

Tutorial Exercises in Physics 1 / Set 2

Exercise 1:

Given the vectors $\vec{A} = 2\vec{i} - \vec{j} + \vec{k}$, $\vec{B} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - 3\vec{k}$, $\vec{C} = 3\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + 4\vec{k}$

1. Determine the modulus of each vector
2. Calculate $\vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C}$ then the unit vector
3. Calculate $\vec{U} = 2\vec{A} + \vec{B}$, $\vec{V} = 3\vec{A} - 5\vec{B}$, $\vec{W} = \vec{A} - 2\vec{B} + 5\vec{C}$
4. Find the dot product $\vec{U} \cdot \vec{V}$, $\vec{U} \cdot \vec{W}$, $\vec{V} \cdot \vec{W}$ and the angles (\vec{U}, \vec{V}) , (\vec{U}, \vec{W})

Exercise 2:

Given three vectors $\vec{A} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 3\vec{k}$, $\vec{B} = \vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + \vec{k}$

1. Calculate the dot product $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}$ and deduce the angle formed by these two vectors
2. Calculate the cross product $\vec{V} = \vec{A} \wedge \vec{B}$ and deduce with another method the angle formed by these two vectors
3. We have $\vec{W} = a\vec{i} + b\vec{j} - 3\vec{k}$, find a and b so that \vec{W} and \vec{V} in the same direction.