

# Chapter NO 2

## Vectors And Equilibrium

The branch of science which deals with the study of matter energy and their interactions is called **physics**.

### Physical Quantities

Those quantities which can be observable and measurable are physical quantities.

#### Vector Quantities:

Those quantities which can be completely described by its magnitude and direction (number and unit)

i.e. Force

#### Scalar Quantities:

Those quantities which can be completely described by its magnitude only is called scalar quantities.

i.e. mass, distance

### Representation Of Vectors

Symbolically

Graphically



- It can be represented symbolically by a bold face character like  $\mathbf{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{a}$  etc.

- It can also be represented by an arrow head or bar on it  $\vec{F}$ ,  $\vec{a}$  or  $\overline{F}$ ,  $\overline{a}$  etc.

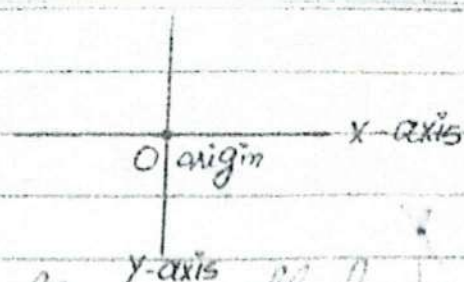
A vector is represented graphically by a directed line segment with an arrow head. The length of the line segment, according to the chosen scale, corresponds to the magnitude of the vector.

## Rectangular Coordinate System

TWO lines drawn at right angles to each other such that they coincide with each other at point "O" ~~named~~ <sup>named</sup> as origin as shown.

- One of the line is drawn horizontally named as x-axis and the other line is drawn vertically named as y-axis as shown,





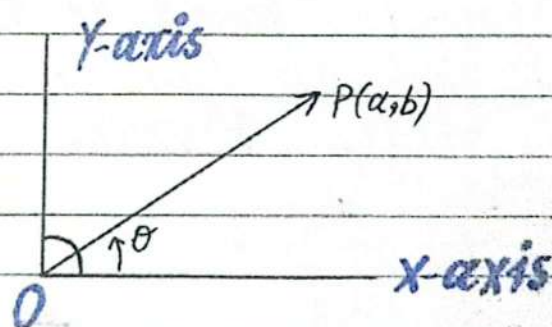
Short Question:- What is called cartesian coordinate system?

this system of lines called rectangular coordinate system because both lines are perpendicular to each other.

This is also called **Cartesian coordinate system.**

**In plane:**

Now, consider a point  $P(a, b)$  having coordinates  $a$  and  $b$  making an angle " $\theta$ " with **x-axis** in an anticlockwise direction as shown:



It means that if we start moving from origin we will move ' $a$ ' distance on **x-axis** and ' $b$ ' distance on **y-axis** to reach at point **P**

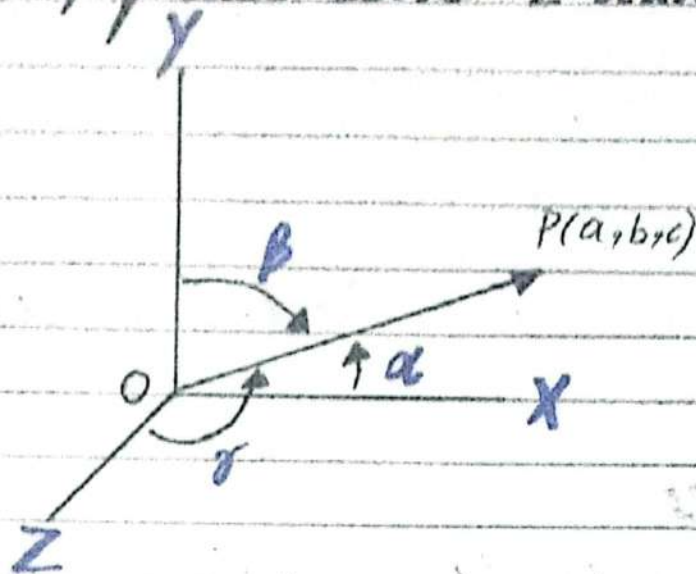
**In space:**

In space we required another axis which is perpendicular to both of the axes named as **z-axis** as shown:

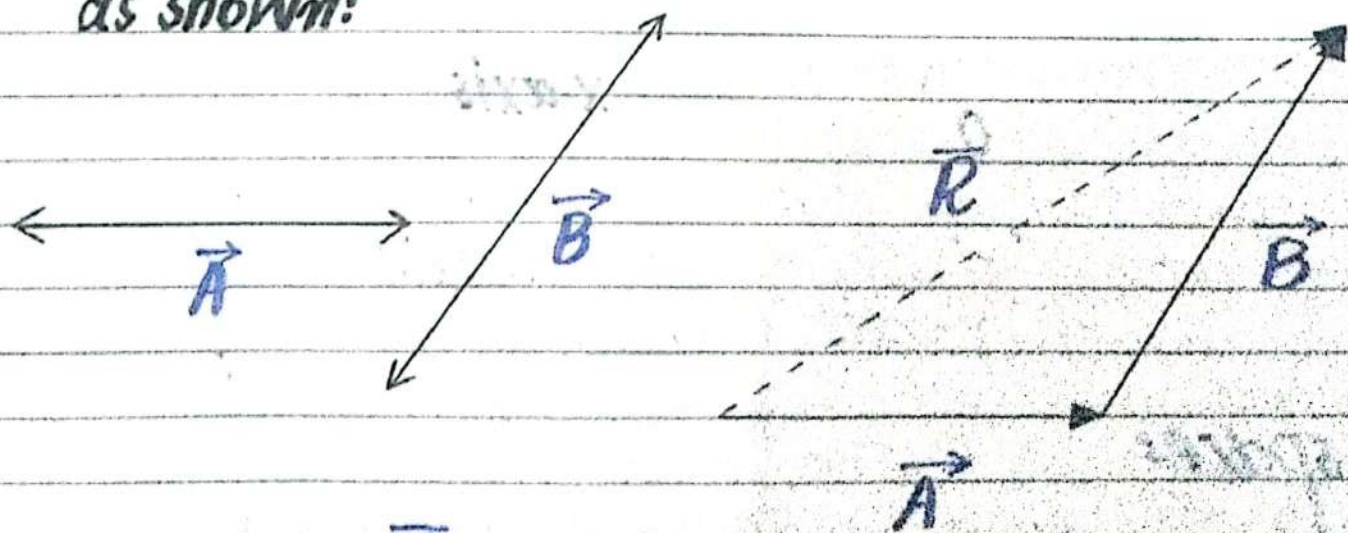
The point  $P(a, b, c)$  having coordinates



