

Vector Algebra Assignment/Worksheet

10. Vector Algebra

QUESTION 1(i): For what value of λ , are the vectors $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ orthogonal

QUESTION 1(ii):

If $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$, find the projection of \vec{b} on \vec{a}

QUESTION 2(i):

Find the position vector of a point A such that \vec{OA} is inclined to OX at 60° and to OY at 45° and $|\vec{OA}| = 10$ units.

QUESTION 2(ii): Find a unit vector in the direction of $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$.

QUESTION 3(i):

Find the value of ' α ' for which $\alpha(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$ is a unit vector.

QUESTION 3(ii):

If \vec{a} is a vector of magnitude 5 pointing eastwards and \vec{b} is a vector pointing westward of magnitude 10.

What is the magnitude and direction of the vector $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$?

QUESTION 4:

Show that the vectors If $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}, \vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ are linearly independent.

QUESTION 5:

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

QUESTION 6:

Using vectors, prove that in a ΔABC ,

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

Where a, b and c are lengths of the sides opposite to the angle A, B and C of ΔABC respectively.

QUESTION 7:

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If \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} are the position vectors of the vertices A, B, C of a ΔABC respectively. Find an expression for the area of ΔABC and hence deduce the condition for the points A, B, C to be collinear.

QUESTION 8:

Show that the points A, B, C with position vectors $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ and $3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ respectively, are the vertices of a right triangle. Also find the remaining angles of the triangle.

QUESTION 9:

In a regular hexagon ABCDEF, if $\vec{AB} = \vec{a}$ and $\vec{BC} = \vec{b}$, then express \vec{CD} , \vec{DE} , \vec{EF} , \vec{FA} , \vec{AC} , \vec{AD} , \vec{AE} and \vec{CE} in terms of \vec{a} and \vec{b} .

QUESTION 10:

If \vec{d}_1 and \vec{d}_2 are the diagonals of a parallelogram with sides \vec{a} and \vec{b} and the area of parallelogram in terms of \vec{a} and \vec{b} and hence find the area with $\vec{d}_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{d}_2 = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$.

QUESTION 11:

Find the components and magnitude of the vector \vec{PQ} , where P(-1,-2,4) and Q(2,0,-2).

QUESTION 12:

Find λ if the vectors $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \lambda\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ are perpendicular to each other.

QUESTION 13(i):

For what values of ' λ ', are the vectors $(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j})$ and $(\lambda\hat{i} - 6\hat{j})$ parallel

QUESTION 13(ii):

Find the area of a triangle having the points A(1, 1, 1), B(1, 2, 3) and C(2, 3, 1) as its vertices.

QUESTION 14:

If $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, then show that $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$ and $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$ are perpendicular to each other.

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QUESTION 15:

If \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} are three vectors, such that $|\vec{a}| = 3, |\vec{b}| = 4, |\vec{c}| = 5$.

Each of the three vectors is perpendicular to the sum of the other two vectors. Find the value of $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|$.

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