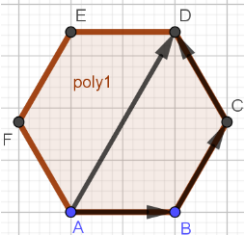


Chapter 3

Vectors

Exercise 3.1

Q1. ABCDEF is a regular hexagon $\overrightarrow{AB} = a, \overrightarrow{BC} = b, \overrightarrow{CD} = c$ state following vectors as scalar multiples of a, b, c
Hint: in a regular hexagon main diagonal $\overrightarrow{AD}$ is double the side $\overrightarrow{BC}$ and parallel to it.



Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{AB} = a, \overrightarrow{BC} = b$ and $\overrightarrow{CD} = c$

a). $\overrightarrow{DE}$

Sol: from figure $\overrightarrow{DE}$ and $\overrightarrow{ED}$ are parallel & equal

So $\overrightarrow{DE} = \overrightarrow{ED}$

$\overrightarrow{DE} = -\overrightarrow{ED}$

$\therefore \overrightarrow{DE} = -\overrightarrow{ED}$

$\overrightarrow{DE} = -a$

b). $\overrightarrow{EF}$

Sol: from figure $\overrightarrow{EF}$ and $\overrightarrow{CB}$ are parallel & equal

$\overrightarrow{EF} = \overrightarrow{CB}$

$\overrightarrow{EF} = -\overrightarrow{BC}$

$\overrightarrow{EF} = -b$

c). $\overrightarrow{FA}$

Sol: from figure $\overrightarrow{FA}$ and $\overrightarrow{DC}$ are parallel & equal

$\overrightarrow{FA} = \overrightarrow{DC}$

$\overrightarrow{FA} = -\overrightarrow{CD}$

$\overrightarrow{FA} = -c$

d). $\overrightarrow{AD}$

Sol: diagonal $\overrightarrow{AD}$ is double the side $\overrightarrow{BC}$ and parallel

$\overrightarrow{AD} = 2\overrightarrow{BC}$

$\overrightarrow{AD} = 2b$

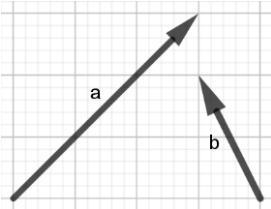
e). $\overrightarrow{BE}$

Sol: diagonal $\overrightarrow{BE}$ is double the side $\overrightarrow{CD}$ and parallel

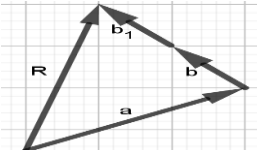
$\overrightarrow{BE} = 2\overrightarrow{CD}$

$\overrightarrow{BE} = 2c$

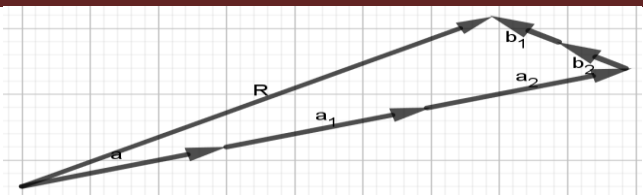
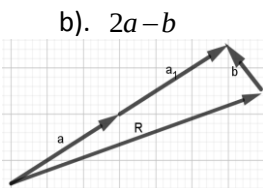
Q2. Given vectors a & b as in figure, draw vectors:



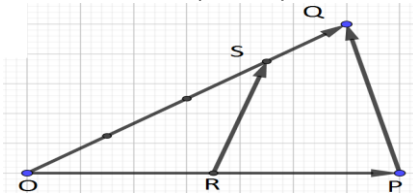
a). $a + 2b$



c). $3a - 2b$



Q3. In $\triangle OPQ, \overrightarrow{OP} = p, \overrightarrow{OQ} = q$, R is the midpoint of $\overrightarrow{OP}$ and S is the midpoint of $\overrightarrow{OQ}$ such that $|OS| = 3|SQ|$. State in term of p and q.



Sol: we have $\triangle OPQ, \overrightarrow{OP} = p, \overrightarrow{OQ} = q$

a). $\overrightarrow{OR}$

Sol: since R is the midpoint of $\overrightarrow{OP}$ i.e. $\overrightarrow{OR} = \overrightarrow{RP}$ so

$\overrightarrow{OP} = \overrightarrow{OR} + \overrightarrow{RP}$

$\overrightarrow{OP} = \overrightarrow{OR} + \overrightarrow{OR} \therefore \overrightarrow{OR} = \overrightarrow{RP}$

$\overrightarrow{OP} = 2\overrightarrow{OR}$

$\overrightarrow{OR} = \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{OP}$

$\overrightarrow{OR} = \frac{1}{2}p \therefore \overrightarrow{OR} = p$

b). $\overrightarrow{PQ}$

Sol: From figure using Head to tail rule

$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \overrightarrow{PO} + \overrightarrow{OQ}$

$\overrightarrow{PQ} = -\overrightarrow{OP} + \overrightarrow{OQ}$

$\overrightarrow{PQ} = -p + q$

c). $\overrightarrow{OS}$

Sol: From given condition $|OS| = 3|SQ|$ or $\frac{1}{3}|OS| = |SQ|$

Or we can write $\frac{|OS|}{|SQ|} = \frac{3}{1}$ or $|OS| : |SQ| = 3 : 1$

Using ratio 2nd method

$\overrightarrow{OS} = \frac{3q + 1.0}{3 + 1}$

$\overrightarrow{OS} = \frac{3}{4}q$

$\overrightarrow{OQ} = \overrightarrow{OS} + \overrightarrow{SQ}$

$\overrightarrow{OQ} = \overrightarrow{OS} + \frac{1}{3}\overrightarrow{OS}$

$\overrightarrow{OQ} = \frac{4}{3}\overrightarrow{OS}$

$\overrightarrow{OS} = \frac{3}{4}\overrightarrow{OQ}$

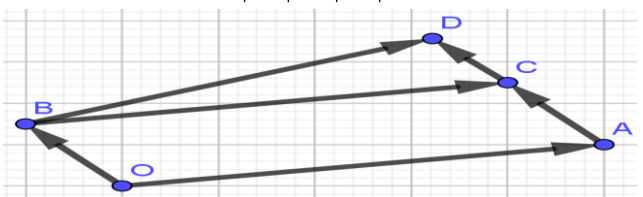
d). $\overrightarrow{RS}$

Sol: From figure using Head to tail rule

$\overrightarrow{RS} = \overrightarrow{OR} + \overrightarrow{OS}$

$\overrightarrow{RS} = -\frac{1}{2}p + \frac{3}{4}q$

Q4. OABC is parallelogram with $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b$, AC extended to D where $|AC| = 2|CD|$ Find in terms of a & b.



a). $\overrightarrow{AD}$

Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b$ and $|AC| = 2|CD|$

Or $|CD| = \frac{1}{2}|AC|$ so

$$\overrightarrow{AD} = \overrightarrow{AC} + \overrightarrow{CD}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AD} = \overrightarrow{AC} + \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{AC}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AD} = \frac{3}{2}\overrightarrow{AC} = \frac{3}{2}b$$

b). $\overrightarrow{OD}$

Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b$

$$\overrightarrow{OD} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{AD}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OD} = a + \frac{3}{2}b$$

c). $\overrightarrow{BD}$

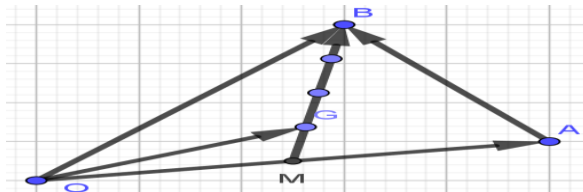
Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b$

$$\overrightarrow{BD} = \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CD}$$

$$\overrightarrow{BD} = a + \frac{1}{2}b$$

Q5. OAB is a triangle with $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b$, M is the midpoint of OA and G lies on MB such that $|MG| = \frac{1}{2}|GB|$.

State in term of a & b



a). Find $\overrightarrow{OM}$

Sol: M is midpoint of $\overrightarrow{OA} = a$, So $\overrightarrow{OM} = \overrightarrow{MA}$

$$\overrightarrow{OA} = \overrightarrow{OM} + \overrightarrow{MA}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OA} = \overrightarrow{OM} + \overrightarrow{OM}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OA} = 2\overrightarrow{OM}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OM} = \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{OA}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OM} = \frac{1}{2}a$$

b). $\overrightarrow{MB}$

Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b$ From figure

$$\overrightarrow{MB} = \overrightarrow{MO} + \overrightarrow{OB}$$

$$\overrightarrow{MB} = -\overrightarrow{OM} + \overrightarrow{OB}$$

$$\overrightarrow{MB} = -\frac{1}{2}a + b$$

c). $\overrightarrow{MG} = \overrightarrow{MO} + \overrightarrow{OB} + \overrightarrow{BG}$

Sol: $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b$ and $|MG| = \frac{1}{2}|GB|$ or $2|MG| = |GB|$

From figure $\overrightarrow{MG} = \overrightarrow{MO} + \overrightarrow{OB} + \overrightarrow{BG}$

$$\overrightarrow{MG} = -\overrightarrow{OM} + b - \overrightarrow{BG}$$

$$\overrightarrow{MG} = -\frac{1}{2}a + b - 2\overrightarrow{MG}$$

$$3\overrightarrow{MG} = b - \frac{1}{2}a$$

$$\overrightarrow{MG} = \frac{1}{3}b - \frac{1}{6}a$$

d). $\overrightarrow{OG}$

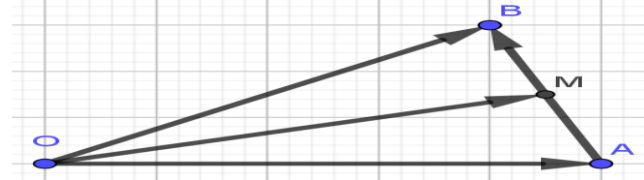
Sol: From figure $\overrightarrow{OG} = \overrightarrow{OM} + \overrightarrow{MG}$

$$\overrightarrow{OG} = \frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{3}b - \frac{1}{6}a$$

$$\overrightarrow{OG} = \frac{3a + 2b - a}{6}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OG} = \frac{2a + 2b}{6} = \frac{a + b}{3}$$

Q6 $\overrightarrow{OA} = p + q, \overrightarrow{OB} = 2p - q$ where p & q are two vectors and M is the midpoint of AB. Find in term of p & q .



a). $\overrightarrow{AB}$

Sol: From figure $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{AO} + \overrightarrow{OB}$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -\overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{OB}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -p - q + 2p - q$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = p - 2q$$

b). $\overrightarrow{AM} = \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{AB}$

Sol: M is the midpoint of $\overrightarrow{AB}$, i.e $\overrightarrow{AM} = \overrightarrow{MB}$, so

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{AM} + \overrightarrow{MB}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{AM} + \overrightarrow{AM}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = 2\overrightarrow{AM}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AM} = \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{AB}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AM} = \frac{1}{2}(p - 2q)$$

c). $\overrightarrow{OM} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{AM}$

Sol: using $\overrightarrow{AM} = \frac{1}{2}(p - 2q) = \frac{1}{2}p - q$

$$\overrightarrow{OM} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{AM}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OM} = p + q + \frac{1}{2}p - q$$

$$\overrightarrow{OM} = \frac{3}{2}p$$

Q7. Given that $p = 3a - b, q = 2a - 3b$, find number x and y such that $xp + yq = a + 9b$

