

Homework # 2

- 1) Find the angle (in radians) between the vectors $\mathbf{a} = 6\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{b} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$.

- 2) Suppose \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are nonzero vectors .
 - a) Under what conditions would $\text{comp}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b} = \text{comp}_{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{a}$?

 - b) Under what conditions would $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b} = \text{proj}_{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{a}$?

- 3) Write the vector $\mathbf{b} = 3\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}$ as the sum of two vectors , $\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2$, where \mathbf{a}_1 is parallel to the vector $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$ and \mathbf{a}_2 is orthogonal to $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$.

- 4) Find two unit vectors which are orthogonal to both $\mathbf{a} = \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{b} = \langle 1, -1, 1 \rangle$.

- 5) a) Find a vector orthogonal to the plane containing the points $P(2,0, -3)$, $Q(3,1,0)$ and $R(5,2,2)$.
b) Find the area of the triangle PQR .

- 6) Find the volume of the parallelepiped determined by the vectors $\mathbf{a} = \langle 2, 3, -2 \rangle$, $\mathbf{b} = \langle 1, -1, 0 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{c} = \langle 2, 0, 3 \rangle$.