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## **SCALAR OR DOT PRODUCT & Their Properties**

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### THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two non-zero vectors inclined at an angle  $\theta$ , then
  - (i)  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$
  - (ii) Projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} = \vec{a} \cdot \hat{b}$
  - (iii) Projection of  $\vec{b}$  on  $\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|} = \vec{b} \cdot \hat{a}$
  - (iv) Projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b} = \left\{ \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} \right\} \hat{b} = \left\{ \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|^2} \right\} \vec{b}$
  - (v) Projection vector  $\vec{b}$  on  $\vec{a} = \left\{ \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|} \right\} \hat{a} = \left\{ \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \right\} \vec{a}$
  - (vi)  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{a}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$ .
  - (vii)  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}$
  - (viii)  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = |\vec{a}|^2$
  - (ix)  $m\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = m(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = \vec{a} \cdot m\vec{b}$ , for scalar  $m$
  - (x)  $m\vec{a} \cdot n\vec{b} = mn(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = \vec{a} \cdot mn\vec{b}$  for scalars  $m, n$
  - (xi)  $|\vec{a} \pm \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|$
  - (xii)  $|\vec{a} \square \vec{b}| \geq |\vec{a}| - |\vec{b}|$
  - (xiii)  $|\vec{a} \square \vec{b}|^2 \geq |\vec{a}|^2 - |\vec{b}|^2 \pm 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$
  - (xiv)  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = |\vec{a}|^2 - |\vec{b}|^2$
  - (xv)  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} > 0$  if  $\theta$  is acute
  - (xvi)  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} < 0$  if  $\theta$  is obtuse
2. If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are three vectors, then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$   
 $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a})$
3. If  $\vec{a} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k}$ , then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$ .
4. If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors inclined at an angle  $\theta$ , then  $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}$

5. If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are non-coplanar vectors in space and  $\vec{r}$  is any vector in space, then  $\vec{r} = (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{a}) \hat{a} + (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{b}) \hat{b} + (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{c}) \hat{c}$

where  $\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{c}$  are unit vectors in the directions of  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  respectively.

$$\text{Also, } \vec{r} = \left\{ \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \right\} \vec{a} + \left\{ \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|^2} \right\} \vec{b} + \left\{ \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{c}}{|\vec{c}|^2} \right\} \vec{c}$$

$$\text{In particular, } \vec{r} = (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{i}) \hat{i} + (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{j}) \hat{j} + (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{k}) \hat{k}.$$

### EXERCISE-1

- The scalar product of two vectors is commutative i.e.  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}$ .
- For any two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ , we have
  - $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$
  - $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$
  - $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = |\vec{a}|^2 - |\vec{b}|^2$
- Find  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$  when,
  - $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$
  - $\vec{a} = (1, 1, 2)$  and  $\vec{b} = (3, 2, -1)$
- Find  $(\vec{a} + 3\vec{b}) \cdot (2\vec{a} - \vec{b})$ , if  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ .
- For any vector  $\vec{r}$ , prove that  $\vec{r} = (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{i}) \hat{i} + (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{j}) \hat{j} + (\vec{r} \cdot \hat{k}) \hat{k}$ .
- Dot products of a vector with vectors  $3\hat{i} - 5\hat{k}$ ,  $2\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  are respectively  $-1$ ,  $6$  and  $5$ . Find the vector.
- Find the value of  $\lambda$  so that the vector  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  are perpendicular to each other.
- Find the value of  $p$  for which the vector  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + p\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  are
  - perpendicular
  - Parallel.
- Find the angle between two vector  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  having the same length  $\sqrt{2}$  and their sealar product is  $-1$ .
- Find the angle between the vectors  $5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  and  $6\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ .

