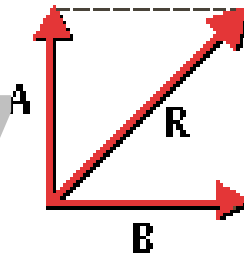




Unit



VECTORS IN TWO DIMENSIONS

Unit Outcomes:

After completing this unit, you should be able to;

-  know basic concepts and specific facts about vectors.
-  perform operations on vectors.

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INTRODUCTION

FROM PREVIOUS GRADES, YOU KNOW ABOUT MEASUREMENTS OF DIFFERENT KINDS SUCH AS WEIGHT, TEMPERATURE, DISTANCE, ANGLE MEASURE, AREA, ETC. SUCH QUANTITIES ARE MEASURED BY NUMBERS AS THEIR MEASURE (WITH SOME UNIT OF MEASUREMENT). FOR EXAMPLE, THE LENGTH OF A ROOM IS 3 M, THE WEIGHT OF A QUINTAL IS 100 KG, THE DISTANCE BETWEEN TWO CLASSROOMS IS 8 M, THE TEMPERATURE OF A NORMAL PERSON IS 37°C , THE PERIMETER OF A TRIANGLE ABC IS 6 CM, ETC. NOT ALL QUANTITIES, HOWEVER, ASSUME ONLY A SINGLE REAL NUMBER AS THEIR MEASURE. THERE ARE SOME QUANTITIES THAT ASSUME MEASURES INVOLVING DIRECTION.

EXAMPLE SUPPOSE WE ARE IN SCHOOL A, AND SOMEONE HAS TOLD US THAT HE STUDIES IN A NEARBY SCHOOL B THAT IS 5 KM AWAY. DO WE HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION TO FIND B? OF COURSE NOT, BECAUSE B COULD BE AT ANY POINT ON A CIRCLE OF RADIUS 5 KM CENTRED AT A. IN ADDITION TO THE DISTANCE, WE NEED TO KNOW THE DIRECTION IN ORDER TO FIND B.

THERE ARE MANY PHYSICAL QUANTITIES WHOSE MEASUREMENTS INVOLVE BOTH MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION. THESE INCLUDE VELOCITY, FORCE, ACCELERATION, ELECTRIC OR MAGNETIC FIELD, ETC. SUCH QUANTITIES ARE CALLED TODAY VECTORS HAVE MANY APPLICATIONS. ALL BRANCHES OF CLASSICAL AND MODERN PHYSICS ARE REPRESENTED BY USING THE LANGUAGE OF VECTORS. VECTORS ARE ALSO USED WITH INCREASING FREQUENCY IN THE SOCIAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES. IN THIS UNIT, YOU WILL DEAL WITH VECTORS, IN PARTICULAR VECTORS IN TWO DIMENSIONS.

HISTORICAL NOTE:

Sir William Rowan Hamilton (1805-1865)

The study of vectors started with Hamilton's invention of quaternions. Quaternions were developed as mathematical tools for the exploration of physical space. As quaternions contained both scalar and vector parts, difficulties arose when these two parts were treated simultaneously.



Scientists soon learned that many problems could be dealt with by considering the vector parts separately, and the study of vector analysis began.

7.1 INTRODUCTION TO VECTORS AND SCALARS

Group Work 7.1

- 1 DISCUSS SOME QUANTITIES THAT CAN BE EXPRESSED USING A SINGLE MEASUREMENT (WITH UNITS).
- 2 DISCUSS SOME QUANTITIES THAT REQUIRE BOTH SIZE AND DIRECTION.



IN GENERAL, THERE ARE TWO TYPES OF PHYSICAL MEASUREMENTS: THOSE INVOLVING ONLY MAGNITUDE AND NO DIRECTION, CALLED **Scalars** AND OTHERS INVOLVING MAGNITUDE AND A DEFINITE DIRECTION, CALLED **Vectors**. IN MANY APPLICATIONS OF MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING, SCIENTISTS QUANTITIES THAT HAVE BOTH MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION. AS MENTIONED ABOVE, EXAMPLES INCLUDE FORCE, VELOCITY, ACCELERATION, AND CURRENT. IT IS USEFUL TO EXPRESS THESE QUANTITIES (VECTORS) BOTH GEOMETRICALLY

ACTIVITY 7.1



CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING QUANTITIES AND EACH IS A SCALAR QUANTITY OR VECTOR QUANTITY

- | | |
|--|--|
| A AMOUNT OF RAINFALL | B AREA OF A PLANE |
| C TEMPERATURE IN $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | D FORCE OF WATER HITTING A WALL |
| E GRAVITY | F ACCELERATION OF A MOTOR CAR |
| G VOLUME OF A SOLID | H SPEED OF AN AIRPLANE |

Scalar quantities

Definition 7.1

Scalar quantities are those quantities of measures that have only magnitude and no direction. (Simply represented by a real number and a specified unit).

EXAMPLE 1 THE LENGTH OF A SIDE OF A TRIANGLE IS 4 CM. SINCE 4 IS A REAL NUMBER AND NO DIRECTION THE LENGTH REPRESENTS A SCALAR QUANTITY.

EXAMPLE 2 THE HEIGHT OF MOUNT MORAS DASHEN IS 4550 METRES. SINCE THE HEIGHT IS REPRESENTED BY A SINGLE REAL NUMBER, HENCE IT REPRESENTS A SCALAR QUANTITY.

EXAMPLE 3 THE DAYTIME TEMPERATURE OF MERCURY RISES TO 30°C . SINCE 30 IS A REAL NUMBER, TEMPERATURE REPRESENTS A SCALAR QUANTITY.

Vector quantities

Definition 7.2

Vector quantities are those quantities of measure that have both magnitude (length) and direction.

EXAMPLE 4 THE VELOCITY OF A CAR IS 60 KM/H IN THE DIRECTION OF NORTH. SINCE IT HAS BOTH MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION, IT REPRESENTS A VECTOR QUANTITY.

EXAMPLE 5 SUPPOSE HELEN M, FROM A, 10 M TO THE EAST [E] AND 7 M TO THE NORTH [N] TO REACH B, AS A VECTOR, SHE CAN BE REPRESENTED BY \vec{AB} .

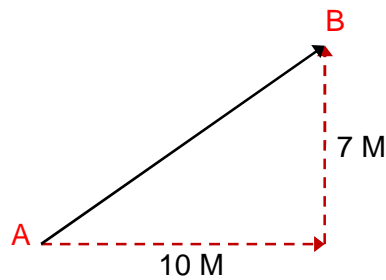


Figure 7.1

SOLUTION: TAKEN TOGETHER, THE DISTANCE AND DIRECTION OF THE DISPLACEMENT FROM A TO B, AND IS REPRESENTED BY \vec{AB} .

THE ARROW TELLS US THAT WE ARE ABOUT THE DISPLACEMENT OF HELEN FROM A TO B. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A VECTOR.

7.2 REPRESENTATION OF A VECTOR

ACTIVITY 7.2



- 1 DISCUSS ALGEBRAIC AND GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION OF VECTORS.
- 2 REPRESENT THE VECTOR \vec{OP} GEOMETRICALLY, WHERE O IS THE ORIGIN AND P = (2, 3) IN THE 2D-COORDINATE SYSTEM.
- 3 DISCUSS THE MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR \vec{OP} .
- 4 FIND THE MAGNITUDE AND THE DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR \vec{OP} .
- 5 WHEN ARE TWO VECTORS EQUAL?

A VECTOR CAN BE REPRESENTED EITHER ALGEBRAICALLY OR GEOMETRICALLY. THE MOST CONVENIENT WAY OF REPRESENTING VECTORS IS GEOMETRICALLY. A VECTOR IS REPRESENTED BY AN ARROW OR LINE SEGMENT.