Sol: we have $p = 3a - b, q = 2a - 3b$

$$xp + yq = a + 9b \text{ putting the values}$$

$$x(3a - b) + y(2a - 3b) = a + 9b$$

$$3ax - bx + 2ay - 3by = a + 9b$$

$$3ax + 2ay - bx - 3by = a + 9b$$

$$(3x + 2y)a + (-x - 3y)b = a + 9b$$

Comparing the coefficients of a and b

$$3x + 2y = 1 \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$-x - 3y = 9 \text{ or } -9 - 3y = x \dots\dots(2)$$

Putting the value of x in eq (1)

$$3(-9 - 3y) + 2y = 1$$

$$-27 - 9y + 2y = 1$$

$$-27 - 1 = 7y$$

$$y = \frac{-28}{7} = -4$$

Putting the value of y in eq (2)

$$x = -9 - 3(-4)$$

$$x = -9 + 12$$

$$x = 3, y = -4$$

Q8. Position vectors of four points A, B, C, D are

$a, b, 2a + 3b, a - 2b$ respectively. Find $\overrightarrow{AC}, \overrightarrow{BD}, \overrightarrow{BC}, \overrightarrow{CD}$

in term of a & b

Sol: let $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b, \overrightarrow{OC} = 2a + 3b, \overrightarrow{OD} = a - 2b$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OA} = 2a + 3b - a = a + 3b$$

$$\overrightarrow{DB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OD} = b - (a - 2b) = 3b - a$$

$$\overrightarrow{BC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OB} = 2a + 3b - b = 2a + 2b$$

$$\overrightarrow{CD} = \overrightarrow{OD} - \overrightarrow{OC} = a - 2b - 2a - 3b = -a - 5b$$

Exercise 3.2

Q1. Find the position vectors of the following points

i). $P(0,0)$

Sol: since $O(0,0)$ so

$$OP = P - O = (0,0) - (0,0)$$

$$OP = (0,0) = 0i + 0j$$

ii). $Q(3,-2)$

Sol: since $O(0,0)$ so

$$OQ = Q - O = (3,-2) - (0,0)$$

$$OQ = (3,-2) = 3i - 2j$$

iii). $R(\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{2})$

Sol: since $O(0,0)$ so

$$OR = R - O = (\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{2}) - (0,0)$$

$$OR = (\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{2}) = \sqrt{3}i + 2\sqrt{2}j$$

Q2. Express the vector $\overrightarrow{PQ}$ in the form of $xi + yj$

i). $P(0,0), Q(4,5)$

Sol: we have $P(0,0), Q(4,5)$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = OQ - OP = (4,5) - (0,0)$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (4,5) = 4i + 5j$$

ii). $P(-2,-1), Q(6,-2)$

Sol: we have $P(-2,-1), Q(6,-2)$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = OQ - OP = (6,-2) - (-2,-1)$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (8,-1) = 8i - j$$

iii). $P(1,0), Q(0,1)$

Sol: we have $P(1,0), Q(0,1)$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = OQ - OP = (0,1) - (1,0)$$

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (-1,1) = -i + j$$

Q3. If $a = 3i - 5j$ and $b = -2i + 3j$ then find

i). $a + 2b$

Sol: we have $a = 3i - 5j$ and $b = -2i + 3j$

$$a + 2b = (3i - 5j) + 2(-2i + 3j)$$

$$a + 2b = 3i - 5j - 4i + 6j$$

$$a + 2b = -i + j$$

ii). $3a - 2b$

Sol: we have $a = 3i - 5j$ and $b = -2i + 3j$

$$3a - 2b = 3(3i - 5j) - 2(-2i + 3j)$$

$$3a - 2b = 9i - 15j + 4i - 6j$$

$$3a - 2b = 13i - 21j$$

iii). $2(a - b)$

Sol: we have $a = 3i - 5j$ and $b = -2i + 3j$

$$2(a - b) = 2\{(3i - 5j) - (-2i + 3j)\}$$

$$2(a - b) = 2(3i - 5j + 2i - 3j)$$

$$2(a - b) = 2(5i - 8j)$$

$$2(a - b) = 10i - 16j$$

iv). $|a + b|$

Sol: we have $a = 3i - 5j$ and $b = -2i + 3j$

$$|a + b| = |(3i - 5j) + (-2i + 3j)|$$

$$|a + b| = |3i - 5j - 2i + 3j|$$

$$|a + b| = |i - 2j|$$

$$|a + b| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2}$$

$$|a + b| = \sqrt{1+4} = \sqrt{5}$$

v). $|a| - |b|$

Sol: we have $a = 3i - 5j$ and $b = -2i + 3j$

$$|a| - |b| = |3i - 5j| - |-2i + 3j|$$

$$|a| - |b| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-5)^2} - \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 3^2}$$

$$|a| - |b| = \sqrt{9+25} - \sqrt{4+9}$$

$$|a| - |b| = \sqrt{34} - \sqrt{13}$$

vi). $\frac{|a|}{|b|}$

Sol: we have $a = 3i - 5j$ and $b = -2i + 3j$

$$\frac{|a|}{|b|} = \frac{|3i - 5j|}{|-2i + 3j|}$$

$$\frac{|a|}{|b|} = \frac{\sqrt{3^2 + (-5)^2}}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + 3^2}}$$

$$\frac{|a|}{|b|} = \frac{\sqrt{9+25}}{\sqrt{4+9}}$$

$$\frac{|a|}{|b|} = \frac{\sqrt{34}}{\sqrt{13}}$$

Q4. Find the unit vector having the same direction as the vector given below

i). $3i$

Sol: Let $A = 3i$

$$|A| = |3i| = \sqrt{3^2} = 3$$

$$A = \frac{A}{|A|} = \frac{3i}{3} = i$$

ii). $i - j$

Sol: Let $A = i - j$

$$|A| = |i - j| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$A = \frac{A}{|A|} = \frac{i - j}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{j}{\sqrt{2}}$$

iii). $3i - 4j$

Sol: Let $A = 3i - 4j$

$$|A| = |3i - 4j| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-4)^2}$$

$$|A| = \sqrt{9+16} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$A = \frac{A}{|A|} = \frac{3i - 4j}{5} = \frac{3}{5}i - \frac{4}{5}j$$

iv). $A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i - \frac{1}{2}j$

Sol: we have $A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i - \frac{1}{2}j$

$$|A| = \left| \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i - \frac{1}{2}j \right| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^2}$$

$$|A| = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$|A| = \sqrt{\frac{4}{4}} = 1$$

$$A = \frac{A}{|A|} = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i - \frac{1}{2}j}{1}$$

$$A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i - \frac{1}{2}j$$

Q5. If $r = i - 9j, a = i + 2j$ and $b = 5i - j$, determine the real numbers p and q such that $r = pa + qb$

Sol: we have $r = i - 9j, a = i + 2j$ and $b = 5i - j$,

since $r = pa + qb$

Putting the values of r, a and b

$$i - 9j = p(i + 2j) + q(5i - j)$$

$$i - 9j = pi + 2Pj + 5qi - qj$$

$$i - 9j = pi + 5qi + 2pj - qj$$

$$i - 9j = (p + 5q)i + (2p - q)j$$

By comparing the coefficients of i and j

$$p + 5q = 1 \quad \dots(1) \quad \text{multiply by 2} \Rightarrow 2p + 10q = 2$$

$$2p - q = -9 \quad \pm 2p \mp q = \mp 9$$

$$\text{by subtracting} \quad 11q = 11$$

$$\text{or } q = 1 \quad \text{put in (1)}$$

$$p + 5 = 1$$

$$p = -4$$

Q6. Find length of vector $\overrightarrow{AB}$ from a point $A(-3,5)$ & $B(7,9)$. Also find a unit vector in direction of $\overrightarrow{AB}$

Sol: we have $A(-3,5)$ & $B(7,9)$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA} = (7,9) - (-3,5)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = (10,4) = 10i + 4j$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AB}| = |10i + 4j| = \sqrt{10^2 + 4^2}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{100 + 16} = \sqrt{116} = 2\sqrt{29}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \frac{\overrightarrow{AB}}{|\overrightarrow{AB}|} = \frac{10i + 4j}{2\sqrt{29}} = \frac{5i}{\sqrt{29}} + \frac{2j}{\sqrt{29}}$$

Q7. If $p = 2i + 3j$ and $q = i - j$, then find numbers x and y such that $xp + yq = -4i - 11j$

Sol: we have $p = 2i + 3j$ and $q = i - j$

Given that $xp + yq = -4i - 11j$ putting the values

$$x(2i + 3j) + y(i - j) = -4i - 11j$$

$$2xi + 3xj + yi - yj = -4i - 11j$$

$$2xi + yi + 3xj - yj = -4i - 11j$$

$$(2x + y)i + (3x - y)j = -4i - 11j$$

Comparing the coefficients we get

$$2x + y = -4 \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$3x - y = -11 \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$5x = -15$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -3 \text{ put in (1)}$$

$$-6 + y = -4$$

$$y = -4 + 6$$

$$y = 2$$

Q8. If $p = 2i - j$ and $q = xi + 3j$, then find numbers x such that $|p + q| = 5$

Sol: we have $p = 2i - j$ and $q = xi + 3j$

$$p + q = (2i - j) + (xi + 3j)$$

$$p + q = 2i + xi - j + 3j$$

$$p + q = (2 + x)i + 2j$$

$$|p + q| = |(2 + x)i + 2j|$$

$$|p + q| = \sqrt{(2 + x)^2 + 2^2}$$

$$5 = \sqrt{4 + x^2 + 4x + 4} \quad \therefore |p + q| = 5$$

$$5 = \sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8}$$

$$25 = x^2 + 4x + 8$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 8 - 25 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 4x - 17 = 0$$

Here

$$a = 1, b = 4, c = -17 \quad \therefore x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(1)(-17)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 68}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{84}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4 \times 21}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm 2\sqrt{21}}{2}$$

$$x = -2 \pm \sqrt{21}$$

Q9. If ABCD is a parallelogram such that the coordinates of vertices, A, B and C are respectively given by $(-2,3)$, $(1,4)$ and $(0,5)$. Find the coordinates of the vertex D.

