

CHAPTER-10
VECTORS
02 MARKS TYPE QUESTIONS

Q. NO	QUESTION	MARK
1.	Let \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} be three vectors such that $ \vec{a} = 3$, $ \vec{b} = 4$, $ \vec{c} = 5$ and each one of them being perpendicular to the sum of the other two find $ \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} $	2
2.	If $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{c} = 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ are three vectors, find the area of the parallelogram having diagonals $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$ and $(\vec{b} + \vec{c})$	2
3.	Show that the points A($-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$), B ($\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$), C ($7\hat{i} - \hat{k}$) are collinear.	2
4.	If $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ are such that $\vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b}$ is perpendicular to \vec{c} , then find the value of λ .	2
5.	If \vec{p} and \vec{q} are the unit vectors forming an angle of 300° , find the area of the parallelogram having $\vec{a} = \vec{p} + 2\vec{q}$ and $\vec{b} = 2\vec{p} + \vec{q}$ as its diagonals.	2
6.	Find the direction ratios and direction cosines of the vector $\vec{a} = (5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$.	2
7.	Write the value of p for $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + p\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ are parallel vectors.	2
8.	Find $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$ if $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$.	2
9.	If $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - z\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - y\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ are two equal vectors, then write the value of $y^x + 5z$.	2
10.	Find a unit vector parallel to the sum of the vectors $(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$ and $(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$.	2
11.	If $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}$, then find the value of $\hat{a} - \hat{b} + 2\hat{c}$.	2
12.	The sum of two unit vectors is a unit vector. Show that the value of their difference is $\sqrt{3}$.	2
13.	Find a vector in the direction of $5\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ which has magnitude 8.	2
14.	Show that the vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ is equally inclined to the axes OX, OY, OZ	2
15.	If $ \vec{a} = 10$, $ \vec{b} = 1$ and $ \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 6$, then find $ \vec{a} \times \vec{b} $	2
16.	Find a unit vector perpendicular to each of the vectors $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ and $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$, where $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$.	2
17.	Prove that the points A, B and C with position vectors \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} respectively are collinear if and only if $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{c} \times \vec{a} = 0$.	2
18.	Prove that $(\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \times (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) = 2(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$	2
19.	If $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ find a vector of magnitude 6 units which is parallel to the vector $2\vec{a} - \vec{b} + 3\vec{c}$.	2
20.	Show that the points A, B and C with position vectors $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ respectively from the vertices of a right angled triangle.	2
21.	For what value of a, the vectors $2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ and $a\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}$ are collinear?	2
22.	Find unit vector perpendicular to both the vectors $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$.	2
23.	If $\vec{a} = 2$, $\vec{b} = \sqrt{3}$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{3}$ find the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} .	2
24.	If \vec{p} is unit vector and $(\vec{x} - \vec{p}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{p}) = 80$, then find $ \vec{x} $.	2
25.	Show that the points A($-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$), B($\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$), and C($7\hat{i} - \hat{k}$) are collinear.	2

ANSWERS:

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1.	$ \begin{aligned} \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} ^2 &= (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) \\ &= \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} + \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot (\vec{a} + \vec{c}) + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{c} + (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} \\ &= \vec{a} ^2 + \vec{b} ^2 + \vec{c} ^2 \\ &= 9 + 16 + 25 \\ &= 50 \\ \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} &= \sqrt{50} \\ &= 5\sqrt{2} \end{aligned} $	2
2.	<p>It is given that $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{c} = 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$</p> <p>$\therefore \vec{a} + \vec{b} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) + (-\hat{i} + \hat{k}) = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$</p> <p>$\vec{b} + \vec{c} = (-\hat{i} + \hat{k}) + (2\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$</p> <p>We know that the area of parallelogram is $\frac{1}{2} \vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2$, where \vec{d}_1 and \vec{d}_2 are the diagonal vectors.</p> <p>Now,</p> $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \times (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ <p>\therefore Area of the parallelogram having diagonals $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$ and $(\vec{b} + \vec{c})$</p> $ \begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \times (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} -4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - \hat{k} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(-4)^2 + (-2)^2 + (-1)^2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{21}}{2} \text{ square units} \end{aligned} $ <p>Thus, the required area of the parallelogram is $\frac{\sqrt{21}}{2}$ square units.</p>	2

