

UNITS AND VECTORS

1. Units and Dimensional Consistency

2. Vector Notation

3. Adding and Subtracting Vectors

1. Units and Dimensional Consistency

The basic dimensions

l [meters]
 t [seconds]
 m [kilograms]

Equations and dimensional consistency

$$x - x_0 = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$(m) - (m) = \left(\frac{m}{s}\right)(s) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{m}{s^2}\right)(s)^2$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a(x - x_0)$$

$$\left(\frac{m}{s}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{m}{s}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{s^2}\right)(m - m)$$

$$x = 5t^3 - 2t^2 + 3t + 1$$

x in meters

t in sec

$1m$

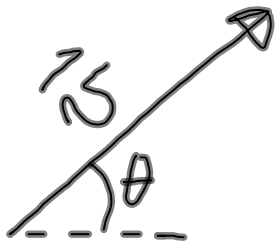
$3m/s$

$-2m/s^2$

$5m/s^3$

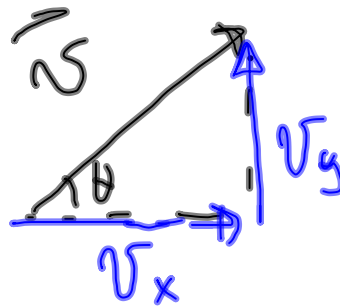
2. Vector Notation

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$$(v, \theta) = \vec{v}$$

$$(20 \text{ m/s}, 30^\circ) = \vec{v}$$



$$\vec{v} = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v} = (17.3 \hat{i} + 10 \hat{j}) \text{ m/s}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} v_x &= v \cos \theta \\ v_y &= v \sin \theta \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ assuming } \theta \text{ with x-axis}$$

$$v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2}$$

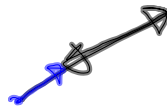
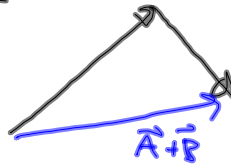
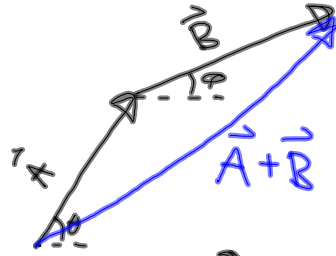
$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{v_y}{v_x} \right)$$

3. Adding and Subtracting Vectors

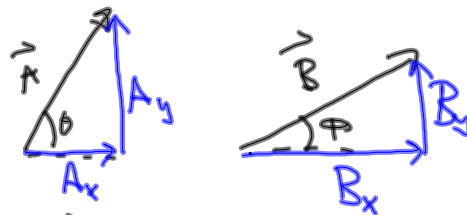
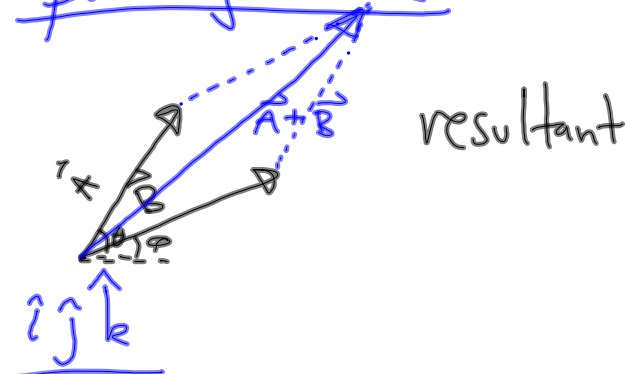
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① head-to-tail



Parallelogram method



$$\begin{aligned}\vec{A} &= A_x \hat{i} + A_y \hat{j} \\ \vec{B} &= B_x \hat{i} + B_y \hat{j} \\ \vec{A} + \vec{B} &= (A_x + B_x) \hat{i} + (A_y + B_y) \hat{j}\end{aligned}$$