

CHAPTER-3 | Motion in a Plane

QUIZ-01

1. Which of the following quantities is a vector?

- A. Temperature B. Speed
C. Displacement D. Mass (C)

Explanation: Displacement has both magnitude and direction, making it a vector quantity.

2. The vector sum of two vectors A and B is zero only when :

- A. $A = B$ B. $A = -B$
C. $A \perp B$
D. A and B are unequal in magnitude (B)

Explanation: The sum of a vector and its negative (same magnitude, opposite direction) results in a zero vector.

3. If a vector A is multiplied by a negative scalar λ , the resulting vector will:

- A. Have the same direction as A
B. Have opposite direction and reduced magnitude
C. Have opposite direction and λ times the magnitude of A
D. Be a null vector (C)

Explanation: Multiplying a vector by a negative scalar reverses its direction and scales the magnitude.

4. A vector $A = 3i + 4j$. What is the magnitude of A?

- A. 7 B. 5
C. $\sqrt{13}$ D. 25 (B)

Explanation: Magnitude $= \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{9 + 16} = \sqrt{25} = 5$.

5. The path of a projectile, neglecting air resistance, is a :

- A. Straight line B. Parabola
C. Circle D. Ellipse (B)

Explanation: The trajectory of a projectile under uniform gravity and no air resistance is a parabola.

6. In uniform circular motion, the direction of the acceleration is always :

- A. Tangent to the path B. Along the velocity
C. Away from the center
D. Towards the center (D)

Explanation: In uniform circular motion, acceleration (centripetal) always points towards the center of the circle.

7. The time taken by a projectile to reach the maximum height is :

- A. $v_0 \cos \theta / g$ B. $v_0 \sin \theta / g$
C. $2v_0 \cos \theta / g$ D. $2v_0 \sin \theta / g$ (B)

Explanation: Time to maximum height is when vertical velocity becomes zero, $t = v_0 \sin \theta / g$.

8. The range of a projectile is maximum when the angle of projection is :

- A. 0° B. 30°
C. 45° D. 90° (C)

Explanation: Range is maximum when $\sin(2\theta)$ is maximum, i.e., when $2\theta = 90^\circ$, so $\theta = 45^\circ$.

9. What is the unit vector along the x-axis?

- A. \hat{j} B. \hat{i}
C. \hat{k} D. $-\hat{i}$ (B)

Explanation: The unit vector along the x-axis is denoted by \hat{i} .

10. If a particle moves along a path and returns to its starting point, the displacement is:

- A. Equal to path length
B. Greater than path length
C. Less than path length D. Zero (D)

Explanation: Displacement is the straight-line distance between initial and final positions. If both are the same, displacement is zero.