Sol: Given that $A(-2,-3)$, $B(1,4)$, $C(0,5)$ Let $D(x, y)$

Since ABCD is parallelogram so and equal

$$\overrightarrow{AB} \parallel \overrightarrow{CD} \quad \text{and} \quad \overrightarrow{BC} \parallel \overrightarrow{DA}$$

Now $\overrightarrow{AB} \parallel \overrightarrow{CD}$

$$B - A = k(D - C) \quad \text{for equal sides } k = 1$$

$$B - A + C = D$$

$$(i + 4j) - (-2i - 3j) = (xi + yj) - (0i + 5j)$$

$$i + 3i + 4j + 3j = xi + yj - 5j$$

$$3i + 7j = xi + (y - 5)j$$

Comparing the coefficients

$$3 = x, \quad 7 = y - 5$$

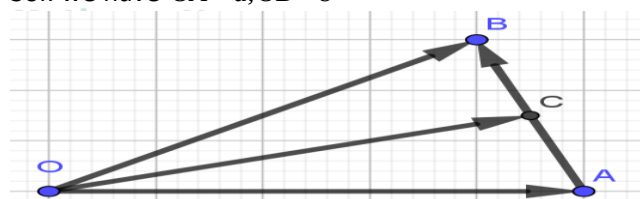
$$\Rightarrow 7 + 5 = y$$

$$y = 12$$

Therefore the coordinates of $D(3,6)$

Q10 If a & b are position vectors of A & B respectively, then prove that position vectors of midpoint of line segment joining A and B is $\frac{a+b}{2}$

Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{OA} = a, \overrightarrow{OB} = b$



From figure

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = b - a$$

Let C in the mid-point of $\overrightarrow{AB}$ which divides internally than $\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{CB}$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{AC} + \overrightarrow{CB}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{AC} + \overrightarrow{AC} \quad \therefore \overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{CB}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = 2\overrightarrow{AC}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \frac{1}{2}\overrightarrow{AB}$$

Putting the value of $\overrightarrow{AB} = b - a$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \frac{1}{2}(b - a)$$

$$\text{Now } \overrightarrow{OC} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{AC}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OC} = a + \frac{1}{2}(b - a)$$

$$\overrightarrow{OC} = a + \frac{b}{2} - \frac{a}{2}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OC} = a - \frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{2}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OC} = \frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{2} = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

Q11. Using vectors, Prove that the line passes through the midpoints of adjacent sides of a rectangle divides one of the diagonal in the ratio 1:3

Sol: Let OACB is rectangle with $\vec{OA} = a, \vec{OB} = b$



And D and E are the mid points of $\vec{OA}$ and $\vec{OB}$, Then

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{OD} &= \vec{DA} & \vec{OE} &= \vec{EB} \\ \vec{OA} &= \vec{OD} + \vec{DA} & \vec{OB} &= \vec{OE} + \vec{EB} \\ \vec{OA} &= \vec{OD} + \vec{OD} & \vec{OB} &= \vec{OE} + \vec{OE} \\ \vec{OA} &= 2\vec{OD} & \vec{OB} &= 2\vec{OE} \\ \vec{OD} &= \frac{1}{2}\vec{OA} & \vec{OE} &= \frac{1}{2}\vec{OB} \\ \vec{OD} &= \frac{1}{2}a & \vec{OE} &= \frac{1}{2}b\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{ED} = \vec{EO} + \vec{OD}$$

$$\vec{ED} = \vec{OD} - \vec{OE}$$

$$\vec{ED} = \frac{a-b}{2}$$

Here F is the mid point of $\vec{ED}$ so $\vec{EF} = \frac{1}{2}\vec{ED}$

$$\vec{EF} = \vec{FD} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{a-b}{2} \right) = \frac{a-b}{4}$$

$$\vec{OF} = \vec{OE} + \vec{EF}$$

$$\vec{OF} = \frac{b}{2} + \frac{a-b}{4}$$

$$\vec{OF} = \frac{2}{2} \times \frac{b}{2} + \frac{a-b}{4}$$

$$\vec{OF} = \frac{2b+a-b}{4}$$

$$\vec{OF} = \frac{a+b}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now } \vec{OC} &= \vec{OA} + \vec{AC} & \because \vec{AC} &= \vec{OB} \\ \vec{OC} &= a+b\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\vec{OC} = \vec{OF} + \vec{FC}$$

$$a+b = \frac{a+b}{4} + \vec{FC}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{1} - \frac{a+b}{4} = \vec{FC}$$

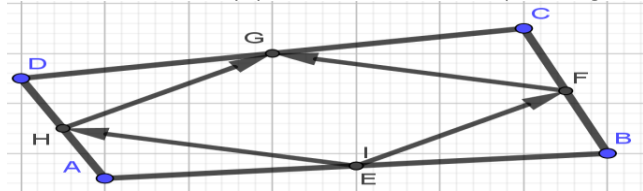
$$3 \left(\frac{a+b}{4} \right) = \vec{FC}$$

$$3\vec{OF} = \vec{FC}$$

$$\frac{\vec{OF}}{\vec{FC}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\vec{OF} : \vec{FC} = 1:3$$

Q12. Prove that the line segments joining the midpoints of the consecutive sides of any quadrilateral determine a parallelogram.



Sol: ABCD is a quadrilateral with the position vectors $\vec{OA} = a, \vec{OB} = b, \vec{OC} = c, \vec{OD} = d$ and E, F, G and H are the mid points of AB, BC, CD and DA respectively.

Using midpoint formula

$$\vec{OE} = \frac{\vec{OA} + \vec{OB}}{2} = \frac{a+b}{2}, \quad \vec{OF} = \frac{\vec{OB} + \vec{OC}}{2} = \frac{b+c}{2}$$

$$\vec{OG} = \frac{\vec{OC} + \vec{OD}}{2} = \frac{c+d}{2}, \quad \vec{OH} = \frac{\vec{OA} + \vec{OD}}{2} = \frac{a+d}{2}$$

Now

$$\vec{EF} = \vec{OF} - \vec{OE} = \frac{b+c}{2} - \frac{a+b}{2} = \frac{c-a}{2} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\vec{FG} = \vec{OG} - \vec{OF} = \frac{c+d}{2} - \frac{b+c}{2} = \frac{d-b}{2} \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$\vec{HG} = \vec{OG} - \vec{OH} = \frac{c+d}{2} - \frac{a+d}{2} = \frac{c-a}{2} \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$\vec{EH} = \vec{OH} - \vec{OE} = \frac{a+d}{2} - \frac{a+b}{2} = \frac{d-b}{2} \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

from equation (1) and (3) we get

$$\vec{EF} = 1.\vec{HG} \Leftrightarrow \vec{EF} \parallel \vec{HG}$$

from equation (2) and (4) we get

$$\vec{FG} = 1.\vec{EH} \Leftrightarrow \vec{FG} \parallel \vec{EH}$$

So EFGH is a parallelogram.

Exercise 3.3

Q1. Find the components of the vector $\vec{P_1P_2}$

i). $P_1(5, -2, 1), P_2(2, 4, 2)$

Sol: we have $P_1(5, -2, 1), P_2(2, 4, 2)$

$$\vec{P_1P_2} = (2, 4, 2) - (5, -2, 1)$$

$$\vec{P_1P_2} = (-3, 6, 1)$$

$$\text{If } \vec{P_1P_2} = (x, y, z) \text{ then } (x, y, z) = (-3, 6, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -3, y = 6, z = 1$$

ii). $P_1(0, 0, 0), P_2(-2, 5, 1)$

Sol: we have $P_1(0, 0, 0), P_2(-2, 5, 1)$

$$\vec{P_1P_2} = (-2, 5, 1) - (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\vec{P_1P_2} = (-2, 5, 1)$$

$$\text{If } \vec{P_1P_2} = (x, y, z) \text{ then } (x, y, z) = (-2, 5, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -2, y = 5, z = 1$$

iii). $P_1(2, 1, -3), P_2(7, 1, -3)$

Sol: we have $P_1(2, 1, -3), P_2(7, 1, -3)$

$$\vec{P_1P_2} = (7, 1, -3) - (2, 1, -3)$$

$$\vec{P_1P_2} = (5, 0, 0)$$

$$\text{If } \vec{P_1P_2} = (x, y, z) \text{ then } (x, y, z) = (5, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5, y = 0, z = 0$$

Q2. Find the initial point of the vector $r = (-2, 1, 2)$ if the terminal point is $(4, 0, -1)$

Sol: Terminal Point $B = (4, 0, -1)$ and Initial point $A = ?$

$$\text{Then } r = \vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA}$$

$$(-2, 1, 2) = (4, 0, -1) - \vec{OA}$$

$$\vec{OA} = (4, 0, -1) - (-2, 1, 2)$$

$$\vec{OA} = (6, -1, -3)$$

Q3. Find the terminal point of the vector $r = i + 3j - 3k$ if the initial point is $(-2, 1, 4)$

Sol: Initial point $A = (-2, 1, 4)$ Terminal Point $B = ?$

Then $r = AB = OB - OA$

$$(1, 3, -3) = OB - (-2, 1, 4)$$

$$OB = (1, 3, -3) + (-2, 1, 4)$$

$$OB = (-1, 4, 1)$$

Q4. Let $u = i + 2j - 3k, v = 2i - j + 2k, w = 3i - j + 5k$ Find

i). $u - 2v$

Sol: Since $u = i + 2j - 3k, v = 2i - j + 2k, w = 3i - j + 5k$

$$u - 2v = (i + 2j - 3k) - 2(2i - j + 2k)$$

$$u - 2v = (i + 2j - 3k) - (4i - 2j + 4k)$$

$$u - 2v = -3i + 4j - 7k$$

ii). $3v + 2w$

Sol: Since $u = i + 2j - 3k, v = 2i - j + 2k, w = 3i - j + 5k$

$$3v + 2w = 3(2i - j + 2k) + 2(3i - j + 5k)$$

$$3v + 2w = (6i - 3j + 6k) + (6i - 2j + 10k)$$

$$3v + 2w = 12i - 5j + 16k$$

iii). $3u - (2v + w)$

Sol: Since $u = i + 2j - 3k, v = 2i - j + 2k, w = 3i - j + 5k$

$$3u - (2v + w) = 3(i + 2j - 3k) - \{2(2i - j + 2k) + (3i - j + 5k)\}$$

$$3u - (2v + w) = 3(i + 2j - 3k) - \{(4i - 2j + 4k) + (3i - j + 5k)\}$$

$$3u - (2v + w) = (3i + 6j - 9k) - (7i - 3j + 9k)$$

$$3u - (2v + w) = -4i + 9j - 18k$$

Q5. Let $p = i - 3j + 2k, q = i + j$ & $r = 2i + 2j - 4k$ Find

i). $|p + q - r|$

Sol: since $p = i - 3j + 2k, q = i + j$ and $r = 2i + 2j - 4k$

$$|p + q - r| = |(i - 3j + 2k) + (i + j) - (2i + 2j - 4k)|$$

$$|p + q - r| = |2i - 2i - 2j - 2j + 2k + 4k|$$

$$|p + q - r| = |-4j + 6k|$$

$$|p + q - r| = \sqrt{(-4)^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{16 + 36}$$

$$|p + q - r| = \sqrt{52} = \sqrt{4 \times 13} = 2\sqrt{13}$$

ii). $|p| + |q|$

Sol: since $p = i - 3j + 2k, q = i + j$

$$|p| + |q| = |i - 3j + 2k| + |i + j|$$

$$|p| + |q| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-3)^2 + 2^2} + \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2}$$

$$|p| + |q| = \sqrt{1 + 9 + 4} + \sqrt{1 + 1}$$

$$|p| + |q| = \sqrt{14} + \sqrt{2}$$

iii). $\left| \frac{1}{|r|} \cdot r \right|$

Sol: since $r = 2i + 2j - 4k$

$$|r| = |2i + 2j - 4k| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-4)^2}$$

$$|r| = \sqrt{4 + 4 + 16} = \sqrt{24} = \sqrt{4 \times 6} = 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$\text{Now } \left| \frac{1}{|r|} \cdot r \right| = \left| \frac{2i + 2j - 4k}{2\sqrt{6}} \right| = \left| \frac{i + j - 2k}{\sqrt{6}} \right|$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{|r|} \cdot r \right| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{6}}\right)^2}$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{|r|} \cdot r \right| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{4}{6}} = \sqrt{\frac{6}{6}} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

