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VECTOR ALGEBRA

Practice Exercise

1. If $|\alpha + \beta| = |\alpha - \beta|$, then

- A. α is parallel to β
- B. α is perpendicular to β
- C. $|\alpha| = |\beta|$
- D. None of the above

Answer: B

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2. If \hat{a} and \hat{b} are two unit vectors and θ is the angle between them, then $\hat{a} + \hat{b}$ is a unit vector, if

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

B. $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$

C. $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

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

Answer: D

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3. Find a unit vector \vec{c} if $-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ bisects the angle between vectors \vec{c} and $3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$.

A. $\frac{1}{15} (11\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

B. $-\frac{1}{15} (11\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

C. $-\frac{1}{15} (11\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

D. $-\frac{1}{15} (11\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

Answer: D



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4. In a trapezium ABCD the vector $\vec{BC} = \lambda \vec{AD}$. If $\vec{p} = \vec{AC} + \vec{BD}$ is collinear with \vec{AD} such that $\vec{p} = \mu \vec{AD}$, then

A. $\mu = \lambda + 1$

B. $\lambda = \mu + 1$

C. $\lambda + \mu = 1$

D. $\mu = 2 + \lambda$

Answer: A

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5. Let a , b and c be three non-zero vectors, no two of which are collinear and the vector $a + b$ is collinear with c while $b + c$ is collinear with a , then $a + b + c$ is equal to

A. a

B. b

C. c

D. None

Answer: D

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6. A vector a has components $2p$ and 1 with respect to a rectangular cartesian system. This system is rotated through a certain angle about the origin in the counter-clockwise sense. If with respect to new system, a has components $p + 1$ and 1 , then

A. $p = 0$

B. $p = 1$ or $p = -1/3$

C. $p = -1$ or $p = 1/3$

D. $p = 1$ or $p = -1$

Answer: B

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7. If the sum of two unit vectors is a unit vector, then find the magnitude of their differences.

A. $\sqrt{2}$

B. $\sqrt{3}$

C. $\sqrt{5}$

D. $\sqrt{7}$

Answer: B



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8. If the position vectors of A, B, C and D are $2\hat{i} + \hat{j}$, $\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}$, $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$ and $\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j}$, respectively and $AB \parallel CD$, then λ will be

A. -7

B. 7

C. -6

D. None

Answer: C



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9. If \hat{a} and \hat{b} are unit vectors inclined at an angle α , $\alpha \in [0, \pi]$ to each other and $|\hat{a} + \hat{b}| < 1$ Then ,

A. $\left(\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$

B. $\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}, \pi\right)$

C. $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$

D. $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$

Answer: B



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10. Let a, b and c be three non-zero vectors which are pairwise non-collinear. If $a+3b$ is collinear with c and $b+2c$ is collinear with a , then $a+3b+6c$ is

A. $a + c$

B. a

C. c

D. 0

Answer: D



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11. If the vectors $\overrightarrow{AB} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{k}$ and $\overrightarrow{AC} = 5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ are the sides of a triangle ABC, then the length of the median through A is
(A) $\sqrt{33}$ (B) $\sqrt{45}$ (C) $\sqrt{18}$ (D) $\sqrt{720}$

A. $\sqrt{18}$

B. $\sqrt{72}$

C. $\sqrt{33}$

D. $\sqrt{45}$

Answer: C



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12. If a and b are non-collinear vectors, then the value of a for which the vectors $u = (a - 2)a + b$ and $V = (2 + 3a)a - 3b$ are collinear, is

A. $\frac{3}{2}$

B. $\frac{2}{3}$

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

D. $\frac{-2}{3}$

Answer: B



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13. If $|a| = |b| = |c| = 1$ and $a \cdot b = b \cdot c = c \cdot a = \cos \theta$, then the maximum value of θ is

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

B. $\frac{\pi}{2}$

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

D. $\frac{2\pi}{5}$

Answer: C



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14. If the resolved parts of the force vector $5\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ along and perpendicular to the vector $3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ are α and β respectively.

Then, the value of α is

A. $\frac{21}{50} (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$

B. $\frac{21}{50} (3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$

C. $\frac{11}{50} (2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

D. $\frac{1}{50} (187\hat{i} + 116\hat{j} - 205\hat{k})$

Answer: A



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15. let $|a| = 2\sqrt{2}$, $|b| = 3$ and the angle between a and b is $\frac{\pi}{4}$. If a parallelogram is constructed with adjacent sides $2a - 3b$ and $a + b$, then its longer diagonal is of length

A. 10

B. 8

C. $2\sqrt{26}$

D. 6

Answer: C



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16. Let $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ 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 projection on \vec{a} is of magnitude $\sqrt{2/3}$ is

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

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

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

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

Answer: A



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17. The vector a, b, c are equal in length and taken pairwise they make equal-angles.