11. If  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j}$ ,  $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  respectively are the position vectors of pointing A, B, C and D, then find the angle between the straight lines AB and CD. Deduce that AB and CD are collinear.
12. Find the projection of the vector  $7\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  on  $2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ .
13. Show that the projection vector of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b}$  ( $\neq \vec{0}$ ) (component of  $\vec{a}$  along  $\vec{b}$ ) is  $\left( \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|} \right) \vec{b}$ .
14. Show that the projection vector of  $\vec{b}$  on  $\vec{a} \neq \vec{0}$  is  $\left( \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|^2} \right) \vec{a}$ .
15. For any two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ , prove that :
- (i)  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$
- (ii)  $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$
- (iii)  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = 2(|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2)$
- Interpret the result geometrically. :
- (iv)  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}| \Rightarrow \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$
- Interpret the result geometrically. :
- (v)  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}| \Rightarrow \vec{a}$  is parallel to  $\vec{b}$
- (vi)  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 \Rightarrow \vec{a}, \vec{b}$  are orthogonal.
16. For any two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ , prove that  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|$
17. Prove Cauchy-Schwarz inequality  $(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 \leq |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2$
18. If two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are such that  $|\vec{a}| = 2$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 1$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1$ , find  $(3\vec{a} - 5\vec{b}) \cdot (3\vec{a} + 7\vec{b})$ .
19. Find  $|\vec{x}|$ , if for a unit vector  $\vec{a}$ ,  $(\vec{x} - \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{a}) = 15$ .
20. The scalar product of the vector  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  with a unit vector along the sum of the vectors  $2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$  and  $\lambda\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  is equal to 1. Find the value of  $\lambda$ .
21. If  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$ ,  $|\vec{a}| = 3$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 5$  and  $|\vec{c}| = 7$ , find the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .
22. If  $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ , and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ , then show that the vectors  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$  are perpendicular.
23. Two vector  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ , prove that the vector  $|\vec{a}| \vec{b} + |\vec{b}| \vec{a}$  is orthogonal to the vector  $|\vec{a}| \vec{b} - |\vec{b}| \vec{a}$ .
24. Show that the vectors  $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ ,  $3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  form the sides of a right angled triangle.

25. Find the value of  $x$  for which the angle between the vectors  $\vec{a} = 2x^2 \hat{i} + 4x \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 7\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + x\hat{k}$  is obtuse.
26. Find the value of  $a$  for which the vectors  $\vec{a} = (c \log_2 x) \hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = (\log_2 x) \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + (2c \log_2 x) \hat{k}$  make an obtuse angle for any  $x \in (0, \infty)$ .
27. If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  are two vectors such that  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}|$ , then prove that  $2\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$ .
28. If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are three mutually perpendicular vectors of equal magnitude, prove that  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}$  is equally inclined with vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$ .
29. Let  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  be three vectors of magnitudes 3, 4 and 5 respectively. If each one is perpendicular to the sum of the other two vectors, prove that  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = 5\sqrt{2}$ .
30. If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are unit vectors such that  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$ , find the value of  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$ .
31. Three vectors  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  satisfy the condition  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$ . Evaluate the quantity  $\mu = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$ , if  $|\vec{a}| = 1$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 4$  and  $|\vec{c}| = 2$ .
32. Dot product of a vector with  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ ,  $\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$  are  $C, 5$  and  $8$  respectively. Find the vector.
33. If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are unit vectors inclined at an angle  $\theta$ , then prove that
- (i)  $\cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{2} |\hat{a} + \hat{b}|$
- (ii)  $\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|}{|\hat{a} + \hat{b}|}$
34. If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are three mutually perpendicular unit vectors, then prove that  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}| = \sqrt{3}$ .
35. Show that the vectors  $\vec{a} = \frac{1}{7}(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{b} = \frac{1}{7}(3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$ ,  $\vec{c} = \frac{1}{7}(6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  are mutually perpendicular unit vectors.
36. If  $|\vec{a}| = a$  and  $|\vec{b}| = b$ , prove that  $\left( \frac{\vec{a}}{a} - \frac{\vec{b}}{b} \right) = \left( \frac{\vec{a} - \vec{b}}{ab} \right)$ .
37. Show that the vectors  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{c} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  form a right angled triangle.
38. If  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$ , show that the angle  $\theta$  between the vectors  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{|\vec{a}|^2 - |\vec{b}|^2 - |\vec{c}|^2}{2|\vec{b}||\vec{c}|}$$

