

Classroom change from coming Monday

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Thursday(10:00-11:25): 111 Tiernan Hall

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Common exam #1: 8:30am on Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>(Fri.) at 205 Kupfrian Hall

HW#2 due tomorrow (Feb. 2)

## Today in this class...

Example and Problems for Chapter 2

Chapter 3. Vectors

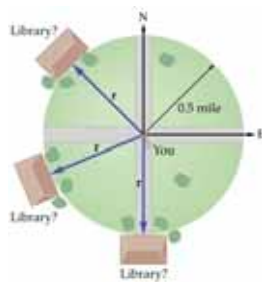
## Chapter 3. Vectors

Vectors and scalars

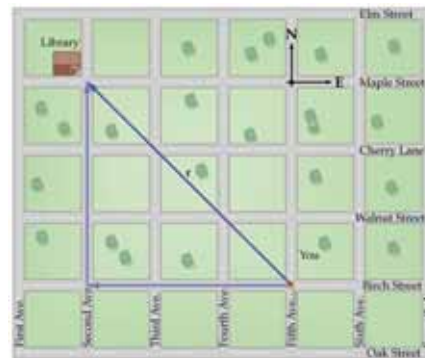
Component of vectors and unit vectors

Adding and multiplying vectors

### Observations: Vectors & Scalars



You also need to know the direction in which you should walk to the library!



A library is located 0.5 mi from you. Can you point where exactly it is?

**Vectors:** Described by the number, units and direction!

**Scalars:** Described by the number and units only.

## Vectors in 1D, 2D, 3D

- In 1 - Dimension particle can move only in + or – direction
- In 2 or 3 dimensions things are more interesting
- Must include direction (angles instead of a sign)

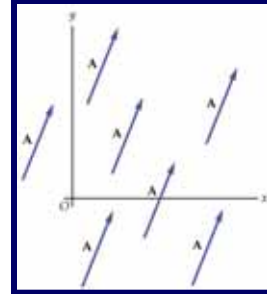
## Vector and Scalar Quantities

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| • <b>Vectors</b>   | • <b>Scalars:</b>               |
| – Displacement   | – Distance                      |
| – Velocity (magnitude and direction!)  | – Speed (magnitude of velocity) |
| – Acceleration   | – Magnitude of acceleration     |
| – Force (any force, such as the gravitational force, magnetic force, etc...) | – Magnitude of force            |
|  | – Mass                          |
|  | – Energy                        |

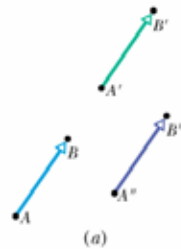
**To describe a vector we need more information than to describe a scalar! Therefore vectors are more complex!**

# Important Notation

- To **describe vectors** we will use:
  - The bold font: Vector A is  $\mathbf{A}$
  - Or an **arrow** above the vector:  $\vec{A}$
  - In the pictures, we will always show vectors as arrows
  - All vectors with the same **magnitude and directions are identical**, even though they might be at different locations
  - To describe the magnitude of a vector we will use absolute value sign:  $|\vec{A}|$  or just A
- To **describe scalars** we will use regular font: 5 m/s (speed), 60 km (distance)...



Shifted Vectors



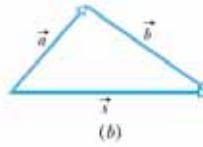
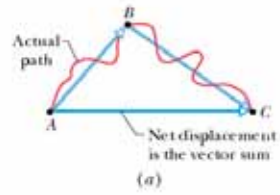
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Displacement Vector

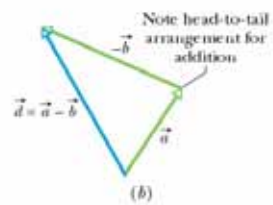
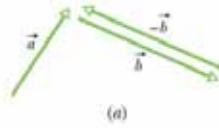


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### Adding vectors geometrically

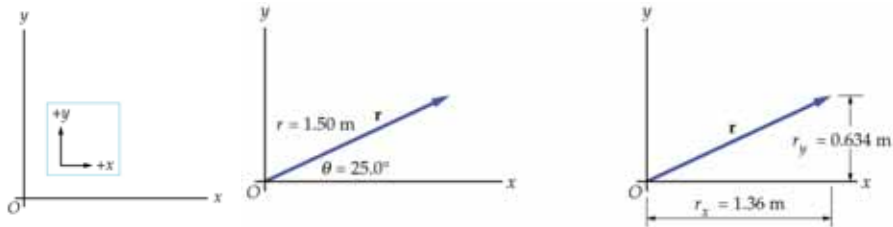


### Subtracting vectors geometrically



## Describing Vectors

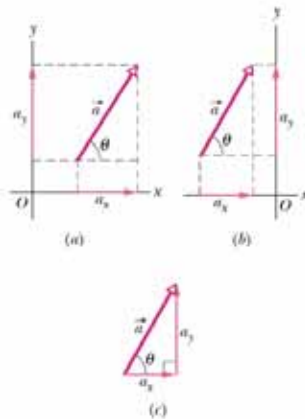
**Vectors:** Described by the number, units and direction!



