

Physics

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What are we going to talk about today?

Ch 2 : Motion in Two Dimension

- **2.1 An Introduction to vectors:**
 - Vectors and Scalars
 - Drawing vectors
 - Multiplying vector by scalar
 - Addition and subtraction of vectors
 - The components of a vector
 - Vector Addition by Components

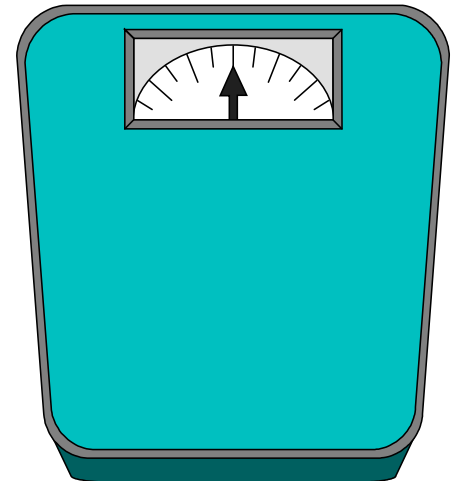
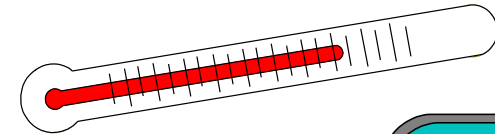
1.2 An introduction to vectors : Scalars quantities

Physical quantities

SCALAR

VECTOR

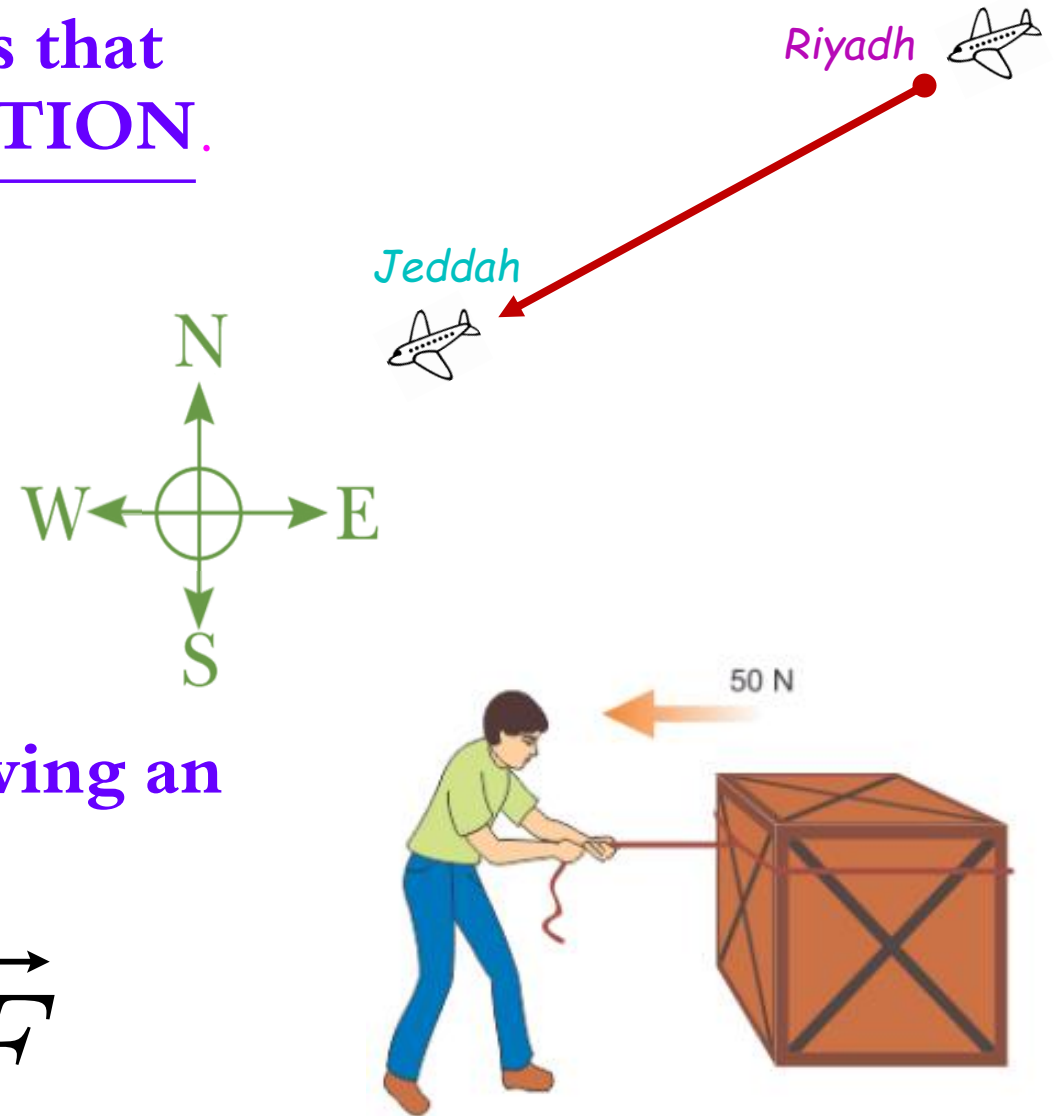
- A **SCALAR** is any quantity in physics that has MAGNITUDE, but **NOT** a direction associated with it.
- Magnitude : A numerical value with units
- **For example:** Temperature (5 Kelvin) is a **scaler** quantity.
Time (5 second) is a **scaler** quantity.
Mass (50 Kg) is a **scaler** quantity.



