

## THOMAS' CALCULUS (12/E)

**12.3 The Dot Product**

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# 1 Angle Between Vectors

## 1.1 Definition

The dot product  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$  of vectors  $\vec{u} = \langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \rangle$  and  $\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$  is


$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

## 1.2 Theorem 1

The angle  $\theta$  between two nonzero vectors  $\vec{u} = \langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \rangle$  and  $\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$  is given by

$$\theta = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

 **Ex. 1** ..... (example2, p676)Find the angle between  $\vec{u} = \vec{i} - 2\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$  and  $\vec{v} = 6\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$ .*sol:*

 **Ex. 2** ..... (example3, p676)

Find the angle  $\theta$  in the triangle  $ABC$  determined by the vertices  $A = (0, 0)$ ,  $B = (3, 5)$  and  $C = (5, 2)$ .

*sol:*

## 2 Perpendicular (Orthogonal) Vectors

### 2.1 Definition

Vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are \_\_\_\_\_ (or \_\_\_\_\_) if and only if \_\_\_\_\_.

### 2.2 Properties of the Dot Product


If  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  are any vectors and  $c$  is a scalar, then

1.  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
2.  $(c\vec{u}) \cdot \vec{v} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_
3.  $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) =$  \_\_\_\_\_
4.  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
5.  $\vec{0} \cdot \vec{u} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.3 The vector projection of  $\vec{u} = \vec{PQ}$  onto a nonzero vector  $\vec{v} = \vec{PS}$  is the vector  $\vec{PR}$  determined by dropping a perpendicular from  $Q$  to the line  $PS$ :

2.4 The scalar component of  $\vec{u}$  in the direction  $\vec{v}$  is the scalar

$$\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|} = \frac{\|\vec{u}\| \cos \theta}{\|\vec{v}\|} = \frac{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta}{\|\vec{v}\|^2}$$

 **Ex. 3** ..... (example5, p678)

Find the vector projection of  $\vec{u} = 6\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$  onto  $\vec{v} = \vec{i} - 2\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$  and the scalar component of  $\vec{u}$  in the direction of  $\vec{v}$ .

*sol:*

## 實習課練習 (EXERCISE 12.3)

□ Find

(a)  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$ ,  $\|\vec{v}\|$ ,  $\|\vec{u}\|$

(b) the cosine of the angle between  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{u}$ .

(c) the scalar component of  $\vec{u}$  in the direction of  $\vec{v}$

(d) the vector  $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}}\vec{u}$

4.  $\vec{v} = 2\vec{i} + 10\vec{j} - 11\vec{k}$ ,  $\vec{u} = 2\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + \vec{k}$

8.  $\vec{v} = \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \rangle$ ,  $\vec{u} = \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \rangle$