**Vectors:** Can be described by their **magnitude** (always positive) and **direction**. For example: Your displacement is 1.5 m at an angle of  $25^\circ$ .

Can be described **by components**. For example: Your displacement is 1.36 m in the positive x direction and 0.634 m in the positive y direction.

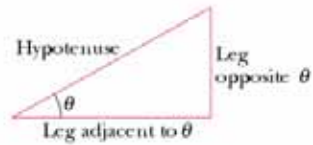
## Vector Components: Algebraic Description



$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{leg opposite } \theta}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{leg adjacent to } \theta}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{leg opposite } \theta}{\text{leg adjacent to } \theta}$$



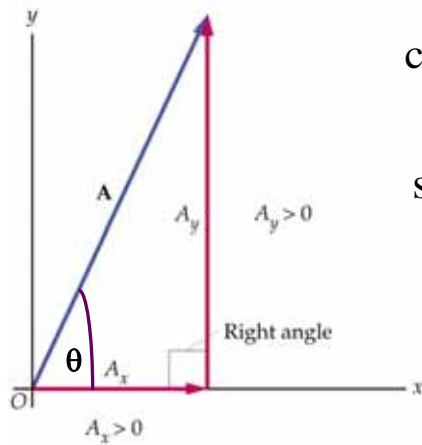
Two units for angle : degree( $^{\circ}$ ) and radian

$$360^{\circ} = 2 \pi \text{ radian}$$

When using a calculator, check the unit setting for angle.

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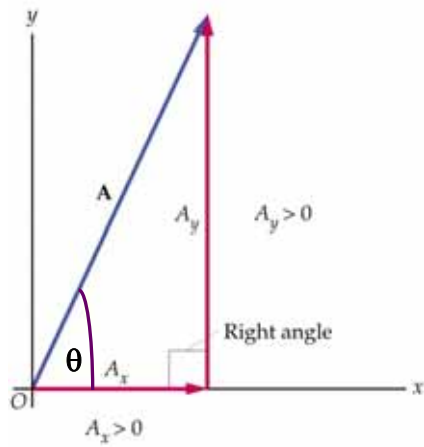


$$\cos \theta = \frac{A_x}{A} \rightarrow A_x = A \cos \theta$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{A_y}{A} \rightarrow A_y = A \sin \theta$$

## Vector Components: Algebraic Description

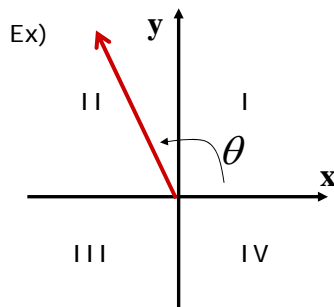
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$$\begin{cases} A_x = A \cos(\theta) \\ A_y = A \sin(\theta) \\ |\vec{A}| = \sqrt{(A_x)^2 + (A_y)^2} \\ \tan(\theta) = \frac{A_y}{A_x} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Or, } \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{A_y}{A_x}\right)$$

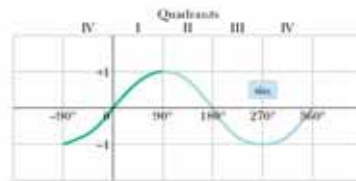
Check that quadrant is correct when taking inverse trig. functions



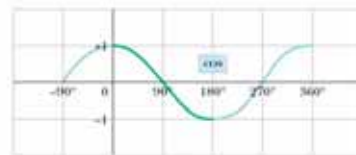
$$A_x = -1, A_y = 3$$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{-1}\right) = -72^\circ \neq \theta$$

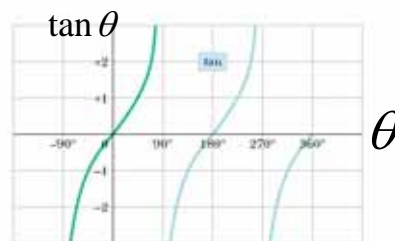
$$\theta = -72^\circ + 180^\circ = 108^\circ$$