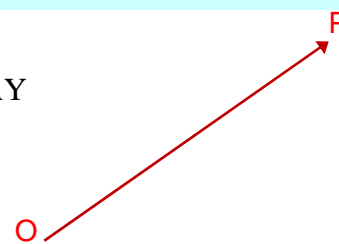


Figure 7.2

WHEN A VECTOR IS REPRESENTED BY \vec{OP} (SEE \vec{OP} ABOVE), THE POINT O IS CALLED **initial point** AND P IS CALLED **terminal point**. SOMETIMES, VECTORS ARE REPRESENTED BY LETTERS OR A LETTER WITH AN ARROW ABOVE IT, \vec{u} , \vec{v} , ETC.

EXAMPLE 1 WHAT DOES THE VECTOR IN THE FOLLOWING FIGURE REPRESENT?

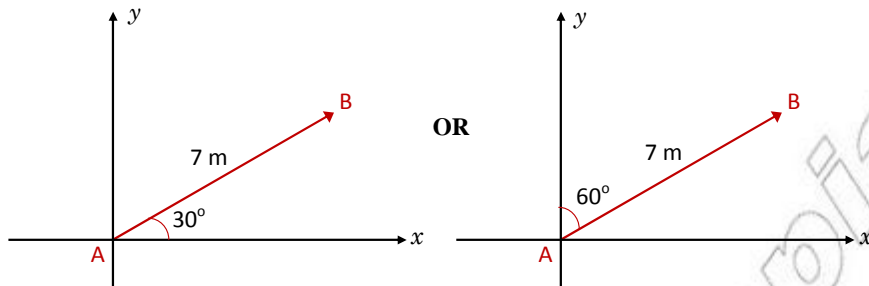


Figure 7.3

SOLUTION: THE VECTOR \vec{AB} HAS A LENGTH OF 7 M AND DIRECTION OF $E30^\circ N$ [OR $E30^\circ N$] (OR A DIRECTION OF $N60^\circ E$). ITS INITIAL POINT IS A AND ITS TERMINAL POINT IS B.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MAGNITUDE (LENGTH) OF A VECTOR AND THE DIRECTION OF A VECTOR?

EXAMPLE 2 THE FOLLOWING ARE EXAMPLES OF VECTOR REPRESENTATION. CAN YOU DETERMINE THEIR LENGTHS AND DIRECTIONS?

Hint: USE RULER AND PROTRACTOR



Figure 7.4

Magnitude (length) of vectors

THE MAGNITUDE (LENGTH) OF A VECTOR \vec{OP} IS THE LENGTH OF THE LINE SEGMENT FROM THE INITIAL POINT O TO THE TERMINAL POINT P, (THE LENGTH OF THE DIRECTED

Notation: MAGNITUDE OF VECTOR DENOTED BY $|\vec{OP}|$.

EXAMPLE 3 DETERMINE THE LENGTH OF THE VECTOR

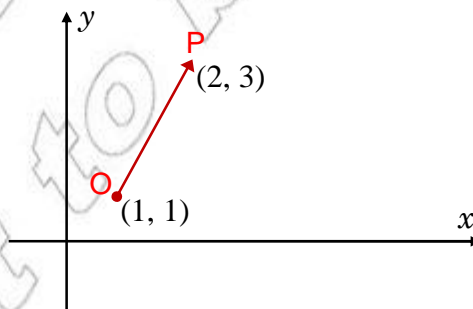


Figure 7.5

SOLUTION: THE MAGNITUDE OF THE VECTOR $|\vec{OP}| = \sqrt{5}$ (HOW?)

EXAMPLE 4 DETERMINE THE LENGTH IN CENTIMETRES OF EACH OF THE VECTORS SHOWN IN THE FOLLOWING FIGURE 7.6

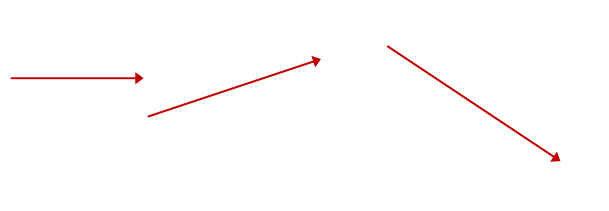


Figure 7.6

EXAMPLE 5 A FORCE OF 10 POUNDS IS EXERTED VERTICALLY DOWN TO THE SURFACE OF EARTH AND A FORCE OF 20 POUNDS IS EXERTED PARALLEL TO THE SURFACE OF EARTH FROM LEFT TO RIGHT. THE GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION IS



Figure 7.7

HERE, NOTICE THAT THE ARROWS (DIRECTED LINE SEGMENTS) ARE DRAWN WITH LENGTH PROPORTIONAL TO THE MAGNITUDES. THE ARROW REPRESENTING 10 POUNDS IS HALF THE LENGTH OF THE ARROW REPRESENTING 20 POUNDS.

FROM THIS, WE REALIZE THAT THE MAGNITUDE OF A VECTOR IS REPRESENTED BY THE LENGTH OF THE ARROW THAT REPRESENTS THE VECTOR.

Direction of vectors

THE DIRECTION OF A VECTOR IS THE ANGLE THAT AN ARROW (THAT REPRESENTS THE VECTOR) FORMS WITH THE HORIZONTAL LINE AT ITS INITIAL POINT (OR WITH THE VERTICAL LINE AT ITS INITIAL POINT). (OR WITH THE COMPASS DIRECTIONS).

EXAMPLE 6 THE DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR \vec{u} IS REPRESENTED BELOW (WORKSHEET)

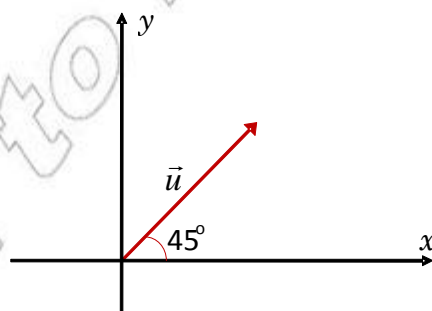


Figure 7.8

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PAIRS OF VECTORS

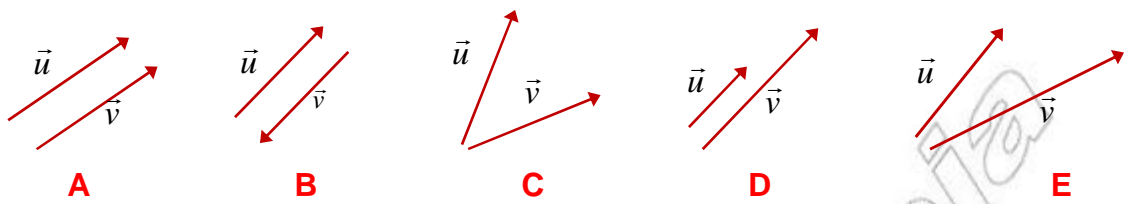


Figure 7.9

WHAT DO YOU OBSERVE? DO THEY HAVE THE SAME LENGTH? DO THEY HAVE THE SAME DIRECTION? VECTORS A AND D HAVE THE SAME LENGTH AND THEY HAVE THE SAME DIRECTION. VECTORS B AND C HAVE THE SAME LENGTH BUT THEY HAVE OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS. VECTORS C AND E HAVE DIFFERENT LENGTH, BUT THEY HAVE SAME DIRECTION. AND THE DIFFERENCE IN DIRECTION.

- Note:**
- 1 IF TWO VECTORS HAVE OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS, THEY ARE CALLED OPPOSITE VECTORS.
 - 2 VECTORS THAT HAVE EITHER THE SAME OR OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS ARE CALLED PARALLEL VECTORS.

EXAMPLE 7 FROM THE VECTORS GIVEN IN ABOVE, B AND C ARE PARALLEL VECTORS.

WHEN WE REPRESENT VECTORS BY USING DIRECTED ARROWS AS GIVEN ABOVE, WE OBSERVE SIMILARITIES OR DIFFERENCES IN LENGTH OR DIRECTION. WHAT DO YOU OBSERVE IN THE FOLLOWING VECTORS?

