

Topic :-VECTOR ALGEBRA

1 **(b)**

Given vectors $2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ and $a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ will be perpendicular, if
 $(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}) = 0 \Rightarrow 2a + 3b - c = 0$

Clearly, $a = 4, b = 4, c = 5$ satisfy the above equation

2 **(a)**

We have, $\vec{\alpha} = x(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) + y(\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) + z(\vec{c} \times \vec{a})$

Taking dot product with $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ respectively, we get

$$\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{a} = y[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}] \Rightarrow y = 8(\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{a})$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{b} = z[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}] \Rightarrow z = 8(\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{b})$$

$$\text{and } \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{c} = x(\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})$$

$$\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{c} = x[\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}] \Rightarrow x = 8(\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{c})$$

$$\therefore x + y + z = 8\vec{\alpha} \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})$$

3 **(d)**

Let $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ and $\vec{d} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} - 15\hat{k}$

$$\text{For collinears, } \vec{c} \times \vec{d} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 1 & -5 \\ a & b & -15 \end{vmatrix} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{i}(-15 + 5b) - \hat{j}(-45 + 5a) + \hat{k}(3b - a) = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow -15 + 5b = 0, \quad -45 + 5a = 0, \quad 3b - a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3, a = 9$$

4 **(d)**

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 &= |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 - 2|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta \\ &= 1^2 + 1^2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \cos 60^\circ \quad [\because |\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1] \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

5 **(c)**

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

Now take option (c).

Let $\vec{c} = 0\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$

$$\text{Now, } \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & -6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1(0) + 2(-12) - 3(-8) = 0$$

6 (a)

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$$

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

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

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

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

\therefore Given vector is parallel to $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$.

7 (a)

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = (2-1)\hat{i} + (0-2)\hat{j} + (3+1)\hat{k}$$

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

and

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

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

$$\cos \theta = \frac{(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})}{\sqrt{1+4+16}\sqrt{4+9+9}}$$

$$= \frac{2+6+12}{\sqrt{21}\sqrt{22}} = \frac{20}{\sqrt{462}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{462} \cos \theta = 20$$

8 (c)

$$[\vec{u} \vec{v} \vec{w}] = |\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} \times \vec{w})|$$

$$= |\vec{u} \cdot (3\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - \hat{k})|$$

$$= |\vec{u}| \sqrt{59} \cos \theta$$

\therefore Maximum value of $[\vec{u} \vec{v} \vec{w}] = \sqrt{59}$ ($\because |\vec{u}| = 1, \cos \theta \leq 1$)

10 (b)

$$\text{Given, force} = 5 \left(\frac{2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}}{|2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}|} \right) = \frac{5}{3} (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\text{Displacement} = (5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

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

\therefore Required work done = Force \cdot Displacement

$$= \frac{5}{3} [(2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (4\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k})]$$

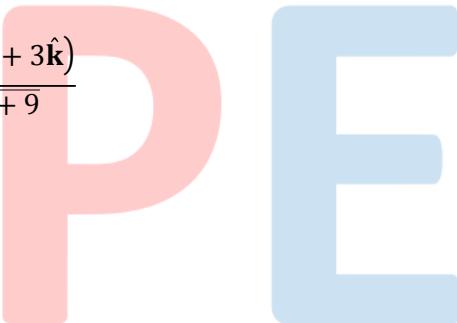
$$= \frac{5}{3} [8 - 2 + 4] = \frac{50}{3} \text{ unit}$$

11 (b)

We know that the equation of the plane passing through three non-collinear points $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ is
 $\vec{r} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{c} \times \vec{a} + \vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$

12 (a)

We have,



Required vector $\vec{r} = \lambda(\hat{a} + \hat{b})$, λ is a scalar

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = \lambda \left\{ \frac{1}{9}(7\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) + \frac{1}{3}(-2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \right\} = \frac{\lambda}{9}(\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

Now,

$$|\vec{r}| = 3\sqrt{6} \Rightarrow |\vec{r}|^2 = 54 \Rightarrow \frac{\lambda^2}{81}(1 + 49 + 4) = 54 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 9$$

Hence, required vector $\vec{r} = \pm(\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

Clearly, option (a) is true for $\lambda = 1$

13 (b)

Given vectors are collinear, if $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 6 & -1 & 2 \\ 14 & -5 & p \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2[-p + 10] - 1[6p - 28] + 1[-30 + 14] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -8p + 32 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 4$$

14 (d)

Given,

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

$$\therefore \frac{1}{3}|\vec{b}||\vec{c}||\vec{a}| = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{b} - (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{a}$$

On comparing the coefficient of \vec{a} and \vec{b} , we get

$$\frac{1}{2}|\vec{b}||\vec{c}| = -\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \text{ and } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}|\vec{b}||\vec{c}| = -|\vec{b}||\vec{c}|\cos \theta \Rightarrow \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{9} \Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

15 (c)

Let $\vec{A} = 7\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}$, $\vec{B} = -\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ and $\vec{C} = -4\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$

Now, $\vec{AB} = -\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$, $\vec{BC} = -3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$

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

Here, $|\vec{AB}| = |\vec{BC}| = 3\sqrt{2}$ and $|\vec{CA}| = 6$

$$\text{Now, } |\vec{AB}|^2 + |\vec{BC}|^2 = |\vec{AC}|^2$$

Hence, the triangle is right angled isosceles triangle.

16 (b)

We know that if A and B are two points and P is any point on AB . Then,

$$m\vec{PA} + n\vec{PB} = (m+n)\vec{PC}, \text{ where } C \text{ divides } AB \text{ in the ratio } n:m$$

Here, $m = n = 1$

$$\therefore \vec{PA} + \vec{PB} = 2\vec{PC}$$

17 (a)

$$\begin{aligned} (2\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}) \times (5\vec{a} + 7\vec{b}) + \vec{a} \times \vec{b} \\ = \vec{0} + 14(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) - 15(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) + \vec{0} + \vec{a} \times \vec{b} \end{aligned}$$

$= \vec{0}$

19 (c)

Let $\overrightarrow{OA} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\overrightarrow{OB} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$

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

$\therefore a = |\overrightarrow{OA}| = \sqrt{6}$, $b = |\overrightarrow{OB}| = \sqrt{35}$

and $c = |\overrightarrow{OC}| = \sqrt{41}$

$$\therefore \cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$
$$= \frac{(\sqrt{35})^2 + (\sqrt{41})^2 - (\sqrt{6})^2}{2\sqrt{35}\sqrt{41}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos A = \sqrt{\frac{35}{41}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 A = \frac{35}{41}$$

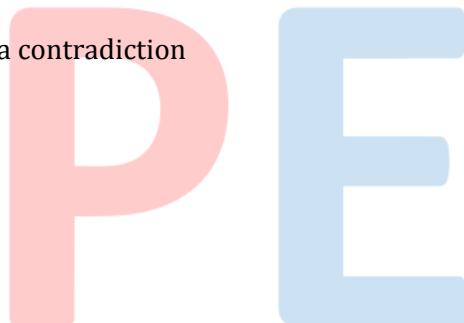
20 (d)

Let $\vec{p} \neq \vec{0}$. Then,

$$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a} = \vec{r} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{r} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are coplanar, which is a contradiction

Hence, $\vec{r} = \vec{0}$



ANSWER-KEY

Q.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A.	B	A	D	D	C	A	A	C	A	B
Q.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
A.	B	A	B	D	C	B	A	A	C	D

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