If $a = i + j, b = j + k$ and c makes obtuse angle with x-axis, then

$c =$

A. $-\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k}$

B. $\hat{i} + \hat{k}$

C. $\frac{1}{3}(-\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - \hat{k})$

D. $\frac{\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}}{3}$

Answer: C

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18. If a and b are two non-collinear vectors such that $|a| = 3$, $|b| = 4$ and $a - b = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$, then the value of

$$\left\{ \frac{|a - b|}{|a||b|} \right\}^2$$

A. $\frac{1}{24}$

B. $\frac{5}{72}$

C. $\frac{7}{72}$

D. $\frac{7}{48}$

Answer: C

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19. If the points $P(a+b - c)$, $Q(2a+ 3b)$ and $R(b + c)$ are collinear, where a, b, c are three coplanar vectors, then the value of t is

A. -2

B. $-1/2$

C. $1/2$

D. 2

Answer: D



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20. If the three vectors a, b and c with magnitude 3, 4 and 5 respectively and $a + b + c = 0$, then the value of $a \cdot b + b \cdot c + c \cdot a$ is

A. -23

B. -25

C. 30

D. 26

Answer: B



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21. The angle between the vectors

$a = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $b = 6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ is

A. $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{11}$

B. $\cos^{-1} \frac{2}{11}$

C. $\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{21}$

D. $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{22}$

Answer: C



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22. If $a = \hat{i} + 2\hat{k} + 3\hat{k}$, $b = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} = \hat{k}$ and $c = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j}$, then p such that $a + pb$ is at right angle to c will be

A. 7

B. 9

C. 3

D. 5

Answer: D



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23. Three vectors

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

the unit vector perpendicular to both $a + b$ and $b + c$ is

A. $\frac{\hat{i}}{\sqrt{3}}$

B. \hat{k}

C. $\frac{\hat{k}}{\sqrt{3}}$

D. $\frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}}{\sqrt{3}}$

Answer: B



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24. The vector \vec{c} , directed along the internal bisector of the angle between the vectors $\vec{c} = 7\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = -2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ with $|\vec{c}| = 5\sqrt{6}$, is

A. $\frac{2}{3}(\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

B. $\frac{5}{3}(\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

C. $\frac{7}{3}(\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

D. $\frac{2}{3}(\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$

Answer: B



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25. A vector \vec{r} is equally inclined with the vectors

$\vec{a} = \cos\theta\hat{i} + \sin\theta\hat{j}$, $\vec{b} = -\sin\theta\hat{i} + \cos\theta\hat{j}$ and $\vec{c} = \hat{k}$, then

the angle between \vec{r} and \vec{a} is

A. $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$

B. $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$

C. $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$

D. $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Answer: B



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26. Vectors a and b are such that $|a| = 1$, $|b| = 4$ and $a \cdot b = 2$. If $c = 2a \times b - 3b$, then the angle between b and c is

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

B. $\frac{5\pi}{6}$

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

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

Answer: B



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27. if the vectors \vec{c} , $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{j}$ are such that \vec{a} , \vec{c} and \vec{b} form a right-handed system, then find \vec{c} .

- A. $z\hat{i} - x\hat{k}$
- B. 0
- C. $y\hat{i}$
- D. $-z\hat{i} + x\hat{k}$

Answer: A

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28. If the vectors $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = \lambda\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \mu\hat{k}$ are mutually orthogonal then $(\lambda, \mu) =$ (A) (-2,3) (B) (3,-2) (C) (-3,2) (D) (2,-3)

- A. $(-3, 2)$

B. $(2, -3)$

C. $(-2, 3)$

D. $(3, -2)$

Answer: A



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29. The non-zero vectors a , b and c are related by $a = 8b$ and $c = -7b$. Then the angle between a and c is :

A. π

B. 0

C. $\frac{\pi}{4}$

D. $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Answer: A



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30. Let \hat{a} and \hat{b} two unit vectors. If the vectors $c = \hat{a} + 2\hat{b}$ and $d = 5\hat{a} - 4\hat{b}$ are perpendicular to each other, then the angle between \hat{a} and \hat{b} is

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

B. $\frac{\pi}{2}$

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

D. $\frac{\pi}{4}$

Answer: C



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31. Let $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ 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 projection on \vec{a} is of magnitude $\sqrt{2/3}$ is

- A. $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$
- B. $2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$
- C. $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$
- D. $2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