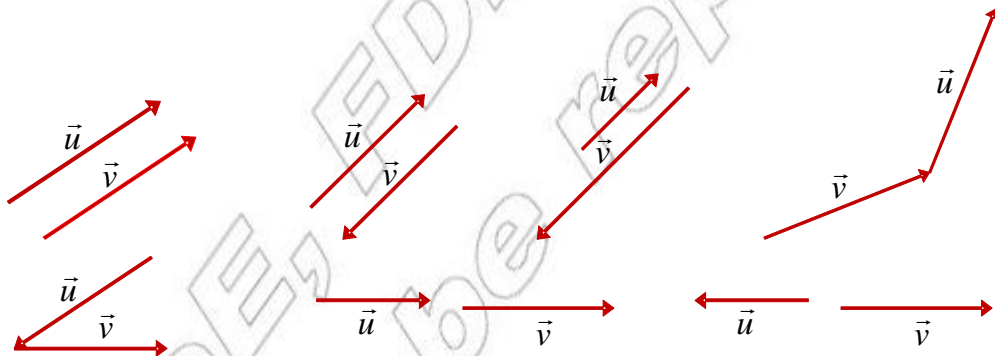


Figure 7.10

Equality of vectors

TWO VECTORS ARE SAID TO BE EQUAL, IF THEY HAVE THE SAME LENGTH AND THE SAME DIRECTION.

EXAMPLE 8 THE FOLLOWING TWO VECTORS, ARE EQUAL SINCE THEY HAVE THE SAME LENGTH, AND THE SAME DIRECTION. THE ACTUAL LOCATION OF THESE VECTORS IS NOT SPECIFIED. WE CALL SUCH VECTORS **free vectors**

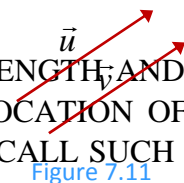


Figure 7.11

EXAMPLE 9 IN EACH OF THE DIAGRAMS BELOW, ALL THE VECTORS ARE EQUAL.

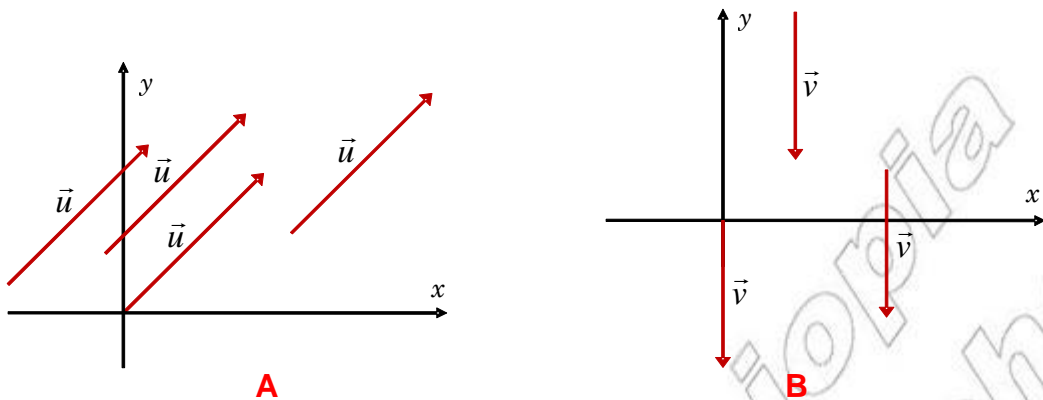


Figure 7.12

Group Work 7.2



- 1 SUPPOSE VECTORS \vec{u} AND \vec{v} ARE EQUAL,
 - A CAN WE CONCLUDE THAT THEY HAVE THE SAME LENGTH? WHY?
 - B DO THEY HAVE THE SAME LENGTH? WHY?
 - C DO THEY HAVE THE SAME DIRECTION? WHY?
- 2 SUPPOSE VECTORS \vec{u} AND \vec{v} ARE OPPOSITE,
 - A CAN WE CONCLUDE THAT THEY MUST START FROM THE SAME INITIAL POINT?
 - B DO THEY HAVE THE SAME LENGTH? WHY?
 - C DO THEY HAVE THE SAME DIRECTION? WHY?
- 3 SUMMARIZE WHAT YOU HAVE CONCLUDED.

Exercise 7.1

- 1 DETERMINE THE MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING VECTORS.

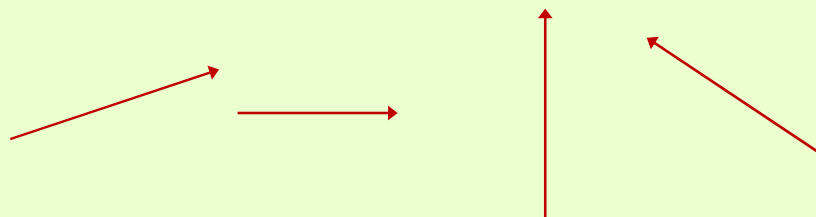


Figure 7.13

- 2 LOCATE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING VECTORS ON A COORDINATE SYSTEM.
 - A \vec{OP} WHOSE LENGTH IS 3 CM AND DIRECTION IS $[N40E]$
 - B \vec{AB} WHOSE LENGTH IS 5 CM AND DIRECTION IS $[S45E]$
 - C \vec{CD} WHOSE INITIAL POINT IS (1, 2), LENGTH IS 3 CM AND DIRECTION IS $[N60E]$

3 FROM THE FOLLOWING, IDENTIFY THE PAIRED VECTOR, OR OPPOS.

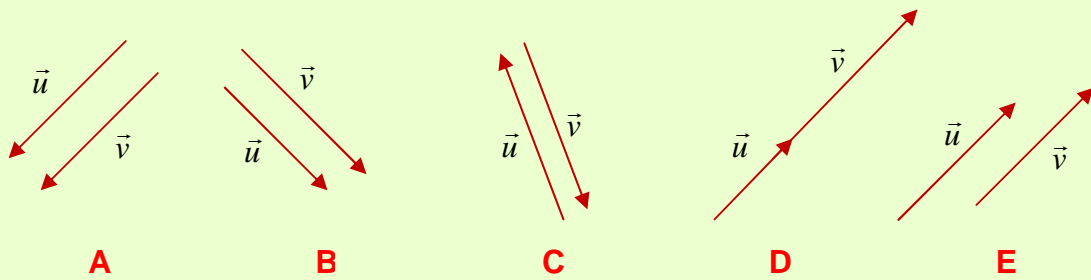


Figure 7.14

7.3 ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION OF VECTORS AND MULTIPLICATION OF A VECTOR BY A SCALAR

7.3.1 Addition of Vectors

ACTIVITY 7.3

GIVEN BELOW ARE PAIRS OF \vec{AB} AND \vec{CD} . TRANSLATE \vec{CD} SO THAT ITS INITIAL POINT IS AT THE TERMINUS B OF \vec{AB} . THEN, HOW DO YOU EXPRESS \vec{AD} IN TERMS OF \vec{AB} AND \vec{CD} ?

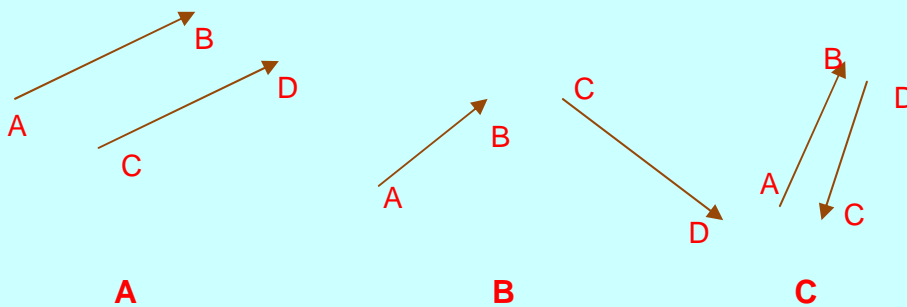


Figure 7.15

- 1 WHAT IS MEANT BY ADDITION OF VECTORS?
- 2 HOW WOULD YOU ADD VECTORS?
- 3 IS THE LENGTH OF THE SUM OF TWO VECTORS ALWAYS EQUAL TO THE SUM OF THE LENGTHS OF EACH VECTOR? WHY?

