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Question:

A motorboat is racing towards north at 25km/h and the water current in that region is 10km/h in the direction of 60° east of south. Find the resultant velocity of the boat. **Solution:**

Variable	Description
$v_b(0, 25)$	velocity vector of boat in north direction
v _c	velocity vector of water current at 60° east of south direction
$\mathbf{v_r}$	resultant velocity vector of boat
θ	angle of resultant vector from north direction

TABLE 0: Input parameters

$$\mathbf{v}_c = 10 \begin{pmatrix} \sin 60^\circ \\ -\cos 60^\circ \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

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$$\implies v_c = 10 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \tag{2}$$

$$\implies v_c = \begin{pmatrix} 5\sqrt{3} \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

$$\implies \therefore v_r = v_b + v_c \tag{4}$$

$$\implies v_r = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 25 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 5\sqrt{3} \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{5}$$

$$\implies v_r = \begin{pmatrix} 5\sqrt{3} \\ 20 \end{pmatrix} \tag{6}$$

$$\implies ||v_r|| = \sqrt{v_r^{\top} v_r} \tag{7}$$

$$\implies ||v_r|| = \sqrt{\left(5\sqrt{3}\right)^2 + (20)^2} \tag{8}$$

$$\implies ||v_r|| = \sqrt{475} \approx 21.8km/h \tag{9}$$

$$an \theta = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{20} \tag{10}$$

$$\implies \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \approx 23.4^{\circ} \tag{11}$$

So, the resultant velocity vector v_r is 21.8km/h at an angle of 23.4° from north direction.

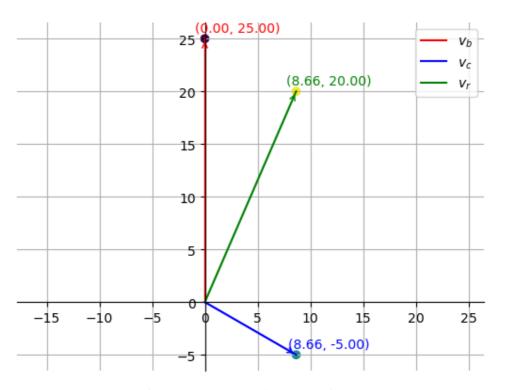


Fig. 0: Resultant velocity vector of boat