

Exercise 10.2

Q1 Compute the magnitude of the following vectors:

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}; \quad \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}; \quad \vec{c} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k}$$

A.1. $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}; \vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}; \vec{c} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{j} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{k}$

Magnitude of $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$



$$\text{Magnitude of } |\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-7)^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 49 + 9} = \sqrt{62}$$

$$\text{Magnitude of } |\vec{c}| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{3}} = 1$$

Q2. Write two different vectors having same magnitude.

A.2. Two different vectors having same magnitude: -

(i) $2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

(ii) $\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

Q3. Write two different vectors having same direction.

A.3. Two different vectors having same directions: -

(i) $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

(ii) $2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

Q4. Find the values of x and y so that the vectors $2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$ and $x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$ are equal.

A.4. Note that two vector are equal only if their corresponding components are equal.

Thus, the given vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} will be equal if and only if $x = 2$ & $y = 3$

Q5. Find the scalar and vector components of the vector with initial point (2, 1) and terminal point (-5, 7).

A.5. Let the vector with initial point P (2,1) and terminal point Q. (-5,7) can be shown as,

$$\vec{PQ} = (-5, -2)\hat{i} + (7, -1)\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{PQ} = -7\hat{i} + 6\hat{j}$$

The scalar components are -7 and 6.

The vector components are -7i and 6j.

Q6. Find the sum of the vectors: $\vec{a} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = -2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$

A.6. The given vectors are

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

$$\vec{b} = -2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 7\hat{k}$$

The sum of the vector is

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} &= (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)\hat{i} + (b_1 + b_2 + b_3)\hat{j} + (c_1 + c_2 + c_3)\hat{k} \\ &= (1 - 2 + 1)\hat{i} + (-2 + 4 - 6)\hat{j} + (1 + 5 - 7)\hat{k} \\ &= 0\hat{i} + (-4)\hat{j} + (-1)\hat{k} \\ &= -4\hat{j} - \hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

Q7. Find the unit vector in the direction of the vector $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

A.7. The given vectors is $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

$$\text{So, } |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{1 + 1 + 4} = \sqrt{6}$$

The required unit vector is given by $\hat{a} = \frac{1}{|\vec{a}|} \vec{a}$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{1(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{\hat{i}}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\hat{j}}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Q8. Find the unit vector in the direction of the vector \overrightarrow{PQ} where P and Q. are the points (1, 2, 3) and (4, 5, 6) respectively.

A.8. Given, P(1,2,3) & Q(4,5,6)

So,

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (4-1)\hat{i} + (5-2)\hat{j} + (6-3)\hat{k}$$

$$= 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{PQ}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 3^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{9+9+9} = \sqrt{27} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

The unit vector in the direction of \overrightarrow{PQ} is

$$= \frac{3\hat{i}}{3\sqrt{3}}, \frac{3\hat{j}}{3\sqrt{3}}, \frac{3\hat{k}}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{i}}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\hat{j}}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\hat{k}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Q9. For given vectors $a = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $b = -\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$, find the unit vector in the direction of $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$

A9. Given, $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ & $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$

The sum of given vectors is given by

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} (= \vec{c}, \text{ say}) = (2-1)\hat{i} + (-1+1)\hat{j} + (2-1)\hat{k}$$

$$= \hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$= \hat{i} + \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{c}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

The unit vector in the direction of $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) = \vec{c}$ is given by

$$\hat{c} = \frac{1}{|\vec{c}|} = \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{k}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\hat{i}}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\hat{k}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Q10. Find the vector in the direction of vector $5\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ which has magnitude 8 units.

A.10. Let, $\vec{a} = 5\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{5^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{25+1+4} = \sqrt{30}$$

The unit vector in the direction of the given vector \vec{a} is

$$\hat{a} = \frac{1}{|\vec{a}|} \cdot \vec{a} = \frac{5\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{30}}$$

Therefore, the vector having magnitude equal to 8 and in direction of \vec{a} is

$$8\hat{a} = 8 \left(\frac{5\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{30}} \right) = \frac{40\hat{i}}{\sqrt{30}} - \frac{8\hat{j}}{\sqrt{30}} + \frac{16\hat{k}}{\sqrt{30}}$$

Q11. Show that the vectors $2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = -4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}$ are collinear.