39. Let  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  be vector such  $\vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w} = \vec{0}$ . If  $|\vec{u}| = 3$ ,  $|\vec{v}| = 4$  and  $|\vec{w}| = 5$ , then find  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} + \vec{w} \cdot \vec{u}$ .
40. Show that the points whose position vectors are  $\vec{a} = 4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{c} = \hat{i} - \hat{j}$  form a right triangle.
41. Evaluate :  $(3\vec{a} - 5\vec{b}) \cdot (2\vec{a} + \vec{b})$
42. If  $\vec{a}$  is a unit vector, then find  $|\vec{x}|$  in each of the following :
- (i)  $(\vec{x} - \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{a}) = 8$   
 (ii)  $(\vec{x} - \vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{a}) = 12$
43. Find  $|\vec{a}|$  and  $|\vec{b}|$ , if
- (i)  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 12$  and  $|\vec{a}| = 2|\vec{b}|$   
 (ii)  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 8$  and  $|\vec{a}| = 8|\vec{b}|$   
 (iii)  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 3$  and  $|\vec{a}| = 2|\vec{b}|$
44. Find the angle between two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ , if
- (i)  $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 2$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{6}$   
 (ii)  $|\vec{a}| = 3$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 3$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 4$
45. Express the vector  $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$  as the sum of two vectors such that one is parallel to the vector  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{k}$  and other is perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$ .
46. If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors of the same magnitude inclined at an angle of  $30^\circ$  such that  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 3$ , find  $|\vec{a}|$ ,  $|\vec{b}|$ .
47. Decompose the vector  $6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$  into vectors which are parallel and perpendicular to the vector  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ .
48. If  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$ , what can you conclude about the vector  $\vec{b}$  ?
49. A unit vector  $\vec{a}$  makes angles  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  with  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$  respectively and an acute angle  $\theta$  with  $\hat{k}$ . Find the angle  $\theta$  and component of  $\vec{a}$ .
50. If  $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ , then show that the vectors  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a} - \vec{b}$  are orthogonal.
51. Find the projection of  $\vec{b} + \vec{c}$  on  $\vec{a}$ , where  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{c} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ .
52. Find the magnitude of two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ , having the same magnitude and such that the angle between them is  $60^\circ$  and their scalar product is  $1/2$ .

53. If  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{c} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j}$  are such that  $\vec{a} + \lambda\vec{b}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{c}$ , then find the value of  $\lambda$ .
54. If either  $\vec{a} = \vec{0}$  or  $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$ , then  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$ . But the converse need not be true. Justify your answer with an example.

### EXERCISE-2

- What is the angle between vector  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  with magnitudes 2 and  $\sqrt{3}$  respectively ? Given  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \sqrt{3}$ .
- If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two vectors such that  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 6$ ,  $|\vec{a}| = 3$  and  $|\vec{b}| = 4$ . Write the projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b}$ .
- If the vectors  $3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  and  $18\hat{i} - 12\hat{j} - m\hat{k}$  are parallel, find the value of  $m$ .
- For any two vector  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  write when  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$  holds.
- If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  are unit vectors such that  $\hat{a} + \hat{b}$  is a unit vector, write the value of  $|\hat{a} - \hat{b}|$ .
- If  $|\vec{a}| = 2$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 5$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 2$ , find  $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$ .
- For any two non-zero vector, write the value of  $\frac{|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2}{|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2}$ .
- Find the value of  $\theta \in (\theta, \pi/2)$  for which vectors  $\vec{a} = (\sin \theta)\hat{i} + (\cos \theta)\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - \sqrt{3}\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  are perpendicular.
- If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are mutually perpendicular unit vector, write the value of  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|$ .
- Find the angle between the vectors  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ .
- For what value of  $\lambda$  are the vectors  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  perpendicular to each other ?
- Find the projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b}$  if  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 8$  and  $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ .
- Write the value of  $p$  for which  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} + p\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  are parallel vectors.
- Find the value of  $\lambda$  if the vectors  $2\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  are perpendicular to each other.
- If  $|\vec{a}| = 2$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 3$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 3$ , find the projection of  $\vec{b}$  on  $\vec{a}$ .

### EXERCISE-3

- Let  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  be two vectors and  $\alpha$  be the angle between them, then  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$  is a unit vector, if
 

(a) $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}$	(b) $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{3}$	(c) $\alpha = \frac{2\pi}{3}$	(d) $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$
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- The vector component of  $\vec{b}$  perpendicular to  $\vec{a}$  is

- (a)  $(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})\vec{a}$                       (b)  $\frac{\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{a})}{|\vec{a}|^2}$                       (c)  $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{a})$                       (d) none of these
3. If  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$  are any three mutually perpendicular vectors of equal magnitude  $a$ , then  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|$  is equal to  
(a)  $a$                       (b)  $\sqrt{2} a$                       (c)  $\sqrt{3} a$                       (d) none of these
4. The projection of the vector  $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  along the vector of  $\hat{j}$  is  
(a) 1                      (b) 0                      (c) 2                      (d) -1  
(e) -2
5. If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are unit vectors, then the greatest value of  $\sqrt{3}|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| + |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$  is  
(a) 2                      (b)  $2\sqrt{2}$                       (c) 4                      (d) none of these
6. The orthogonal projection of  $\vec{a}$  on  $\vec{b}$  is  
(a)  $\frac{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|^2}$                       (b)  $\frac{(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|^2}$                       (c)  $\frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|^2}$                       (d)  $\frac{\vec{b}}{|\vec{a}|^2}$