

Section 1: Introduction to vectors

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1. Write the vector $5\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$ in magnitude-direction form.
2. Write the vector $(8, 200^\circ)$ in component form.
3. The points A and B have coordinates $(-2, 3)$ and $(2, -5)$ respectively. Find the vector \overline{AB} .

4. The diagram shows two vectors, \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .



Find the vector $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$.

5. The vectors \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} are

$$\mathbf{a} = 5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = -3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{c} = 5\mathbf{j}$$
 Find the vector $2(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) + 3\mathbf{c}$.
6. Find the unit vector in the same direction as $\begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$.
7. The vectors $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ k \end{pmatrix}$ are parallel. Find the value of k .
8. Given that $p\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} q \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, find the values of p and q .
9. Two forces are given by $\mathbf{F}_1 = 3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$ and $\mathbf{F}_2 = a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j}$. The resultant of \mathbf{F}_1 and \mathbf{F}_2 is $7\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$. Find the values of a and b .

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10. In a parallelogram $WXYZ$, $\overrightarrow{WX} = \mathbf{a}$ and $\overrightarrow{XY} = \mathbf{b}$. The point P is $\frac{2}{3}$ of the way along the diagonal XZ .

Find the vector \overrightarrow{YP} in terms of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .