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1) If $a = i+j-2k$, $b = -i +2j+k$ and $c = i-2j+2k$, then a unit vector parallel to $a + b + c$ is

- 1) $(2i+j+k)/\sqrt{6}$ 2) $(i+j+k)/\sqrt{3}$**
3) $(i-2j+k)/\sqrt{6}$ 4) $(i-j+k)/\sqrt{3}$

2) The volume of the parallelepiped whose co-terminus edges are $2i - 3j + 5k$, $i+2j - 2k$ and $6i + j - k$ in cubic units is

- 1) 44 2) 33 3) 11 4) 22**

3) The cosine of the angle between the vectors $2i -3j + 6k$ and $4i + 8j -8k$ is

- 1) $16/21$ 2) $-16/21$ 3) $15/28$ 4) $-15/28$**

4) The value of $[i-j, j-k, k-i]$ is equal to

- 1) $2(i+j+k)$ 2) 0 3) 1 4) -1**
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5) If $a = i+2j$, $b = j+2k$, $c = 2i-k$, then $a \cdot (b \times c)$ is

- 1) 2 2) -4 3) 7 4) 6**

6) The unit vector is

- 1) $\cos\alpha i+ \cos\beta j$ 2) $\cos\alpha i+ \sin\alpha j + k$**
3) $\cos\alpha \cos\beta i + \cos\alpha \sin\beta j + \sin\alpha k$ 4) $i + j$
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7) If $a = 6i +2j+k$, $b = i-j+2k$ and $c = 5i +3j-k$ which one of the following is a null vector?

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1) $a + b - c$ 2) $b + c- a$ 3) $c + a -b$ 4) $a + b + c$

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8) If \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} are the position vectors of the vertices of triangle ABC, then $\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} + \vec{CA} =$

- 1) $\vec{0}$ 2) $2\vec{a}$ 3) $2\vec{b}$ 4) $3\vec{c}$

9) If the dot product of $(3, a, -1)$ and $(1, 2, 1)$ is 6, then a is

- 1) 1 2) 2 3) -2 4) 3

10) If $\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} - \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$, $\vec{b} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + \vec{k}$ and $\vec{c} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ then $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c})$ is

- 1) 12 2) 9 3) 14 4) 10

11) The direction cosines of the line joining $(1, 3, -5)$ and $(4, 7, 7)$ are

- 1) 1, 3, -5 2) 4, 7, 7
3) 3, 4, 12 4) 3/13, 4/13, 12/13

12) If α, β, γ are the angles made by a line with coordinate axes then, $\sin^2\alpha + \sin^2\beta + \sin^2\gamma$ is equal to

- 1) 2 2) -2 3) 1 4) -1

13) The angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} when $|\vec{a}| = 2$, $|\vec{b}| = 1$, $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1$ is

- 1) $\pi/6$ 2) $\pi/4$ 3) $\pi/3$ 4) $\pi/2$

14) If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are unit vectors, which of the following is correct?

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1) $\mathbf{a + b}$ may be a unit vector

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2) $\mathbf{a + b}$ is a unit vector if \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are \perp vectors

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3) $\mathbf{a + b}$ is a unit vector if \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are parallel

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4) $\mathbf{a + b}$ is not at all a unit vector

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15) If \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are any two vectors, $(2\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \times (\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b})$ is equal to

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1) $6(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})$ 2) $3(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})$ 3) $2(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})$ 4) $3(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a})$

16) The value $[\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} \quad \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} \quad \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{i}]$ is

1) 0

2) 2

3) 1

4) 3

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17) If $\mathbf{a} = (1, -2)$, $\mathbf{b} = (2, 1)$, $\mathbf{c} = (3, -1)$, then a vector of

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length 15 units in the direction of $2\mathbf{a} + 3\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{c}$ is

1) $15(1, 1)$ 2) $15(1, -1)$ 3) $15(1, 0)$ 4) $15(0, 1)$

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18) Given $\mathbf{a} = 2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{b} = -2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$ and

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$\mathbf{c} = \underline{\text{projection of } \mathbf{b} \text{ on } \mathbf{a}}$, then the value of \mathbf{c} is,

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projection of \mathbf{a} on \mathbf{b}