3.	<p>We have</p> <p>vector $\overrightarrow{AB} = (1 + 2)\mathbf{i} + (2 - 3)\mathbf{j} + (3 - 5)\mathbf{k} = 3\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$</p> <p>vector $\overrightarrow{BC} = (7 - 1)\mathbf{i} + (0 - 2)\mathbf{j} + (-1 - 3)\mathbf{k} = 6\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} - 4\mathbf{k}$</p> <p>vector $\overrightarrow{CA} = (7 + 2)\mathbf{i} + (0 - 3)\mathbf{j} + (-1 - 5)\mathbf{k} = 9\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$</p> <p>Now, $\text{vector } \overrightarrow{AB} ^2 = 14$, $\text{vector } \overrightarrow{BC} ^2 = 56$, $\text{vector } \overrightarrow{CA} ^2 = 126$</p> <p>$\Rightarrow \text{vector } \overrightarrow{AB} = \sqrt{14}$, $\text{vector } \overrightarrow{BC} = 2\sqrt{14}$, $\text{vector } \overrightarrow{CA} = 3\sqrt{14}$</p> <p>$\Rightarrow \text{vector } \overrightarrow{CA} = \text{vector } \overrightarrow{AB} + \text{vector } \overrightarrow{BC}$</p> <p>Hence the points A, B and C are collinear.</p>	2
4.	$\vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b} = (2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$ <p>Ans:</p> $= (2 - \lambda)\hat{i} + (2 + 2\lambda)\hat{j} + (3 + \lambda)\hat{k}$ $(\vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = 0 \quad [\because \vec{a} + \lambda \vec{b} \perp \vec{c}]$ $[(2 - \lambda)\hat{i} + (2 + 2\lambda)\hat{j} + (3 + \lambda)\hat{k}] \cdot (3\hat{i} + \hat{j}) = 0$ $3(2 - \lambda) + (2 + 2\lambda) = 0$ $- \lambda = -8$ $\lambda = 8$	2
5.	$\vec{a} = \vec{p} + 2\vec{q}$ $\vec{b} = 2\vec{p} + \vec{q}$ $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (\vec{p} + 2\vec{q}) \times (2\vec{p} + \vec{q})$ $= 2\vec{p} \times \vec{p} + \vec{p} \times \vec{q} + 4\vec{q} \times \vec{p} + 2\vec{q} \times \vec{q}$ $= 2(0) + \vec{p} \times \vec{q} - 4\vec{p} \times \vec{q} + 2(0)$ $= -3\vec{p} \times \vec{q}$ $\text{Area of the parallelogram} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} \times \vec{b} $ $= \frac{1}{2} -3(\vec{p} \times \vec{q}) $ $= \frac{3}{2} \vec{p} \vec{q} \sin 30^\circ$ $= \frac{3}{2} (1)(1) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) (\because \vec{p} \text{ and } \vec{q} \text{ are unit vectors})$ $= \frac{3}{4} \text{ sq. units}$	2
6.	<p>Given that $\vec{a} = (5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})$</p> <p>For any vector $\vec{a} = a_x\hat{i} + a_y\hat{j} + a_z\hat{k}$ the direction ratios are represented as (a_x, a_y, a_z)</p> <p>The direction ratios are $(5, -3, 4)$</p> $ \vec{a} = \sqrt{25 + 9 + 16} = \sqrt{50} = 5\sqrt{2}$ <p>\therefore The direction cosines are $= \frac{5}{5\sqrt{2}}, \frac{-3}{5\sqrt{2}}, \frac{4}{5\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{-3}{5\sqrt{2}}, \frac{4}{5\sqrt{2}}$</p>	2