SUPPOSE YOU HAVE THREE CITIES A, B AND C. ASSUMING YOU KNOW THE DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM A TO B AND FROM B TO C AS SHOWN IN FIGURE 7.16

IF YOU WANT TO GO DIRECTLY FROM A TO C, WHAT WOULD BE THE DISTANCE AND DIRECTION?

THE FIRST THING TO NOTICE IS THAT IF THE THREE CITIES DO NOT LIE IN A STRAIGHT LINE, THEN THE DISTANCE FROM A TO C WILL NOT BE EQUAL TO THE SUM OF THE DISTANCES FROM A TO B AND FROM B TO C.

ALSO, THE DIRECTION MAY NOT BE RELATED IN A SIMPLE OR OBVIOUS WAY TO THE TWO SEPARATE DIRECTIONS.

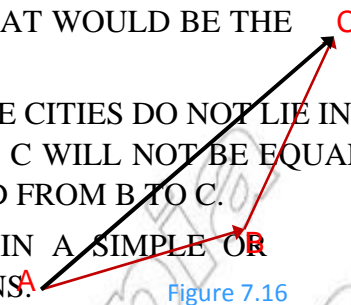


Figure 7.16

YOU WILL SEE, HOWEVER, THAT THE SOLUTION IS EASY IF WE WORK WITH THE COMPONENT DISPLACEMENT VECTORS. LET THE COMPONENTS OF THE VECTOR FROM A TO B IN THE NORTH DIRECTION BE a AND FROM B TO C IN THE EAST AND NORTH DIRECTIONS BE a' AND b' RESPECTIVELY. THEN WE CAN SEE THAT THE COMPONENT OF THE DISPLACEMENT VECTOR FROM A TO C IN THE EAST DIRECTION IS $a + a'$ AND IN THE NORTH DIRECTION IS $b + b'$.

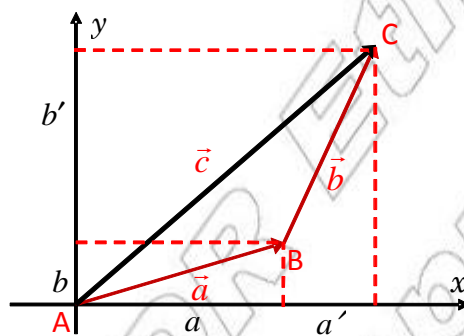


Figure 7.17

FROM THIS, WE CAN CONCLUDE THAT $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{c}$ OR $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{c}$.

WE SHALL DISCUSS ADDITION OF VECTORS USING TWO OTHER LAWS: THE **parallelogram law** OF ADDITION OF VECTORS.

Group Work 7.3

- 1 DISCUSS THE TRIANGLE LAW OF VECTOR ADDITION
- 2 DISCUSS THE PARALLELOGRAM LAW OF VECTOR ADDITION
- 3 WHAT RELATION AND DIFFERENCE DO BOTH LAWS HAVE?



Triangle law of addition of vectors

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING (1).

OBSERVE THAT $\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} = \vec{AC}$.

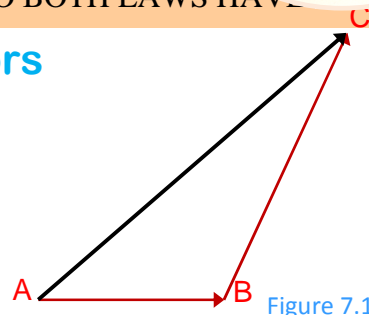


Figure 7.18

Definition 7.3 Triangle law of vector addition

Let \vec{a} AND \vec{b} be two vectors in a coordinate system. If $\vec{a} = \overrightarrow{AB}$ AND $\vec{b} = \overrightarrow{BC}$ then their sum, $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}$ is the vector represented by the directed line segment \overrightarrow{AC} . That is $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} = \overrightarrow{AC}$.

ACTIVITY 7.4



1 CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING. DETERMINE THE SUM OF EACH PAIR OF VECTORS

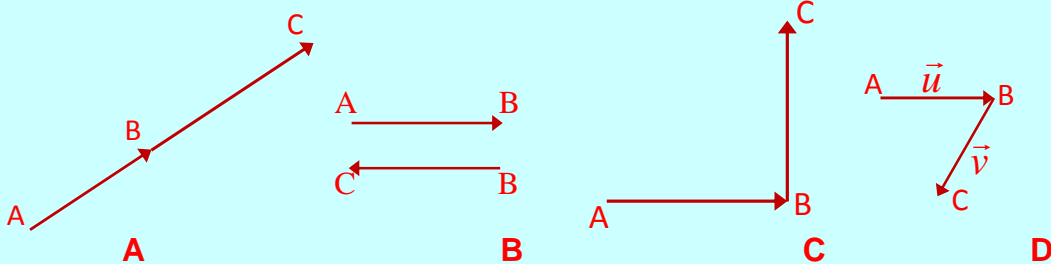


Figure 7.19

BY WRITING VECTOR $\overrightarrow{AD} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}$, WE ARE LOOKING FOR THAT VECTOR POINT IS A AND WHOSE TERMINAL POINT IS C. \overrightarrow{AC} IS SOMETIMES CALLED THE **resultant displacement**.

VECTOR ADDITION CAN BE DONE EITHER GRAPHICALLY OR BY SEPARATE COMPONENTS. WE SHALL DISCUSS THE ADDITION OF VECTOR COMPONENTS IN THE NEXT UNIT.

EXAMPLE 1 A CAR TRAVELS 4 KM TO THE NORTH AND $4\sqrt{3}$ KM TO THE EAST. WHAT IS THE DISPLACEMENT OF THE CAR FROM ITS INITIAL POSITION?

SOLUTION:

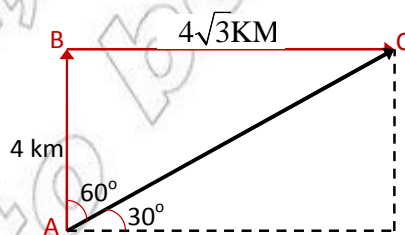


Figure 7.20

THE MAGNITUDE $\sqrt{4^2 + (4\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{16 + 48} = \sqrt{64} = 8$ AND

$\tan(\angle BAC) = \frac{\text{OPPOSITE}}{\text{ADJACENT}} = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$. THEREFORE, $\angle BAC = 60^\circ$

SO THE DISPLACEMENT IS \overrightarrow{AC} , WHICH IS 8 KM IN THE DIRECTION 60° EAST.

EXAMPLE 2 A PERSON MOVED 10 M TO THE EAST FROM A TO B AND THEN 10 M TO THE WEST FROM B TO A. FIND THE RESULTANT DISPLACEMENT.

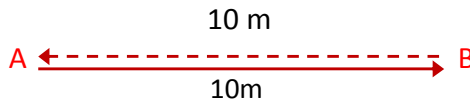


Figure 7.21

SOLUTION: HERE WE SEE THAT THE PERSON ENDS UP AT A, HENCE THE RESULTANT DISPLACEMENT IS ZERO. FROM THIS WE SEE THAT IF $\vec{AB} = \vec{BA}$, THEN THE SUM OF THESE VECTORS $\vec{AB} + \vec{BA}$ VANISHES IN THE SENSE THAT THE INITIAL POINT AND TERMINAL POINT COINCIDE. SUCH A VECTOR IS CALLED AS A NULL VECTOR AND IS DENOTED BY OR SIMPLY 0. $\vec{AB} + \vec{BA} = 0$.

GIVEN \vec{AC} , IF \vec{u} IS A VECTOR PARALLEL TO \vec{AC} BUT IN OPPOSITE DIRECTION, THEN \vec{u} IS AN OPPOSITE VECTOR TO \vec{AC} . $-\vec{AC}$ REPRESENTS THE VECTOR EQUAL IN MAGNITUDE BUT OPPOSITE IN DIRECTION TO \vec{AC} THAT IS, $\vec{AC} = -\vec{CA}$. NOTICE THAT $\vec{AC} + \vec{CA} = \vec{AC} - \vec{AC} = 0$

EXAMPLE 3 THE FOLLOWING ARE ALL OPPOSITE TO VECTOR \vec{AC} .

