \hat{j}[3 - 4] + \hat{k}[-3 - 1]$$

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

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 1^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{25 + 1 + 16} = \sqrt{42} \text{ sq.units}$$

Question: 23

Solution:



Given diagonals of the parallelogram $\vec{d}_1 = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{d}_2 = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

Area of the parallelogram as $\vec{d}_1$ and $\vec{d}_2$ as diagonals is $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2|$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}[4 - 6] - \hat{j}[12 - (-2)] + \hat{k}[-9 - 1] \\ &= -2\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} - 10\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

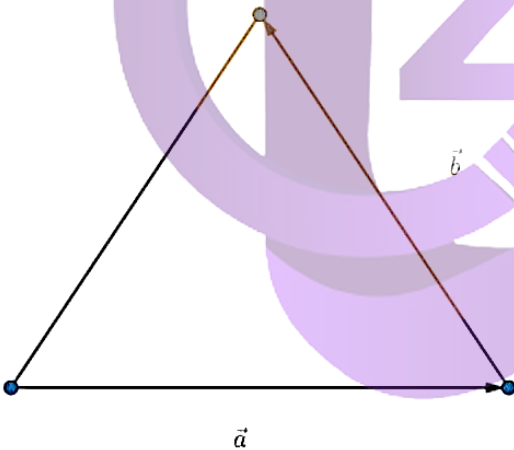
$$|\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-14)^2 + (-10)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 196 + 100} = \sqrt{300} = 10\sqrt{3}$$

Therefore the area of the parallelogram is $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2| = \frac{1}{2} \times 10\sqrt{3}$

$= 5\sqrt{3}$ sq units

Question: 24

Solution:



Given the adjacent sides of the triangle are $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$ and $\vec{b} = -5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$

Property: The area of the triangle with the sides $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ is $\frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \times \vec{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -5 & 7 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{k}[21 - (-20)] \\ &= 41\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 41$$

Therefore area of the triangle $= \frac{1}{2} \times 41 = \frac{41}{2}$ sq. units

Question: 25

Solution:

Given the plane is passing through $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

Property: The normal to the plane passing through $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ is $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$

Here ,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} \times \vec{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}[-1 - (-1)] - \hat{j}[1 - (-1)] + \hat{k}[1 - (-1)] \\ &= -2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

As it is a unit normal vector,

$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$ is divided by its magnitude.

Therefore the unit normal vector is $\frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(-2)^2+2^2}}$

$$= \frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{4+4}}$$

$$= \frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{8}}$$

$$= \frac{-2\hat{j}+2\hat{k}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{-\hat{j}+\hat{k}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Question: 26

Solution:

Given $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are unit vectors and $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = 0$

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

Let the angle between $\vec{a}$ and $\vec{b}$ be θ

We can write the given relation as $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = -\vec{c}$

Squaring on both the sides

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})=-1$$

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

Similarly we can prove that $\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$ and $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$

Asking us to find the value of $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a})$

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

$$= -\frac{3}{2}$$

Question: 27

Solution:

Given $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are mutually perpendicular unit vectors

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

$$\text{And } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0, \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 0, \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

Let the value of $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = T$

Squaring on both the sides,

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2 = T^2$$

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 1+1+1 = T^2$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \sqrt{3}$$

Question: 28

Solution:

Asking us to find the value of

$$[\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}] = \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) \text{ or } (\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) \cdot \hat{k} \quad [\hat{i} \hat{j} \hat{k}]$$

The value of $\hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}$ and $\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) = \hat{i} \cdot (\hat{i}) \text{ or } (\hat{i} \times \hat{j}) \cdot \hat{k} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k}$$

$$= 1 = 1$$

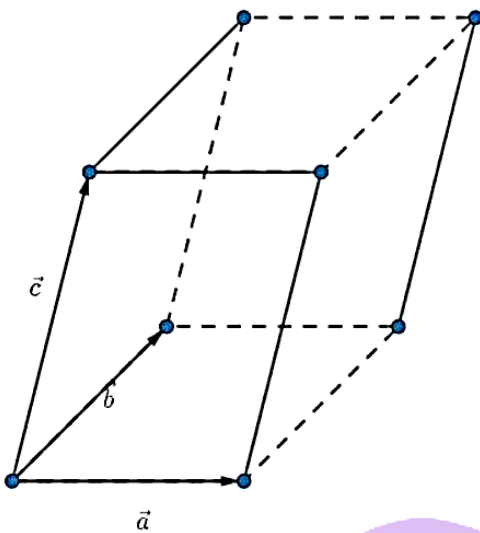
Question: 29

Solution:

$$\text{Given } \vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ are the coterminous edges of the parallelepiped.



