

Let \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} be three non-zero vectors such that no two of them are collinear and $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} = \frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \vec{a}$. If θ is the angle between vectors \vec{b} and \vec{c} , then a value of $\sin \theta$ is :

(1) $\frac{-\sqrt{2}}{3}$

(2) $\frac{2}{3}$

(3) $\frac{-2\sqrt{3}}{3}$

(4) $\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}$

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$$(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{b} - (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{a} = \frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \vec{a}$$

$$\therefore (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{b} = \left\{ \frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| + (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}) \right\} \vec{a}$$

Since \vec{a} and \vec{b} are non-collinear vectors,

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) = 0 \text{ and } \left\{ \frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| + (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}) \right\} = 0$$

$$\therefore \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = -\frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}|$$

$$\therefore |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}| \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{3} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}|$$

$\therefore \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{3}$ (Since \vec{b} and \vec{c} are non-zero vectors)

$$\therefore \sin \theta = +\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{9}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \quad (\because 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi)$$

Hence, Option (4).