

PROOF :

$$\boxed{(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}}$$

, for $\vec{c} \neq \vec{0}$ \neq zero vector

First note that the dot products above lead to a scalar value. If \vec{c} is not a unit vector, then

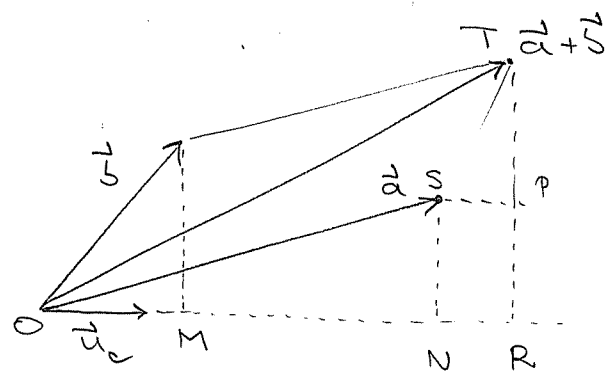
$$\vec{c} = \|\vec{c}\| \cdot \vec{u}_c,$$

where \vec{u}_c is a unit vector oriented like \vec{c} .

Then, we need to prove that

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \|\vec{c}\| \cdot \vec{u}_c = \vec{a} \cdot \|\vec{c}\| \cdot \vec{u}_c + \vec{b} \cdot \|\vec{c}\| \cdot \vec{u}_c$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{u}_c = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{u}_c + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{u}_c, \text{ with } \|\vec{u}_c\| = 1$$



$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{u}_c = ON$$

$$\vec{b} \cdot \vec{u}_c = DM = SP = NR$$

Then,

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{u}_c + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{u}_c = ON + NR = OR.$$

At the same time,

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{u}_c = OR,$$

from where we have that

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{u}_c = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{u}_c + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{u}_c$$

