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Product of two Vectors

Example

1. if $\vec{b} = 2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} - \vec{k}$ and $\vec{c} = \vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}$ then find a vector \vec{a} such that $\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$ and $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$. Also find the unit vector along \vec{a} .

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2. If \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} are three unit vectors such that $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$ and angle between \vec{b} and \vec{c} is $\frac{\pi}{6}$

prove that $\vec{a} = \pm 2 \left(\vec{b} \times \vec{c} \right)$.

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3. A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n are the vertices of a regular plane polygon with n sides and O as its centre. Show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \vec{OA}_i \times \vec{OA}_{i+1} = (1-n) \left(\vec{OA}_2 \times \vec{OA}_1 \right)$$

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4. If \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} are unit vectors such that \vec{a} is perpendicular to the plane \vec{b} and \vec{c} and angle between \vec{b} and \vec{c} is $\frac{\pi}{3}$, then value of $\left| \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} \right|$ is



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5. Let $\vec{A} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{k}$, $\vec{B} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$. Determine a vector \vec{R} satisfying $\vec{R} \times \vec{B} = \vec{C} \times \vec{B}$ and $\vec{R} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$.



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6. The vectors $\vec{AB} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{BC} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$ are the adjacent sides of a parallelogram ABCD then the angle between the diagonals is



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7. The position vectors of the points A and B are $\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$ and $2\vec{i} - \vec{j} - \vec{k}$ respectively. Find the projection of \overrightarrow{AB} on the vector $\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$. Also find the resolved part of \overrightarrow{AB} in that direction.

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8. Show that the altitude of $\triangle ABC$ through a vertex A is

equal to
$$\frac{\left| \vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{c} \times \vec{a} \right|}{\left| \vec{b} - \vec{c} \right|}$$
 where the

position vectors of A, B, and C are respectively \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} .

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1. For any vector \vec{r} , prove that

$$\vec{r} = \left(\vec{r} \cdot \hat{i} \right) \hat{i} + \left(\vec{r} \cdot \hat{j} \right) \hat{j} + \left(\vec{r} \cdot \hat{k} \right) \hat{k}.$$

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2. If $\left| \vec{a} + \vec{b} \right| = \left| \vec{a} - \vec{b} \right|$ then show that \vec{a} and \vec{b} are perpendicular to each other.

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3. Let \hat{a}, \hat{b} be two unit vectors and θ be the angle between them.

What is $\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$ equal to ?



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4. Prove that $\left| \vec{a} + \vec{b} \right| = \sqrt{\left| \vec{a} \right|^2 + \left| \vec{b} \right|^2 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}$.

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5. Prove that ,

$$\left(\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \right)^2 + \left(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \right)^2 = \left| \vec{a} \right|^2 \left| \vec{b} \right|^2$$

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6. If $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{c} \times \vec{d}$ and $\vec{a} \times \vec{c} = \vec{b} \times \vec{d}$ then show that $\vec{a} - \vec{d}$ is parallel to $\vec{b} - \vec{c}$

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7. Find the angle between the vectors $\vec{a} = 2\vec{p} + 4\vec{q}$ and $\vec{b} = \vec{p} - \vec{q}$ where \vec{p} and \vec{q} are unit vectors forming an angle of 120° .

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8. If $|\vec{a}| = 1 = |\vec{b}|$ and $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{3}$ then evaluate $(2\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \cdot (3\vec{a} + \vec{b})$.

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9. Find λ such that the scalar product of the vector $\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ with the unit vector parallel to the sum of

the vectors $2\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} - 5\vec{k}$ and $\lambda\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$ is equal to 1.

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10. The set of values of x for which the angle between the vectors $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 2x\hat{i} + x\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ acute and the angle between the vector \vec{b} and the axis of ordinates is obtuse, is

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11. Let \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} be vectors of length 3, 4, 5 respectively. Let \vec{a} be perpendicular to $\vec{b} + \vec{c}$, \vec{b} to $\vec{c} + \vec{a}$ and \vec{c} to $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$. Then $\left| \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} \right|$ is :

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12. Vectors $3\vec{a} - 5\vec{b}$ and $2\vec{a} = \vec{b}$ are mutually perpendicular. If $\vec{a} + 4\vec{b}$ and $\vec{b} - \vec{a}$ are also mutually perpendicular, then the cosine of the angle between a and b is $\frac{19}{5\sqrt{43}}$ b. $\frac{19}{3\sqrt{43}}$ c. $\frac{19}{2\sqrt{45}}$ d. $\frac{19}{6\sqrt{43}}$

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13. The p th, q th and r th terms of a GP are the positive numbers a, b and c respectively. Show that the vectors $\vec{i} \log_e a + \vec{j} \log_e b + \vec{k} \log_e c$ and $\vec{i} (q - r) + \vec{j} (r - p) + \vec{k} (p - q)$ are mutually perpendicular.

