

Last Time

Acceleration

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$$

- Basic kinematic equations for constant acceleration

$$x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \quad (x \text{ vs. } t)$$

$$v = v_0 + a t \quad (v \text{ vs. } t)$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a(x - x_0) \quad (v \text{ vs. } x)$$

Gravity

- Things fall, velocity changes

- Detailed measurements show

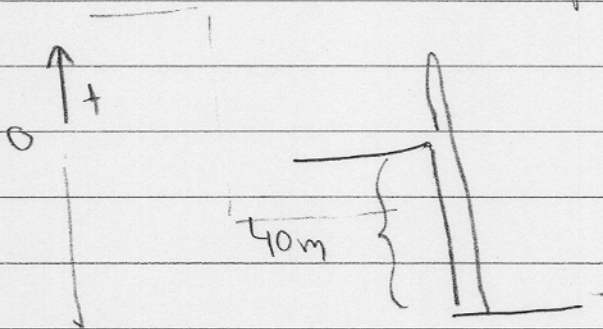
- The acceleration is constant and downward $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$

- Independent of velocity

- Independent of mass

Problem: A random physics professor (you know who) throws a baseball straight up, while standing at the top of the physics building. Estimate when it hits the ground.

Sol: The height of the building $\sim 40\text{m}$.
A typical person can throw at a speed of $\sim 30\text{mph} \sim 15\text{m/s}$



Since the problem asks when and where)

$$x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \quad (t, \text{ vs } x)$$

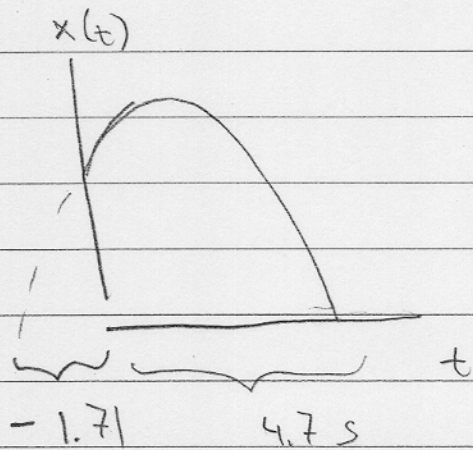
$$(-40\text{m}) = 0 + (15\text{m/s})t - \frac{1}{2} 9.8\text{m/s}^2 t^2$$

$$0 = (-4.9\text{m/s}^2)t^2 + (15\text{m/s})t + 40\text{m}$$

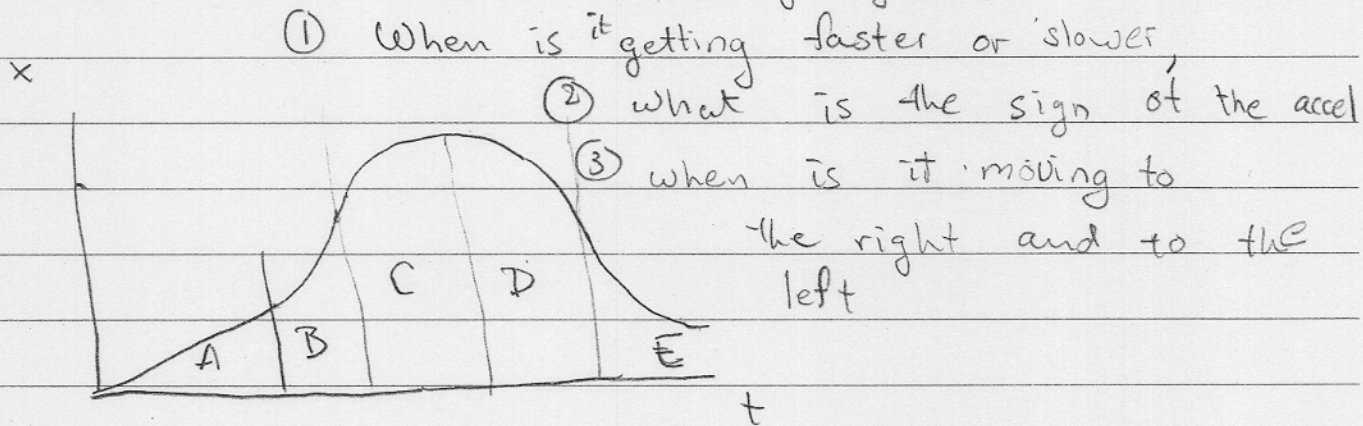
$$\text{Sol: } t = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$b = 15\text{m/s} \quad a = -4.9\text{m/s}^2 \quad c = 40\text{m}$$

