

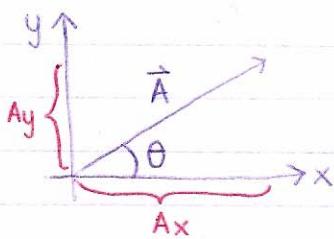
$$Q5-1: v_0^2 + 2a\Delta x = 0$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{v_0^2}{2a} = \frac{(20 \text{ m/s})^2}{2 \cdot 10 \text{ m/s}^2} = \frac{400}{20} = 20 \text{ m}$$

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Lecture 6

2-D and Vectors



$$\tan \theta = A_y / A_x$$

A_x, A_y are scalars

Vector Components

X component along x-axis

$$A_x = A \cos \theta$$

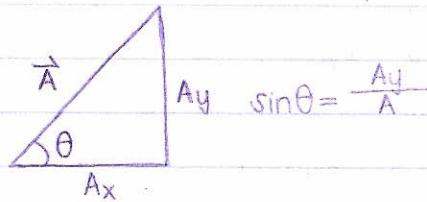
$$\vec{A}_x = A \cos \theta \hat{x}$$

Y component along y-axis

$$A_y = A \sin \theta$$

$$\vec{A}_y = A \sin \theta \hat{y}$$

Therefore: $\vec{A} = \vec{A}_x + \vec{A}_y$ (only if θ is measured w/ respect to x-axis)

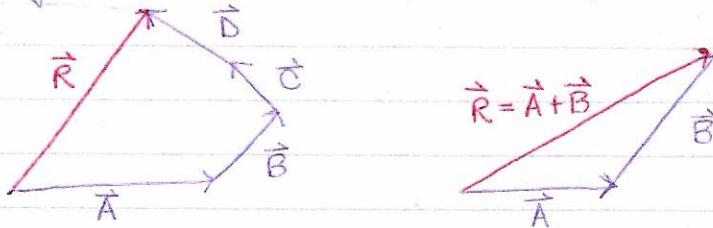


Graphically Adding Vectors

Put tail of second on head of first

Resultant \vec{R} from origin of first vector to end of last vector

Vectors obey the commutative law of addition: the order in which they are added doesn't affect the result $\vec{A} + \vec{B} = \vec{B} + \vec{A}$

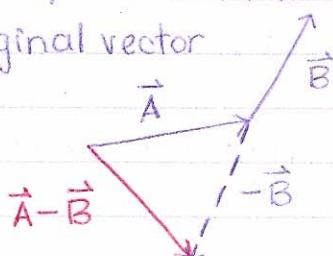


Vector Subtraction & Scalar Multiplication

Special case of vector addition $\vec{A} - \vec{B} = \vec{A} + (-\vec{B})$

If the scalar is > 0 , the direction of the result is the same as the original vector.

If the scalar is < 0 , the direction of the result is opposite that of the original vector.



$$Q5-2: \theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} A_x = 2 & A_y = 4 \\ B_x = 4 & B_y = 2 \\ R_x = 6 & R_y = 6 \end{array} \quad \theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x) = 45^\circ$$

Adding Vectors Algebraically

Choose a coordinate system (I has suggests an x,y system)

Find x, y components of all vectors

$$\text{Add all } x: R_x = \sum A_x$$

$$\text{Add all } y: R_y = \sum A_y$$

$$\text{Find magnitude of resultant: } R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2}$$

$$\text{Find direction of resultant: } \theta = \tan^{-1}(R_y/R_x)$$

Displacement, Velocity, Acceleration

The position of an object is described by its position vector

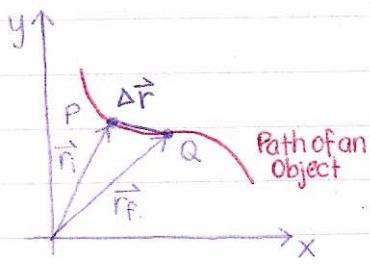
The displacement of the object is defined as $\vec{\Delta r}$

$$\text{Change in position (meters)} \quad \Delta \vec{r} = \vec{r}_f - \vec{r}_i$$

$$\text{Velocity (m/sec)} \quad \vec{v}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t}$$

$$\text{Acceleration (m/s}^2\text{)} \quad \vec{a}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t}$$

\vec{a}_{avg} can change speed, direction, or both.



Projectile Motion

Treat x and y components independently

Ignore: air friction, earth's rotation

Object in projectile motion follows parabolic path

Rules: x direction is uniform motion $a_x = 0$

y direction is free fall $a_y = -g$

At Various Initial Angles: complementary values of the initial angle result

in the same range (heights different), max range at 45°

Special Cases: object fired horizontally

$$Q5-3: T, \text{ angles must be } \approx 90^\circ$$