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BC Topic 11 - Vector Definitions

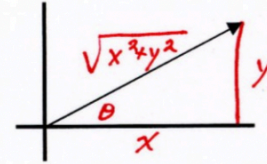
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Vectors (definitions):

Vector- *directed line segment*

Magnitude- $\|v\| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

Direction- $\theta = \arctan \frac{y}{x}$

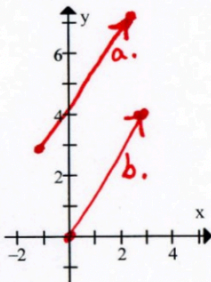


Equivalent Vectors- *Same magnitude and same direction (not same starting / ending points)*

Component form- $\langle x, y \rangle$

Example 2. The initial point of a vector is $(-1, 3)$ and its terminal point is $(2, 7)$

a. Graph the vector.



b. Graph the vector in standard position on the same axes.

c. Give the component form of the vector.

$$\langle 3, 4 \rangle$$

d. Find the magnitude of the vector.

$$\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = 5$$

e. Find the direction of the vector.

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3} = .927$$

Example 3. Find the direction of a vector given by $\langle -3, 5 \rangle$.

$$\tan^{-1} \left(-\frac{5}{3} \right) = -1.030$$

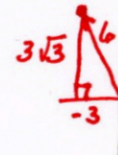
$$\theta = -1.030 + \pi = 2.111$$



Example 4. If the magnitude of a vector v is $\|v\| = 6$ and its direction is $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$, write the v in component form.

$$x = 6 \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} = -3$$

$$y = 6 \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

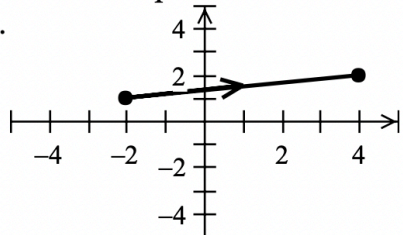


$$v = \langle -3, 3\sqrt{3} \rangle$$

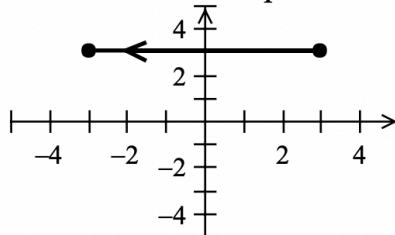
Assignment

Find the component form of the vector and sketch it with the initial point at the origin.

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7. Find the component form of the u and v vectors whose initial and terminal points are given.

Show that u and v are equivalent. $u: (3, -2), (5, 2)$ $v: (-1, -4), (1, 0)$

8. The initial and terminal points of a vector are $(-1, 3)$ and $(3, 6)$.

- Sketch the vector.
- Write the component form.
- Sketch the vector with the initial point at the origin.

9. If the initial point of vector v is $(5, -2)$ and $v = \langle -2, 4 \rangle$, find the terminal point.

10. Find the magnitude of the vector $v = \langle -4, 3 \rangle$.

Find the component form of each vector given the magnitude and the direction without using a calculator.

11. $\|v\| = 5, \theta = 0$.

12. $\|v\| = 6, \theta = \frac{4\pi}{3}$.

13. $\|v\| = 4, \theta = \frac{7\pi}{4}$.

14. Use a calculator to find the magnitude and the direction of the vector $v = \langle -8, -13 \rangle$.

5. $\langle 6, 1 \rangle$	6. $\langle -6, 0 \rangle$
7. $u = \langle 2, 4 \rangle = v$	8b. $\langle 4, 3 \rangle$
12. $v = \langle -3, -3\sqrt{3} \rangle$	13. $v = \langle 2\sqrt{2}, -2\sqrt{2} \rangle$
9. $(3, 2)$	10. $\ v\ = 5$
	11. $v = \langle 5, 0 \rangle$
	14. $\ v\ = 15.264, \theta = 4.160$ or 4.161