Answer: B



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32. The vector $(\hat{i} \times a \cdot b)\hat{i} + (\hat{j} \times a \cdot b)\hat{j} + (\hat{k} \times a \cdot b)\hat{k}$ is equal to

- A. $b \times a$

B. a

C. $a \times b$

D. b

Answer: C



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33. If \hat{a} , \hat{b} and \hat{c} are unit vectors satisfying $\hat{a} - \sqrt{3}\hat{b} + \hat{c} = 0$ then the angle between the vectors \hat{a} and \hat{c} is

A. $\frac{\pi}{4}$

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

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

D. $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Answer: B



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34. If a vector r of magnitude $3\sqrt{6}$ is directed along the bisector of the angle between the vectors $a = 7\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ and $b = -2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, then r is equal to

A. $\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

B. $\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

C. $\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

D. $\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

Answer: A



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35. There are three vectors $a = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$, $b = \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\hat{c} = x\hat{a} + y\hat{b}$.

If the vectors $\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and c are coplanar, then $\frac{x}{y}$

is equal to

A. -2

B. -3

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

D. -1

Answer: B

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36. Let $\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$ and \vec{c} be two vectors perpendicular to each other in the xy -plane. Find all vectors in the same plane having projection 1 and 2 along \vec{b} and \vec{c} respectively.

A. $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$

B. $2\hat{i} - \hat{j}$

C. $2\hat{i} + \hat{j}$

D. None

Answer: B



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37. The value of λ for which the points $L(1, 0, 3)$, $M(-1, 3, 4)$, $N(1, 2, 1)$ and $P(\lambda, 2, 5)$ are coplanar is

A. 3

B. -2

C. 5

D. -1

Answer: D



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38. If $\hat{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $b = \hat{i} + \hat{k}$, then the vector c such that $a \cdot c = 4$ and $a \times c = b$ is

A. $\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$

B. $3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

C. $\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

D. $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$

Answer: A



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39. Let $a = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $b = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and a unit vector \vec{c} be coplanar. If \vec{c} is perpendicular to a , then \vec{c} is equal to

A. $(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

B. $\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

C. $\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

D. None of these

Answer: B



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40. If $\vec{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}(3\hat{i} + \hat{k})$, $\vec{b} = \frac{1}{7}(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k})$, then the value of $(2\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \cdot \left\{ (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times (\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}) \right\}$ is

A. -3

B. 5

C. 3

D. -5

Answer: D



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41. If $a = \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $c = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k}$, Then , the vector b satisfying $a \times b + c = 0$ and $a \cdot b = 3$ is

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

B. $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

C. $\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

D. $\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

Answer: A



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42. Two vectors a and b are not perpendicular and c and d are two vectors satisfying $b \times c = b \times d$ and $a \cdot d = 0$. Then vector d is equal to

A. $c + \left(\frac{a \cdot c}{a \cdot b}\right)b$

B. $b + \left(\frac{b \cdot c}{a \cdot b}\right)c$

C. $c - \left(\frac{a \cdot c}{a \cdot b}\right)b$

D. $b - \left(\frac{b \cdot c}{a \cdot b}\right)b$

Answer: C



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43. If the vectors $p\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\hat{i} + q\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + r\hat{k}$ ($p \neq q \neq r \neq 1$) are coplanar, then the value of $pqr - (p + q + r)$ is :

A. -2

B. 2

C. 0

D. -1

Answer: A

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44. If u , v and w are three non-coplanar vectors, then $(u + v - w) \cdot (u - v) \times (v - w)$ is equal to

A. 0

B. $u \cdot v \times w$

C. $u \cdot w \times v$

D. $3u \cdot v \times w$

Answer: B



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45. Let \vec{b} and \vec{c} be non-collinear vectors. If \vec{a} is a vector such that

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = 4 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (x^2 - 2x + 6) \vec{b} + \sin y \cdot \vec{c}, \text{ then } (x,y) \text{ lies on}$$

the line:

A. $x + y = 0$

B. $x - y = 0$

C. $x = 1$

D. $y = \pi$

Answer: C

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46. Let \vec{a} and \vec{b} be two non-collinear unit vectors. If $\vec{u} = \vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{b}$ and $\vec{v} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$, then $|\vec{v}|$ is

A. $|u|$

B. $|u| + |v \cdot \hat{a}|$

C. $2|v|$

D. $|u| + u \cdot (\hat{a} + \hat{b})$

Answer: A

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47. The value of $[(a - b) \cdot (b - c) \times (c - a)]$ is

- A. 0
- B. $2[a, b, c]$
- C. $[a, b, c]$
- D. None

Answer: A



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48. A vector c of magnitude $20\sqrt{6}$ directed along the bisector of the angle between $a = 7\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ and $b = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, is