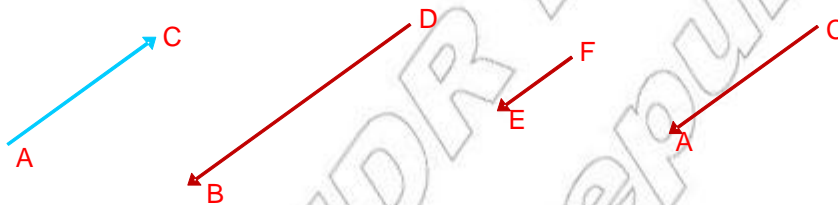


Figure 7.22

THAT IS, VECTORS \vec{DB} AND \vec{FE} ARE ALL OPPOSITE TO \vec{AC} (BUT NOT EQUAL IN MAGNITUDE)

EXAMPLE 4 CONSIDER THE VECTORS \vec{CA} , \vec{CB} AND \vec{AD} . DETERMINE THE FOLLOWING VECTORS.

- A** $\vec{AC} + \vec{CB}$
- B** $\vec{AC} + \vec{CA} + \vec{AD}$
- C** $\vec{AC} + \vec{CB} + \vec{BD}$
- D** $\vec{AC} + \vec{CB} + \vec{BD} + \vec{DA}$

SOLUTION:

- A** $\vec{AC} + \vec{CB} = \vec{AB}$
- B** $\vec{AC} + \vec{CA} + \vec{AD} = \vec{AD}$
- C** $\vec{AC} + \vec{CB} + \vec{BD} = \vec{AD}$
- D** $\vec{AC} + \vec{CB} + \vec{BD} + \vec{DA} = \vec{0}$

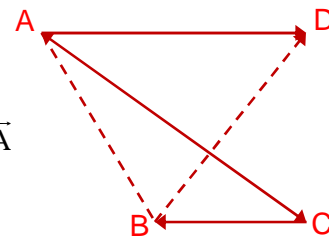


Figure 7.23

Parallelogram law of addition of vectors

IN THE ABOVE, WE SAW HOW THE TRIANGLE LAW OF ADDITION OF VECTORS IS APPLIED. THE INITIAL POINT OF ONE VECTOR IS THE TERMINAL POINT OF THE OTHER. WE MAY SOME TIMES HAVE TWO VECTORS WHOSE INITIAL POINT IS THE SAME, YET WE NEED TO FIND THEIR SUM.

ACTIVITY 7.5

CONSIDER THE VECTORS \vec{AC} AND \vec{AD} AS GIVEN BELOW.

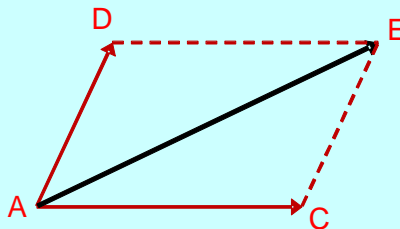


Figure 7.24

DISCUSS HOW $\vec{AC} + \vec{AD}$ IS REPRESENTED.

FROM PREVIOUS DISCUSSION YOU NOTICE THAT IF TWO VECTORS HAVE THE SAME DIRECTION, THEN THEY CAN BE ADDED.

IN FIGURE 7.25 \vec{AD} AND \vec{CE} ARE EQUAL. SO $\vec{AC} + \vec{AD}$ AND $\vec{AC} + \vec{CE}$ REPRESENT THE SAME VECTOR. FROM TRIANGLE $\vec{AC} + \vec{CE} = \vec{AE}$

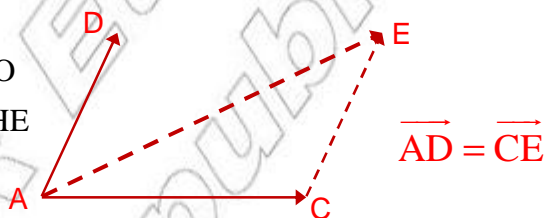


Figure 7.25

THEREFORE $\vec{AC} + \vec{AD} = \vec{AE}$.

NOW LET'S SEE HOW WE CAN CONSTRUCT A PARALLELOGRAM TO FIND THE SUM OF TWO VECTORS (WITH THE SAME INITIAL POINT) AND THE DIAGONAL OF THE CONSTRUCTED PARALLELOGRAM IS THE RESULTANT VECTOR.

EXAMPLE 5 GIVEN THE VECTORS \vec{AC} , \vec{AE} , \vec{AD} , \vec{AF} , \vec{AK} AND \vec{AG} DESCRIBED IN FIGURE 7.26, DETERMINE THE FOLLOWING VECTORS.

- A $\vec{AC} + \vec{AE}$
- B $\vec{AC} + \vec{AD}$
- C $\vec{AE} + \vec{AD}$

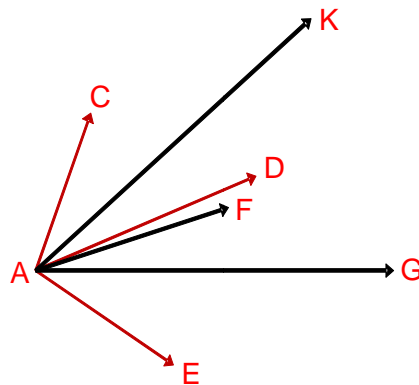


Figure 7.26

SOLUTION: CONSTRUCT A PARALLELOGRAM TO FIND THE RESULTANT VECTOR.

- A $\vec{AC} + \vec{AE} = \vec{AF}$
- B $\vec{AC} + \vec{AD} = \vec{AK}$
- C $\vec{AE} + \vec{AD} = \vec{AG}$

Subtraction of vectors

Group Work 7.4

IF YOU HAVE VECTORS \vec{AB} , \vec{BC} AND \vec{AC} SUCH THAT $\vec{AC} = \vec{AB} + \vec{BC}$

- A** HOW WOULD YOU REPRESENT $-\vec{AB}$ GEOMETRICALLY?
- B** CAN YOU SHOW GEOMETRICALLY $\vec{AC} - \vec{AB} = \vec{BC}$?
- C** DISCUSS VECTOR SUBTRACTION AND MULTIPLICATION OF A VECTOR
- D** HOW DO YOU REPRESENT VECTOR SUBTRACTION AND SCALAR MULTIPLICATION GEOMETRICALLY



YOU HAVE DISCUSSED DEFINITION OF VECTORS THAT ARE GEOMETRICALLY DESCRIBED BY THEIR INITIAL POINT AND TERMINAL POINT WITHOUT CONSIDERING THEIR MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION. HOW DO YOU REPRESENT VECTOR SUBTRACTION AND SCALAR MULTIPLICATION GEOMETRICALLY?

ACTIVITY 7.6

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING VECTORS \vec{AC} AND \vec{AD} . WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT OTHER VECTORS IN THE TRIANGLES DESCRIBED?

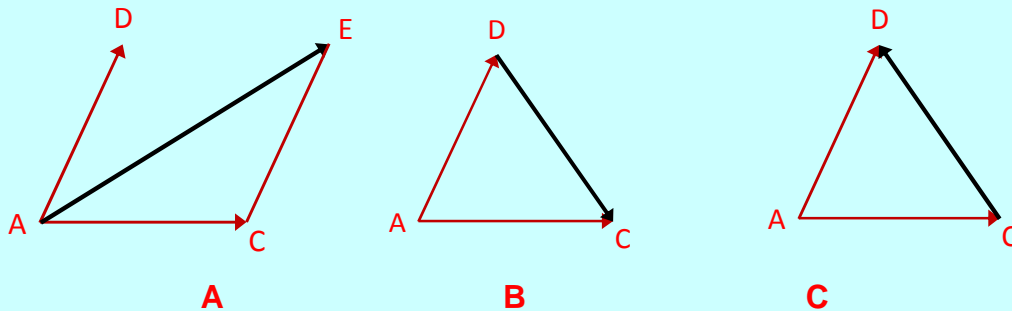


Figure 7.27

FROM ADDITION OF VECTORS, WE HAVE $\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} = \vec{AC}$, FROM WHICH WE CAN SAY $\vec{BC} = \vec{AC} - \vec{AB}$.