1) 3

2) 7

3) $3/7$

4) $7/3$

19) The value of λ for which the vector $\lambda(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k})$ is a unit vector is

1) $1/3$

2) $1/\sqrt{3}$

3) 1

4) $\sqrt{3}$

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20) If $\vec{OA} = \vec{i} + x\vec{j} + \vec{k}$, $\vec{OB} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{k}$, $\vec{OC} = -\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ and \vec{AB} is perpendicular to \vec{BC} , x is

- 1) 0 2) 3 3) -3 4) 2

21) A vector of magnitude 10 units perpendicular to $\vec{a} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} - \vec{k}$ and coplanar with the vectors $\vec{b} = 2\vec{i} - \vec{j} - \vec{k}$ and $\vec{c} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - \vec{k}$ is

- 1) $3\vec{i} - 4\vec{j} - \vec{k}$ 2) $10(3\vec{i} - 4\vec{j} - \vec{k})$
 3) $10(3\vec{i} - 4\vec{j} - \vec{k}) / \sqrt{26}$ 4) $4\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} - \vec{k} / 10$

22) When \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} are three non-coplanar vectors, the value of

$$\frac{\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})}{\vec{c} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})} + \frac{\vec{b} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{c})}{\vec{c} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})}$$

- 1) 1 2) 0 3) $[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]$ 4) -1

23) Modulus of sum of three mutually perpendicular unit vectors is

- 1) $\sqrt{3}$ 2) 3 3) 0 4) none

24) If $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$ and $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{a} \times \vec{c}$, $\vec{a} \neq \vec{0}$, then

- 1) $\vec{b} = \vec{c}$ 2) $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$ 3) $\vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$ 4) none

25) If the vectors \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} form the sides \vec{BC} , \vec{CA} and \vec{AB} respectively of a triangle ABC , Then

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1) $\mathbf{a \cdot b + b \cdot c + c \cdot a = 0}$ 2) $\mathbf{a \times b = b \times c = c \times a}$

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3) $\mathbf{a \cdot b = b \cdot c = c \cdot a}$ 4) $\mathbf{a \times b + b \times c + c \times a = 0}$

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26) If θ is the angle between two unit vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} then $\sin\theta$ is equal to

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1) $\mathbf{a + b}$ 2) $\mathbf{a - b}$ 3) $\mathbf{a \cdot b}$ 4) $\mathbf{|a \times b|}$

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27) If θ is the angle between two vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} , then $\mathbf{a \cdot b} > 0$ only if

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1) \mathbf{0 \leq \theta \leq \pi} & 2) \mathbf{\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi} \\ 3) \mathbf{0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2} & 4) \mathbf{0 \leq \theta < \pi/2} \end{array}$$

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28) The vector \mathbf{b} which is collinear with vector $\mathbf{a = (1, 2, -1)}$ and satisfies $\mathbf{a \cdot b = 5}$, is

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1) \mathbf{1/3(5, 10, -5)} & 2) \mathbf{1/6(5, 10, -5)} \\ 3) \mathbf{(5, 10, -5)} & 4) \mathbf{6(5, 10, -5)} \end{array}$$

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29) For any two vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b}

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1) $\mathbf{|a \cdot b| > |a||b|}$ 2) $\mathbf{|a \cdot b| < |a||b|}$

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3) $\mathbf{|a \cdot b| \geq |a||b|}$ 4) $\mathbf{|a \cdot b| \leq |a||b|}$

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30) If \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are two vectors such that $\mathbf{a \cdot b = 0}$ and $\mathbf{a \times b = 0}$ then

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1) either $\mathbf{a = 0}$ or $\mathbf{b = 0}$ 2) $\mathbf{a \parallel b}$

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3) $a \perp b$

4) none

31) Four points with the position vectors $7i-4j+7k$, $i-6j+10k$, $-i-3j+4k$ and $5i-j+k$ form a

1) rhombus

2) rectangle

3) square

4) parallelogram but not rhombus

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32) If $p \cdot a = p \cdot b = p \cdot c = 0$ for some non-zero vector p then

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1) $[a, b, c] = 0$

2) $[a, b, c] \neq 0$

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3) a, b, c , are non coplanar