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14. If \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} are mutually perpendicular vectors of equal magnitude, show the vectors $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}$ is equally inclined to \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} .

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15. A line makes angles α , β , γ and δ with the diagonals of a cube. Show that $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma + \cos^2 \delta = 4/3$.

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16. \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} are the position vectors of points A , B and C respectively, prove that :

$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{c} \times \vec{a}$ is vector perpendicular to the plane of triangle ABC .

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17. Given the vectors \vec{A} , \vec{B} , and \vec{C} form a triangle such that $\vec{A} = \vec{B} + \vec{C}$. find a, b, c , and d such that the area of the triangle is 56 where $\vec{A} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$
 $\vec{B} = d\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ $\vec{C} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

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18. If AC and BD are the diagonals of a quadrilateral ABCD, prove that its area is equal to $\frac{1}{2} \left| \overrightarrow{AC} \times \overrightarrow{BD} \right|$.

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19. A, B, C and D are any four points in the space, then

prove that $\left| \vec{AB} \times \vec{CD} + \vec{BC} \times \vec{AD} + \vec{CA} \times \vec{BD} \right| = 4$

(area of ABC .)



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20. If the angle between the vectors $x\vec{i} + \vec{j} - \vec{k}$ and

$\vec{i} + x\vec{j} + \vec{k}$ is equal to $\frac{\pi}{3}$ then $x = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.



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21. If the vector $\vec{a} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$ is perpendicular to

the vector $\vec{b} = \vec{i} - \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ and the scalar product of \vec{a}

and $\vec{c} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$ is equal to 4 then $x = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ and $y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

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22. If \vec{a} is a vector of magnitude 50 and parallel to $\vec{b} = 6\vec{i} - 8\vec{j} - \frac{15}{2}\vec{k}$ and makes an acute angle with the z-axis then $\vec{a} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

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23. If \vec{a} , \vec{b} , and \vec{c} are unit vectors such that $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = 0$, then find the value of $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$.

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24. Prove that ,

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

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25. If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are vectors, each of magnitude 3 then

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = \text{_____}.$$

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26. If $\vec{A} = (1, 1, 1)$, $\vec{C} = (0, 1, -1)$ are given vectors,

then prove that a vector \vec{B} satisfying the equations

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \vec{C} \text{ and } \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = 3 \text{ is } \left(\frac{5}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right).$$



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27. Find a unit vector perpendicular to the plane determined by the points $(1, -1, 2)$, $(2, 0, -1)$ and $(0, 2, 1)$.



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28. Let $\beta = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$ and $\vec{\gamma}$ be two vectors perpendicular to each other in the XY plane. Find all the vectors in the same plane having the projections 1 and 2 along $\vec{\beta}$ and $\vec{\gamma}$ respectively.



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29. If $|\vec{a}| = 3$, $|\vec{b}| = 5$, $|\vec{c}| = 7$ and $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = 0$ then angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} is

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30. The conditions under which the vector $\vec{P} + \vec{Q}$ and $\vec{P} - \vec{Q}$ will be at right angles to each other is

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31. Let $\vec{OA} = \vec{a}$, $\vec{OB} = 10\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}$ and $\vec{OC} = \vec{b}$, where O, A and C are non-collinear points. Let p denotes the area of quadrilateral $OACB$, and let q denote the area of

parallelogram with OA and OC as adjacent sides. If $p = kq$,

then find k .

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32. Vector $\vec{OA} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ turns through a right angle passing through the positive x-axis on the way. Show that the vector in its new position is $\frac{4\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}}{\sqrt{2}}$.

