

## Answers: Question 1

a. True:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 101 \\ -97 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 99 \\ -100 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

b. False:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} -101 \\ -97 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -99 \\ -100 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

... The length is the same, but the direction isn't.

## Answers: Question 1 cont.

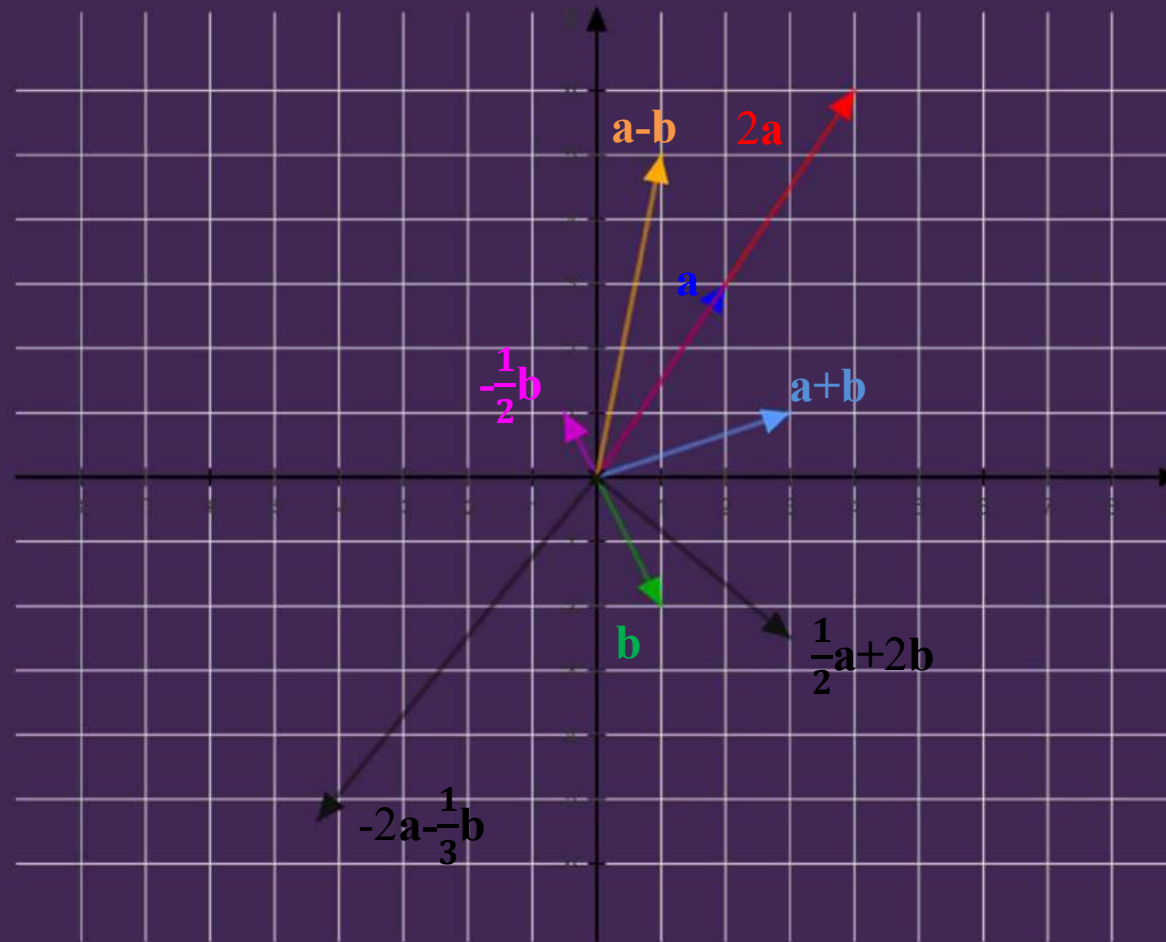
c. False: vectors have both direction and length.

d. True

e. False; addition is commutative

f. False!  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is the displacement *from the origin to*  $(x, y)$ .

## Answers: Question 2



## Answers: Question 3

a.  $\begin{pmatrix} 18 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$

b.  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2.5 \end{pmatrix}$

c.  $\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

d.  $\sqrt{(-12)^2 + 5^2} = 13$

e.  $\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{12^2 + (-16)^2} = 20$

f.  $\left\| \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{-3}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{19}}{2}$

## Answers: Question 4

a. (2, -2)

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

b. (-9, 15)

$\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$  describes a displacement anywhere in space, but in this case we want to find the point relative to the origin we end up at if we travel along  $\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}$  starting from (-1, -1):

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

c. (4, 6)

The length of the vector from (1, 2) to (7, 10) is  $\left\| \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{6^2 + 8^2} = 10$

We want the vector that is half as long in the same direction,  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ , added to the starting point.

# Answers: Question 4b visualised!

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

