

CHAPTER 1

FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS: VECTORS

1.1 (a) $\vec{A} + \vec{B} = (\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + (\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$

$$|\vec{A} + \vec{B}| = (1 + 4 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{6}$$

(b) $3\vec{A} - 2\vec{B} = 3(\hat{i} + \hat{j}) - 2(\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$

(c) $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = (1)(0) + (1)(1) + (0)(1) = 1$

(d) $\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(1-0) + \hat{j}(0-1) + \hat{k}(1-0) = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

$$|\vec{A} \times \vec{B}| = (1 + 1 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{3}$$

1.2 (a) $\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} + \vec{C}) = (2\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = (2)(1) + (1)(4) + (0)(1) = 6$

$$(\vec{A} + \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{C} = (3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot 4\hat{j} = (3)(0) + (1)(4) + (1)(0) = 4$$

(b) $\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -8$

$$(\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{C} = \vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = -8$$

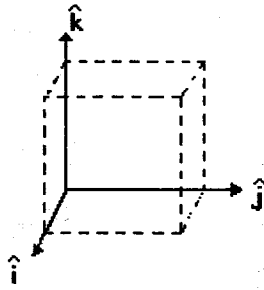
(c) $\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C})\vec{B} - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})\vec{C} = 4(\hat{i} + \hat{k}) - 2(4\hat{j}) = 4\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \times \vec{C} &= -\vec{C} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = -[(\vec{C} \cdot \vec{B})\vec{A} - (\vec{C} \cdot \vec{A})\vec{B}] \\ &= -[0(2\hat{i} + \hat{j}) - 4(\hat{i} + \hat{k})] = 4\hat{i} + 4\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$1.3 \quad \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}}{AB} = \frac{(a)(a) + (2a)(2a) + (0)(3a)}{\sqrt{5a^2} \sqrt{14a^2}} = \frac{5a^2}{a^2 \sqrt{5} \sqrt{14}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{5}{14}} \approx 53^\circ$$

1.4



(a) $\vec{A} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$: *body diagonal*

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

(b) $\vec{B} = \hat{i} + \hat{j}$: *face diagonal*

$$B = |\vec{B}| = \sqrt{2}$$

$$(c) \quad \vec{C} = \vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(d) \quad \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}}{AB} = \frac{1-1}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{2}} = 0 \quad \therefore \theta = 90^\circ$$

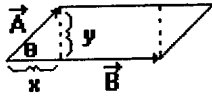
$$1.6 \quad \frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} = \hat{i} \frac{d}{dt}(\alpha t) + \hat{j} \frac{d}{dt}(\beta t^2) + \hat{k} \frac{d}{dt}(\gamma t^3) = \hat{i}\alpha + \hat{j}2\beta t + \hat{k}3\gamma t^2$$

$$\frac{d^2\vec{A}}{dt^2} = \hat{j}2\beta + \hat{k}6\gamma t$$

$$1.7 \quad 0 = \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = (q)(q) + (3)(-q) + (1)(2) = q^2 - 3q + 2$$

$$(q-2)(q-1) = 0, \quad q = 1 \text{ or } 2$$

1.10



$$y = A \sin \theta$$

$$A = 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} xy \right) + y(B - x) = xy + yB - xy = AB \sin \theta$$

$$A = |\vec{A} \times \vec{B}|$$

1.17 $\vec{v}(t) = -\hat{i}b\omega \sin(\omega t) + \hat{j}2b\omega \cos(\omega t)$

$$|\vec{v}| = (b^2\omega^2 \sin^2 \omega t + 4b^2\omega^2 \cos^2 \omega t)^{\frac{1}{2}} = b\omega(1 + 3\cos^2 \omega t)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = -\hat{i}b\omega^2 \cos \omega t - \hat{j}2b\omega^2 \sin \omega t$$

$$|\vec{a}| = b\omega^2(1 + 3\sin^2 \omega t)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

at $t = 0$, $|\vec{v}| = 2b\omega$; at $t = \frac{\pi}{2\omega}$, $|\vec{v}| = b\omega$

1.18 $\vec{v}(t) = \hat{i}b\omega \cos \omega t - \hat{j}b\omega \sin \omega t + \hat{k}2ct$

$$\vec{a}(t) = -\hat{i}b\omega^2 \sin \omega t - \hat{j}b\omega^2 \cos \omega t + \hat{k}2c$$

$$|\vec{a}| = (b^2\omega^4 \sin^2 \omega t + b^2\omega^4 \cos^2 \omega t + 4c^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (b^2\omega^4 + 4c^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

1.21 $\vec{r}(t) = \hat{i}(1 - e^{-kt}) + \hat{j}e^{kt}$

$$\dot{\vec{r}}(t) = \hat{i}ke^{-kt} + \hat{j}ke^{kt}$$

$$\ddot{\vec{r}}(t) = -\hat{i}k^2e^{-kt} + \hat{j}k^2e^{kt}$$

