

Q. For any two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  prove that  $|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| \cdot |\vec{b}|$

$$\text{w.k.t. } \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}$$

$$\frac{|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} = |\cos \theta| \quad \text{for all values of } \theta, -1 \leq \cos \theta \leq 1$$

$$\therefore |\cos \theta| \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} \leq 1$$

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Q. For any two vectors  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  prove that  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|$  (Triangle inequality)

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) + |\vec{b}|^2$$

$$\leq |\vec{a}|^2 + 2|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| + |\vec{b}|^2 \quad \because \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \leq |\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|$$

$$\leq |\vec{a}|^2 + 2|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| + |\vec{b}|^2$$

$$\text{From previous properties } |\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|$$

$$\leq \{|\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|\}^2$$

$$\therefore |\vec{a} + \vec{b}| \leq |\vec{a}| + |\vec{b}|$$