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Chapter 24
Ex 24.2

Scalar or Dot Product Ex 24.2 Q1

Let o, a and b be the position vector of the O, A and B.

P and Q are points of trisection of AB.

Position vector of point P = $\frac{2\vec{a} + \vec{b}}{3}$

Position vector of point Q = $\frac{\ddot{a} + 2\ddot{b}}{3}$

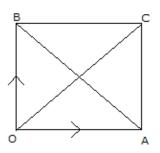
$$OP = \frac{2\vec{a} + \vec{b}}{3} - \vec{o} = \frac{2\vec{a} + \vec{b} - 3\vec{o}}{3} = \frac{2OA + OB}{3}$$

$$OQ = \frac{\vec{a} + 2\vec{b}}{3} - \vec{o} = \frac{\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} - 3\vec{o}}{3} = \frac{OA + 2OB}{3}$$

$$OP^2 + OQ^2 = \left(\frac{2OA + OB}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{OA + 2OB}{3}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{5(OA^2 + OB^2) + 8(OA)(OB) \cos 90^{\circ}}{9}$$

$$=\frac{5}{9}AB^2............[\because OA^2 + OB^2 = AB^2 \text{ and } \cos 90^\circ = 0]$$



Let OACB be a quadrilateral such that its diagonal bisect each other at right angles. We know that if the diagonals of a quadrilateral bisect each other then its a parallelogram.

:: OACB is a parallelogram.

$$\Rightarrow$$
 OA = BC and OB = AC.

Taking O as origin let a and b be the position vector of the A and B.

AB and OC be the diagonals of quadrilateral which bisect each other at right angles.

$$\Rightarrow (\tilde{a} + \tilde{b}) \cdot (\tilde{b} - \tilde{a}) = 0$$

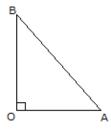
$$\Rightarrow \left| \vec{b} \right|^2 = \left| \vec{a} \right|^2$$

Simillarly we can show that

$$OA = OB = BC = CA$$

Hence OACB is a rhombus.

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Let OAC be a right triangle, right angled at O.

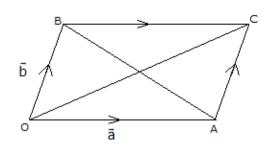
Taking O as origin let \vec{a} and \vec{b} be the position vector of the \overrightarrow{OA} and \overrightarrow{OB} .

OĀ is perpendicular to OB

Now,

$$\overrightarrow{AB}^2 = \left(\overrightarrow{b} - \overrightarrow{a} \right)^2 = \left(\overrightarrow{a} \right)^2 + \left(\overrightarrow{b} \right)^2 - 2 \overrightarrow{a} \bullet \overrightarrow{b} = \left(\overrightarrow{a} \right)^2 + \left(\overrightarrow{b} \right)^2 - 0 = \left(\overrightarrow{OA} \right)^2 + \left(\overrightarrow{OB} \right)^2$$

Hence proved.



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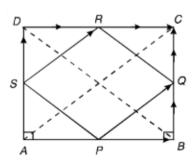
OA is perpendicular to OB

$$\therefore \overrightarrow{OA} \bullet \overrightarrow{OB} = 0$$

Now,

$$\overrightarrow{AB}^2 = \left(\overrightarrow{b} - \overrightarrow{a} \right)^2 = \left(\overrightarrow{a} \right)^2 + \left(\overrightarrow{b} \right)^2 - 2 \overrightarrow{a} \bullet \overrightarrow{b} = \left(\overrightarrow{a} \right)^2 + \left(\overrightarrow{b} \right)^2 - 0 = \left(\overrightarrow{OA} \right)^2 + \left(\overrightarrow{OB} \right)^2$$

Hence proved.



ABCD be a rectangle.

Let P, Q, R and S be the midpoints of the sides AB, BC, CD and DA respectively. Now,

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \overrightarrow{PB} + \overrightarrow{BQ} = \frac{1}{2} (\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}) = \frac{1}{2} \overrightarrow{AC} \dots (i)$$

$$\overrightarrow{SR} = \overrightarrow{SD} + \overrightarrow{DR} = \frac{1}{2} (\overrightarrow{AD} + \overrightarrow{DC}) = \frac{1}{2} \overrightarrow{AC} \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

 $\overline{PQ} = \overline{SR}$ i.e. sides PQ and SR are equal and parallel.