1.2 An introduction to vectors : Vector quantities

- A **VECTOR** is ANY quantity in physics that has **BOTH** MAGNITUDE and DIRECTION.
- For example: Displacement (3 m, **N**).
Velocity (100 m/s, **WS**).
Force (50 **N**, **W**).
- **Vectors** are typically illustrated by drawing an **ARROW** above the symbol, e.g. :

$$\vec{v}, \vec{x}, \vec{a}, \vec{F}$$

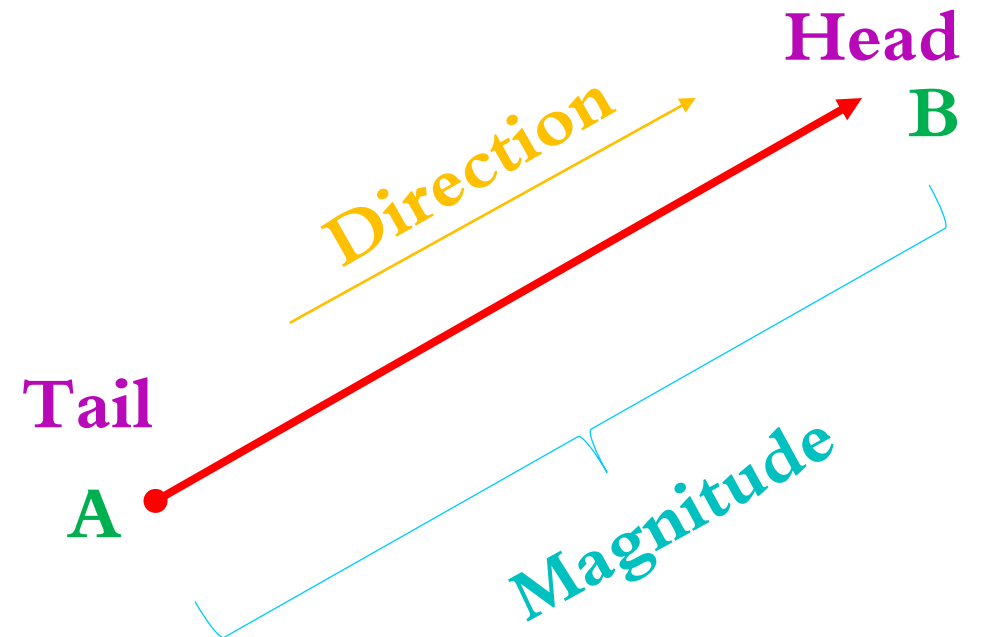


1.2 An introduction to vectors : Drawing vectors

A vector quantity represented by an arrow. The length of the vector represents the **magnitude** and the arrow indicates the **direction** of the vector.

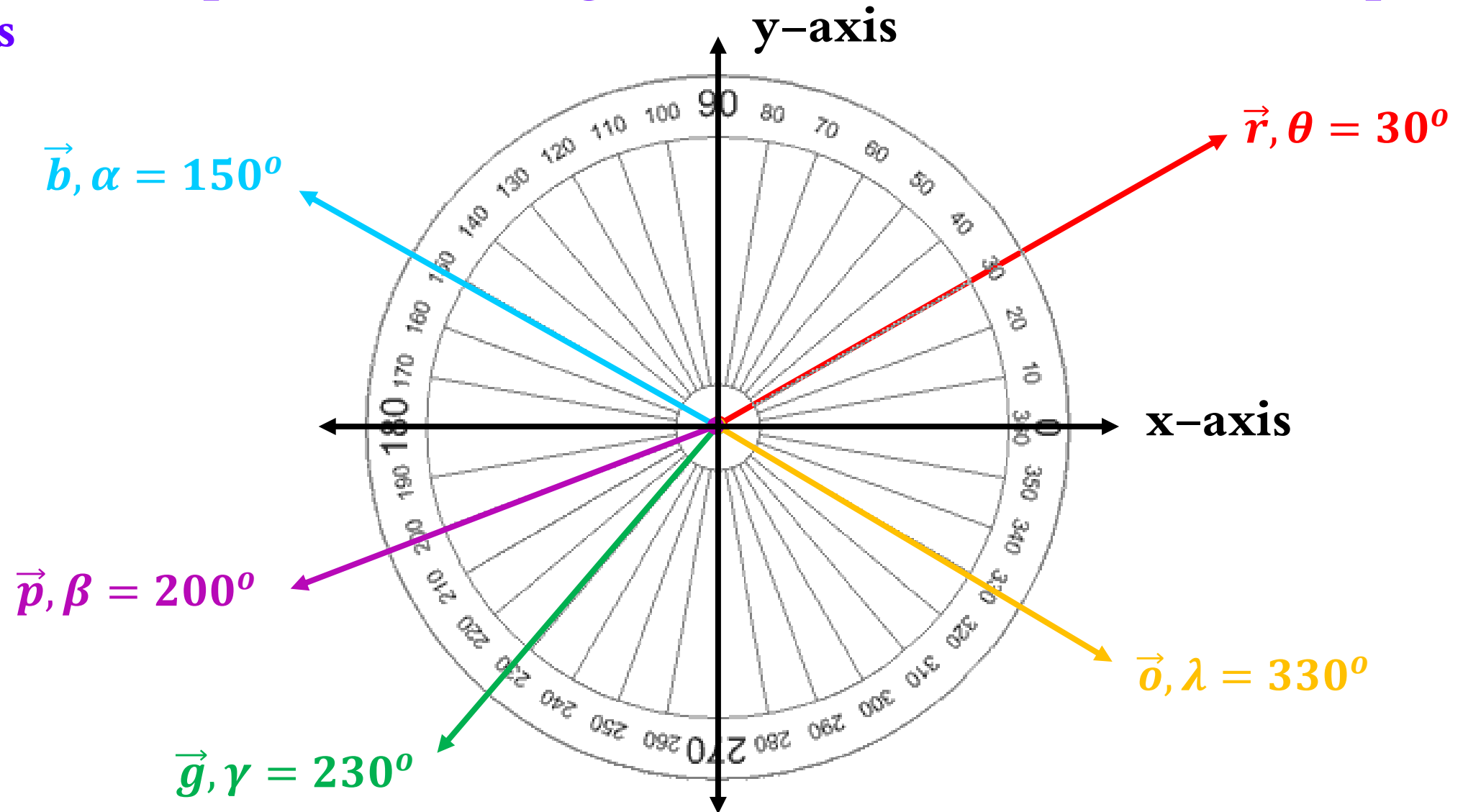
The point **A** is often called the "tail" of the vector, and **B** is called the vector's "head".