In questions 6-12 A, B, C, D are the points with position vectors given by

$$\overrightarrow{OA} = i + j + k, \overrightarrow{OB} = i - j + 2k, \overrightarrow{OC} = j + k, \overrightarrow{OD} = 2i + j$$

Q6. Find $|\overrightarrow{AB}|, |\overrightarrow{BD}|$

Sol: $\overrightarrow{OA} = i + j + k, \overrightarrow{OB} = i - j + 2k, \overrightarrow{OC} = j + k, \overrightarrow{OD} = 2i + j$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA} = (i - j + 2k) - (i + j + k)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -2j + k \quad \text{Then } |\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 1^2}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{4 + 1} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\overrightarrow{BD} = \overrightarrow{OD} - \overrightarrow{OB} = (2i + j) - (i - j + 2k)$$

$$|\overrightarrow{BD}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2}$$

$$\overrightarrow{BD} = i + 2j - 2k \quad \text{Then } |\overrightarrow{BD}| = \sqrt{1 + 4 + 4}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{BD}| = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

Q7. Find the direction cosine of $\overrightarrow{CD}$ and $\overrightarrow{AC}$

Sol: $\overrightarrow{OA} = i + j + k, \overrightarrow{OB} = i - j + 2k, \overrightarrow{OC} = j + k, \overrightarrow{OD} = 2i + j$

$$\overrightarrow{CD} = \overrightarrow{OD} - \overrightarrow{OC} = (2i + j) - (j + k)$$

$$\overrightarrow{CD} = 2i - k \quad \text{Then } |\overrightarrow{CD}| = |2i - k| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{CD}| = \sqrt{4 + 1} = \sqrt{5}$$

So the direction of cosine

$$\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{0}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OA} = (j + k) - (i + j + k)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = -i$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AC}| = |-i| = \sqrt{(-1)^2} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

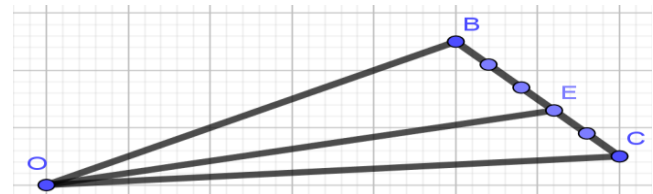
So the direction of cosine

$$\left(\frac{-1}{1}, \frac{0}{1}, \frac{0}{1} \right) = (-1, 0, 0)$$

Q8. Find the position vector of the point which

i). divides BC internally in the ratio 3:2

Sol: $\overrightarrow{OA} = i + j + k, \overrightarrow{OB} = i - j + 2k, \overrightarrow{OC} = j + k, \overrightarrow{OD} = 2i + j$



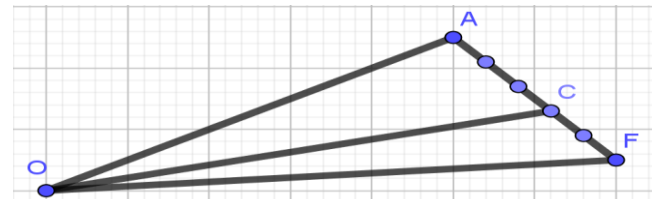
$$\overrightarrow{OE} = \frac{3\overrightarrow{OC} + 2\overrightarrow{OB}}{3+2} = \frac{3(j+k) + 2(i-j+2k)}{5}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OE} = \frac{3j + 3k + 2i - 2j + 4k}{5}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OE} = \frac{2i + j + 7k}{5}$$

ii). Divides AC externally in the ratio 3:2

Sol: $\overrightarrow{OA} = i + j + k, \overrightarrow{OB} = i - j + 2k, \overrightarrow{OC} = j + k, \overrightarrow{OD} = 2i + j$



$$\overrightarrow{OF} = \frac{3\overrightarrow{OC} - 2\overrightarrow{OA}}{3-2} = \frac{3(j+k) - 2(i+j+k)}{3-2}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OF} = \frac{3j + 3k - 2i - 2j - 2k}{1}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OF} = -2i + j + k$$

Q9. Determine whether any of following pairs of lines are parallel.

Sol: $\vec{OA} = i + j + k, \vec{OB} = i - j + 2k, \vec{OC} = j + k, \vec{OD} = 2i + j$
i). AB and CD

Sol: $\vec{OA} = i + j + k, \vec{OB} = i - j + 2k, \vec{OC} = j + k, \vec{OD} = 2i + j$
 $\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA} = (i - j + 2k) - (i + j + k)$

$$\vec{AB} = -2j + k$$

$$\vec{CD} = \vec{OD} - \vec{OC} = (2i + j) - (j + k)$$

$$\vec{CD} = 2i - k$$

$\vec{AB}$ is not parallel to $\vec{CD}$

We can not express as $\vec{AB} = k \vec{CD}$

Where k is some constant

ii). AC and BD

Sol: $\vec{OA} = i + j + k, \vec{OB} = i - j + 2k, \vec{OC} = j + k, \vec{OD} = 2i + j$
 $\vec{AC} = \vec{OC} - \vec{OA} = (j + k) - (i + j + k)$

$$\vec{AC} = -i$$

$$\vec{BD} = \vec{OD} - \vec{OB} = (2i + j) - (i - j + 2k)$$

$$\vec{BD} = i + 2j - 2k$$

$\vec{AC}$ is not parallel to $\vec{BD}$

We can not express as $\vec{AC} = k \vec{BD}$

Where k is some constant

iii). AD and BC

Sol: $\vec{OA} = i + j + k, \vec{OB} = i - j + 2k, \vec{OC} = j + k, \vec{OD} = 2i + j$
 $\vec{AD} = \vec{OD} - \vec{OA} = (2i + j) - (i + j + k)$

$$\vec{AD} = i - k$$

$$\vec{BC} = \vec{OC} - \vec{OB} = (j + k) - (i - j + 2k) = j + k - i + j - 2k$$

$$\vec{BC} = -i + 2j - k$$

$\vec{AD}$ is not parallel to $\vec{BC}$

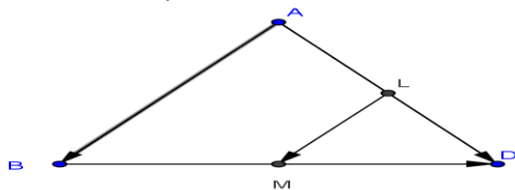
We can not express as $\vec{AD} = k \vec{BC}$

Where k is some constant

Q10. Let L & M are the position vectors of the mid points of AD & BD respectively. Show that $\vec{LM}$ is parallel to $\vec{AB}$

Sol: $\vec{OA} = i + j + k, \vec{OB} = i - j + 2k, \vec{OC} = j + k, \vec{OD} = 2i + j$

Let L is the Mid point of $\vec{AD}$



$$\vec{OL} = \frac{\vec{OD} + \vec{OA}}{2} = \frac{(2i + j) + (i + j + k)}{2}$$

$$\vec{OL} = \frac{3i + 2j + k}{2}$$

Let M is the Mid point of $\vec{BD}$

$$\vec{OM} = \frac{\vec{OD} + \vec{OB}}{2} = \frac{(2i + j) + (i - j + 2k)}{2}$$

$$\vec{OM} = \frac{3i + 2k}{2}$$

So $\vec{LM} = \vec{OM} - \vec{OL}$

$$\vec{LM} = \frac{3i + 2k}{2} - \frac{3i + 2j + k}{2}$$

$$\vec{LM} = \frac{-2j + k}{2}$$

And $\vec{AB} = \vec{OB} - \vec{OA}$

$$\vec{AB} = (i - j + 2k) - (i + j + k)$$

$$\vec{AB} = -2j + k$$

We can express as $\vec{AB} = k \vec{LM}$

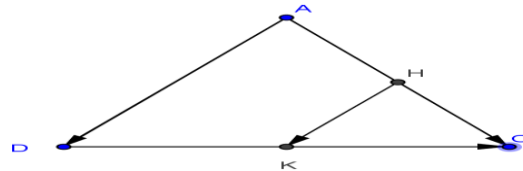
Where k=2 is some constant

i.e., $\vec{AB} = 2\vec{LM}$

$$-2j + k = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{-2j + k}{2} \right)$$

Q11. If H & K are mid points of AC & CD, show that $\vec{HK} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{AD}$

Sol: $\vec{OA} = i + j + k, \vec{OB} = i - j + 2k, \vec{OC} = j + k, \vec{OD} = 2i + j$



Let H is the Mid point of $\vec{AC}$

$$\vec{OH} = \frac{\vec{OC} + \vec{OA}}{2} = \frac{(j + k) + (i + j + k)}{2}$$

$$\vec{OH} = \frac{i + 2j + 2k}{2}$$

Let K is the Midpoint of $\vec{CD}$

$$\vec{OK} = \frac{\vec{OD} + \vec{OC}}{2} = \frac{(2i + j) + (j + k)}{2}$$

$$\vec{OK} = \frac{2i + 2j + k}{2}$$

So $\vec{HK} = \vec{OK} - \vec{OH}$

$$\vec{HK} = \frac{2i + 2j + k}{2} - \frac{i + 2j + 2k}{2}$$

$$\vec{HK} = \frac{i - k}{2}$$

And $\vec{AD} = \vec{OD} - \vec{OA}$

$$\vec{AD} = (2i + j) - (i + j + k)$$

$$\vec{AD} = i - k$$

We can express as $\vec{HK} = k \vec{AD}$

Where $k = \frac{1}{2}$ is some constant

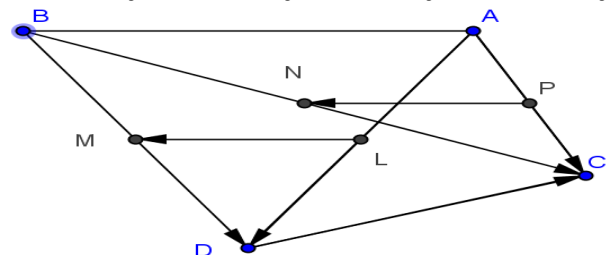
i.e., $\vec{HK} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{AD}$

$$\frac{i - k}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (i - k)$$

SO $\vec{HK} \parallel \vec{AD}$

Q12. If L, M, N and P are the midpoints of AD, BD, BC and AC respectively, show that $\vec{LM}$ is parallel to $\vec{NP}$

Sol: $\vec{OA} = i + j + k, \vec{OB} = i - j + 2k, \vec{OC} = j + k, \vec{OD} = 2i + j$



Let L is the Mid point of $\vec{AD}$

$$\vec{OL} = \frac{\vec{OD} + \vec{OA}}{2} = \frac{(2i + j) + (i + j + k)}{2}$$

$$\vec{OL} = \frac{3i + 2j + k}{2}$$

Let M is the Mid point of $\vec{BD}$

$$\vec{OM} = \frac{\vec{OD} + \vec{OB}}{2} = \frac{(2i + j) + (i - j + 2k)}{2}$$

$$\vec{OM} = \frac{3i + 2k}{2}$$

$$\text{So } \vec{LM} = \vec{OM} - \vec{OL}$$

$$\vec{LM} = \frac{3i+2k}{2} - \frac{3i+2j+k}{2}$$

$$\vec{LM} = \frac{-2j+k}{2}$$

Let N is the Mid point of $\vec{BC}$

$$\vec{ON} = \frac{\vec{OC} + \vec{OB}}{2} = \frac{(j+k) + (i-j+2k)}{2}$$

$$\vec{ON} = \frac{i+3k}{2}$$

Let P is the Mid point of $\vec{AC}$

$$\vec{OP} = \frac{\vec{OC} + \vec{OA}}{2} = \frac{(j+k) + (i+j+k)}{2}$$

$$\vec{OP} = \frac{i+2j+2k}{2}$$

So

$$\vec{NP} = \vec{OP} - \vec{ON} = \frac{i+2j+2k}{2} - \frac{i+3k}{2}$$

$$\vec{NP} = \frac{2j-k}{2}$$

We can express as $\vec{NP} = k \vec{LM}$

Where $k = -1$ is some constant

i.e.,

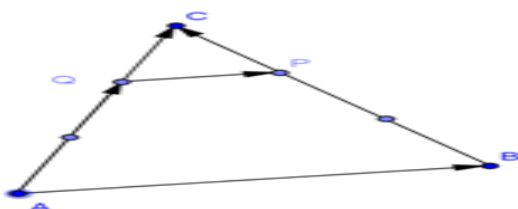
$$\vec{NP} = -1(\vec{LM})$$

$$\frac{2j-k}{2} = -\left(\frac{-2j+k}{2}\right)$$

SO $\vec{NP} \parallel \vec{LM}$

Q13. Let P & Q divide the sides BC & AC respectively of triangle $\triangle ABC$ in the ratio 2:1, if $\vec{AB} = a$ & $\vec{AC} = b$, then find $\vec{QP}$ is parallel to $\vec{AB}$ and is one third of its length.