- A. $\pm \frac{5}{3} (2\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + \hat{k})$
- B. $\pm \frac{3}{5} (\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$

$$C. \pm \frac{5}{3} (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$$

$$D. \pm \frac{5}{3} (\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

Answer: D



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49. If $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$ are the unit vectors and a is a vector such that

$a \times r = \hat{j}$ then a.r is

A. -1

B. 0

C. 1

D. None

Answer: D



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50. If a makes an acute angle with b and $r \times b = c \times b$, then r is equal to

A. $a \times \hat{i} - b$

B. $c \times a$

C. $c - \frac{c \cdot a}{b \cdot a} \cdot b$

D. $c + \frac{c \cdot a}{b \cdot a} b$

Answer: C



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51. The vectors $(a, a + 1, a + 2)$, $(a + 3, a + 4, a + 5)$, $(a + 6, a + 7, a + 8)$ are coplanar for

A. $\forall a \in R$

B. $\forall a \notin R$

C. $a = -\sqrt{-3}$

D. None of these

Answer: A



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52.

If

$$a = \lambda \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}, b = 2\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} - \hat{k}, c = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k} \text{ and } [abc] = 6$$

, then λ is equal to

A. -8 or 3

B. -9 or 3

C. -3 or $+9$

D. 8 or 5

Answer: A

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53. If \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} are unit coplanar vectors, then the scalar triple product $\left[2\vec{a} - \vec{b} \quad 2\vec{b} - \vec{c} \quad 2\vec{c} - \vec{a} \right]$ is 0 b. 1 c. $-\sqrt{3}$ d. $\sqrt{3}$

A. 2

B. -3

C. 0

D. None

Answer: C

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54. If a is perpendicular to b and $c|a| = 2$, $|b| = 3|c| = 4$ and the angle between b and c is $\frac{2\pi}{3}$, then $[a, b, c]$ is equal to

- A. $7\sqrt{3}$
- B. $9\sqrt{3}$
- C. $12\sqrt{3}$
- D. $5\sqrt{3}$

Answer: C

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55. If \vec{a}, \vec{b} are non zero and non collinear vectors, then

$\left[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{i} \right] \hat{i} + \left[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{j} \right] \hat{j} + \left[\vec{a} \ \vec{b} \ \vec{k} \right] \hat{k}$ is equal to

- A. $a + b$
- B. $a \times b$

C. $a - b$

D. $b \times a$

Answer: B

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56. The vectors $a = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, $b = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$. If c is a vector such that $a \cdot c = |c|$ and $|c - a| = 2\sqrt{2}$, angle between $a \times b$ and c is 45° , then $|(a \times b) \times c|$ is

A. $\frac{1}{2}$

B. $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$

C. 3

D. $\frac{3}{2}$

Answer: D

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57. The vectors $a = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, $b = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$. If c is a vector such that $a \cdot c = |c|$ and $|c - a| = 2\sqrt{2}$, angle between $a \times b$ and c is 45° , then $|(a \times b) \times c|$ is

A. 3

B. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

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

D. $\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$

Answer: C

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58. If the three vectors

$$a = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}, b = \hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ and } c = \hat{i} \text{ and } (a \times b) \times c = \alpha a + \beta b$$

, then the value of $\alpha + \beta$ is

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 0
- D. None

Answer: C



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1. The unit vector perpendicular to the vectors $\hat{i} - \hat{j}$ and $\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ forming a right handed system, is

A. \hat{k}

B. $-\hat{k}$

C. $\frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$

D. $\frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$

Answer: A



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2. Let \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} be non-zero vectors such that no two are collinear and

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

If θ is the acute angle between the vectors \vec{b} and \vec{c} then $\sin \theta$ equals

A. $\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$

B. $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$

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

D. $\frac{1}{3}$

Answer: A



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3. If $|a| = 2$, $|b| = 5$ and $|a \times b| = 8$, then $|a \cdot b|$ is equal to

A. 3

B. 4

C. 5

D. 6

Answer: D

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4. The work done by the force $4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ in moving a particle along a straight line from the point $(3, 2, -1)$ to $(2, -1, 4)$ is

A. 0 units

B. 4 units

C. 15 units

D. 19 units

Answer: C

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5. If $a \cdot (b \times c) = 0$, then the correct statement is

- A. out of a, b, c, any two vectors are parallel
- B. a, b, c are coplanar
- C. any two are equal among a,b,c
- D. atleast one statement is correct

Answer: B



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6. If $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ & $\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$ are perpendicular to each other, then λ is equal to