Magnitude: The magnitude of a vector is the length of the vector, it is a numerical value with units, the magnitude of a vector \vec{b} is written as b or $|\vec{b}|$

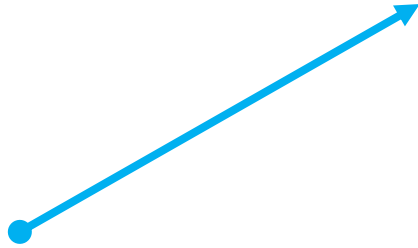


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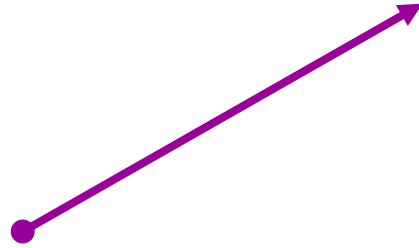
Direction: Expressed as an angle measured clockwise from the positive x-axis



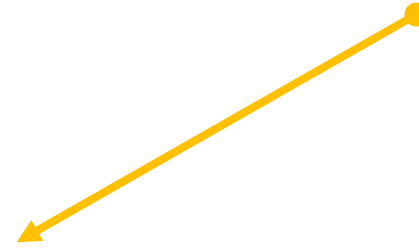
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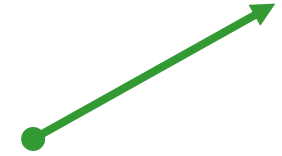
Blue : $\vec{b}, \phi_1 = 30^\circ$



Purple: $\vec{p}, \phi_2 = 30^\circ$



Orange: $\vec{o}, \phi_3 = 210^\circ$



Green: $\vec{g}, \phi_4 = 30^\circ$

Blue and purple vectors have **same** magnitude and direction so they are equal. ($\vec{b} = \vec{p}$)

Blue and orange vectors have **same** magnitude but **different** direction. ($\vec{b} = -\vec{o}$)

Blue and green vectors have **same** direction but **different** magnitude.

Two vectors are equal if they have the same direction and magnitude.

1.2 An introduction to vectors : Drawing vectors (Magnitude)

A unit vector

- Has magnitude 1
- Has a particular direction
- Lacks both dimension and unit
- Is labeled with a hat (^): \hat{x} , \hat{y} and \hat{z}

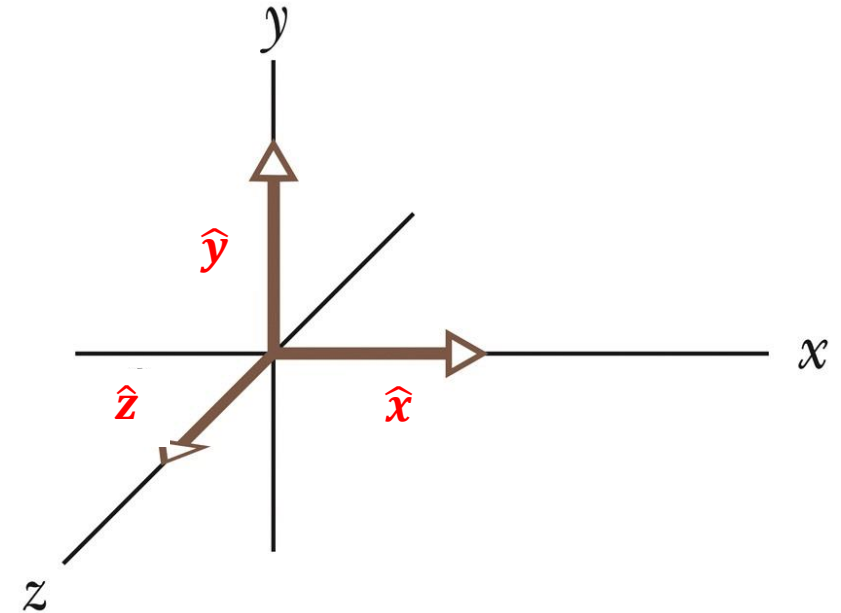
Where:

\hat{x} a vector of length one in the +x direction

\hat{y} a vector of length one in the +y direction

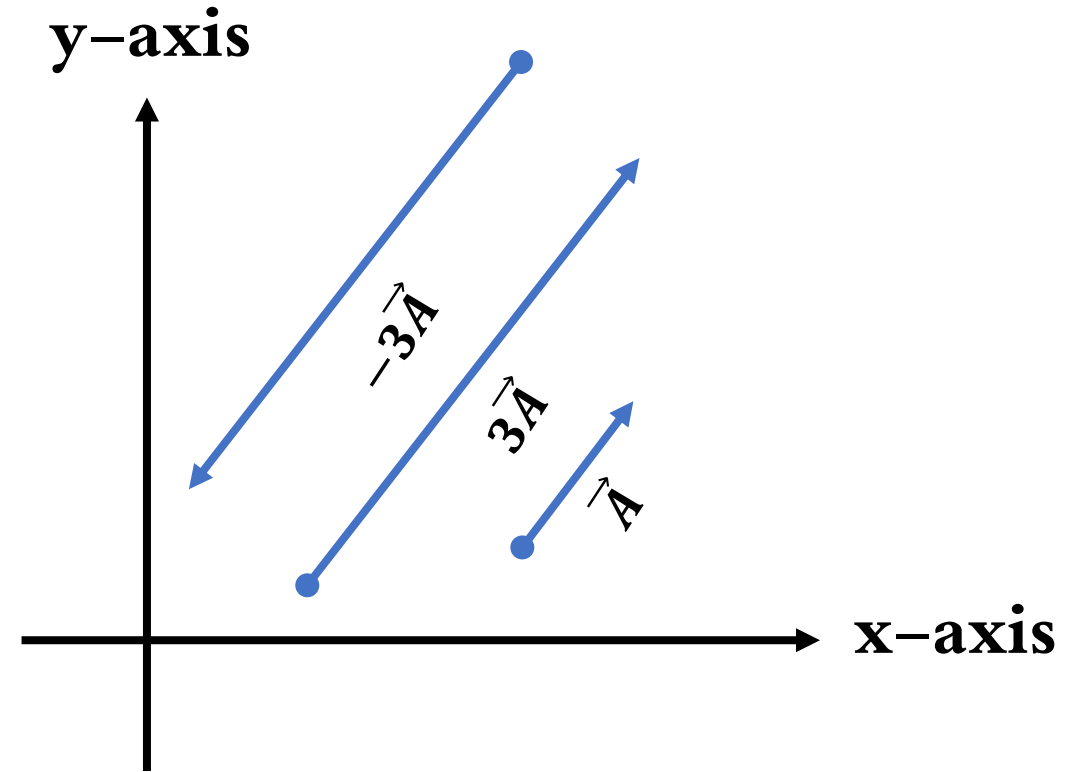
\hat{z} a vector of length one in the +z direction

The unit vectors point along axes.