A.11. Let, $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ & $\vec{b} = -4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k}$

It is seen that

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{b} &= -4\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} - 8\hat{k} \\ &= -2 \left(2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k} \right) \\ &= -2\vec{a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \vec{b} = \lambda \vec{a}$$

Where, $\lambda = -2$

Therefore, we can say that the given vector are collinear.

Q12. Find the direction cosines of the vector $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$.

A.12. Let $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

The modulus is given by; $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{1+4+9} = \sqrt{14}$

Let, l, m and n are direction cosines of the given vector, then

$$l = \frac{x}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}; m = \frac{y}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}; n = \frac{z}{|\vec{a}|} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}$$

\therefore Thus, the direction cosines of \vec{a} are

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}} \right)$$

Q13. Find the direction cosines of the vector joining the points A (1, 2, -3) and B (-1, -2, 1) directed from A to B.

A.13. Given, A(1,2,-3) and (-1,-2,1)

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{AB} &= (-1-1)\hat{i} + (-2-2)\hat{j} + (1-(-3))\hat{k} \\ &= -2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}|\vec{AB}| &= \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-4)^2 + (4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{4 + 16 + 16} = \sqrt{36} = 6\end{aligned}$$

Let, l, m, n be direction cosine,

$$l = \frac{x}{|\vec{AB}|} = \frac{-2}{6} = \frac{-1}{3}; m = \frac{y}{|\vec{AB}|} = \frac{-4}{6} = \frac{-2}{3}; n = \frac{z}{|\vec{AB}|} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Therefore, direction cosine of \vec{AB} are $\left(\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$

Q14. Show that the vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ is equally inclined to the axes OX, OY and OZ.

A.14. Here,

$$\text{Let, } \vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

Then,

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

Here, the directions cosines of \vec{a} are $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$

Now, let α, β & χ be the angle formed by \vec{a} with the positive directions of x, y & z axis.

So, we have

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

Therefore, the given vector is equally inclined to axis OX, OY and OZ.

Q15. Find the position vector of a point R which divides the line joining two points P and Q. whose position vectors are $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and $-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ respectively, in the ratio 2 : 1

(i) internally

(ii) externally.

A.15. (i) The position vector of point R dividing the join of P and Q. internally in the ratio 2:1 is,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\left(-2\hat{i} + \hat{i}\right) + \left(2\hat{j} + 2\hat{j}\right) + \left(2\hat{k} + \hat{k}\right)}{3} = \frac{-\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}}{3} \\ &= -\frac{1}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{4}{3}\hat{j} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) The position vector of the point k dividing the join of P and Q. externally in the ratio 2:1

A.15. (ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{OR} &= \frac{2\left(-\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}\right) - 1\left(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}\right)}{2-1} \\ &= -2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} - \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k} \\ &= -3\hat{i} + \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Q16. Find the position vector of the mid-point of the vector joining the points P (2, 3, 4) and Q. (4, 1, - 2).

A.16. The Position vector of mid-point R of the vector joining point P (2,3,4) and Q (4,1,-2) is given by;

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{OR} &= \frac{\left(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}\right) + \left(4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}\right)}{2} \\ &= \frac{(2+4)\hat{i} + (3+1)\hat{j} + (4-2)\hat{k}}{2} \\ &= \frac{6\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{2} = \frac{6\hat{i}}{2} + \frac{4\hat{j}}{2} + \frac{2\hat{k}}{2} \\ &= 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Q17. Show that the points A, B and C with position

vectors $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$ respectively form the vertices of a right angled triangle.