Sol: Given that $\vec{AB} = a$ and $\vec{AC} = b$



$$\vec{BC} = \vec{AC} - \vec{AB} = b - a$$

Let P & Q divide the sides BC and AC in the ratio 2:1

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{\vec{BP}}{\vec{PC}} = \frac{2}{1} \quad \frac{\vec{AQ}}{\vec{QC}} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{PB} = 2\vec{PC} \quad \vec{AQ} = 2\vec{QC}$$

$$\therefore \vec{BC} = \vec{BP} + \vec{PC} \quad \vec{AC} = \vec{AQ} + \vec{QC}$$

$$\vec{BC} = \vec{BP} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{BP} \quad \vec{AC} = \vec{AQ} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{AQ}$$

$$\vec{BC} = \frac{3}{2}\vec{BP} \quad \vec{AC} = \frac{3}{2}\vec{AQ}$$

$$\vec{BP} = \frac{2}{3}(b-a) \quad \vec{AQ} = \frac{2}{3}b$$

From figure

$$\vec{QP} = \vec{QA} + \vec{AB} + \vec{BP}$$

$$\vec{QP} = -\vec{AQ} + \vec{AB} + \vec{BP}$$

$$\vec{QP} = -\frac{2}{3}b + a + \frac{2}{3}(b-a)$$

$$\vec{QP} = -\frac{2}{3}b + a + \frac{2}{3}b - \frac{2}{3}a$$

$$\vec{QP} = a - \frac{2}{3}a = \frac{a}{3}$$

$$\vec{QP} = \frac{1}{3}\vec{AB} \quad \vec{QP} \parallel \vec{AB}$$

$\vec{QP}$ is one third of $\vec{AB}$

Q14. Find the coordinates of P where

a). $|\vec{OP}| = 6$ and $\vec{OP}$ is in direction of $\vec{A} = 2i - 3j + 6k$

Sol: $|\vec{OP}| = 6$ and $\vec{OP}$ is in direction of $\vec{A} = 2i - 3j + 6k$

$$|\vec{A}| = |2i - 3j + 6k| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2 + 6^2}$$

$$|\vec{A}| = \sqrt{4+9+36} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$A = \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|} = \frac{2i - 3j + 6k}{7}$$

Then

$$\vec{OP} = |\vec{OP}| A$$

$$\vec{OP} = 6 \cdot \left(\frac{2i - 3j + 6k}{7}\right)$$

$$\vec{OP} = \frac{12i - 18j + 36k}{7}$$

Then coordinates of P are $P = \left(\frac{12}{7}, \frac{-18}{7}, \frac{36}{7}\right)$

b). $|\vec{OP}| = 2$ and $\vec{OP}$ is in direction of $A = 8i + j - 4k$

Sol: $|\vec{OP}| = 2$ and $\vec{OP}$ is in direction of $A = 8i + j - 4k$

$$|\vec{A}| = |8i + j - 4k| = \sqrt{8^2 + 1^2 + (-4)^2}$$

$$|\vec{A}| = \sqrt{64+1+16} = \sqrt{81} = 9$$

$$A = \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|} = \frac{8i + j - 4k}{9}$$

Then

$$\vec{OP} = |\vec{OP}| A$$

$$\vec{OP} = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{8i + j - 4k}{9}\right)$$

$$\vec{OP} = \frac{16i + 2j - 8k}{9}$$

Then coordinates of P are $P = \left(\frac{16}{9}, \frac{2}{9}, \frac{-8}{9}\right)$

c). $\vec{OP}$ is inclined at equal acute angles to OX, OY and OZ and $|\vec{OP}| = 4$

Sol: $|\vec{OP}| = 4$ $\vec{OP}$ is inclined at equal acute angles

so that $\vec{OP}$ direction of $A = i + j + k$

$$|A| = |i + j + k| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$A = \frac{\vec{A}}{|A|} = \frac{i + j + k}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Then $\vec{OP} = |\vec{OP}| A$

$$\vec{OP} = 4 \cdot \left(\frac{i + j + k}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\vec{OP} = \frac{4i + 4j + 4k}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Then coordinates of P are $P = \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$

Q15. Find the magnitude and inclination to each of the coordinate axes of vector v, if

a). $v = 3i + 4j + 5k$

Sol: we have $v = 3i + 4j + 5k$

$$|v| = |3i + 4j + 5k| = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2}$$

$$|v| = \sqrt{9+16+25} = \sqrt{50} = \sqrt{2 \times 25}$$

$|v| = 5\sqrt{2}$ then direction of cosines are

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{3}{5\sqrt{2}}, \cos \beta = \frac{4}{5\sqrt{2}}, \cos \gamma = \frac{5}{5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\alpha = \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{5\sqrt{2}}, \beta = \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5\sqrt{2}}, \gamma = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\alpha = 64.89^\circ, \beta = 55.55^\circ, \gamma = 45^\circ$$

$$\alpha = 64^\circ 54', \beta = 55^\circ 33', \gamma = 45^\circ$$

b). $v = -i + j - k$

Sol: we have $v = -i + j - k$

$$|v| = |-i + j - k| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 1^2 + (-1)^2}$$

$$|v| = \sqrt{1+1+1} = \sqrt{3}$$

$|v| = \sqrt{3}$ then direction of cosine are

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}, \cos \beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \cos \gamma = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\alpha = \cos^{-1} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}, \beta = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \gamma = \cos^{-1} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\alpha = 125.26^\circ, \beta = 54.73^\circ, \gamma = 125.26^\circ$$

$$\alpha = 125^\circ 16', \beta = 54^\circ 44', \gamma = 125^\circ 16'$$

c). v is represented by $\overrightarrow{OP}$ where P is point (5,1,4)

Sol: we have P(5,1,4) and $|v| = \sqrt{5^2 + 1^2 + 4^2}$

$$|v| = \sqrt{25+1+16} = \sqrt{42}$$

$|v| = \sqrt{42}$ then direction of cosine are

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{5}{\sqrt{42}}, \cos \beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{42}}, \cos \gamma = \frac{4}{\sqrt{42}}$$

$$\alpha = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{\sqrt{42}}, \beta = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{42}}, \gamma = \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{\sqrt{42}}$$

$$\alpha = 39.5^\circ, \beta = 81.1^\circ, \gamma = 51.9^\circ$$

Q16. if $a = 3i - j - k, b = -2i + 4j - 3k, c = i + 2j - k$ then

find a unit vector parallel to $3a + 2b + 4c$

Sol: Since $a = 3i - j - k, b = -2i + 4j - 3k, c = i + 2j - k$

$$3a + 2b + 4c = 3(3i - j - k) + 2(-2i + 4j - 3k) + 4(i + 2j - k)$$

$$3a + 2b + 4c = 9i - 3j - 3k - 4i + 8j - 6k + 4i + 8j - 4k$$

$$3a + 2b + 4c = 9i - 4i + 4i - 3j + 8j + 8j - 3k - 6k - 4k$$

$$3a + 2b + 4c = 9i + 13j - 13k$$

$$|3a + 2b + 4c| = |9i + 13j - 13k| = \sqrt{9^2 + 13^2 + (-13)^2}$$

$$|3a + 2b + 4c| = \sqrt{81 + 169 + 169} = \sqrt{419}$$

Then unit vector parallel to $3a + 2b + 4c$ is $\frac{9i + 13j - 13k}{\sqrt{419}}$

Exercise 3.4

Q1. Find the cosine angle between the vectors

$$a = 2i - 8j + 3k \text{ and } b = 4j + 3k$$

Sol: we have $a = 2i - 8j + 3k$ and $b = 4j + 3k$

$$|a| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-8)^2 + 3^2} \quad |b| = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}$$

$$|a| = \sqrt{4 + 64 + 9} \quad |b| = \sqrt{16 + 9}$$

$$|a| = \sqrt{77} \quad |b| = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$a \cdot b = (2i - 8j + 3k) \cdot (4j + 3k)$$

$$a \cdot b = 0 - 32 + 9$$

$$a \cdot b = -23$$

Let θ be the angle between the vectors

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| \cdot |\vec{b}|} = \frac{-23}{(\sqrt{77})(5)}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-23}{5\sqrt{77}}$$

Q2. Angle between two vectors V_1 and V_2 is arc

$$\cos \frac{4}{21} \text{ if } V_1 = 6i + 3j - 2k \quad V_2 = -2i + \lambda j - 4k \text{ then find}$$

value of λ

Sol: we have $V_1 = 6i + 3j - 2k \quad V_2 = -2i + \lambda j - 4k$

$$V_1 \cdot V_2 = (6i + 3j - 2k) \cdot (-2i + \lambda j - 4k)$$

$$V_1 \cdot V_2 = -12 + 3\lambda + 8 = 3\lambda - 4$$

$$|V_1| = \sqrt{6^2 + 3^2 + (-2)^2} \quad |V_2| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + \lambda^2 + (-4)^2}$$

$$|V_1| = \sqrt{36 + 9 + 4} \quad |V_2| = \sqrt{4 + \lambda^2 + 16}$$

$$|V_1| = \sqrt{49} = 7 \quad |V_2| = \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 20}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{21} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{4}{21}$$

Given that

$$\cos \theta = \frac{V_1 \cdot V_2}{|V_1| \cdot |V_2|}$$

$$\frac{4}{21} = \frac{3\lambda - 4}{7\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 20}}$$

$$4 \times 7\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 20} = 21(3\lambda - 4)$$

Divided by 7 and squaring

$$(4\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 20})^2 = (3(3\lambda - 4))^2$$

$$16(\lambda^2 + 20) = 9(9\lambda^2 + 16 - 24\lambda)$$

$$16\lambda^2 + 320 = 81\lambda^2 + 144 - 216\lambda$$

$$81\lambda^2 - 16\lambda^2 - 216\lambda + 144 - 320 = 0$$

$$65\lambda^2 - 216\lambda - 176 = 0$$

$$65\lambda^2 - 260\lambda + 44\lambda - 176 = 0$$

$$65\lambda(\lambda - 4) + 44(\lambda - 4) = 0$$

$$(65\lambda + 44)(\lambda - 4) = 0$$

$$\therefore 65\lambda + 44 = 0 \text{ or } \lambda - 4 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-44}{65} = 0 \text{ or } \lambda = 4$$