1.2 An introduction to vectors : Multiplying vector by scalar

- Multiplying a vector by m , increases its magnitude by a factor of m , but **does not change** its direction.
- Multiplying a vector by $(-m)$, increases its magnitude by a factor of m and the direction **changes to the opposite direction**.
- e.g. $m=3$

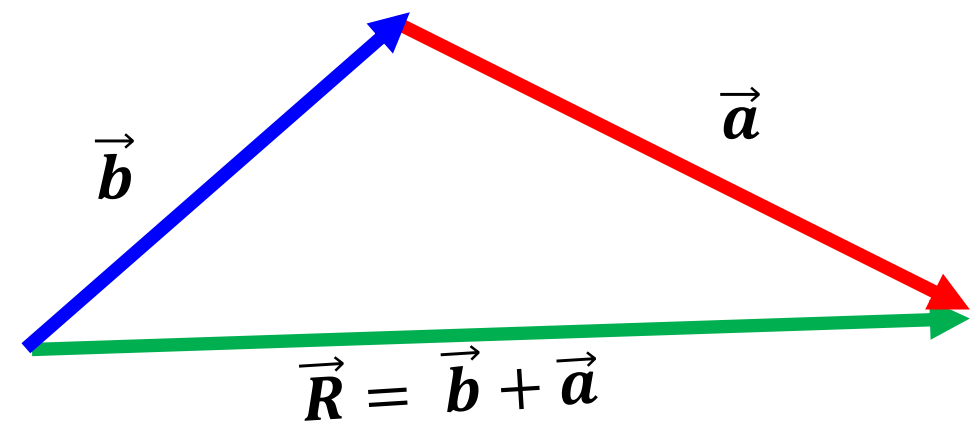
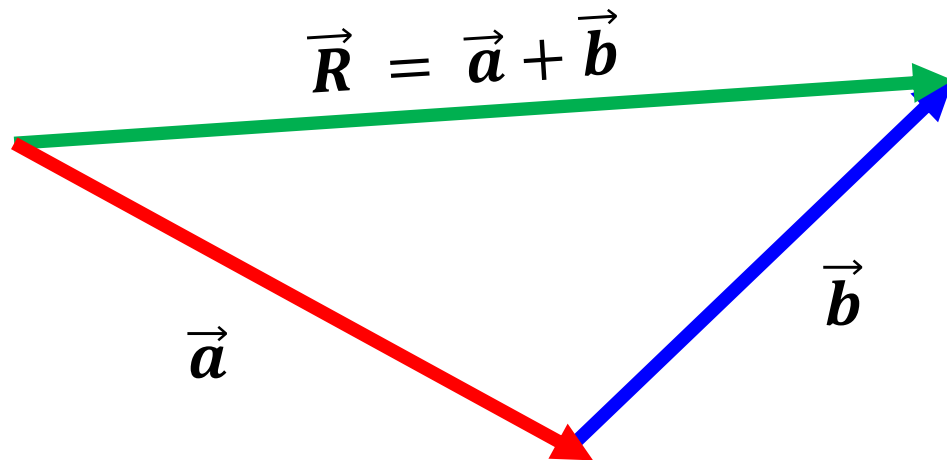


1.2 Addition and subtraction of vectors : (Graphical method)

Addition vectors: The vector sum of two vectors in a plane is obtained by placing the tail of the second vector at the head of the first vector

The **resultant vector** $\vec{R} = \vec{a} + \vec{b}$ is the vector drawn from the tail of \vec{a} to tip of \vec{b} .

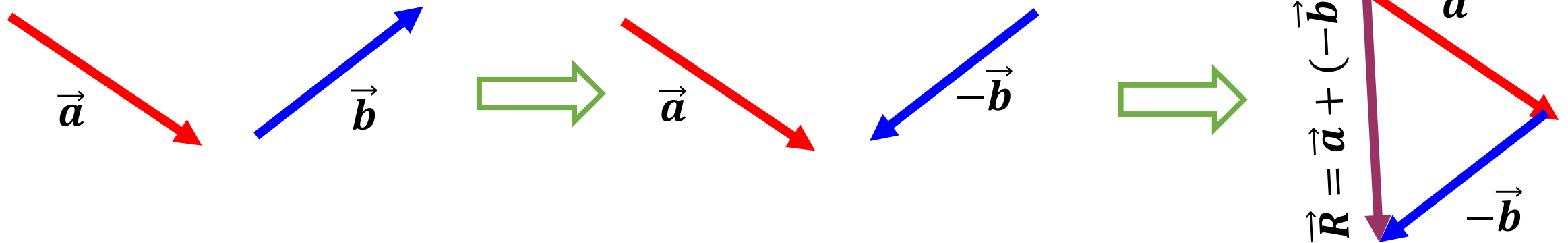
$$\vec{R} = \vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{b} + \vec{a} \quad (\text{commutative law})$$



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subtraction vectors: To subtract a vector \vec{a} from a vector \vec{b} reverse the direction \vec{b} of and then add the reversed \vec{b} to \vec{a}

$$\vec{R} = \vec{a} + (-\vec{b})$$



Not that :

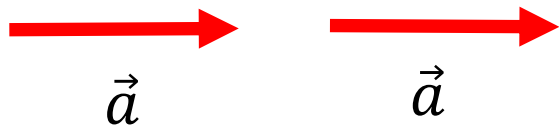
$$\vec{a} + (-\vec{b}) \neq \vec{b} + (-\vec{a})$$

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Ex1: Using the graphical method find the following : (Find the resultant)