: PQRS is a parallelogram.

$$\left(\overrightarrow{PQ} \right)^2 = \overrightarrow{PQ} \bullet \overrightarrow{PQ} = \left(\overrightarrow{PB} \ + \ \overrightarrow{BQ} \right) \bullet \left(\overrightarrow{PB} \ + \ \overrightarrow{BQ} \right) = \left| \overrightarrow{PB} \right|^2 + \left| \overrightarrow{BQ} \right|^2 \dots \dots (iii)$$

$$\left(PS \right)^2 = \overline{PS} \bullet \overline{PS} = \left(\overline{PA} \ + \ \overline{PS} \right) \bullet \left(\overline{PA} \ + \ \overline{PS} \right) = \left| PA \right|^2 + \left| AS \right|^2 = \left| PB \right|^2 + \left| BQ \right|^2 \dots (iv)$$

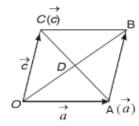
From (iii) and (iv) we get,

$$(PQ)^2 = (PQ)^2$$
 i. e. $PQ = PS$

⇒ The adjacent sides of PQRS are equal.

:: PQRS is a rhombus.

Scalar or Dot Product Ex 24.2 Q6



Let OABC be a rhombus, whose diagonals OB and AC intersect at point D. Let O be the origin.

Let the position vector of A and C be a and c respectively then,

$$\overline{OA} = \vec{a}$$
 and $\overline{OC} = \vec{c}$

$$\overrightarrow{OB} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OA} + \overrightarrow{OC} = \overrightarrow{a} + \overrightarrow{C} + \overrightarrow{C} + \overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OC}$$

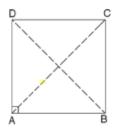
Position vector of mid-point of $\overrightarrow{OB} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{a} + \vec{c})$

Position vector of mid-point of $\overrightarrow{AC} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{a} + \vec{c})$

- .. Midpoints of OB and AC coincide.
- : Diagonal OB and AC bisect each other.

$$\overrightarrow{OB} \bullet \overrightarrow{AC} = (\overrightarrow{a} + \overrightarrow{c}) \bullet (\overrightarrow{c} - \overrightarrow{a}) = (\overrightarrow{c} + \overrightarrow{a}) \bullet (\overrightarrow{c} - \overrightarrow{a}) = |\overrightarrow{c}|^2 - |\overrightarrow{a}|^2 = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OA} = 0$$

[: OC and OA are sides of the rhombus]



Let ABCD be a rectangle.

Take A as origin.

Let position vectors of point B, D be a and b respectively.

By parallelogram law,

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{a} + \overrightarrow{b}$$
 and $\overrightarrow{BD} = \overrightarrow{a} - \overrightarrow{b}$

As ABCD is a rectangle, AB ⊥ AD

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0....(i)$$

Now, diagonals AC and BD are perpendicular iff $\overline{AC} \cdot \overline{BD} = 0$

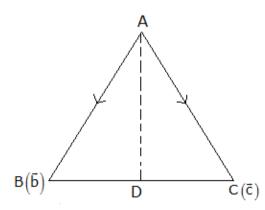
$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} + \vec{b})(\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\vec{a}\right)^2 - \left(\vec{b}\right)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \overrightarrow{AB} \right|^2 = \left| \overrightarrow{AD} \right|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |AB| = |AD|$$

Hence ABCD is a square.



Take A as origin, let the position vectors of B and C are б and č respectively.