EXAMPLE 6 DESCRIBE THE VECTORS \vec{BC} AND \vec{BD} AND DETERMINE THEM IN TERMS OF \vec{AC} AND \vec{AD} .

SOLUTION: $\vec{BD} = \vec{BC} + \vec{CD}$ FROM TRIANGLE LAW

THEREFORE, $\vec{BD} = \vec{AC} - \vec{AB} + \vec{CD}$.

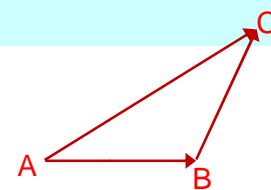


Figure 7.28

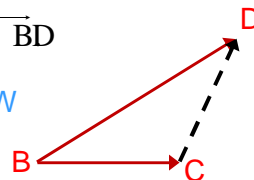


Figure 7.29

Multiplication of vectors by scalars

ACTIVITY 7.7



CONSIDER A VECTOR \vec{AC} AND DETERMINE

- A** $\vec{AC} + \vec{AC}$ **B** $\vec{AC} + \vec{AC} + \vec{AC}$ **C** $-\vec{AC} - \vec{AC} - \vec{AC}$

WHAT DO YOU OBSERVE? IT SEEMS VERY EASY TO SEE THAT $\vec{AC} + \vec{AC} = 2\vec{AC}$. GEOMETRICALLY THIS MEANS WE ARE DOUBLING THE MAGNITUDE (LENGTH) OF \vec{AC} WITHOUT CHANGING DIRECTION.

IN THE SAME WAY IF WE HAVE \vec{AC} , $\frac{1}{2}\vec{AC}$, $-\vec{AC}$ AND $-2\vec{AC}$, THEN $3\vec{AC}$ WE ARE

TRIPLING THE MAGNITUDE AND $\frac{1}{2}\vec{AC}$ WE ARE TAKING HALF OF THE MAGNITUDE OF \vec{AC} .

WHAT DO YOU THINK $-\vec{AC}$ MEANS?

IF WE HAVE $k\vec{AC}$ WHERE k IS ANY REAL NUMBER, THEN DEPENDING ON k EITHER WE ARE ENLARGING THE VECTOR OR WE ARE SHORTENING THE VECTOR. IF $k > 0$, THE DIRECTION OF $k\vec{AC}$ AND \vec{AC} ARE THE SAME, IF $k < 0$, THEN THE VECTORS $k\vec{AC}$ AND \vec{AC} ARE IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS.

Scalar multiplication of a vector

Definition 7.4

Let \vec{AC} be any given vector and k be any real number. The vector $k\vec{AC}$ is the vector whose magnitude is k times the magnitude of \vec{AC} and,

- A** the direction of $k\vec{AC}$ is the same as the direction of \vec{AC} if $k > 0$
B the direction of $k\vec{AC}$ is opposite to that of \vec{AC} if $k < 0$.

EXAMPLE 7 FIGURE 7.30 SHOWS VECTOR \vec{AB} AND THE RESULT OF MULTIPLYING IT BY 2 AND THE RESULT OF MULTIPLYING BY -1 .

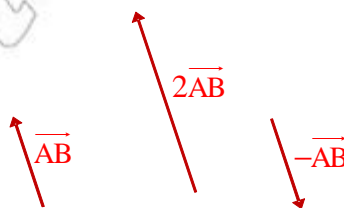


Figure 7.30

EXAMPLE 8 CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING VECTORS.

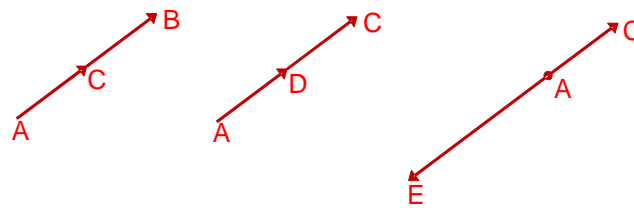


Figure 7.31

$$\overline{AB} = 2\overline{AC}, \overline{AD} = \frac{1}{2}\overline{AC} \text{ AND } \overline{AE} = -2\overline{AC}$$

Note: IF $k \neq 0$, THEN ANY VECTOR $k\overline{AC}$ AND \overline{AC} ARE PARALLEL VECTORS.

Exercise 7.2

- 1 ALMAZ WALKS 3 M SOUTH AND THEN 4.35 M WEST. WHAT IS HER DISPLACEMENT FROM INITIAL POINT?
- 2 SIMON MOVES 2 KM WEST FROM A AND 5 KM NORTH TOWARDS B. WHAT IS DISPLACEMENT OF SIMON FROM A TO B?
- 3 BY DRAWING TIP TO TAIL ADD THE FOLLOWING THREE VECTORS:
 $\vec{u} = 25.0 \text{ M NORTH}$, $\vec{v} = 35.0 \text{ M AT } 45 \text{ DEGREES EAST OF NORTH}$ AND $\vec{w} = 12.0 \text{ M EAST}$.
- 4 FROM FIGURE 7.32, GIVE A SINGLE VECTOR TO REPRESENT THE FOLLOWING
A $\overline{AC} + \overline{CB}$ **B** $\overline{AD} - \overline{AC}$

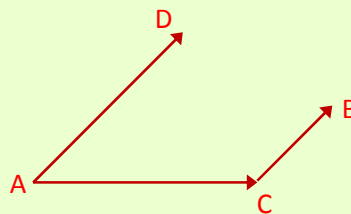


Figure 7.32

- 5 IF $\vec{u} = 20 \text{ M DUE NORTH}$ AND $\vec{v} = 10 \text{ M AT } 30 \text{ DEGREES E OF N}$, FIND $\vec{u} - \vec{v}$
- 6 FROM THE VECTOR GIVEN HERE, DRAW
A $-3\overline{AC}$ **B** $\frac{4}{3}\overline{AC}$ **C** $4\overline{AC}$ **D** $-\overline{AC}$

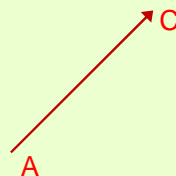


Figure 7.33

7.4 POSITION VECTOR OF A POINT

UP UNTIL NOW, YOU HAVE USED THE GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION OF VECTORS. WE WILL NOW DISCUSS COMPONENTS OF VECTORS, AND VECTOR OPERATIONS THAT INCLUDE MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION BY THE USE OF COMPONENTS OF A VECTOR. YOU WILL ALSO LEARN HOW TO USE VECTORS TO DESCRIBE THE POSITION OF A POINT IN A COORDINATE SYSTEM.

Group Work 7.5

- 1 CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING VECTORS, WHICH ARE REPRESENTED IN A COORDINATE SYSTEM. MOVE EACH VECTOR SO THAT ITS INITIAL POINT IS AT THE ORIGIN.
 - A HOW DO YOU DIFFERENTIATE ONE VECTOR FROM ANOTHER?
 - B THE INITIAL POINT OF ANY OF THOSE VECTORS IS $(0, 0)$. HOW DO YOU EXPRESS THE POSITION OF THE TERMINAL POINT?

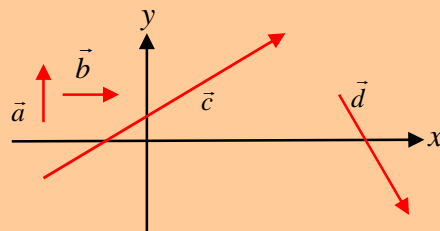


Figure 7.34

- 2 IF \vec{AB} IS THE VECTOR WITH INITIAL POINT $A = (1, 2)$ AND THE TERMINAL POINT $B = (3, 4)$, WILL ITS TERMINAL POINT BE IF ITS INITIAL POINT IS MOVED TO THE ORIGIN?
- 3 IF $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ REPRESENTS A VECTOR WITH INITIAL POINT AT THE ORIGIN, THEN HOW DO YOU EXPRESS THE POSITION OF THE TERMINAL POINT IN TERMS OF THE COORDINATES $(2, 0)$ AND $(0, 5)$?

FROM PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS, NOTICE THAT THE VECTORS REPRESENTED IN FIGURE 7.35 THAT HAVE DIFFERENT INITIAL POINTS ARE EQUAL. OF THESE VECTORS, THE ONE WHOSE INITIAL POINT IS THE ORIGIN IS CALLED THE **position vector** (OR SIMPLY, THE **position vector**).

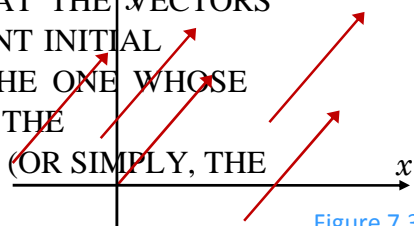


Figure 7.35

ANALYTICALLY, WE USUALLY EXPRESS VECTORS IN COMPONENT FORM. WE DO THIS BY REPRESENTING THE VECTOR WITH THE ORIGIN AS ITS INITIAL POINT AND WRITE THE COORDINATES OF THE TERMINAL POINT AS A “COLUMN VECTOR”. FOR EXAMPLE, IN TWO-DIMENSIONS, THE POSITION VECTOR OF A POINT $P(x, y)$ IS

(0, 0) AND P IS THE POINT THEN $\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$.

Note: SUCH COLUMN VECTORS ARE WRITTEN VERTICALLY, TO DISTINGUISH THEM FROM POINTS. THE POSITION VECTOR OF A POINT $P(x, y)$ IS $\vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$. ITS GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION IS AS GIVEN BELOW.

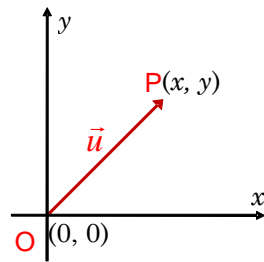


Figure 7.36

SINCE THE VECTOR $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ HAS $O(0, 0)$ AS ITS INITIAL POINT AND $P(x, y)$ AS ITS TERMINAL POINT, ITS MAGNITUDE IS $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ WHICH IS THE LENGTH OF THE DIRECT LINE FROM $O(0, 0)$ TO $P(x, y)$.

ACTIVITY 7.8



CONSIDER A VECTOR $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

- 1 REPRESENT IT GEOMETRICALLY.
- 2 APPLYING THE TRIANGLE LAW OF VECTOR ADDITION, DETERMINE THE COMPONENTS OF \vec{u} .
- 3 FIND THE MAGNITUDE OF \vec{u} .
- 4 DETERMINE THE DIRECTION OF \vec{u} .

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

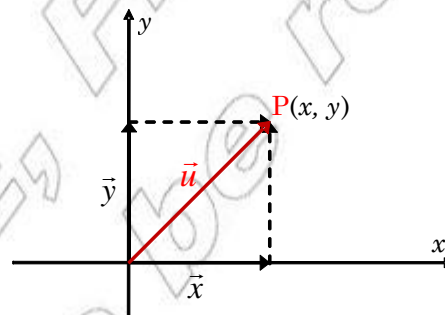


Figure 7.37

YOU CAN SEE THAT THE VECTOR \vec{u} CAN BE EXPRESSED AS THE SUM OF THE VECTORS \vec{x} AND \vec{y} AS $\vec{u} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}$ FROM THE TRIANGLE LAW OF VECTOR ADDITION WHERE $\vec{x} = x\vec{i}$ AND $\vec{y} = y\vec{j}$ IN WHICH $\vec{i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ AND $\vec{j} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. FROM THIS, WHEN $\vec{u} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j}$, THE VECTORS $x\vec{i}$ AND $y\vec{j}$ IN $\vec{u} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j}$ ARE CALLED COMPONENTS OF \vec{u} .

THESE COMPONENTS ARE USEFUL IN DETERMINING THE DIRECTION OF \vec{u} .

EXAMPLE 1 REPRESENT THE FOLLOWING VECTOR AS A POSITION VECTOR.

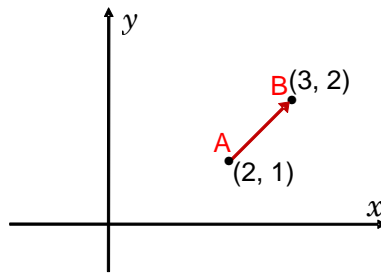


Figure 7.38

TO REPRESENT A POSITION VECTOR \vec{AB} WE NEED TO CONSTRUCT A VECTOR WHICH HAS THE SAME LENGTH AND SAME DIRECTION AS \vec{AB} . IF \vec{AB} IS A VECTOR, WE NEED TO CONSTRUCT A VECTOR WHOSE ORIGIN IS $(0, 0)$ AND WHOSE TERMINAL POINT IS $(x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1)$ WHERE (x_1, y_1) IS THE INITIAL POINT AND (x_2, y_2) IS THE TERMINAL POINT OF THE GIVEN VECTOR.

HENCE THE POSITION VECTOR OF \vec{AB} IS

$$\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ OR } \vec{u} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} \text{ WHERE } \vec{i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ AND } \vec{j} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

FROM THIS, WE CAN DETERMINE THE MAGNITUDE AND THE DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR

EXAMPLE 2 FOR THE VECTOR GIVEN BY ITS GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION IS GIVEN BELOW. FIND THE MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR.

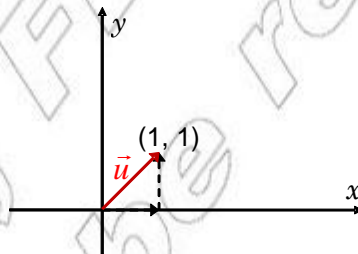


Figure 7.39

SOLUTION: FROM THIS GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION AND FROM THE TRIGONOMETRY THAT YOU DISCUSSED IN CHAPTER FIVE, WE CAN DETERMINE THE DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR.

$$\text{TAN} = \frac{\text{OPPOSITE}}{\text{ADJACENT}} \Rightarrow \text{TAN} = \frac{1}{1} \text{ THE ACUTE ANGLE WHOSE TANGENT VALUE IS 1 IS } 45^\circ$$

HENCE, THE DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR IS 45°

$$\text{THE MAGNITUDE OF THE VECTOR IS } \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (1-0)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

EXAMPLE 3 FIND THE POSITION VECTOR OF THE FOLLOWING VECTORS WHOSE INITIAL POINTS AND TERMINAL POINTS ARE AS GIVEN BELOW.

- A** INITIAL POINT (1, 2) AND TERMINAL POINT (2, 5)
- B** INITIAL POINT (1, 3) AND TERMINAL POINT (1, 4)

SOLUTION:

A THE POSITION VECTOR OF THE VECTOR WHOSE INITIAL POINT IS (1, 2) AND TERMINAL POINT IS (2, 5) IS $(2-1, 5-2) = (1, 3)$.

THAT IS, $\vec{a} = \vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$ WHICH WILL BE REPRESENTED AS $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

B THE POSITION VECTOR OF THE VECTOR WHOSE INITIAL POINT IS (1, 3) AND TERMINAL POINT IS (1, 4) IS $(1-1, 4-3) = (0, 1)$. THAT IS, $\vec{b} = 0\vec{i} + 1\vec{j}$ WHICH WILL BE $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

THE GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION OF THESE VECTORS IS GIVEN BELOW.