Q3 If $a = 3i + 4j - k, b = i - j + 3k$ & $c = 2i + j - 5k$ then

a). $a \cdot b$

Sol: Since $a = 3i + 4j - k, b = i - j + 3k$ & $c = 2i + j - 5k$

$$a \cdot b = (3i + 4j - k) \cdot (i - j + 3k)$$

$$a \cdot b = 3 - 4 - 3$$

$$a \cdot b = -4$$

b). $a \cdot c$

Sol: Since $a = 3i + 4j - k, b = i - j + 3k$ & $c = 2i + j - 5k$

$$a \cdot c = (3i + 4j - k) \cdot (2i + j - 5k)$$

$$a \cdot c = 6 + 4 + 5$$

$$a \cdot c = 15$$

c). $a \cdot (b + c)$

Sol: Since $a = 3i + 4j - k, b = i - j + 3k$ & $c = 2i + j - 5k$

$$a \cdot (b + c) = (3i + 4j - k) \cdot \{i - j + 3k + 2i + j - 5k\}$$

$$a \cdot (b + c) = (3i + 4j - k) \cdot (3i - 2k)$$

$$a \cdot (b + c) = 9 + 0 + 2$$

$$a \cdot (b + c) = 11$$

d). $(2a + 3b) \cdot c$

Sol: Since $a = 3i + 4j - k, b = i - j + 3k$ & $c = 2i + j - 5k$

$$(2a + 3b) \cdot c = \{(6i + 8j - 2k) + (3i - 3j + 9k)\} \cdot (2i + j - 5k)$$

$$(2a + 3b) \cdot c = (9i + 5j + 7k) \cdot (2i + j - 5k)$$

$$(2a + 3b) \cdot c = 18 + 5 - 35$$

$$(2a + 3b) \cdot c = -12$$

e). $(a - b) \cdot c$

Sol: Since $a = 3i + 4j - k$, $b = i - j + 3k$ & $c = 2i + j - 5k$
 $(a-b).c = \{(3i + 4j - k) - (i - j + 3k)\} \cdot (2i + j - 5k)$
 $(a-b).c = (2i + 5j - 4k) \cdot (2i + j - 5k)$
 $(a-b).c = 4 + 5 + 20$
 $(a-b).c = 29$

Q4. In $\triangle ABC$, $\overrightarrow{AB} = i + 2j + 3k$, $\overrightarrow{BC} = -4i + 4j$

a). Find the cosine of angle $\angle ABC$

Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{AB} = i + 2j + 3k$, $\overrightarrow{BC} = -4i + 4j$

$$|\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}, |\overrightarrow{BC}| = \sqrt{(-4)^2 + 4^2 + 0^2}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{1+4+9}, |\overrightarrow{BC}| = \sqrt{16+16+0}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{14}, |\overrightarrow{BC}| = \sqrt{32}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC} = (i + 2j + 3k) \cdot (-4i + 4j)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC} = -4 + 8 + 0$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC} = 4$$

$$\cos \angle ABC = \frac{\overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC}}{|\overrightarrow{AB}| \cdot |\overrightarrow{BC}|} = \frac{4}{(\sqrt{14})(\sqrt{32})}$$

$$\cos \angle ABC = \frac{4}{\sqrt{7 \times 2 \times 16 \times 2}} = \frac{4}{4 \times 2\sqrt{7}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{7}}$$

b). Find vector $\overrightarrow{AC}$ and use it to calculate angle $\angle BAC$

Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{AB} = i + 2j + 3k$, $\overrightarrow{BC} = -4i + 4j$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = (i + 2j + 3k) + (-4i + 4j)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = -3i + 6j + 3k$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AC}| = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + 6^2 + 3^2}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AC}| = \sqrt{9+36+9}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{AC}| = \sqrt{54}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} \cdot \overrightarrow{AB} = (-3i + 6j + 3k) \cdot (i + 2j + 3k)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} \cdot \overrightarrow{AB} = -3 + 12 + 9$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} \cdot \overrightarrow{AB} = 18$$

$$\cos \angle BAC = \frac{\overrightarrow{AC} \cdot \overrightarrow{AB}}{|\overrightarrow{AC}| \cdot |\overrightarrow{AB}|}$$

$$\cos \angle BAC = \frac{18}{(\sqrt{54})(\sqrt{14})}$$

$$\cos \angle BAC = \frac{18}{\sqrt{3 \times 2 \times 9 \times 2 \times 7}}$$

$$\cos \angle BAC = \frac{18}{3 \times 2\sqrt{21}}$$

$$\angle BAC = \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{21}}$$

$$\angle BAC = 49.1066^\circ$$

Q5. A, B, C are points with position vectors a, b, c respectively, relative to an origin O. AB is perpendicular to OC and BC is perpendicular to OA. Show that AC is perpendicular to OB.

Sol: we have $\overrightarrow{OA} = a$, $\overrightarrow{OB} = b$, $\overrightarrow{OC} = c$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA} = b - a$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OA} = c - a$$

$$\overrightarrow{BC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OB} = c - b$$

Since we know that $\overrightarrow{AB} \perp \overrightarrow{OC}$, and $\overrightarrow{BC} \perp \overrightarrow{OA}$

$$(b-a).c = 0, \quad (c-b).a = 0$$

$$b.c - a.c = 0, \quad c.a - b.a = 0$$

$$b.c = a.c, \quad c.a = b.a$$

We have to show that $\overrightarrow{AC} \perp \overrightarrow{OB}$

$$(c-a).b = c.b - a.b$$

$$\therefore a.b = a.c, \quad a.c = b.c$$

We get $(c-a).b = c.b - a.b$

$$(c-a).b = c.b - a.c$$

$$(c-a).b = c.b - b.c$$

$$(c-a).b = 0$$

Q6. Given two vectors $a, b (a \neq 0, b \neq 0)$. Show that

a). if $a+b$ and $a-b$ are perpendicular, then $|a| = |b|$

Sol: we have $a+b$ and $a-b$ are perpendicular

$$(a+b).(a-b) = 0$$

$$a^2 - b^2 = 0$$

$$a^2 = b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |a|^2 = |b|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |a| = |b|$$

b). if $|a+b| = |a-b|$ then a and b are perpendicular

Sol: we have $|a+b| = |a-b|$

Squaring both sides we get

$$(a+b)^2 = (a-b)^2$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab$$

$$2ab = -2ab$$

$$2ab + 2ab = 0$$

$$4ab = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a.b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \perp b$$

Q7 Three vectors a, b & c are such that $a \neq b \neq c \neq 0$

a). if $a.(b+c) = b.(a-c)$, prove that $c.(a+b) = 0$

Sol: we have $a.(b+c) = b.(a-c)$

$$a.b + a.c = b.a - b.c$$

$$a.c = -b.c$$

$$a.c + b.c = 0$$

$$(a+b).c = 0$$

Hence proved

b). if $(a.b)c = (b.c)a$, show that a and c are parallel

Sol: Since dot product of two vectors is a scalar

So Let $a.b = k$, $b.c = t$ then

$$(a.b)c = (b.c)a$$

$$kc = ta$$

$$c = \frac{t}{k}a$$

$$\Rightarrow c \parallel a$$

Q8. Find angle between following pairs of vectors:

a). $r_1 = i + 2j - k$, $r_2 = i + j - 2k$

Sol: we have $r_1 = i + 2j - k$, $r_2 = i + j - 2k$

$$r_1 \cdot r_2 = (i + 2j - k) \cdot (i + j - 2k)$$

$$r_1 \cdot r_2 = (1 + 2 + 2)$$

$$r_1 \cdot r_2 = 5$$

$$\text{Now } |r_1| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2}, \quad |r_2| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + (-2)^2}$$

$$|r_1| = \sqrt{1+4+1},$$

$$|r_2| = \sqrt{1+1+4}$$

$$|r_1| = \sqrt{6},$$

$$|r_2| = \sqrt{6}$$

Let θ be the angle between a and b then

$$\cos \theta = \frac{r_1 \cdot r_2}{|r_1||r_2|} = \frac{5}{(\sqrt{6})^2}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)$$

b). $r_1 = \lambda(i + 2j + 2k), \quad r_2 = \mu(3i + 2j + 6k)$

Sol: we have $r_1 = \lambda(i + 2j + 2k), \quad r_2 = \mu(3i + 2j + 6k)$

$$r_1 \cdot r_2 = \lambda\mu(i + 2j + 2k) \cdot (3i + 2j + 6k)$$

$$r_1 \cdot r_2 = \lambda\mu(3 + 4 + 12)$$

$$r_1 \cdot r_2 = 19\lambda\mu$$

Now $|r_1| = \sqrt{\lambda^2 \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2}}, \quad |r_2| = \sqrt{\mu^2 \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2}}$

$$|r_1| = \lambda\sqrt{1+4+4}, \quad |r_2| = \mu\sqrt{9+4+36}$$

$$|r_1| = \lambda\sqrt{9}, \quad |r_2| = \mu\sqrt{49}$$

$$|r_1| = 3\lambda, \quad |r_2| = 7\mu$$

Let θ be the angle between a and b then

$$\cos \theta = \frac{r_1 \cdot r_2}{|r_1||r_2|} = \frac{19\lambda\mu}{21\lambda\mu} = \frac{19}{21}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{19}{21}\right)$$

Q9. Show that $a = i + 7j + 3k$ is perpendicular to both

$$b = i - j + 2k \text{ and } c = 2i + j - 3k$$

Sol: $a = i + 7j + 3k, b = i - j + 2k$ and $c = 2i + j - 3k$

$$a \cdot b = (i + 7j + 3k) \cdot (i - j + 2k) = 1 - 7 + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \perp b$$

$$a \cdot c = (i + 7j + 3k) \cdot (2i + j - 3k) = 2 + 7 - 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \perp c$$

Q10. Show that $a = 13i + 23j + 7k$ is perpendicular to

$$\text{both } b = 2i + j - 7k \text{ and } c = 3i - 2j + k$$

Sol: $a = 13i + 23j + 7k, b = 2i + j - 7k$ & $c = 3i - 2j + k$

$$a \cdot b = (13i + 23j + 7k) \cdot (2i + j - 7k) = 26 + 23 - 49 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \perp b$$

$$a \cdot c = (13i + 23j + 7k) \cdot (3i - 2j + k) = 39 - 46 + 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \perp c$$

Q11. Find projection of $a = 3i + j - 2k$ on $b = -i - j + 5k$

Sol: we have $a = 3i + j - 2k$ and $b = -i - j + 5k$

$$|b| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-1)^2 + (5)^2}$$

$$|b| = \sqrt{1+1+25} = \sqrt{27}$$

$$|b| = \sqrt{9 \times 3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\hat{b} = \frac{b}{|b|} = \frac{-i - j + 5k}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

Projection of a on b i.e.,

$$a \cdot \hat{b} = (3i + j - 2k) \cdot \left(\frac{-i - j + 5k}{3\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$a \cdot \hat{b} = \frac{-3 - 1 - 10}{3\sqrt{3}} = \frac{-14}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

Q12. Find work done by force $\vec{F} = 2i + 3j + k$ in displacement of an object from a point $A(-2, 1, 2)$ to point $B(5, 0, 3)$.