$$t = -1.71 \quad \text{and} \quad t = 4.7\text{s}$$



Last Problem: Describe what's going on.



- ① When is it getting faster or slower,
- ② what is the sign of the accel,
- ③ when is it moving to the right and to the left

(A) moving the constant velocity $v > 0$ $a = 0$

(B) Then acceleration occurs $a > 0$, right moving

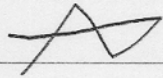
(C) Right moving, slowing down $a < 0$ $v > 0$

(D) Left moving, speeding up $a < 0$ $v < 0$

(E) Left moving, slowing down

Vectors

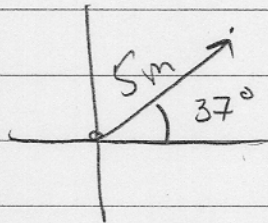
- We usually move in more than one dimension



Need a formalism to express this

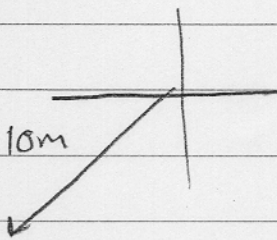
- A vector is something with a magnitude and direction

Canonical Example: A person walks 5m at an angle of 37° north of east

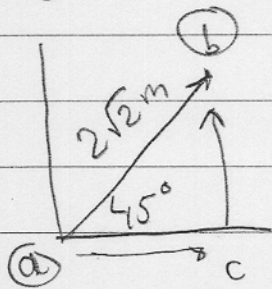


5m is the magnitude of the vector

Others



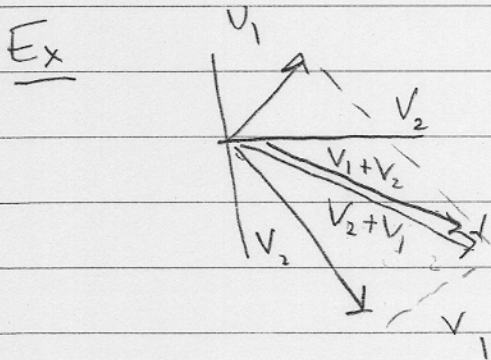
Adding Vectors



at 45°
→ A person walking from
(a) to (b) can go directly
or go (a) → (c) and (c) → (b)

So this suggests how to add vectors

- (1) Draw the first vector to scale
- (2) Shift the second vector so that the vectors are "tail-to-tip"



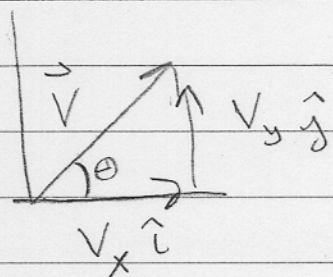
$$\vec{V}_1 + \vec{V}_2 = \vec{V}_2 + \vec{V}_1$$

"Vector addition commutes"

