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2.2 Worksheet Vector Addition and Subtraction

You might need to solve some of these on separate sheet of paper

1. Draw these three vectors

A = 5.5 cm [20.0°] N of E

B = 1.8 cm [60.0°] W of S

C = 2.5 cm [36°] N of W

2. Using trigonometry, find the x and y components of the three vectors (above)

$A_x =$

$B_x =$

$C_x =$

$A_y =$

$B_y =$

$C_y =$

3. Find the resulting x component

$$R_x = A_x + B_x + C_x$$

4. Find the resulting y component

$$R_y = A_y + B_y + C_y$$

5. Add R_x and R_y vectorally and draw the resultant.

6. Use trig and Pythagoras to find the magnitude and direction of R.

Draw and add the vectors

7. 8 m N & 5 m 30° N of E

8. 200 m/s 20° W of S & 15 m/s 20° W of N



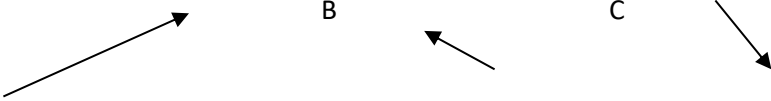

The Change “ Δ ” Of A Quantity a.k.a. Vector Subtraction

This deals with the change of a quantity, which can be solved by vector subtraction. We will deal only with $\Delta v = v_f - v_i$ in these questions but the concept will appear several more times in this course. Remember that each term is a vector (therefore, do not expect to simply subtract the values!!)

Solve all problems on your own paper showing all work!

9. If a car that was originally going 40. m/s towards the east took 5.0 s to turn and go 30. m/s towards the south, what is the acceleration of the car?
10. What is the acceleration of a car that changes from 60. m/s to the north to 60. m/s to an angle of 45° East of North in a time of 3.0 s?
11. What is the acceleration of a bullet that was shot at 40. m/s in the horizontal and then changed to a velocity of 44.5 m/s at 26.1° below the horizontal in a time of 2.0 seconds?
12. What is the acceleration of a ball that bounces off a wall in 0.30 s if its incoming velocity is 60. m/s and its recoil velocity is 50. m/s?
13. A car is traveling at 100 km/h, due northwest. The driver puts on the brakes and turns the corner. Four seconds later, he is heading east at 50 km/h. What is the average acceleration?

KEY Vector Addition by Components

- 1) 
- 2) $A_x = 5.17$ cm; $A_y = 1.88$ cm; $B_x = -1.69$ cm; $B_y = 0.62$ cm; $C_x = 1.05$ cm; $C_y = -2.00$ cm
- 3) 4.53 cm 4) 0.5 cm 5) 
- 6) $R = 4.6$ cm $\theta = 6.0^\circ$

Draw and Add Vectors

- 7) 11.3 m 22° E of N 8) 188 m/s 23° W of S

Change in Quantity

- 9) 10 m/s^2 53° E of S 10) 15 m/s^2 68° E of S 11) 9.8 m/s^2 down 12) 367 m/s^2 back
- 13) 9.7 m/s^2 30° S of E