

WEEK-IN-REVIEW 1 (VECTORS PART 1)

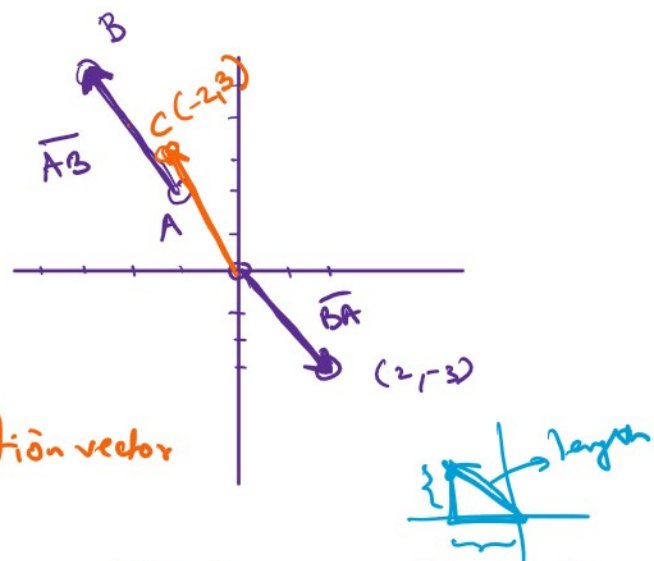
**Problem 1.** A vector starts at the initial point  $A(-1, 2)$  and ends at  $B(-3, 5)$ .

- ✓(1) Draw the vector. Then sketch the position vector.
- ✓(2) Find the vector  $\vec{AB}$ .
- ✓(3) Find the magnitude of  $\vec{AB}$  and the unit vector of  $\vec{AB}$ .
- ✓(4) What is vector  $\vec{BA}$ ?

$\langle -1, 2 \rangle$  final  
 $\langle 3, 5 \rangle$

②  $\overset{B}{\text{final}} - \overset{A}{\text{initial}}$   
 $= (-3, 5) - (-1, 2)$   
 $= (-3 - (-1), 5 - 2)$   
 $= (-2, 3)$

$\boxed{\vec{AB} = \langle -2, 3 \rangle}$  → position vector



③ magnitude is length (Pythagorean theorem)  
 $|\vec{AB}| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (3)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 9} = \boxed{\sqrt{13}}$

direction unit vector  $\vec{AB}$  → vector of length 1 along  $\vec{AB}$

unit vector  $\vec{AB} = \frac{\vec{AB}}{|\vec{AB}|} = \frac{\langle -2, 3 \rangle}{\sqrt{13}}$   
 $= \langle \frac{-2}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \rangle$

④ vector  $\vec{BA} = \underset{A}{\text{final}} - \underset{B}{\text{initial}}$   
 $= (-1, 2) - (-3, 5)$

$$= (-1, 2) - (-3, 5)$$

$$= (-1+3, 2-5)$$

$$\boxed{\vec{BA} = \langle 2, -3 \rangle}$$

$$= - \langle -2, 3 \rangle$$

$$= - \vec{AB}$$

$$\vec{AB} \neq \vec{BA}$$

$$\vec{AB} = - \vec{BA}$$

**Problem 2.** Given two vectors  $\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$  and  $\vec{b} = 3\vec{i} - 2\vec{j}$ , find the following

- ✓(1)  $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$
- ✓(2)  $3\vec{a} + 4\vec{b} - \vec{i}$
- ✓(3) A vector of length 5 in the direction of  $\vec{a}$ .
- ✓(4) A unit vector in the direction opposite to  $\vec{b}$ .

Basis vectors.

$$\hat{i} = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\hat{j} = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{a} = 2\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{b} = 3\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} = \langle 3, -2 \rangle$$

①  $|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$  ← length of vector  $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \vec{a} - \vec{b} &= \langle 2, 3 \rangle - \langle 3, -2 \rangle \\ &= \langle -1, 5 \rangle = \vec{c} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } |\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (5)^2} = \sqrt{26}$$

②  $3\vec{a} + 4\vec{b} - \vec{i}$

$$= 3\langle 2, 3 \rangle + 4\langle 3, -2 \rangle - \langle 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 6, 9 \rangle + \langle 12, -8 \rangle - \langle 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle (6+12-1), (9-8-0) \rangle$$

$$= \langle 17, 1 \rangle \text{ Ans.}$$

③  $\vec{a} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$

$$\text{a) unit vector } \vec{a} = \frac{\langle 2, 3 \rangle}{\sqrt{4+9}} = \frac{\langle 2, 3 \rangle}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$= \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle$$

$$= \langle \sqrt{13}, \sqrt{13} \rangle$$

b) vector of length 5 along  $\vec{a}$

(unit vector  $\vec{a}$ )  $\times$  5

$$= 5 \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \frac{10}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{15}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \vec{b} = \langle 3, -2 \rangle$$

$$\text{unit vector } \vec{b} = \frac{\langle 3, -2 \rangle}{\sqrt{9+4}} = \left\langle \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle$$

unit vector in opposite direction =

$$(-1) \left\langle \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle -\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle$$

$$\text{unit-vector } \vec{a} = \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

→ This is direction  
along  $\vec{a}$

Problem 3.

- $\theta = \text{angle made with (+)ve x-axis}$   
 ✓ (1) Find the ~~slope~~ <sup>angle</sup> that the vector  $\vec{a} = \langle 1, \sqrt{3} \rangle$  makes with the positive  $x$ -axis.  
 (2) Find the direction that the vector  $\vec{b} = \langle -1, \sqrt{3} \rangle$  makes with the positive  $x$ -axis.  
 (3) Find the direction that the vector  $\vec{c} = \langle -1, -\sqrt{3} \rangle$  makes with the positive  $x$ -axis.  
 (4) Find the direction that the vector  $\vec{d} = \langle 1, -\sqrt{3} \rangle$  makes with the positive  $x$ -axis.

①  $\vec{a} = \langle 1, \sqrt{3} \rangle$

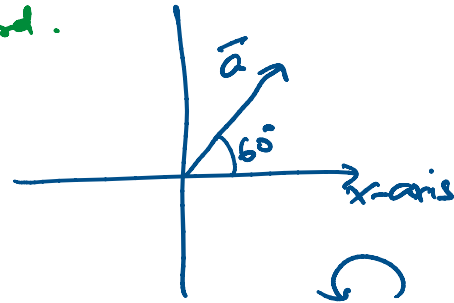
$m = \tan \theta = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{\text{y coord}}{\text{x coord}}$

$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1}\right)$

$= \arctan(\sqrt{3})$

$= 60^\circ$

vector  $\vec{a}$  makes an angle of  $60^\circ$  with (+)ve  $x$ -axis



UNIT CIRCLE

$f/\theta$	$0$	$30^\circ$	$45^\circ$	$60^\circ$	$90^\circ$
	$\sqrt{\frac{0}{4}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{2}{4}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{4}{4}}$
$\sin \theta$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	1
$\cos \theta$	1	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0

$\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \tan \theta$	0	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	1	$\sqrt{3}$	$\infty$ DNE
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$$\text{If } \tan(60^\circ) = \sqrt{3}$$

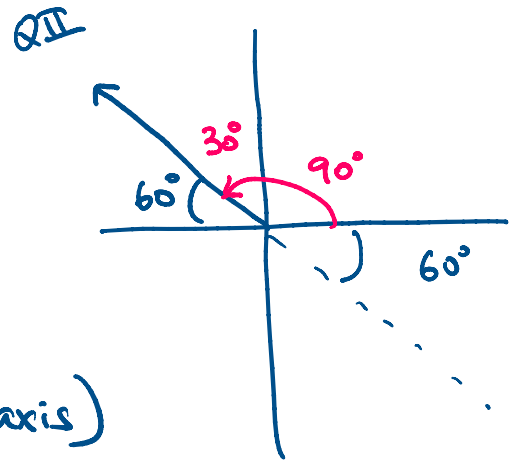
$$\arctan(\sqrt{3}) = 60^\circ$$

②  $\vec{b} = \langle -1, \sqrt{3} \rangle$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{-1}\right)$$

$$= \arctan(-\sqrt{3})$$

$$= -60^\circ \text{ (below x-axis)}$$



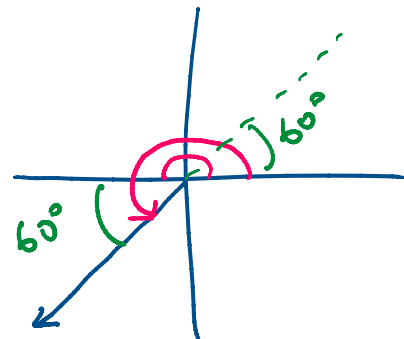
angle that  $\vec{b}$  makes with (+)ve x-axis  
 $= 90^\circ + 30^\circ = 120^\circ$

③  $\vec{c} = \langle -1, -\sqrt{3} \rangle$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{-1}\right)$$

$$= \arctan(\sqrt{3})$$

$$= 60^\circ$$



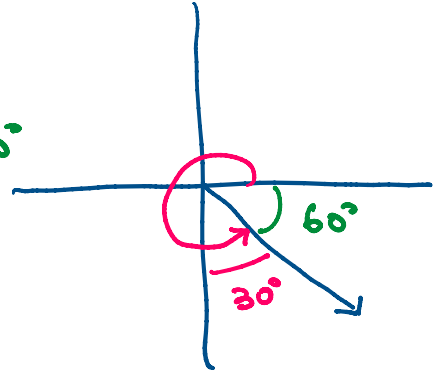
angle made with (+)ve x-axis  $= 60^\circ + 180^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{angle made with (+)ve x-axis} &= 60^\circ + 180^\circ \\ &= 240^\circ \end{aligned}$$

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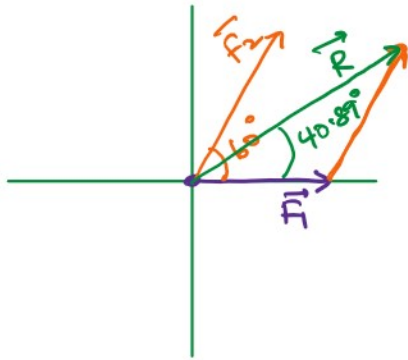
$$\textcircled{4} \quad \vec{a} = \langle 1, -\sqrt{3} \rangle$$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1}\right) = -60^\circ$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{angle} &= 270^\circ + 30^\circ \\ &= 300^\circ \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 4.** Two forces,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , are acting on an object P.  $F_1$  has a magnitude of 2 lbs and acts along the positive  $x$ -axis while  $F_2$  has a magnitude of 4 lbs and acts at an angle of  $60^\circ$  with respect to the positive  $x$ -axis. Find the magnitude and direction of the resultant force acting on P.



$$|\vec{F}_1| = 2 \text{ lbs} \quad \vec{R}$$

$$\vec{F}_1 = \langle 2, 0 \rangle$$

$$|\vec{F}_2| = 4 \text{ lbs}$$

$$\vec{F}_2 = \langle 4 \cos(60^\circ), 4 \sin(60^\circ) \rangle$$

$$= \langle 4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right), 4 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \rangle$$

$$= \langle 2, 2\sqrt{3} \rangle$$

$$\text{Resultant force } \vec{R} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2$$

$$= \langle 2, 0 \rangle + \langle 2, 2\sqrt{3} \rangle$$

$$\vec{R} = \langle 4, 2\sqrt{3} \rangle$$

$$\text{a) magnitude} = |\vec{R}| = \sqrt{(4)^2 + (2\sqrt{3})^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 + 12}$$

$$= \sqrt{28}$$

$$\text{b) direction: } \theta = \arctan\left(\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{4}\right)$$

$$= \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

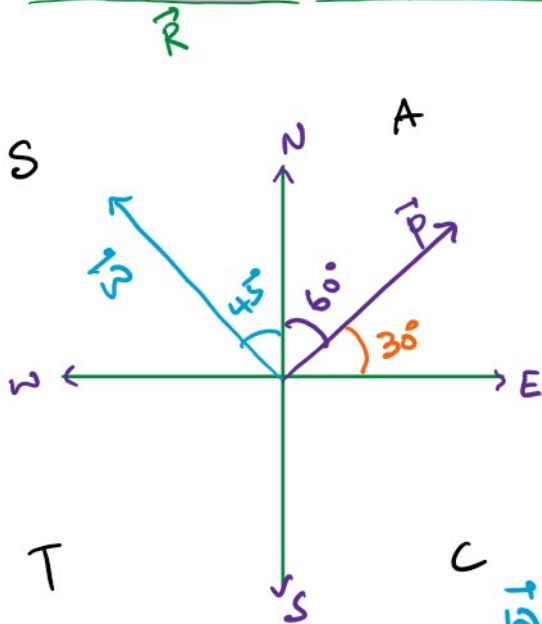
$$= \arctan(0.866)$$

$$= 40.89^\circ \text{ from } (+)ve \text{ } x\text{-axis}$$





**Problem 5.** A pilot steers his plane in the direction  $N60E$  at a speed of 250 kilometers per hour while the wind is blowing in the direction  $N45W$  at a speed of 50 kilometers per hour. Find the true course (in bearings) and the ground speed of the plane.



$$|\vec{p}| = 250$$

$$\vec{p} = \langle (250) \cos 30^\circ, (250) \sin 30^\circ \rangle$$

$$= \langle 250 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right), 250 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \rangle$$

$$\boxed{\vec{p} = \langle 125\sqrt{3}, 125 \rangle}$$

$$|\vec{w}| = 50$$

$$\vec{w} = \langle 50 \cos 135^\circ, 50 \sin 135^\circ \rangle$$

$$= \langle -50 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right), 50 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \rangle$$

$$= \langle -25\sqrt{2}, 25\sqrt{2} \rangle$$

$$\vec{R} = \vec{p} + \vec{w}$$

$$= \langle 125\sqrt{3}, 125 \rangle + \langle -25\sqrt{2}, 25\sqrt{2} \rangle$$

$$\boxed{\vec{R} = \langle 125\sqrt{3} - 25\sqrt{2}, 125 + 25\sqrt{2} \rangle}$$

$$\vec{R} = \langle 181.15, 160.36 \rangle$$

a) Magnitude =  $|\vec{R}| = \sqrt{(181.15)^2 + (160.36)^2}$

$$= 241.93 \text{ km/hr}$$

= speed of plane

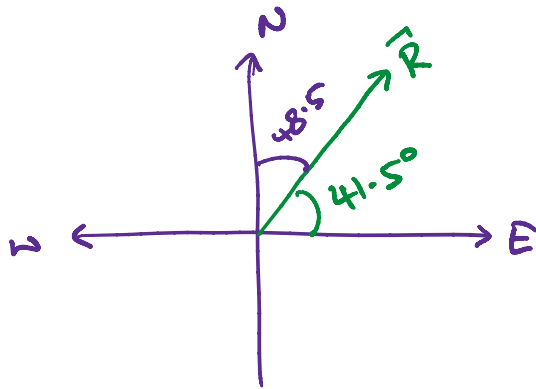
= speed of plane

b) Direction :

$$\theta = \arctan \left( \frac{160.36}{181.15} \right)$$

$$= 41.5^\circ$$

→ angle made with (+)ve x-axis



Bearings:

N 48.5° E

Ans.