Position vector of D = $\frac{\vec{b} + \vec{c}}{2}$, $\overrightarrow{AB} = \vec{b}$ and $\overrightarrow{AC} = \vec{c}$.

$$\overline{A}\overline{D} = \frac{\overline{b} + \overline{c}}{2} - \overline{0} = \frac{\overline{b} + \overline{c}}{2}$$

Consider, $2 (AD^2 + CD^2)$

$$=2\left[\left(\frac{\vec{b}+\vec{c}}{2}\right)^2+\left(\frac{\vec{b}+\vec{c}}{2}-\vec{c}\right)^2\right]$$

$$=2\left[\left(\frac{\vec{b}+\vec{c}}{2}\right)^2+\left(\frac{\vec{b}-\vec{c}}{2}\right)^2\right]$$

$$=\frac{1}{2}\bigg[\left(\vec{b}\ +\vec{c}\right)^2+\left(\vec{b}\ -\vec{c}\right)^2\bigg]$$

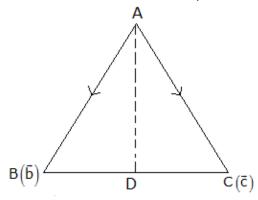
$$= \left(\vec{D}\right)^2 + \left(\vec{C}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(\overline{AB}\right)^2 + \left(\overline{AC}\right)^2$$

$$= AB^2 + AC^2$$

Hence proved.

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Take A as origin, let the position vectors of B and C are Б and c respectively.

Position vector of $D = \frac{\vec{b} + \vec{c}}{2}$, $\overrightarrow{AB} = \vec{b}$ and $\overrightarrow{AC} = \vec{c}$.

$$\overrightarrow{AD} = \frac{\vec{b} + \vec{c}}{2} - \vec{0} = \frac{\vec{b} + \vec{c}}{2}$$

AD is perpendicular to BC

$$\Rightarrow \overline{AD} \bullet \overline{BC} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\vec{b} + \vec{c}}{2}\right) \cdot (\vec{c} - \vec{b}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 $(\vec{b} + \vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{c} - \vec{b}) = 0$

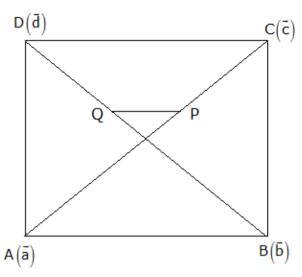
$$\Rightarrow |\vec{c}|^2 = |\vec{b}|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{c}| = |\vec{b}|$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AC = AB

Hence ΔABC is an isoscales triangle.

Scalar or Dot Product Ex 24.2 Q10



Take O as origin, let the position vectors of A, B C and D are a, b, c and d respectively.

Position vector of P =
$$\frac{\bar{a} + \bar{c}}{2}$$

Position vector of Q = $\frac{\vec{a} + \vec{d}}{2}$

$$\begin{split} LHS &= AB^2 + BC^2 + CD^2 + DA^2 \\ &= \left(\vec{b} - \vec{a}\right)^2 + \left(\vec{c} - \vec{b}\right)^2 + \left(\vec{d} - \vec{c}\right)^2 + \left(\vec{d} - \vec{a}\right)^2 \\ &= 2\left[\left(\vec{a}\right)^2 + \left(\vec{b}\right)^2 + \left(\vec{c}\right)^2 + \left(\vec{d}\right)^2 - \vec{a}\vec{b}\cos\theta_1 - \vec{b}\vec{c}\cos\theta_2 - \vec{d}\vec{c}\cos\theta_3 - \vec{c}\vec{a}\cos\theta_4\right] \end{split}$$

$$RHS = AC^{2} + BD^{2} + 4PQ^{2}$$

$$= (\vec{c} - \vec{a})^{2} + (\vec{d} - \vec{b})^{2} + 4\left(\frac{\vec{a} + \vec{d}}{2} - \frac{\vec{a} + \vec{c}}{2}\right)^{2}$$

$$= 2\left[(\vec{a})^{2} + (\vec{b})^{2} + (\vec{c})^{2} + (\vec{d})^{2} - \vec{a}\vec{b}\cos\theta_{1} - \vec{b}\vec{c}\cos\theta_{2} - \vec{d}\vec{c}\cos\theta_{3} - \vec{c}\vec{a}\cos\theta_{4}\right]$$

$$= LHS$$

Hence proved.