



Sheet 1

- 1] Find the vector \bar{A} directed from (2,-4,1) to (0,-2,0) in Cartesian coordinates and find the unit vector along \bar{A}

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \bar{A} = -2\bar{a}_x + 2\bar{a}_y - \bar{a}_z \\ \bar{a}_A = \frac{-2}{3}\bar{a}_x + \frac{2}{3}\bar{a}_y - \frac{1}{3}\bar{a}_z \end{array} \right]$$

- 2] Show that $\bar{A} = 4\bar{a}_x - 2\bar{a}_y - \bar{a}_z$ and $\bar{B} = \bar{a}_x + 4\bar{a}_y - 4\bar{a}_z$ are perpendicular

- 3] Determine the smaller angle between

$$\bar{A} = 2\bar{a}_x + 4\bar{a}_y \text{ and } \bar{B} = 6\bar{a}_y - 4\bar{a}_z$$

using the cross product and also the dot product

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \theta_{AB} = 41.9088^\circ \\ \theta_{AB} = 138.09^\circ \end{array} \right]$$

- 4] Given $\bar{F} = (y-1)\bar{a}_x + 2x\bar{a}_y$, find the vector at (2,2,1) and its projection on

$$\bar{B} = 5\bar{a}_y - \bar{a}_y + 2\bar{a}_z$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \bar{F}|_{(2,2,1)} = \bar{a}_x + 4\bar{a}_y \\ \text{Projection of } \bar{F} \text{ onto } \bar{B} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}} \end{array} \right]$$

5] If $\bar{A} = \bar{a}_x + 2\bar{a}_y - 3\bar{a}_z$ and $\bar{B} = 2\bar{a}_x - \bar{a}_y + \bar{a}_z$

Determine :

- The magnitude of projection of \bar{B} on \bar{A}
- The smallest angle between \bar{A} and \bar{B}
- The vector projection \bar{A} onto \bar{B}
- A unit vector perpendicular to the plane containing \bar{A} and \bar{B}

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Magnitude Projection of } \bar{B} \text{ onto } \bar{A} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}} \\ \theta_{AB} = 109.1066^\circ \\ \text{Vector Projection of } \bar{B} \text{ onto } \bar{A} = -\bar{a}_x + 0.5\bar{a}_y - 0.5\bar{a}_z \\ \bar{a}_n = \pm \frac{\bar{a}_x + 7\bar{a}_y + 5\bar{a}_z}{\sqrt{75}} \end{array} \right]$$

6] Given $\bar{A} = \bar{a}_x + \bar{a}_y$, $\bar{B} = \bar{a}_x + 2\bar{a}_z$, $\bar{C} = 2\bar{a}_y + \bar{a}_z$

Find $(\bar{A} \times \bar{B}) \times \bar{C}$ and compare it with $\bar{A} \times (\bar{B} \times \bar{C})$, comment on the result.

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} (\bar{A} \times \bar{B}) \times \bar{C} = -2\bar{a}_y + 4\bar{a}_z \\ \bar{A} \times (\bar{B} \times \bar{C}) = 2\bar{a}_x - 2\bar{a}_y + 3\bar{a}_z \end{array} \right]$$

7] Find $\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \times \bar{C}$ for \bar{A} , \bar{B} , \bar{C} of problem 6] and compare it with $\bar{A} \times \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C}$, comment on the result

$$[\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \times \bar{C} = \bar{A} \times \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} = -5]$$

8] Express the unit vector which is directed toward the origin from an arbitrary point on the plane $z = -5$

$$\left[\bar{a}_R = \frac{-x\bar{a}_x - y\bar{a}_y + 5\bar{a}_z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 25}} \right]$$

9] Given the two vectors $\vec{A} = -\bar{a}_x - 3\bar{a}_y - 4\bar{a}_z$, $\vec{B} = 2\bar{a}_x + 2\bar{a}_y + 2\bar{a}_z$ and a point $C(1,3,4)$, Find

- (a) R_{AB} (b) $|\vec{A}|$ (c) \bar{a}_A (d) \bar{a}_{AB}
 (e) a unit vector directed from C toward A

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \vec{R}_{AB} = 3\bar{a}_x + 5\bar{a}_y + 6\bar{a}_z \\ |\vec{A}| = \sqrt{26} \\ \bar{a}_A = \frac{-\bar{a}_x - 3\bar{a}_y - 4\bar{a}_z}{\sqrt{26}} \\ \bar{a}_{AB} = \frac{3\bar{a}_x + 5\bar{a}_y + 6\bar{a}_z}{\sqrt{70}} \\ \bar{a}_{CA} = \frac{-\bar{a}_x - 3\bar{a}_y - 4\bar{a}_z}{\sqrt{26}} \end{array} \right]$$

10] A triangle is defined by three points $A(2, -5, 1)B(-3, 2, 4)C(0, 3, 1)$ Find

- a) $R_{BC} \times R_{BA}$
 b) The area of the triangle
 c) A unit vector perpendicular to the plane of the triangle

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \vec{R}_{BC} \times \vec{R}_{BA} = -24\bar{a}_x - 6\bar{a}_y - 26\bar{a}_z \\ \text{Area} = \sqrt{322} = 17.94436 \text{ square unit} \\ \bar{a}_n = \pm \frac{12\bar{a}_x + 3\bar{a}_y + 13\bar{a}_z}{\sqrt{322}} \end{array} \right]$$