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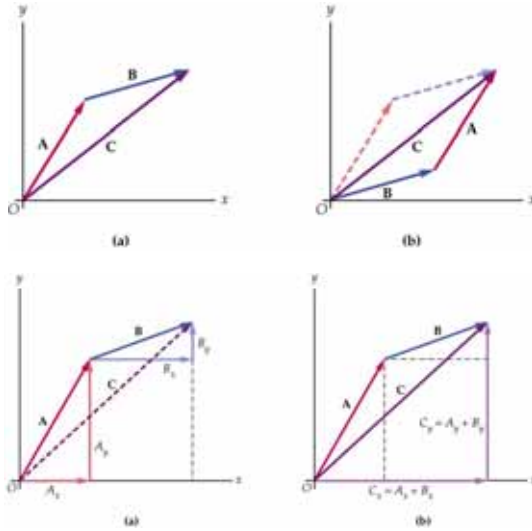


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## Operations with Vectors: Addition



### COMMENTS:

To add vectors geometrically, use head-to tail rule:

$$C = A + B = B + A.$$

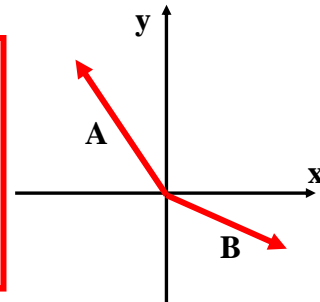
To add vectors algebraically, add corresponding components and then find the magnitude and direction of the resultant vector

## Example : Operations with Vectors

Vector **A** is described algebraically as **(-3, 5)**, while vector **B** is **(4, -2)**. Find the value of **magnitude** and **direction** of the sum (**C**) of the vectors **A** and **B**.

$$\vec{C} = \vec{A} + \vec{B}$$

$$\begin{cases} C_x = A_x + B_x \\ C_y = A_y + B_y \end{cases} \text{ and } \begin{cases} C^2 = (C_x)^2 + (C_y)^2 \\ \tan(\theta) = \frac{C_y}{C_x} \end{cases}$$



## Sample Problem 3-2 in HR&W

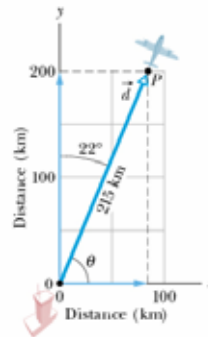
A small airplane leaves an airport on an overcast day and is later sighted 215 km away in a direction making an angle  $22^\circ$  east of due north. How far east and north is the airplane when sighted?

### Approach

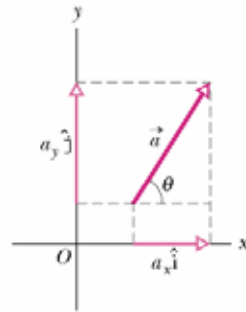
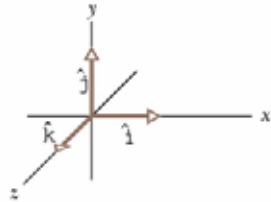
1. Draw Diagram using data
2. Find components

Find  $d_x$

Find  $d_y$

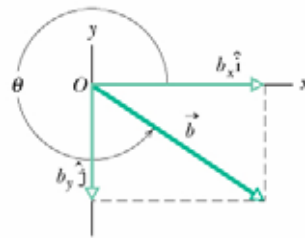


## Unit vectors



$$\vec{a} = (a_x, a_y) \\ = a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j}$$

(a)



(b)

## Sample Problem 3-4 in HR&W

**Find the magnitude and direction of the vector resulting from combining the following vectors?**

$$\vec{a} = (4.2m)\hat{i} - (1.5m)\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{b} = (-1.6m)\hat{i} + (2.9m)\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{c} = (-3.7m)\hat{j}$$

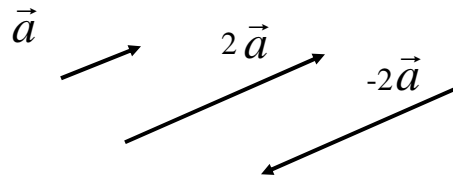
## Scalar & Vector Multiplication

$s \vec{a}$  is

a vector with a magnitude  $|s| \cdot |\vec{a}|$  and

a direction : same as  $\vec{a}$ , if  $s$  is positive

opposite  $\vec{a}$ , if  $s$  is negative

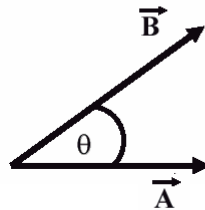


## Vector & vector Multiplication

Definition of “Scalar” product

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = AB \cos \theta = A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z \quad : \text{Scalar}$$

$\theta$  is the angle between the vectors if you put their tails together



$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = \vec{B} \cdot \vec{A}$$

since  $\cos(\theta) = \cos(-\theta)$

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