HW - give a graphical proof that

$$(A+B) + C = A + (B+C)$$

Components of Vectors



\hat{i} = vector with unit magnitude in x-direction

\hat{j} = vector @ unit magnitude in y-direction

$$\vec{V} = V_x \hat{i} + V_y \hat{j}$$

We will also use a "column vector" notation

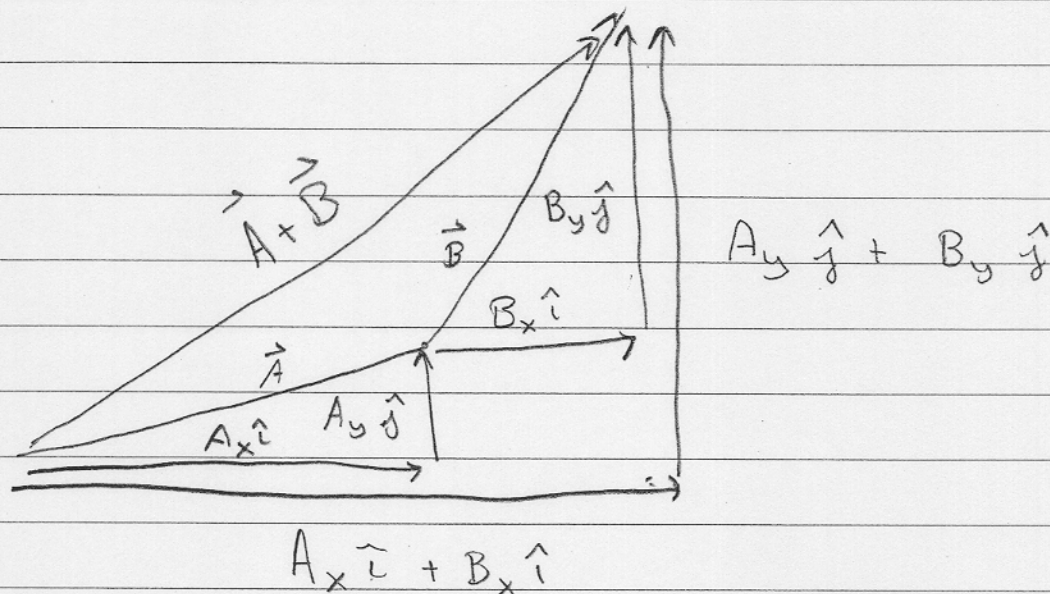
$$\vec{V} = \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix} \equiv \text{same thing}$$

Simple Geometry:

$$\bullet \bullet \quad V_x = V \cos \theta \quad V_y = V \sin \theta \quad \tan \theta = V_y / V_x$$

$$\bullet \quad V = |\vec{V}| \equiv \sqrt{V_x^2 + V_y^2} = \text{The magnitude of } \vec{V}$$

Addition of Vectors



So

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

$$= (A_x \hat{i} + A_y \hat{j}) + (B_x \hat{i} + B_y \hat{j})$$

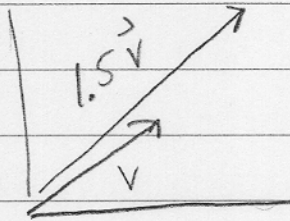
$$\vec{S} = (A_x + B_x) \hat{i} + (A_y + B_y) \hat{j}$$

↑ see picture ↔ components add

Column Vector

$$\begin{pmatrix} S_x \\ S_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B_x \\ B_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_x + B_x \\ A_y + B_y \end{pmatrix}$$

Multiplication by a constant

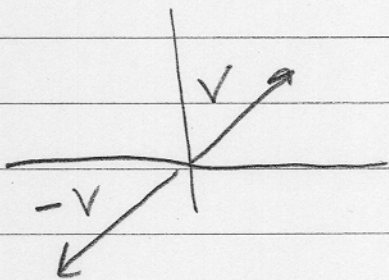


- increases magnitude of \vec{v} but does not change direction

$$1.5\vec{v} = 1.5(v_x\hat{i} + v_y\hat{j}) = (1.5v_x\hat{i}) + (1.5v_y\hat{j})$$

$$1.5\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.5v_x \\ 1.5v_y \end{pmatrix}$$

