

ASSIGNMENT : VECTORS

Q1. For any vector \vec{a} , show that $|\vec{a} \times \hat{i}|^2 + |\vec{a} \times \hat{j}|^2 + |\vec{a} \times \hat{k}|^2 = 2|\vec{a}|^2$

Q2. If \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} are the vectors such that $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$ and $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{a} \times \vec{c}$ then show that $\vec{b} = \vec{c}$.

Q3. If the sum of two unit vectors is a unit vector prove that magnitude of their difference is $\sqrt{3}$.

Q4. If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are the unit vectors at an angle θ .

Show that :

$$\text{a) } \cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} + \hat{b}| \quad \text{b) } \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} - \hat{b}| \quad \text{c) } \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|}{|\hat{a} + \hat{b}|}$$

Q5. Prove that : a) $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 + (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2$

$$\text{b) } |\hat{a} + \hat{b}|^2 = |\hat{a}|^2 + |\hat{b}|^2 + 2\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}$$

Q6. Show that the Angle between two diagonals of a cube is $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$.

Q7. If $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|$ then prove \vec{a} is parallel to \vec{b} .

Q8. Prove Cauchy Schwarty Inequality.

ie for any two vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} ; show that $|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| \cdot |\vec{b}|$

Q9. Prove Triangle inequality i.e. for any two vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b}

prove $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|$.

Q10. a) 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 $\vec{b} - \vec{c}$.

b) If $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$ then prove $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \vec{c} \times \vec{a}$.

c) If $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2$ the show \vec{a} and \vec{b} orthogonal vectors.