7.	<p>Given that $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + p\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ Since these two vectors are parallel to each other, so the angle between them is $\theta = 0$. Therefore $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{a} \vec{b} \sin \theta = \vec{a} \vec{b} \sin 0 = 0$</p> <p>We know that $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (a_2b_3 - b_2a_3)\hat{i} + (a_3b_1 - a_1b_3)\hat{j} + (a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)\hat{k}$ $\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 0$ $\Rightarrow (a_2b_3 - b_2a_3)\hat{i} + (a_3b_1 - a_1b_3)\hat{j} + (a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)\hat{k} = 0$ $\Rightarrow \hat{i}(6 - 9p) + \hat{j}(9 - 9) + \hat{k}(3p - 2) = 0$ $\Rightarrow -3\hat{i}(3p - 2) + \hat{k}(3p - 2) = 0$ $\Rightarrow 3p - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Thus } p = 2/3$</p>	2
8.	<p>Given that $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ To find $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$ We know that $\vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \hat{i}(b_2c_3 - c_2b_3) + \hat{j}(c_1b_3 - b_1c_3) + \hat{k}(b_1c_2 - c_1b_2)$ Here $a_1=2, a_2=1, a_3=3, b_1=-1, b_2=2, b_3=1, c_1=3, c_2=1, c_3=2$ $\therefore \vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \hat{i}(4-1) + \hat{j}(3+2) + \hat{k}(-1-6) = 3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$ Therefore, $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}) = ((2 \times 3) + (1 \times 5) + (3 \times (-7))) = 6 + 5 - 21 = -10$</p>	2
9.	<p>Given that $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - z\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - y\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ are two equal vectors. $\therefore x = 3, y = -2$ and $z = -1$ $\therefore y^x + 5z = (-2)^3 + 5(-1) = -8 - 5 = -13$</p>	2
10.	<p>Let $\vec{a} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$ and $\vec{b} = (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$ $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) + (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ The unit vector parallel to the sum of the given vectors $= \frac{\vec{a} + \vec{b}}{ \vec{a} + \vec{b} } = \frac{3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{9+4+36}} = \frac{3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{49}} = \frac{3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}}{7} = \frac{3}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{2}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{k}$</p>	2
11.	<p>$\hat{a} - \hat{b} + 2\hat{c} = \sqrt{4 + 25 + 1} = \sqrt{30}$ $d.r = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{30}}, -\frac{5}{\sqrt{30}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}$</p>	2
12.	<p>$\vec{a} = 1, \vec{b} = 1, \vec{a} + \vec{b} = 1$ $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})^2 + (\vec{a} - \vec{b})^2 = 2\{ \vec{a} ^2 + \vec{b} ^2\} = 4$ $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})^2 = 3$ $\vec{a} - \vec{b} = \sqrt{3}$</p>	2
13.	<p>$\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}, \hat{a} = \frac{5\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{30}}$ Req vector $= 8\hat{a} = 8 \cdot \frac{5\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{30}}$</p>	2
14.	<p>$\vec{a} = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$ d.c $= (\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$ $\cos \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \cos \beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \cos \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$ (where α, β, γ are the inclination of \vec{a} with OX, OY, OZ resp.)</p>	2
15.	<p>$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 + (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})^2 = \{ \vec{a} ^2 \cdot \vec{b} ^2\}$ $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})^2 = 64$</p>	2

	$ \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 8$	
16.	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}\hat{j} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\hat{k}$	2
17.	Proving $\vec{AB} \times \vec{BC} = 0, (\vec{b} - \vec{c}) \times (\vec{c} - \vec{b}) = 0$ and proceeding further to prove.	2
18.	Expanding and solving.	2
19.	$2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$	2
20.	$ \vec{AB} = \sqrt{35}, \vec{BC} = \sqrt{41}$ and $ \vec{CA} = \sqrt{6}$ and apply Pythagoras theorem.	2
21.	Let $\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ $\vec{B} = a\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}$ \vec{A} and \vec{B} are collinear so, $\vec{A} = \lambda\vec{B}$ $\frac{2}{a} = \frac{-3}{6} = \frac{4}{-8}$ $a = -4$	2
22.	Unit vector perpendicular to $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$ is $\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{a} \times \vec{b}}{ \vec{a} \times \vec{b} } \quad \dots (i)$ $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ $ \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \sqrt{1+1} = \sqrt{2}$ From equation (i) $\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{a} \times \vec{b}}{ \vec{a} \times \vec{b} } = \frac{1}{2}(-\hat{i} + \hat{j})$	2
23.	We know that angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} is given by $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{ \vec{a} \vec{b} }$ $\cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3}}$ $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$	2
24.	It is given that \vec{p} is unit vector and $(\vec{x} - \vec{p}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{p}) = 80$ $ \vec{x} ^2 - \vec{p} ^2 = 80$ $ \vec{x} ^2 = 80 + 1 = 81$ $ \vec{x} = 9$	2
25.	Given points $A(-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$ $B(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$ $C(7\hat{i} - \hat{k})$ $\vec{AB} = \text{P.V. of B} - \text{P.V. of A}$ $= (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$ $= (3\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$ $\vec{BC} = \text{P.V. of C} - \text{P.V. of B}$ $= (7\hat{i} - \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$	2

	$= (6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k})$ $\overrightarrow{BC} = 2\overrightarrow{AB}$ <p>\overrightarrow{BC} is parallel to \overrightarrow{AB}. B is common. Hence A, B, C are collinear.</p>	
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