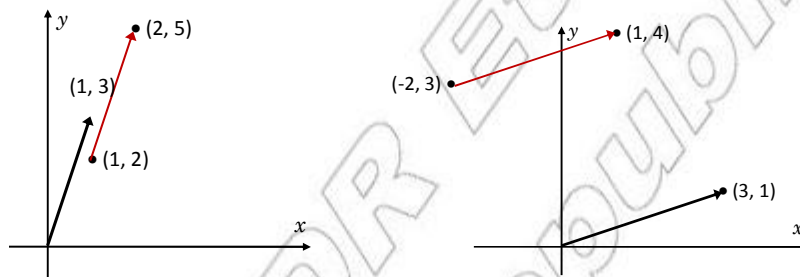


Figure 7.40

Exercise 7.3

1 WRITE EACH THE FOLLOWING POSITION VECTORS IN **FIGURE 7.41** AS COLUMN VECTORS.

- A** \vec{OA} **B** \vec{OB}
- C** \vec{OC} **D** \vec{OD}

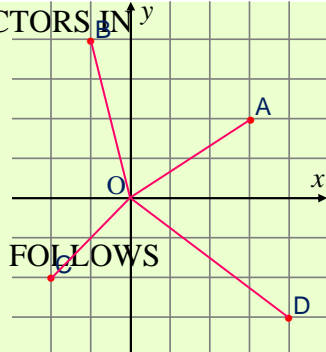


Figure 7.41

2 THE COORDINATES OF SOME POINTS ARE AS FOLLOWS

P (2, 5), Q (-1, -2), R (0, -4) AND S (3, 7)

WHAT IS THE POSITION VECTOR OF

- A** Q RELATIVE TO P? **B** R RELATIVE TO S? **C** S RELATIVE TO Q?

3 THE POSITION VECTOR OF X RELATIVE TO Y IS $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$.

- A** WHAT IS THE POSITION VECTOR OF Y RELATIVE TO X?
- B** IF X HAS COORDINATES (2, -5) WHAT ARE THE COORDINATES OF Y?

- 11 A VECTOR THAT HAS NO MAGNITUDE AND DIRECTION IS CALLED A ZERO VECTOR $\vec{0}$.
- 12 THE DIAGONAL OF A PARALLELOGRAM IS THE SUM OF ITS SIDES. THIS IS CALLED THE **Parallelogram Law**.
- 13 SUBTRACTION OF VECTORS $\vec{AB} - \vec{AC} = \vec{CB}$ IS THE SAME AS $\vec{AC} + \vec{CB} = \vec{AB}$.
- 14 MULTIPLYING A VECTOR BY A SCALAR ENLARGES OR SHORTENS THE VECTOR. IF IT ENLARGES THE VECTOR AND IF IT SHORTENS THE VECTOR, THE DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR IS UNCHANGED; MULTIPLYING A VECTOR BY A NEGATIVE SCALAR CHANGES THE DIRECTION OF THE VECTOR INTO THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION.
- 15 IF THE INITIAL AND TERMINAL POINTS OF A VECTOR ARE $P(x_1, y_1)$ AND $Q(x_2, y_2)$ RESPECTIVELY, THEN ITS POSITION VECTOR CAN BE CALCULATED AS \vec{PQ} AND IS DENOTED BY $\begin{pmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ y_2 - y_1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Review Exercises on Unit 7

- 1 DESCRIBE WHAT IS MEANT BY SCALAR AND VECTOR QUANTITIES.
- 2 WRITE DOWN SOME EXAMPLES OF SCALAR AND VECTOR QUANTITIES.
- 3 HOW DO YOU REPRESENT A VECTOR GEOMETRICALLY?
- 4 SKETCH A VECTOR WHOSE MAGNITUDE IS 3 CM IN THE DIRECTION OF
 - A EAST
 - B NORTH EAST
- 5 SKETCH A VECTOR OF LENGTH 5 CM WHOSE DIRECTION IS
 - A NORTH EAST
 - B WEST
 - C SOUTH EAST
- 6 WHEN ARE TWO VECTORS PARALLEL?
- 7 SHOW, BY A DIAGRAM, THAT THE SUM OF TWO VECTORS \vec{AB} AND \vec{BC} IS \vec{AC} .
- 8 IF THE MAGNITUDE OF \vec{AC} IS 4 CM, FIND THE MAGNITUDE OF
 - A $3\vec{AC}$
 - B $\frac{1}{4}\vec{AC}$
 - C $-\vec{AC}$
- 9 IF A IS THE POINT (2, 4) AND B IS THE POINT (6, 0), WHAT IS THE POSITION VECTOR OF B RELATIVE TO A?
- 10 THE POSITION VECTOR OF P (RELATIVE TO THE ORIGIN) IS $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$. IF THE MAGNITUDE OF \vec{OP} IS 5 UNITS, FIND THE SET OF ALL POSSIBLE VALUES OF $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$.

Table of Trigonometric Functions

	sin	cos	tan	cot	sec	csc	
0°	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000	1.000	90°
1°	0.0175	0.9998	0.0175	57.29	1.000	57.30	89°
2°	0.0349	0.9994	0.0349	28.64	1.001	28.65	88°
3°	0.0523	0.9986	0.0524	19.08	1.001	19.11	87°
4°	0.0698	0.9976	0.0699	14.30	1.002	14.34	86°
5°	0.0872	0.9962	0.0875	11.43	1.004	11.47	85°
6°	0.1045	0.9945	0.1051	9.514	1.006	9.567	84°
7°	0.1219	0.9925	0.1228	8.144	1.008	8.206	83°
8°	0.1392	0.9903	0.1405	7.115	1.010	7.185	82°
9°	0.1564	0.9877	0.1584	6.314	1.012	6.392	81°
10°	0.1736	0.9848	0.1763	5.671	1.015	5.759	80°
11°	0.1908	0.9816	0.1944	5.145	1.019	5.241	79°
12°	0.2079	0.9781	0.2126	4.705	1.022	4.810	78°
13°	0.2250	0.9744	0.2309	4.331	1.026	4.445	77°
14°	0.2419	0.9703	0.2493	4.011	1.031	4.134	76°
15°	0.2588	0.9659	0.2679	3.732	1.035	3.864	75°
16°	0.2756	0.9613	0.2867	3.487	1.040	3.628	74°
17°	0.2924	0.9563	0.3057	3.271	1.046	3.420	73°
18°	0.3090	0.9511	0.3249	3.078	1.051	3.236	72°
19°	0.3256	0.9455	0.3443	2.904	1.058	3.072	71°
20°	0.3420	0.9397	0.3640	2.747	1.064	2.924	70°
21°	0.3584	0.9336	0.3839	2.605	1.071	2.790	69°
22°	0.3746	0.9272	0.4040	2.475	1.079	2.669	68°
23°	0.3907	0.9205	0.4245	2.356	1.086	2.559	67°
24°	0.4067	0.9135	0.4452	2.246	1.095	2.459	66°
25°	0.4226	0.9063	0.4663	2.145	1.103	2.366	65°
26°	0.4384	0.8988	0.4877	2.050	1.113	2.281	64°
27°	0.4540	0.8910	0.5095	1.963	1.122	2.203	63°
28°	0.4695	0.8829	0.5317	1.881	1.133	2.130	62°
29°	0.4848	0.8746	0.5543	1.804	1.143	2.063	61°
30°	0.5000	0.8660	0.5774	1.732	1.155	2.000	60°
31°	0.5150	0.8572	0.6009	1.664	1.167	1.942	59°
32°	0.5299	0.8480	0.6249	1.600	1.179	1.887	58°
33°	0.5446	0.8387	0.6494	1.540	1.192	1.836	57°
34°	0.5592	0.8290	0.6745	1.483	1.206	1.788	56°
35°	0.5736	0.8192	0.7002	1.428	1.221	1.743	55°
36°	0.5878	0.8090	0.7265	1.376	1.236	1.701	54°
37°	0.6018	0.7986	0.7536	1.327	1.252	1.662	53°
38°	0.6157	0.7880	0.7813	1.280	1.269	1.624	52°
39°	0.6293	0.7771	0.8098	1.235	1.287	1.589	51°
40°	0.6428	0.7660	0.8391	1.192	1.305	1.556	50°
41°	0.6561	0.7547	0.8693	1.150	1.325	1.524	49°
42°	0.6691	0.7431	0.9004	1.111	1.346	1.494	48°
43°	0.6820	0.7314	0.9325	1.072	1.367	1.466	47°
44°	0.6947	0.7193	0.9667	1.036	1.390	1.440	46°
45°	0.7071	0.7071	1.0000	1.000	1.414	1.414	45°
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