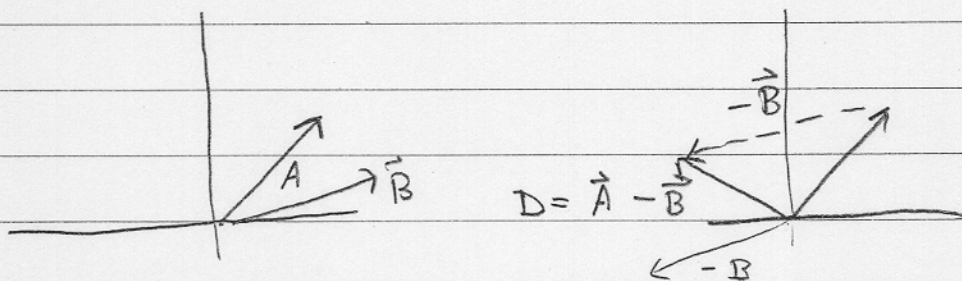
Multiplication by -1



$$-\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -v_x \\ -v_y \end{pmatrix} = (-v_x\hat{i} - v_y\hat{j})$$

Difference

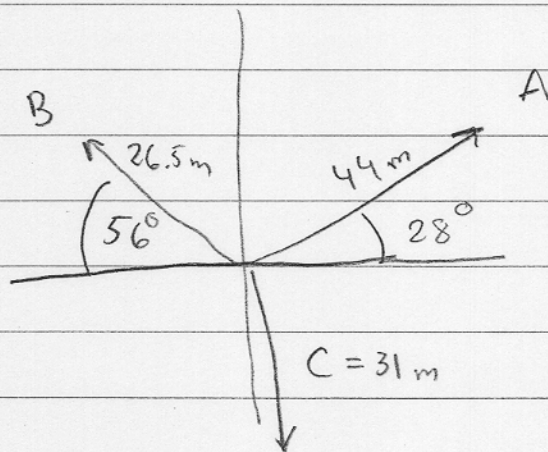
$$\vec{D} = \vec{A} - \vec{B} = \vec{A} + (-\vec{B})$$



$$\vec{D} = \vec{A} - \vec{B}$$

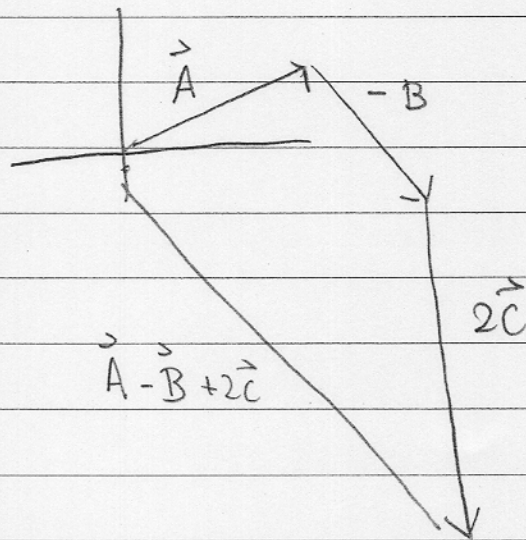
$$\vec{D} = \begin{pmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -B_x \\ -B_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_x - B_x \\ A_y - B_y \end{pmatrix}$$

Example



Sketch:

$$\vec{A} - \vec{B} + 2\vec{C}$$



Formulae

$$\vec{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A \cos 28^\circ \\ A \sin 28^\circ \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 38.8 \text{ m} \\ 20.6 \text{ m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -B \cos 56^\circ \\ B \sin 56^\circ \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -14.8 \text{ m} \\ 21.9 \text{ m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2\vec{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -62 \text{ m} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -62 \text{ m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{A} - \vec{B} + 2\vec{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 53.6 \text{ m} \\ -63. \text{ m} \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{Does kind of look like what we drew}$$