4) none

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33) If a and b are two unit vectors inclined at an

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angle θ to each other, then $|a + b| < 1$ if

1) $\theta = \pi/6$

2) $\theta = \pi/2$

3) $\theta = \pi/3$

4) $2\pi/3 < \theta < \pi$

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34) $a \cdot [(b + c) \times (a + b + c)] =$

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1) 0

2) $[a, b, c][b, c, a]$

3) $[a, b, c]$

4) none

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35) If $|a + b| = |a - b|$, then

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1) $a \perp b$

2) $a \parallel b$

3) $a = 0$

4) $b = 0$

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36) If $a \times b = c \times b \neq 0$, then

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1) $a = \lambda b$

2) $a - c = \lambda c$

3) $a - c = \lambda b$

4) none

37) Which of the following expressions are meaningful?

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$$1) \mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$$

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$$2) (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w}$$

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$$3) (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \times \mathbf{w}$$

$$4) \mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w})$$

38) Which of the following is a true statement?

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1) $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{c}$ is coplanar with \mathbf{c}

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2) $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{c}$ is perpendicular with \mathbf{a}

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3) $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{c}$ is perpendicular with \mathbf{b}

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4) $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{c}$ is perpendicular with \mathbf{c}

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39) If $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}$, $\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a}$ and a, b, c are moduli of

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vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$ respectively, then

$$1) a = 1, b = 1$$

$$2) c = 1, a = 1$$

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$$3) \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = -1$$

$$4) \mathbf{b} = 1, \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a}$$

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40) If $\mathbf{e}_1', \mathbf{e}_2', \mathbf{e}_3'$ are reciprocal to the non-coplanar

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vectors $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3$, then $[\mathbf{e}_1', \mathbf{e}_2', \mathbf{e}_3'] [\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3] =$

$$1) -1/2$$

$$2) 1$$

$$3) 0$$

$$4) 4$$

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41) Value of $(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) \cdot [(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{c}) \times (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{a})] =$

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$$1) 0$$

$$2) 2[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}]$$

$$3) 3[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}]$$

$$4) \text{none}$$

42) Direction of zero vector

1) does not exist

2) is towards origin

3) is indeterminate

4) none of these

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43) If \mathbf{a} is a unit vector perpendicular to \mathbf{b} and

$$\vec{a} + 3\vec{b} \cdot (2\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = -10, \text{ then } |\vec{b}| =$$

- 1) 5 2) 2 3) 3 4) 4

44) The volume of the tetrahedron whose vertices are A(3,7,4) B(5,-2,3), C(-4,5,6) and D(1,2,3) is

- 1) $44/3$ c.c 2) $46/3$ c.c 3) $47/3$ c.c 4) none

45) If a line makes angles of 60° and 120° with the positive directions of x-axis and y- axis respectively, then the acute angle made by the line with the +ve direction of z – axis is

- 1) 45° 2) 30° 3) 60° 4) none

46) Let the vectors $2\vec{i}+3\vec{j}-4\vec{k}$ and $a\vec{i}+b\vec{j}+c\vec{k}$ be perpendicular. Then

- 1) $a = 2, b = 3, c = -4$ 2) $a = 4, b = 4, c = 5$
 3) $a = 4, b = 4, c = -5$ 4) none

47) The sum of two unit vectors is a unit vector. The magnitude of their difference is

- 1) 2 2) $\sqrt{3}$ 3) $\sqrt{2}$ 4) 1

48) If $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$, then $\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$ is equal to

- 1) a non zero vector 2) 1
 3) -1 4) $|\vec{a}||\vec{b}||\vec{c}|$

49) Let $\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}$ be the position vectors of three vertices A, B, C of a triangle respectively. Then the area of this triangle is given by

3) $(1/3, -2/3, 1/3)$

4) $(1/3, 2/3, -1/3)$

60) If the position vectors of the points A and B are
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$5\mathbf{i}-3\mathbf{j}+4\mathbf{k}$ and $-3\mathbf{i} + \lambda\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$ and $|\mathbf{AB}| = 9$, then the
value of λ is

1) 1 or -7

2) -1 or 7

3) -1 or -7

4) 1 or 7