

$$\vec{u} \rightarrow \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle \text{ then } \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2$$

$$\vec{v} \rightarrow \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

Precalculus

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Dot Products and Unit Vector Notes

Date _____ Period _____

Find the dot product of the given vectors.

1) $\mathbf{u} = \langle -7, -9 \rangle$
 $\mathbf{v} = \langle 3, -2 \rangle$

$$(-7)(3) + (-9)(-2) =$$

$$-21 + 18 = \boxed{-3}$$

2) $\mathbf{u} = \langle 4, -2 \rangle$
 $\mathbf{v} = \langle 4, -6 \rangle$

$$(4)(4) + (-2)(-6) =$$

$$16 + 12 = \boxed{28}$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = |\vec{u}| \cdot |\vec{v}| \cdot \cos \theta \quad \theta \rightarrow \text{the angle between the 2 vectors}$$

Find the measure of the angle between the two vectors.

3) $\mathbf{u} = -8\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$
 $\mathbf{v} = -2\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = (-8)(-2) + (-3)(-4)$$

$$= 16 + 12$$

$$= 28$$

$$|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{8^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{73}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{20}$$

$$28 = \sqrt{73} \sqrt{20} \cos \theta \rightarrow \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{28}{\sqrt{73} \sqrt{20}} \right) = \theta$$

$$\theta = 42.88^\circ$$

4) $\mathbf{u} = 9\mathbf{i}$

$\mathbf{v} = -6\mathbf{j}$

$$\rightarrow \langle 9, 0 \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow \langle 0, -6 \rangle$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 9 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot -6 = 0$$

$$|\vec{u}| = 9$$

$$|\vec{v}| = 6$$

$$0 = 9 \cdot 6 \cos \theta$$

$$\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{0}{9 \cdot 6} \right) = \theta \rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$$

$$|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 9^2} = \sqrt{4 + 81} = \sqrt{85}$$

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 18^2} = \sqrt{16 + 324} = \sqrt{340}$$

$$-170 = \sqrt{85} \sqrt{340} \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-170}{\sqrt{85} \sqrt{340}} \right) \rightarrow \theta = 180^\circ$$

5) $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, -9 \rangle$
 $\mathbf{v} = \langle -4, 18 \rangle$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = (2)(-4) + (-9)(18)$$

$$= -8 - 162$$

$$= -170$$

→ perpendicular

State if the two vectors are parallel, orthogonal, or neither.

6) $u = 5i - 35j$
 $v = -i + 7j$

parallel since
we see the
same ratio

7) $u = \frac{3}{2}i - 3j$
 $v = 3i - 6j$

parallel (we see same
ratio)

8) $u = 18i - 18j$
 $v = 6i + j$

neither

→ $(18)(6) + (-18)(1) \neq 0 \rightarrow$ not \perp
→ Not same ratio → not \parallel

9) $u = 2i + 3j$
 $v = -\frac{3}{2}i + j$

$(2)(-\frac{3}{2}) + 3(1)$
 $-3 + 3 = 0$

orthogonal

Find the component form of the resultant vector.

10) Given: $T = (4, 4)$ $X = (2, 6)$

Unit vector in the direction of \overrightarrow{TX}

mag $(-2^2 + 2^2) = \sqrt{8}$

$\overrightarrow{TX} = \langle 2-4, 6-4 \rangle$

$\overrightarrow{TX} = \langle -2, 2 \rangle$

unit vector means mag (length) = 1

$\hat{\overrightarrow{TX}} = \langle \frac{-2}{\sqrt{8}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{8}} \rangle$

11) Given: $P = (-8, -5)$ $Q = (-6, -6)$

Unit vector in the opposite direction of \overrightarrow{PQ}

$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle 2, -1 \rangle$

$-\overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle -2, 1 \rangle$

Mag or $|\overrightarrow{PQ}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5}$

$-\hat{\overrightarrow{PQ}} = \langle \frac{-2}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \rangle$

Express the resultant vector as a linear combination of unit vectors \mathbf{i} and \mathbf{j} .

12) $|\mathbf{f}| = 4$, 198°
 Unit vector in the direction of \mathbf{f}

$x \rightarrow \frac{4 \cos 198^\circ}{4} \rightarrow -\frac{3.804}{4}$

$y \rightarrow \frac{4 \sin 198^\circ}{4} \rightarrow -\frac{1.224}{4}$

$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = -0.95 \mathbf{i} - 0.309 \mathbf{j}$

13) $|\mathbf{u}| = 22$, 115°
 Unit vector in the direction of \mathbf{u}

$\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \langle \cos 115^\circ, \sin 115^\circ \rangle$

$\hat{\mathbf{u}} = -423 \mathbf{i} + 906 \mathbf{j}$

Find the magnitude and direction angle of the resultant vector.

14) Given: $T = (5, 7)$ $X = (-5, 6)$
 $Y = (6, -5)$ $Z = (-7, 6)$
 Find: $\overrightarrow{TX} - \overrightarrow{YZ}$

$\overrightarrow{TX} = \langle -10, -1 \rangle$

$\overrightarrow{YZ} = \langle -13, 11 \rangle$

$\overrightarrow{TX} - \overrightarrow{YZ} = \langle -10 + 13, -1 - 11 \rangle$
 $= \langle 3, -12 \rangle$

Magnitude: $\sqrt{3^2 + (-12)^2}$
 $\sqrt{9 + 144}$
 $\sqrt{153}$ or 12.37

$\tan \theta = \frac{-12}{3}$
 $\theta = \tan^{-1}(-4)$
 $\theta = -75.964^\circ$

15) Given: $P = (0, 7)$ $Q = (4, 2)$
 Unit vector in the opposite direction of \overrightarrow{PQ}

$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle 4, -5 \rangle$
 $\overrightarrow{QP} = \langle -4, 5 \rangle$

$\theta = 128.66^\circ$

mag: 1