A.17. We have,

$$\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

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

$$\vec{c} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = (2-3)\hat{i} + (-1-(-4))\hat{j} + (1-(-4))\hat{k}$$

$$= -\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{BC} = (1-2)\hat{i} + (-3-(-1))\hat{j} + (-5-1)\hat{k}$$

$$= -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{CA} = (1-3)\hat{i} + (-3-(-4))\hat{j} + (-5-(-4))\hat{k}$$

$$= -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

Now,

$$|\overrightarrow{AB}| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (3)^2 + (5)^2} = \sqrt{1+9+25} = \sqrt{35}$$

$$|\overrightarrow{BC}| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-2)^2 + (-6)^2} = \sqrt{1+4+36} = \sqrt{41}$$

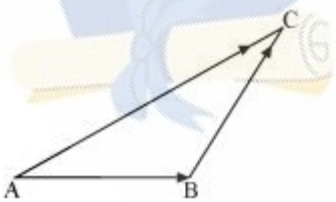
$$|\overrightarrow{CA}| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (1)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{4+1+1} = \sqrt{6}$$

Hence,

$$|\overrightarrow{AB}|^2 + |\overrightarrow{CA}|^2 = 35 + 6 = 41 = |\overrightarrow{BC}|^2$$

Hence, given points form the vertices of a right angled triangle.

Q18. In triangle ABC (Fig. below), which of the following is not true:



A. $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CA} = \vec{0}$

B. $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} - \overrightarrow{AC} = \vec{0}$

C. $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} - \overrightarrow{CA} = \vec{0}$

D. $\overrightarrow{AB} - \overrightarrow{CB} + \overrightarrow{CA} = \vec{0}$

A18. (A) $\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} + \vec{CA} = \vec{0}$

By triangle law of addition in given triangle, we get:

$$\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} = \vec{AC} \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} = -\vec{CA}$$

$$\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} + \vec{CA} = \vec{0} \text{----- (2)}$$

So, (A) is true.

(B) $\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} - \vec{AC} = 0$

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

$$\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} - \vec{AC} = 0$$

So, (B) is true.

(C) $\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} - \vec{CA} = 0$

$$\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} = \vec{CA} \text{----- (3)}$$

From, (1) & (3),

$$\vec{AC} = \vec{CA}$$

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

$$\vec{AC} + \vec{AC} = 0$$

$$2\vec{AC} = 0$$

\therefore The equation in alternative C $\vec{AC} = \vec{0}$, which is not true, is incorrect.

(D) $\vec{AB} - \vec{CB} + \vec{CA} = \vec{0}$

From, eqn(2) we have

$$\vec{AB} - \vec{CB} + \vec{CA} = 0$$

The, equation given is alternative is D is true.

\therefore The correct answer is C.

Q.19. If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are two collinear vectors, then which of the following are incorrect:

(A) $\vec{b} = \lambda \vec{a}$ for some scalar λ

(B) $\vec{a} = \pm \vec{b}$

(C) The respective components of \vec{a} and \vec{b} are proportional.

(D) Both the vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} have same direction, but different magnitudes.

A.19. We know,

If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are two collinear vector, they are parallel.

So,

$$\vec{b} = \lambda \vec{a}$$

$$\text{If, } \lambda = \pm 1, \text{ then, } \vec{a} = \pm \vec{b}$$

$$\text{If, } \vec{a} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b} = b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k}, \text{ then}$$

$$\vec{b} = \lambda \vec{a}$$

$$b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k} = \lambda (a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k})$$

$$= (\lambda a_1) \hat{i} + (\lambda a_2) \hat{j} + (\lambda a_3) \hat{k}$$

$$b_1 = \lambda a_1, b_2 = \lambda a_2, b_3 = \lambda a_3$$

$$\frac{b_1}{a_1} = \frac{b_2}{a_2} = \frac{b_3}{a_3} = \lambda$$

Hence, the respective component are proportional but, vector \vec{a} and \vec{b} can have different direction.

Thus, the statement given in D is incorrect.

The correct answer is D.