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33. A vector a has components a_1, a_2, a_3 in a right handed rectangular cartesian coordinate system $OXYZ$ the coordinate axis is rotated about z axis through an angle $\frac{\pi}{2}$. The components of a in the new system



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34. If $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$ then

A. $\vec{a} = 0$

B. $\vec{b} = \vec{c}$

C. $\vec{a} \perp (\vec{b} - \vec{c})$

D. all of these

Answer: D



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35. If $\vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C} = 0$ then $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$ is

A. $\vec{c} \times \vec{a}$

B. \vec{c}

C. $\vec{b} \times \vec{c}$

D. $\vec{a} \times \vec{c}$

Answer:



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36. If $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c} \neq \vec{0}$ then which one is true

where k is a suitable scalar?

A. $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = k\vec{c}$

B. $\vec{a} + \vec{c} = k\vec{b}$

C. $\vec{b} + \vec{c} = k\vec{a}$

D. none of these

Answer: B

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37. A, B, C and D are four points in a plane with position vectors \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} and \vec{d} , respectively, such that

$$\left(\vec{a} - \vec{d}\right) \cdot \left(\vec{b} - \vec{c}\right) = \left(\vec{b} - \vec{d}\right) \cdot \left(\vec{c} - \vec{a}\right) = 0$$

Then point D is the of triangle ABC

A. incentre

B. circumcentre

C. orthocentre

D. centroid

Answer:



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38. If $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}| = 1$ and $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 1$ then

A. $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$

B. $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

C. $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1$

D. none of these

Answer: B



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39. The vector $\vec{b} = 3j + 4k$ is to be written as the sum of a vector \vec{b}_1 , parallel to $\vec{a} = i + j$, and a vector \vec{b}_2 , perpendicular to \vec{a} , then \vec{b}_1 , equals

A. $\frac{3}{2}(\vec{i} + \vec{j})$

B. $\frac{2}{3}(\vec{i} + \vec{j})$

C. $\left(\frac{1}{2}(\vec{i} + \vec{j})\right)$

D. none of these

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40.

Let

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

be three vectors. A vector in the plane of \vec{b} and \vec{c} whose length of projection on \vec{a} is of $\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$ is

A. $2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} - 3\vec{k}$

B. $2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$

C. $-2\vec{i} - \vec{j} + 5\vec{k}$

D. $2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 5\vec{k}$

Answer:

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41. If $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = 0$ and $|\vec{a}| = 3$, $|\vec{b}| = 5$ and $|\vec{c}| = 7$, show that the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} is 60° .

A. $\frac{\pi}{3}$

B. $5\frac{\pi}{3}$

C. $2\frac{\pi}{3}$

D. $\frac{\pi}{6}$

Answer:



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42. If $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$ and $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{0}$ then which one of the following is correct ?

A. $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$

B. $\vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$

C. $\vec{a} = \vec{0}$ or $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$

D. none of these

Answer:



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43. If $\vec{a} = 4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j}$ and $\vec{b} = 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$, then find the component of \vec{a} and \vec{b} .

A. $\left(\frac{9}{5\sqrt{3}} \left(3\vec{j} + 4\vec{k} \right) \right)$

B. $\frac{18}{25}$

C. $\frac{18}{25} \left(3\vec{j} + 4\vec{k} \right)$

D. $\frac{18}{\sqrt{13}} \left(3\vec{j} + 4\vec{k} \right)$

Answer:



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44. In each of the following, fill in the blank so that the resulting statement is correct. If $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ are three unit vectors such that $\vec{a} = \lambda \vec{b} + \mu \vec{c}$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0, \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = \frac{1}{2}$ then $|\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}| = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

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45. If $\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \vec{B} \times \vec{A}$, then the angle between $A \rightarrow B$ is

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46. Find a unit vector \vec{c} if $-\vec{i} + \vec{j} - \vec{k}$ bisects the angle between \vec{c} and 3

$$\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}.$$



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47. If θ is the angle between the unit vectors \hat{a} and \hat{b} then $\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$ is equal to

A. $|\hat{a} + \hat{b}|$

B. $\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$

C. $\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}|$

D. $\frac{1}{2}|\hat{a} + \hat{b}|$

Answer: D



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48. In each of the following, one or more options are correct. Choose the correct option(s). If $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}|$ then $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ is perpendicular to the vector

A. $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{a}$

B. $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$

C. $\vec{a} \times \vec{b}$

D. $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{b}$

Answer: *B, C*



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