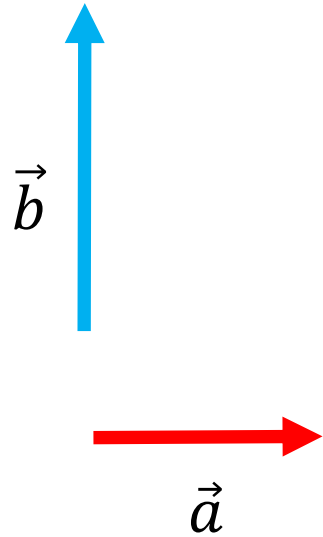
$$\vec{R}_1 = \vec{a} + \vec{a} = 2\vec{a}$$

$$\vec{R}_2 = \vec{a} + (-\vec{a}) = 0$$



1.2 Addition and subtraction of vectors: (Graphical method)

Ex2: Using the graphical method find the following : (Find the resultant)



$$\vec{R}_1 = \vec{a} + \vec{b}$$

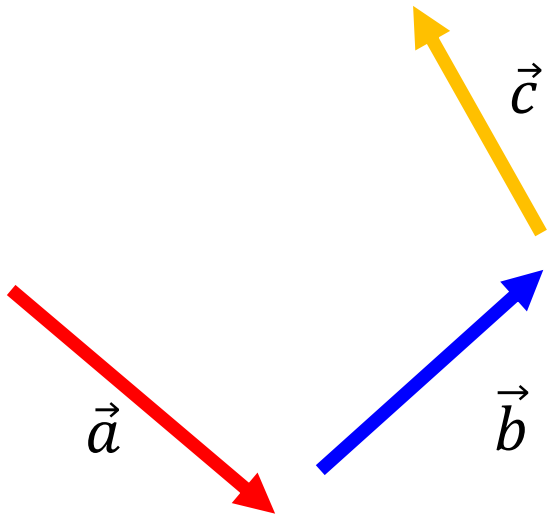
$$\vec{R}_2 = \vec{a} + (-\vec{b})$$

1.2 Addition and subtraction of vectors: (Graphical method)

Ex3: Using the graphical method find the following : (Find the resultant)

$$\vec{R}_1 = \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}$$

$$\vec{R}_2 = \vec{a} + (-\vec{b}) + \vec{c}$$



1.2 An introduction to vectors

✓ Checkpoint 1:

If a vector $\vec{A} = 4\hat{x} - 5\hat{y}$ and $\vec{B} = 4\hat{x} + 5\hat{y}$, then $\vec{A} - \vec{B} = \dots$

- (a) $0\hat{x} - 10\hat{y}$
- (b) $8\hat{x} + 0\hat{y}$
- (c) $8\hat{x} + 10\hat{y}$
- (d) $0\hat{x} - 10\hat{y}$

Trigonometry Review

- A triangle with a 90° angle
- Pythagorean Theorem:

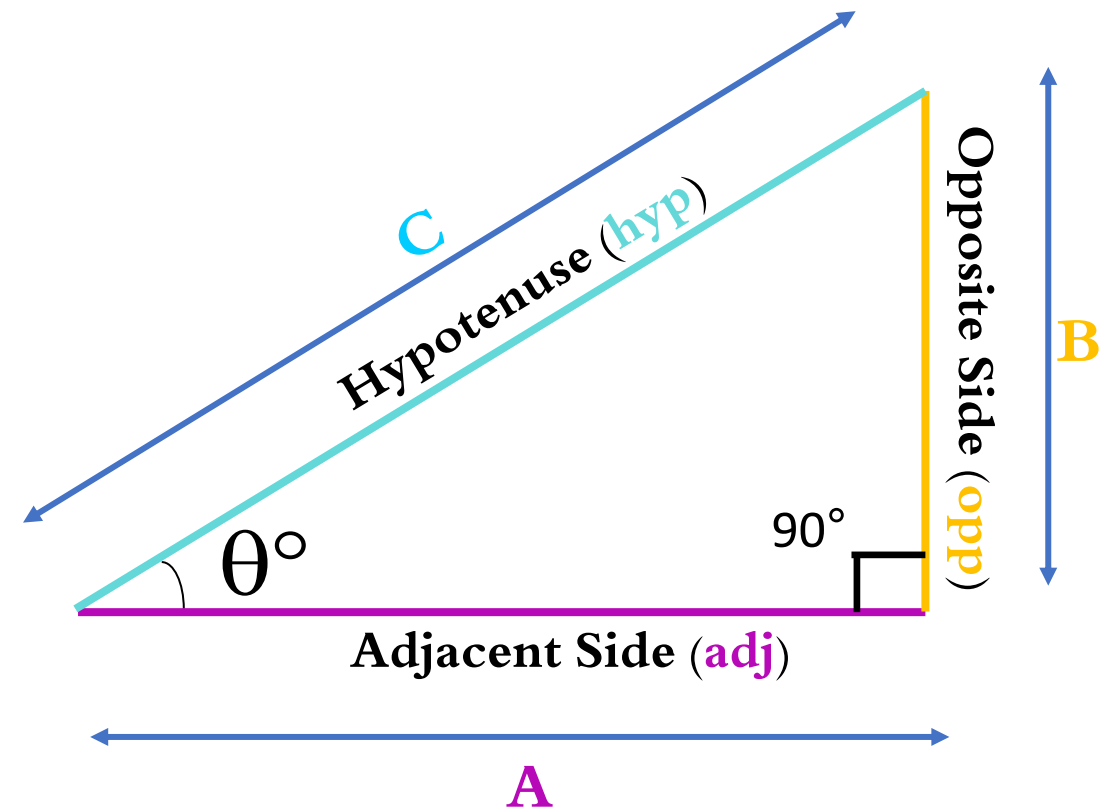
$$C^2 = A^2 + B^2$$

Trigonometric Functions :