Property:

If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are the coterminous edges of the parallelepiped, the the volume of the parallelepiped is $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$

$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$ is the scalar triple product.

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = |\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})|$$

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

$$= \hat{i}[-4-1] - \hat{j}[-2-(-3)] + \hat{k}[-1-6]$$

$$= -5\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (-5\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 7\hat{k})$$

$$= -10 + 3 - 28$$

$$= -35$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = 35 \text{ cubic units}$$

OR

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2[-4-1] - (-3)[-2-(-3)] + 4[-1-6]$$

$$= -35$$

Therefore the volume of the parallelepiped with the given coterminous edges is 35 cubic units

Question: 30

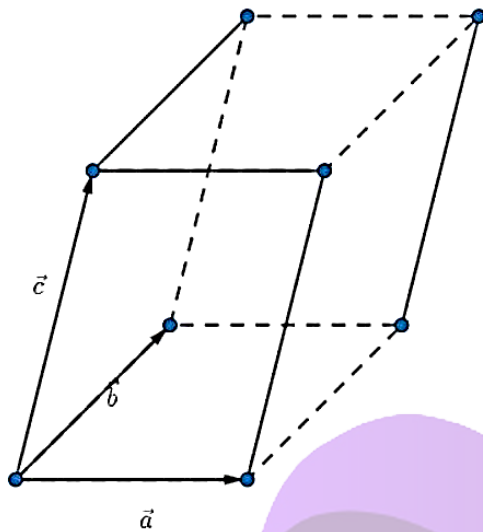
Solution:

Given volume of the parallelepiped is 216 cubic units

$$\text{Given } \vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$\text{And } \vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \lambda\hat{k}$$

$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$ are the coterminous edges of the parallelepiped.



$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = 216$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -4 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & \lambda \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 = 5[21 - (-2\lambda)] - (-4)[28 - \lambda] + 1[-8 - 3]$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 = 5[21 + 2\lambda] + 4[28 - \lambda] + 1[-11]$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 = 105 + 10\lambda + 112 - 4\lambda - 11$$

$$\Rightarrow 216 - 105 - 112 + 11 = 6\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\lambda = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{10}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{5}{3}$$

Question: 31

Solution:

Given $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{k}$

And $\vec{b} = 1\hat{i} + (1 + \lambda)\hat{j}$

$\vec{c} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$ are the coplanar.

If three vectors $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar, then $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = 0$

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 + \lambda & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2[2(1 + \lambda)] - 2[-4(1 + \lambda)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(1 + \lambda) + 8(1 + \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12(1 + \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

Question: 32

Solution:

Option B is meaningless

Reason:

The term $(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})$ is a scalar term and $\vec{a}$ is a vector. Cross product can only be applied in between the vectors. It is meaning less if used in between scalars or between scalar and vector.

Question: 33

Solution:

Asking us to find $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$

By the definition of the scalar triple product,

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

$$\text{Also } (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{a} = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}) \vec{b} \text{ [reason : dot product is associative]}$$

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

$$= 0$$

Question: 34

Solution:

Asking us to find the value of $[\vec{a} - \vec{b} \vec{b} - \vec{c} \vec{c} - \vec{a}]$

$$[\vec{a} - \vec{b} \quad \vec{b} - \vec{c} \quad \vec{c} - \vec{a}] = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \cdot [\vec{a} \quad \vec{b} \quad \vec{c}]$$

Coefficients

Of $\vec{a}$

coefficients

of $\vec{b}$

coefficients

of $\vec{c}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \cdot [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$$

$$= 1[1] - (-1)[-1]$$

$$= 1 - 1$$

$$= 0$$