Sol: $\vec{F} = 2i + 3j + k$ & points $A(-2, 1, 2)$ & $B(5, 0, 3)$

$$\vec{AB} = B - A = (5, 0, 3) - (-2, 1, 2)$$

$$\vec{AB} = (7, -1, 1) \text{ & } \vec{F} = 2i + 3j + k$$

$$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{AB} = (2i + 3j + k) \cdot (7i - j + k)$$

$$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{AB} = 14 - 3 + 1 = 12 \text{ units}$$

Exercise 3.5

Q1. Find the following cross products

i). $j \times (2j + 3k)$

Sol: we have to find $j \times (2j + 3k)$

$$j \times (2j + 3k) = 2j \times j + 3j \times k$$

$$= 2 \cdot 0 + 3i = 3i$$

ii). $(2i - 3j) \times k$

Sol: we have to find $(2i - 3j) \times k$

$$(2i - 3j) \times k = 2i \times k - 3j \times k$$

$$= 2(-j) - 3i = -3i - 2j$$

iii). $(2i - 3j + 5k) \times (6i + 2j - 3k)$

Sol: we have to find $(2i - 3j + 5k) \times (6i + 2j - 3k)$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & -3 & 5 \\ 6 & 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= i(9 - 10) - j(-6 - 30) + k(4 + 18)$$

$$= -i + 36j + 22k$$

Q2 $a = -2i + 6j + 3k, b = 3i + 3j + 6k$ and $c = 2i + 7j + 4k$,

Find $(a - b) \times (c - a)$ and $(a + b) \times (c - a)$

Sol: $a = -2i + 6j + 3k, b = 3i + 3j + 6k$ & $c = 2i + 7j + 4k$

$$a - b = (-2i + 6j + 3k) - (3i + 3j + 6k)$$

$$a - b = -5i + 3j - 3k$$

$$c - a = (2i + 7j + 4k) - (-2i + 6j + 3k)$$

$$c - a = 4i + j + k$$

$$a + b = (-2i + 6j + 3k) + (3i + 3j + 6k)$$

$$a + b = i + 9j + 9k$$

Now $(a - b) \times (c - a) = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ -5 & 3 & -3 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= i(3 + 3) - j(-5 + 12) + k(-5 - 12)$$

$$= 6i - 7j - 17k$$

$$(a + b) \times (c - a) = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 9 & 9 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= i(9 - 9) - j(1 - 36) + k(1 - 36)$$

$$= 35j - 35k$$

Q3. Find a unit vector perpendicular to both $a = i + j + 2k$

$$\text{and } b = -2i + j - 3k$$

Sol: we have $a = i + j + 2k$ and $b = -2i + j - 3k$

Let c be the vector perpendicular both a and b

$$a \times b = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$a \times b = i(-3 - 2) - j(-3 + 4) + k(1 + 2)$$

$$a \times b = -5i - j + 3k$$

$$|a \times b| = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (-1)^2 + 3^2}$$

$$|a \times b| = \sqrt{25 + 1 + 9}$$

$$|a \times b| = \sqrt{35}$$

So the unit vector

$$\hat{c} = \frac{a \times b}{|a \times b|} = \frac{-5i - j + 3k}{\sqrt{35}}$$

$$\hat{c} = \frac{-5i}{\sqrt{35}} - \frac{j}{\sqrt{35}} + \frac{3k}{\sqrt{35}}$$

Q4. Find a vector of magnitude 10 and perpendicular to $a = 2i - 3j + 4k$ and $b = 4i - 2j - 4k$

Sol: we have $a = 2i - 3j + 4k$ and $b = 4i - 2j - 4k$

Let c be the vector perpendicular both a and b

$$a \times b = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 4 & -2 & -4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$a \times b = i(12+8) - j(-8-16) + k(-4+12)$$

$$a \times b = 20i - 24j + 8k$$

$$|a \times b| = \sqrt{20^2 + (-24)^2 + 8^2}$$

$$|a \times b| = \sqrt{400 + 576 + 64}$$

$$|a \times b| = \sqrt{1040} = \sqrt{16 \times 65} = 4\sqrt{65}$$

And its magnitude $|c| = 10$

$$\hat{c} = \frac{a \times b}{|a \times b|} = \frac{20i - 24j + 8k}{4\sqrt{65}}$$

$$\hat{c} = \frac{5i}{\sqrt{65}} - \frac{6j}{\sqrt{65}} + \frac{2k}{\sqrt{65}}$$

So $\vec{c} = |c|\hat{c} = 10 \left(\frac{5i}{\sqrt{65}} - \frac{6j}{\sqrt{65}} + \frac{2k}{\sqrt{65}} \right)$

Q5 For vectors $a = 2i - 3j - k$ & $b = i + 4j - 2k$ verify that

a). $a \times b = -b \times a$

Sol: we have $a = 2i - 3j - k$ and $b = i + 4j - 2k$

Now $a \times b = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$

$$a \times b = i(6+4) - j(-4+1) + k(8+3)$$

$$a \times b = 10i + 3j + 11k \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

Now $b \times a = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 2 & -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$b \times a = i(-4-6) - j(-1+4) + k(-3-8)$$

$$b \times a = -10i - 3j - 11k \quad \text{Multiply b.s by } -1$$

$$-b \times a = 10i + 3j + 11k \quad \text{using eq (1)}$$

$$-b \times a = a \times b$$

b). $(a+b) \times (a-b) = -2(a \times b)$

Sol: we have $a = 2i - 3j - k$ and $b = i + 4j - 2k$

$$a+b = (2i-3j-k) + (i+4j-2k)$$

$$a+b = 3i + j - 3k$$

$$a-b = (2i-3j-k) - (i+4j-2k)$$

$$a-b = i - 7j + k$$

Taking RHS $a \times b = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$

$$a \times b = i(6+4) - j(-4+1) + k(8+3)$$

$$a \times b = 10i + 3j + 11k \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

Taking LHS $(a+b) \times (a-b) = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 3 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & -7 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= i(1-21) - j(3+3) + k(-21-1)$$

$$= -20i - 6j - 22k$$

$$(a+b) \times (a-b) = -2(10i + 3j + 11k)$$

$$(a+b) \times (a-b) = -2(a \times b)$$

Q6. Find the area of a triangle ABC whose vertices are $A(0,0,0), B(1,1,1), C(0,2,3)$

Sol: we have $A(0,0,0), B(1,1,1), C(0,2,3)$

$$AB = B - A = (1,1,1) - (0,0,0) = (1,1,1)$$

$$AC = C - A = (0,2,3) - (0,0,0) = (0,2,3)$$

$$AB \times AC = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= i(3-2) - j(3-0) + k(2-0)$$

$$= i - 3j + 2k$$

Area of triangle

$$\frac{1}{2}|AB \times AC| = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1^2 + (-3)^2 + 2^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1+9+4} = \frac{\sqrt{14}}{2} \text{ square units}$$

Q7. Find the area of a triangle whose vertices are

$$A(0,0,2), B(-1,3,2), C(1,0,4)$$

Sol: $AB = B - A = (-1,3,2) - (0,0,2) = (-1,3,0)$

$$AC = C - A = (1,0,4) - (0,0,2) = (1,0,2)$$

$$AB \times AC = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= i(6-0) - j(-2-0) + k(0-3)$$

$$= 6i + 2j - 3k$$

$$\frac{1}{2}|AB \times AC| = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{6^2 + 2^2 + (-3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{36+4+9} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{49} = \frac{7}{2} \text{ square units}$$

Q8. Find area of the parallelogram with vertices

$$A(1,2,-3), B(5,8,1), C(4,-2,2), D(0,-8,-2)$$

Sol: we have $A(1,2,-3), B(5,8,1), C(4,-2,2), D(0,-8,-2)$

$$AB = B - A = (5,8,1) - (1,2,-3)$$

$$AB = (4,6,4)$$

$$AD = D - A = (0,-8,-2) - (1,2,-3)$$

$$AD = (-1,-10,1)$$

Now $AB \times AD = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 4 & 6 & 4 \\ -1 & -10 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= i(6+40) - j(4+4) + k(-40+6)$$

$$= 46i - 8j - 34k$$

$$|AB \times AD| = \sqrt{46^2 + (-8)^2 + (-34)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2116+64+1156} = \sqrt{3336} \text{ square units}$$

Q9. A force $F = i + 2j - 3k$ is applied at $P = (1,2,3)$. Find

its moment about $A = (1,1,1)$. What is magnitude of this moment?

Sol: Since $F = i + 2j - 3k$ $P = (1,2,3)$ & $A = (1,1,1)$

$$r = AP = P - A = (1,2,3) - (1,1,1)$$

$$r = (0,1,2)$$

Moment $M = r \times F$

$$M = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$M = i(-3-4) - j(0-2) + k(0-1)$$

$$M = -7i + 2j - k$$

Magnitude of the Moment

$$|M| = |r \times F| = \sqrt{49+4+1} = \sqrt{54}$$

Q10. Find area of parallelogram whose diagonals are

i). $a = 4i + j - 2k$ and $b = -2i + 3j + 4k$

Sol: Area of parallelogram

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2}(a \times b) &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 4 & 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [i(4+6) - j(16-4) + k(12+2)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (10i - 12j + 14k) \\ &= 5i - 6j + 7k\end{aligned}$$

$$\left| \frac{a \times b}{2} \right| = \sqrt{25 + 36 + 49} = \sqrt{110}$$

ii). $a = 3i + 2j - 2k$ and $b = i - 3j + 4k$

Sol: we have $a = 3i + 2j - 2k$ and $b = i - 3j + 4k$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2}(a \times b) &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 3 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [i(8-6) - j(12+2) + k(-9-2)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (2i - 14j + 11k) \\ &= i - 7j + 5.5k\end{aligned}$$

$$\left| \frac{a \times b}{2} \right| = \sqrt{1 + 49 + 30.25} = \sqrt{80.25}$$

Exercise 3.6

Q1 Prove theorem 3 of section 3.27

i.e., Let i, j and k be the unit vectors.