$$\sin \theta^\circ = \text{opp} / \text{hyp}$$

$$\cos \theta^\circ = \text{adj} / \text{hyp}$$

$$\tan \theta^\circ = \text{opp} / \text{adj}$$

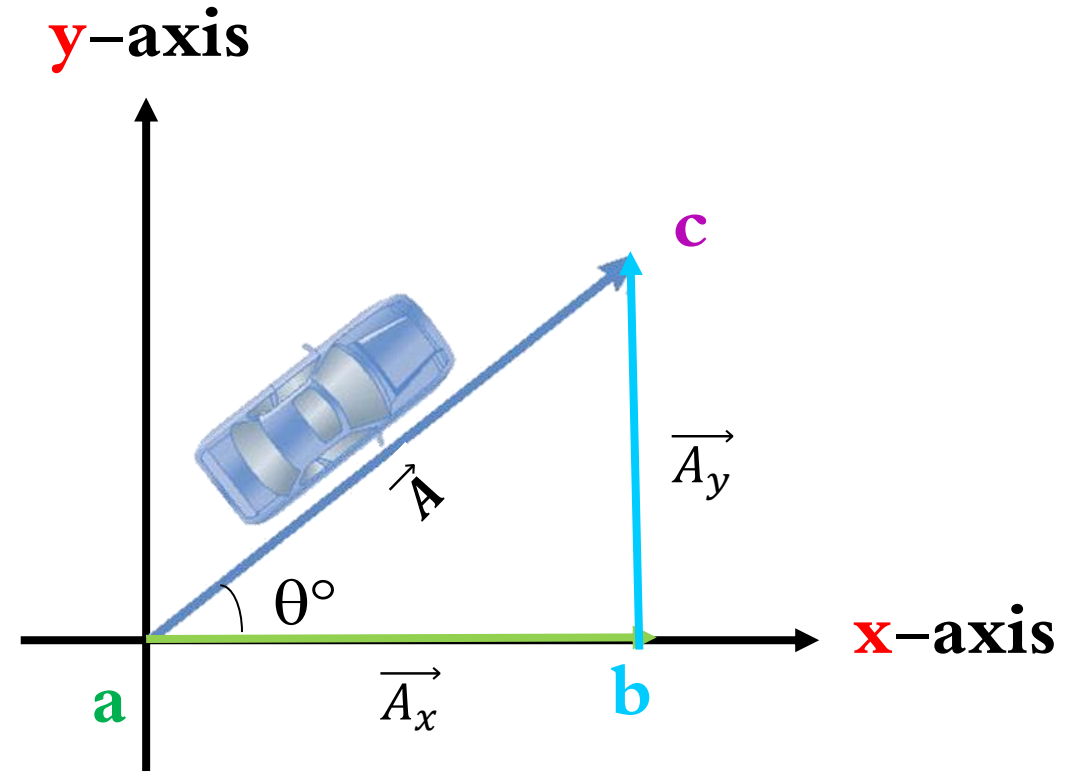


1.2 An introduction to vectors : The Components of a Vector

Suppose a car moves along a straight line from **a** to **c**. The displacement vector is shown by \vec{A} .

However, the car could also arrive at the **c** by first moving from **a** due **b** (\vec{A}_x), then turning 90° , and then moving from **b** due **c** (\vec{A}_y).

The vectors \vec{A}_x and \vec{A}_y are called the **x** and **y** vector components of \vec{A} .



1.2 An introduction to vectors : The Components of a Vector

A vector \vec{A} with components A_x and A_y can be written as:

$$\vec{A} = \vec{A}_x + \vec{A}_y$$

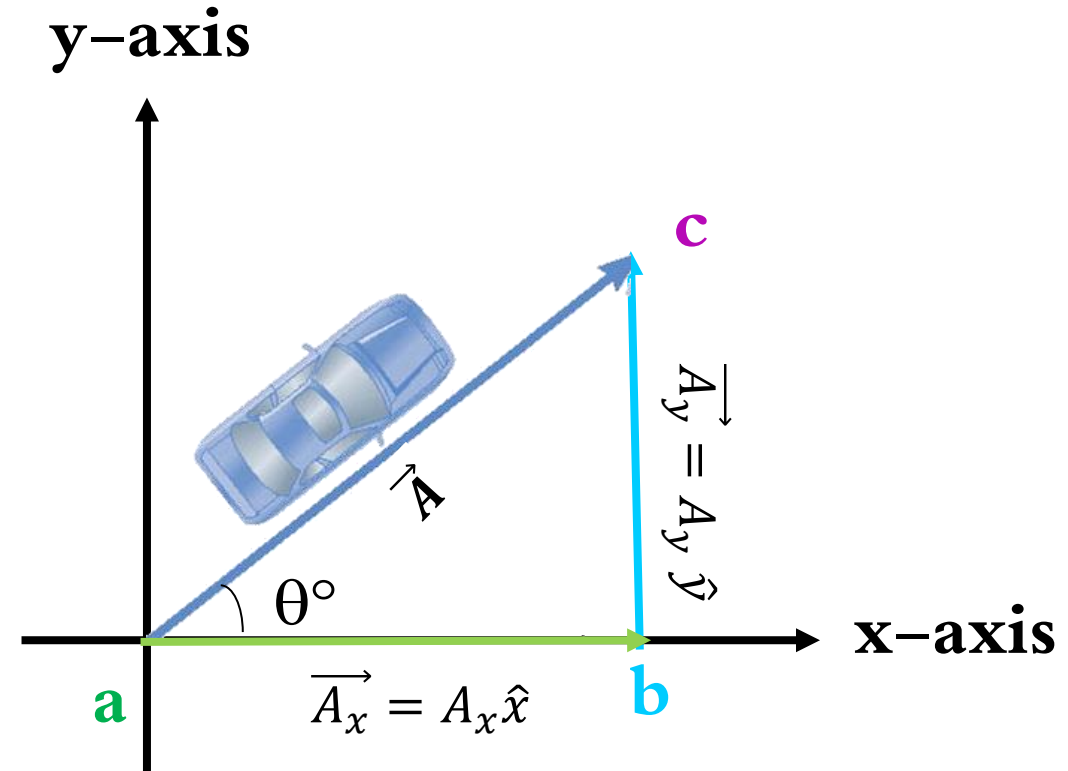
or

$$\vec{A} = A_x \hat{x} + A_y \hat{y}$$

Where \hat{x} and \hat{y} are the unit vectors:

\hat{x} a vector of length one in the +x direction

\hat{y} a vector of length one in the +y direction



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The x-component of a vector is the projection along the x axis