- A. -3
- B. -2

C. -1

D. 0

Answer: B



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7. If $a \cdot \hat{i} = 4$ then $(a \times \hat{j}) \cdot (2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$ is equal to

A. 12

B. 2

C. 0

D. -12

Answer: D



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8. The vector r is equal to

A. $(a \cdot \hat{i})\hat{i} + (a \cdot \hat{j})\hat{j} + (a \cdot \hat{k})\hat{k}$

B. $(a \cdot \hat{j})\hat{i} + (a \cdot \hat{j})\hat{j} + (a \cdot \hat{i})\hat{k}$

C. $(a \cdot \hat{k})\hat{i} + (a \cdot \hat{i})\hat{j} + (a \cdot \hat{j})\hat{k}$

D. $(a \cdot a)(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$

Answer: A



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9. If $r \cdot a = 0$, $r \cdot b = 0$ and $r \cdot c = 0$ for some non-zero vector r . Then, the value of $[a \ b \ c]$ is

A. 0

B. $1/2$

C. 1

D. 2

Answer: A



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10. let a, b, c be three vectors such that $a \cdot (b + c) = b \cdot (c + a) = c \cdot (a + b) = 0$ and $|a| = 1, |b| = 4, |c| = 8$, then $|a + b + c|$ equals

A. 13

B. 81

C. 9

D. 5

Answer: C

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11. The position vectors of P and Q are respectively \vec{a} and \vec{b} . If R is a point on \overrightarrow{PQ} such that $\overrightarrow{PR} = 5\overrightarrow{PQ}$, then the position vector of R, is

A. $5b - 4a$

B. $5b + 4a$

C. $4b - 5a$

D. $4b + 5a$

Answer: A

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12. If the position vectors of A, B and C are respectively $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ and $3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$, then \cos^2 is equal to

A. 0

B. $\frac{6}{41}$

C. $\frac{35}{41}$

D. 1

Answer: C



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13. Let $\vec{V} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $\vec{W} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{k}$. If \vec{U} is a unit vector, then the maximum value of the scalar triple product $\left[\vec{U} \vec{V} \vec{W} \right]$ is

A. -1

B. $\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{6}$

C. $\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{6}$

D. $\sqrt{59}$

Answer: D



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14. the vector which is orthogonal to the vector $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ and is coplanar with the vectors $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ is

A. $\frac{2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + \hat{k}}{\sqrt{41}}$

B. $\frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}}{\sqrt{13}}$

C. $\frac{3\hat{j} - \hat{k}}{\sqrt{10}}$

D. $\frac{4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}}{\sqrt{34}}$

Answer: C



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15. Let a, b, c be three non-coplanar vectors and p, q, r be vectors defined by the relations

$$p = \frac{b \times c}{[a \ b \ c]}, q = \frac{c \times a}{[a \ b \ c]}, r = \frac{a \times b}{[a \ b \ c]}$$

Then, the value of the expression

$$(a + b) \times p + (b + c) \times q + (c + a) \cdot r \text{ is}$$

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 3

Answer: D



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16. If \hat{a} , \hat{b} and \hat{c} are mutually perpendicular unit vectors then

$|\hat{a} + \hat{b} + \hat{c}|$ is equal to

A. 3

B. $\sqrt{3}$

C. $\frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}{3}$

D. 1

Answer: B



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17. The projection of the vector $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ on the vector

$\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ is

A. $-\frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$

B. $\frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$

C. $-\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$

D. $\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$

Answer: C



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18. If $a = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ and $b = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ then the angle between the vectors $a + b$ and $a - b$ is

A. 60°

B. 90°

C. 45°

D. 55°

Answer: B



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19. If the vectors $\alpha\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\hat{i} + \beta\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \gamma\hat{k}$ ($\alpha, \beta, \gamma \neq 1$) are coplanar, then the value of $\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{1-\beta} + \frac{1}{1-\gamma}$ is

- A. -1
- B. 0
- C. 1
- D. 1/2

Answer: C

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20. If a vector α lie in the plane of β and γ , then which is correct ?

- A. $[\alpha, \beta, \gamma]=0$

B. $[\alpha, \beta, \gamma] = 1$

C. $[\alpha, \beta, \gamma] = 3$

D. $[\beta, \gamma, \alpha] = 1$

Answer: A



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21. If $\vec{\alpha} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$, $\vec{\beta} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$, $\vec{\gamma} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$,

then $(\vec{\alpha} \times \vec{\beta}) \cdot (\vec{\alpha} \times \vec{\gamma})$ is equal to

A. 47

B. 74

C. -74

D. None of these

Answer: C



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