Prove that

a). $i \cdot j \times k = j \cdot k \times i = k \cdot i \times j = 1$

Sol: we have to prove $i \cdot j \times k = j \cdot k \times i = k \cdot i \times j = 1$

$$i \cdot j \times k = i \cdot i = 1 \quad \text{using } j \times k = i$$

$$j \cdot k \times i = j \cdot j = 1 \quad \text{using } k \times i = j$$

$$k \cdot i \times j = k \cdot k = 1 \quad \text{using } i \times j = k$$

b). $i \cdot k \times j = j \cdot i \times k = k \cdot j \times i = -1$

Sol: we have to prove $i \cdot k \times j = j \cdot i \times k = k \cdot j \times i = -1$

$$i \cdot k \times j = i \cdot (-i) = -1 \quad \text{using } k \times j = -i$$

$$j \cdot i \times k = j \cdot (-j) = -1 \quad \text{using } i \times k = -j$$

$$k \cdot j \times i = k \cdot (-k) = -1 \quad \text{using } j \times i = -k$$

Q2. Find the volume of the parallelepiped whose edges are represented by

$$a = 3i + j - k, b = 2i - 3j + k, c = i - 3j - 4k$$

Sol: volume of the parallelepiped

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & -4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3(12+3) - 1(-8-1) - 1(-6+3) \\ &= 45 + 9 + 3 = 57\end{aligned}$$

Q3. For the vectors

$$a = 3i + 2k, b = i + 2j + k, c = -j + 4k$$

Verify that $ab \times c = bc \times a = ca \times b$ but $ab \times c = -c \times b \cdot a$

Sol: we have $a = 3i + 2k, b = i + 2j + k, c = -j + 4k$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3(8+1) - 0(4-0) + 2(-1+0) \\ &= 27 - 0 - 2 = 25 \dots \dots \dots (1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} \times \vec{a} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1(-2-0) - 2(0-12) + 1(0+3) \\ &= -2 + 24 + 3 = 25 \dots \dots \dots (2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 0(0-4) + 1(3-2) + 4(6-0) \\ &= 0 + 1 + 24 = 25 \dots \dots \dots (3)\end{aligned}$$

From equations (1), (2) and (3) we get

$$ab \times c = bc \times a = ca \times b$$

Now to show that $ab \times c = -c \times b \cdot a$

LHS $ab \times c = b \times c \cdot a$ using dot is commutative

$$a \cdot b = b \cdot a$$

$$ab \times c = -c \times b \cdot a \quad \text{Using } b \times c = -c \times b$$

Q4. Verify that the triple product of $\vec{a} = i - j, \vec{b} = j - k$

and $\vec{c} = k - i$ is zero

Sol: we have $\vec{a} = i - j, \vec{b} = j - k$ and $\vec{c} = k - i$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1(1-0) + 1(0-1) + 0(0+1) \\ &= 1 - 1 + 0 = 0\end{aligned}$$

Q5. Find the value of c so that the vectors

$\vec{a} = ci + j + k, \vec{b} = i + cj + k, \vec{c} = i + j + ck$ are coplanar.

Sol: If the points are coplanar then $ab \times c = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c} &= \begin{vmatrix} c & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & c & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \\ c(c^2 - 1) - 1(c - 1) + 1(1 - c) &= 0 \\ c(c^2 - 1) - 1(c - 1) + 1(-c + 1) &= 0 \\ c(c + 1)(c - 1) - 1(c - 1) - 1(c - 1) &= 0 \\ (c - 1)\{c(c + 1) - 1 - 1\} &= 0 \\ (c - 1)\{c^2 + c - 2\} &= 0 \\ (c - 1)(c^2 + 2c - c - 2) &= 0 \\ (c - 1)(c(c + 2) - 1(c + 2)) &= 0 \\ (c - 1)(c - 1)(c + 2) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Either

$$c - 1 = 0$$

$$c = 1$$

or

$$c + 2 = 0$$

$$c = -2$$

Be the required values of c .

Q6. Let $a = a_1i + a_2j + a_3k$ and $b = b_1i + b_2j + b_3k$ Find

$a \times b$ and prove that

Sol: we have $a = a_1i + a_2j + a_3k$ and $b = b_1i + b_2j + b_3k$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now } a \times b &= \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= i(a_2b_3 - a_3b_2) - j(a_1b_3 - a_3b_1) + k(a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)\end{aligned}$$

i). $a \times b$ is orthogonal to both a and b (use dot product)

Sol: we have $a = a_1i + a_2j + a_3k$ and $b = b_1i + b_2j + b_3k$

$$a \times b = i(a_2b_3 - a_3b_2) - j(a_1b_3 - a_3b_1) + k(a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot (a \times b) &= a_1(a_2b_3 - a_3b_2) - a_2(a_1b_3 - a_3b_1) + a_3(a_1b_2 - a_2b_1) \\ &= a_1a_2b_3 - a_1a_3b_2 - a_2a_1b_3 + a_2a_3b_1 + a_3a_1b_2 - a_3a_2b_1 \\ &= a_1a_2b_3 - a_2a_1b_3 - a_1a_3b_2 + a_3a_1b_2 - a_2a_3b_1 + a_3a_2b_1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

So a is orthogonal to $a \times b$ Now

$$\begin{aligned} b \cdot (a \times b) &= b_1(a_2b_3 - a_3b_2) - b_2(a_1b_3 - a_3b_1) + b_3(a_1b_2 - a_2b_1) \\ &= b_1a_2b_3 - b_1a_3b_2 - b_2a_1b_3 + b_2a_3b_1 + b_3a_1b_2 - b_3a_2b_1 \\ &= b_1a_2b_3 - b_3a_2b_1 - b_1a_3b_2 + b_2a_3b_1 - b_2a_1b_3 + b_3a_1b_2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

So b is orthogonal to $a \times b$

ii). Find $|a \times b|^2$

Sol: we have $a = a_1i + a_2j + a_3k$ and $b = b_1i + b_2j + b_3k$

$$a \times b = i(a_2b_3 - a_3b_2) - j(a_1b_3 - a_3b_1) + k(a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)$$

$$|a \times b|^2 = (a_2b_3 - a_3b_2)^2 + (a_1b_3 - a_3b_1)^2 + (a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} |a \times b|^2 &= a_2^2b_3^2 + a_3^2b_2^2 - 2a_2b_3a_3b_2 + a_1^2b_3^2 + a_3^2b_1^2 \\ &\quad - 2a_1b_3a_3b_1 + a_1^2b_2^2 + a_2^2b_1^2 - 2a_1b_2a_2b_1 \end{aligned}$$

iii). Find $|ab|^2$, $|a|^2$, $|b|^2$

Sol: we have $a = a_1i + a_2j + a_3k$ and $b = b_1i + b_2j + b_3k$

$$a \cdot b = a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3$$

$$|a \cdot b|^2 = (a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3)^2$$

$$|a|^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 \text{ and } |b|^2 = b_1^2 + b_2^2 + b_3^2$$

iv). Show that $|a \times b|^2 = (a \cdot a)(b \cdot b) - (a \cdot b)^2$

Sol: we have $a = a_1i + a_2j + a_3k$ and $b = b_1i + b_2j + b_3k$

taking RHS $(a \cdot a)(b \cdot b) - (a \cdot b)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2)(b_1^2 + b_2^2 + b_3^2) - (a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3)^2 \\ &= a_1^2b_1^2 + a_2^2b_1^2 + a_3^2b_1^2 + a_1^2b_2^2 + a_2^2b_2^2 + a_3^2b_2^2 + a_1^2b_3^2 + a_2^2b_3^2 + a_3^2b_3^2 \\ &\quad - a_1^2b_1^2 - a_2^2b_1^2 - a_3^2b_1^2 - 2a_1b_1a_2b_2 - 2a_2b_2a_3b_3 - 2a_1b_1a_3b_3 \\ &= a_2^2b_1^2 + a_3^2b_1^2 + a_1^2b_2^2 + a_3^2b_2^2 + a_1^2b_3^2 + a_2^2b_3^2 \\ &\quad - 2a_1b_1a_2b_2 - 2a_2b_2a_3b_3 - 2a_1b_1a_3b_3 \dots \dots \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

Now taking LHS

$$a \times b = i(a_2b_3 - a_3b_2) - j(a_1b_3 - a_3b_1) + k(a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)$$

$$|a \times b|^2 = (a_2b_3 - a_3b_2)^2 + (a_1b_3 - a_3b_1)^2 + (a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} |a \times b|^2 &= a_2^2b_3^2 + a_3^2b_2^2 - 2a_2b_3a_3b_2 + a_1^2b_3^2 + a_3^2b_1^2 \\ &\quad - 2a_1b_3a_3b_1 + a_1^2b_2^2 + a_2^2b_1^2 - 2a_1b_2a_2b_1 \dots \dots \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2) we get the required result.

Q7 Do points $(4, -2, 1)$, $(5, 1, 6)$, $(2, 2, -5)$ and $(3, 5, 0)$ lie in a plane?

Sol: Let $A(4, -2, 1)$, $B(5, 1, 6)$, $C(2, 2, -5)$ and $D(3, 5, 0)$

$$\vec{a} = \overrightarrow{AB} = B - A = (5, 1, 6) - (4, -2, 1) = (1, 3, 5)$$

$$\vec{b} = \overrightarrow{AC} = C - A = (2, 2, -5) - (4, -2, 1) = (-2, 4, -6)$$

$$\vec{c} = \overrightarrow{AD} = D - A = (3, 5, 0) - (4, -2, 1) = (-1, 7, -1)$$

If the points are coplanar then $a \cdot b \times c = 0$

$$a \cdot b \times c = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ -2 & 4 & -6 \\ -1 & 7 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1(-4 + 42) - 3(2 - 6) + 5(-14 + 4)$$

$$= 38 + 12 - 50$$

$$= 50 - 50 = 0$$

so all the points are coplanar.

Q8. For what values of c the following vectors are coplanar?

i). $u = i + 2j + 3k$, $v = 2i - 3j + 4k$, $w = 3i + j + ck$

Sol: if u, v, w are coplanar then $u \cdot v \times w = 0$

$$u \cdot v \times w = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 & c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(-3c - 4) - 2(2c - 12) + 3(2 + 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3c + 4 - 4c + 24 + 33 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 53 - 7c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{53}{7}$$

ii). $u = i + j - k$, $v = i - 2j + k$, $w = ci + j - ck$

Sol: if u, v, w are coplanar then $u \cdot v \times w = 0$

$$u \cdot v \times w = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ c & 1 & -c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(2c - 1) - 1(-c - c) - 1(1 + 2c) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c - 1 + 2c - 1 - 2c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 1$$

iii). $u = i + j + 2k$, $v = 2i + 3j + k$, $w = ci + 2j + 6k$

Sol: if u, v, w are coplanar then $u \cdot v \times w = 0$

$$u \cdot v \times w = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ c & 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(18 - 2) - 1(12 - c) + 2(4 - 3c) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 - 12 + c + 8 - 6c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12 - 5c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{12}{5}$$

Q9. Find the value of tetrahedron with the following.

a). Vectors as coterminal edges

Sol: $a = i + 2j + 3k$, $b = 4i + 5j + 6k$, $c = 7j + 8k$

$$\text{Volume of tetrahedron} = \frac{1}{6}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{6} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & 7 & 8 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{6}[1(40 - 42) - 2(32 - 0) + 3(28 - 0)] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}[1(-2) - 2(32) + 3(28)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}[-2 - 64 + 84] = \frac{18}{6} = 3$$

b). Points $A(2, 3, 1)$, $B(-1, -2, 0)$, $C(0, 2, -5)$, $D(0, 1, -2)$ as vertices

Sol: Let $A(2, 3, 1)$, $B(-1, -2, 0)$, $C(0, 2, -5)$, $D(0, 1, -2)$

$$\vec{a} = \overrightarrow{AB} = B - A = (-1, -2, 0) - (2, 3, 1) = (-3, -5, -1)$$

$$\vec{b} = \overrightarrow{AC} = C - A = (0, 2, -5) - (2, 3, 1) = (-2, -1, -6)$$

$$\vec{c} = \overrightarrow{AD} = D - A = (0, 1, -2) - (2, 3, 1) = (-2, -2, -3)$$

$$\text{Volume of tetrahedron} = \frac{1}{6}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{6} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -5 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & -6 \\ -2 & -2 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{6}[-3(3 - 12) + 5(6 - 12) - 1(4 - 2)] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}[-3(-9) + 5(-6) - 1(2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}[27 - 30 - 2] = \frac{-5}{6}$$

Volume can not be negative so

$$\text{Volume of tetrahedron} = \frac{5}{6} \text{ cubic units}$$