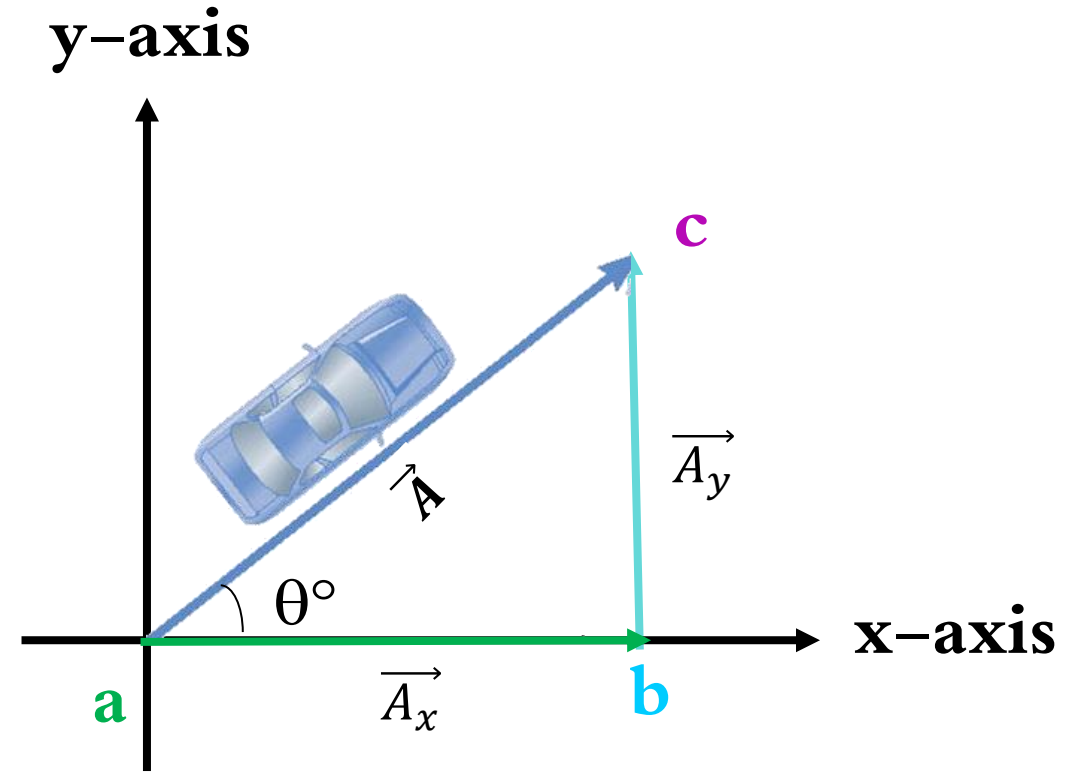
$$A_x = A \cos \theta$$

The y-component of a vector is the projection along the y-axis

$$A_y = A \sin \theta$$

Then,

$$A = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2}, \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{A_y}{A_x}$$



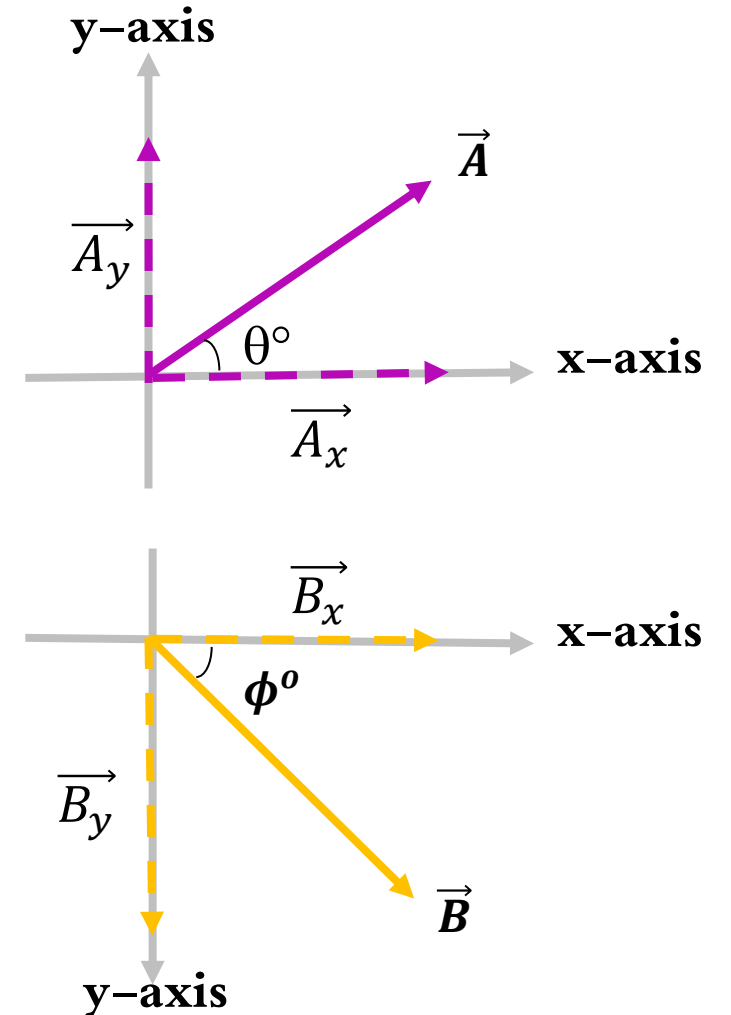
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Example 2.1 page 30: A person walks 1 km due east. If the person then walks a second kilometer, what is the final displacement from the starting point if the second kilometer is walked : (a) due east (Ans: 2 km); (b) due west (Ans: 0); (c) due south? (Ans: $\sqrt{2}$ km)

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Example 2.2 page 32: Find the components of the vectors \vec{A} and \vec{B} in Figs., if $A = 2$, $\theta = 30^\circ$ and $B = 3$, $\phi = 45^\circ$.

(Ans: $A_x=1.73$, $A_y=1.00$, $B_x=2.12$ and $B_y=-2.12$)



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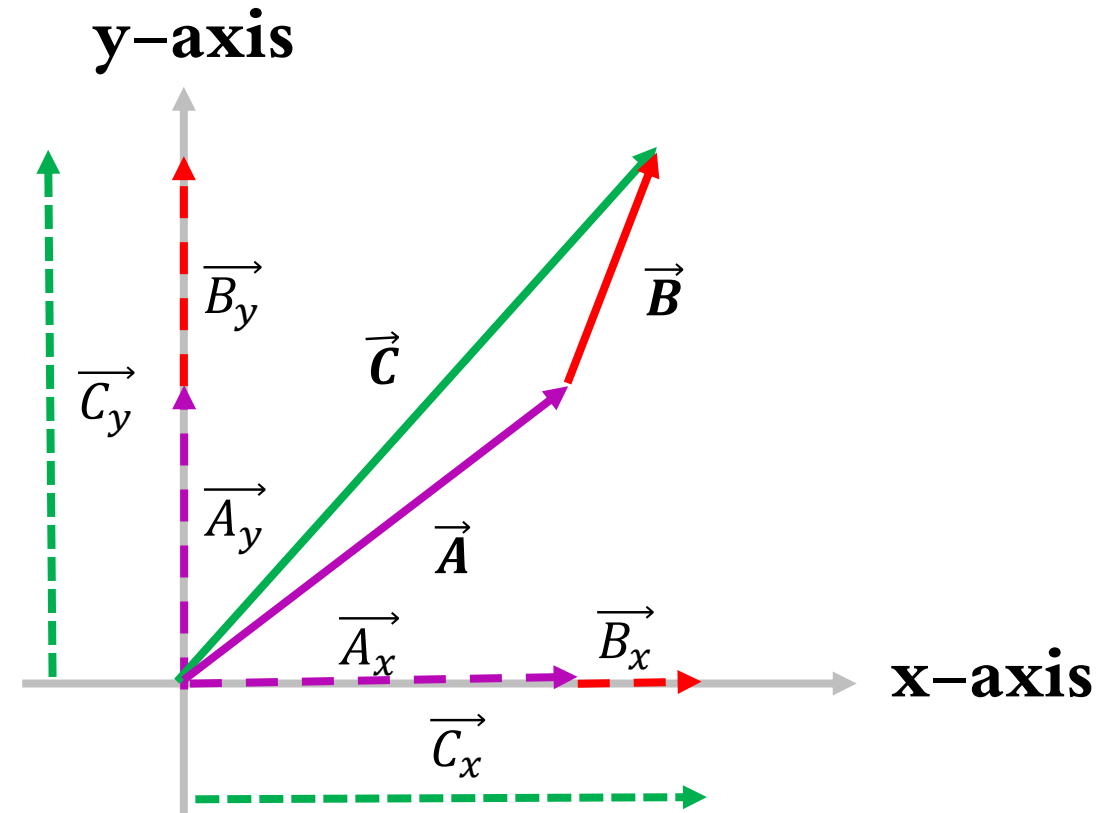
Suppose we wish to add vector \vec{B} to vector \vec{A} , where vector \vec{B} has components B_x and B_y . The resultant vector $\vec{C} = \vec{A} + \vec{B}$

$$\vec{C} = (A_x\hat{x} + A_y\hat{y}) + (B_x\hat{x} + B_y\hat{y})$$

$$\vec{C} = (A_x + B_x)\hat{x} + (A_y + B_y)\hat{y}$$

Because $\vec{C} = C_x\hat{x} + C_y\hat{y}$ we see that the components of the resultant vector are :

$$C_x = A_x + B_x \qquad C_y = A_y + B_y$$



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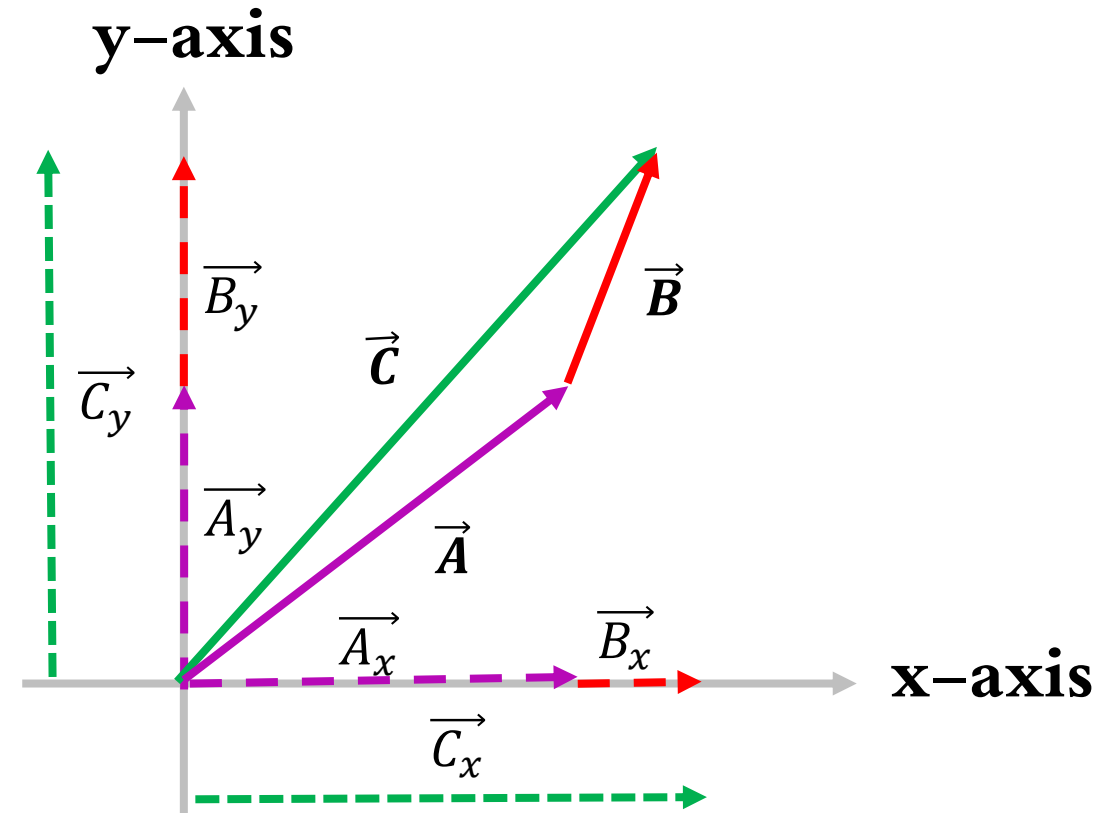
In the component method of adding vectors, we add all the x-components together to find the x-component of the resultant vector and use the same process for the y-components.

The magnitude of \vec{C} and the angle it makes with the x axis are obtained from its components using the relationships

$$C = \sqrt{C_x^2 + C_y^2} = \sqrt{(A_x + B_x)^2 + (A_y + B_y)^2}$$

And

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{C_y}{C_x} \quad \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{A_y + B_y}{A_x + B_x}$$



1.2 An introduction to vectors : The Components of a Vector

Example 2.3 page 32:

$$\vec{A} = 2\hat{x} + \hat{y}, \vec{B} = 4\hat{x} + 7\hat{y}$$

- (a) Find the components of $\vec{C} = \vec{A} + \vec{B}$ (Ans: $C_x=6$ and $C_y=8$)
- (b) Find the magnitude of \vec{C} and its angle θ with respect to the positive x axis (Ans: $C=10$ and $\theta=53.1$)

■ Homework 2

Ch2: [2.1, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5,2.14]

Final Answers: 2.4 [a(7.07), b(3.16), c(8.25)], 2.14 [a(5.91, 35.5 above + x),
b(19.30, below + x)]