$(a, b \text{ and } c)$  makes an angles  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  with respect to  $x$ -axis,  $y$ -axis and  $z$ -axis respectively,



**Addition of Vector:** Vector can be added by a rule called "head to tail rule". In this rule joint the tail of the 2<sup>nd</sup> vector with the head of the 1<sup>st</sup> vector and so on as shown:



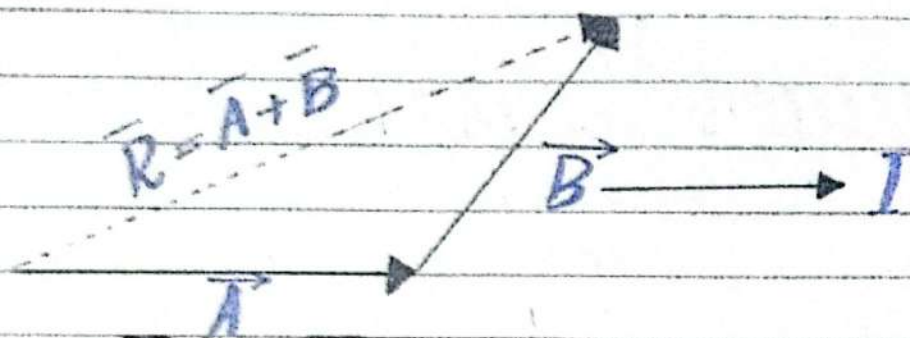
$\vec{R}$  = Resultant vector

**Q:** Prove that vector addition is commutative:



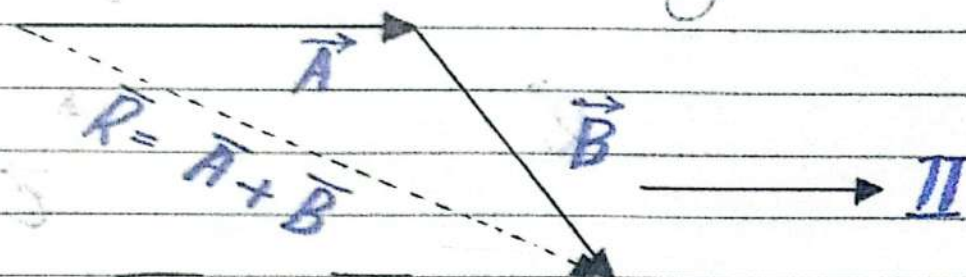
**Proof:** Consider two vectors  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$  as shown:

Add them by head to tail rule, such that we get a resultant vector  $\vec{R}$  as shown:



$$\vec{R} = \vec{A} + \vec{B} \longrightarrow \text{I}$$

Now add them in such a way that



$$\vec{R} = \vec{B} + \vec{A} \longrightarrow \text{II}$$

From figure I and II we can draw,

From equation 1 and 2 we can write,

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

(MCGs)

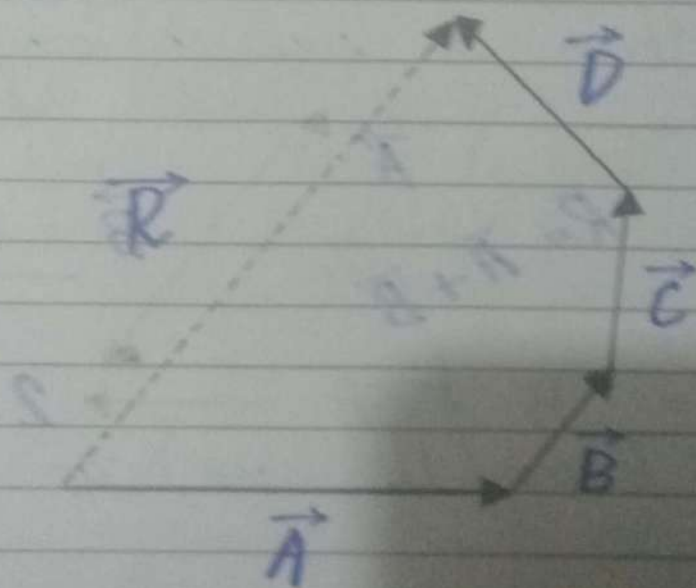
1) Addition vector also obeys associative law

$$\vec{A} + (\vec{B} + \vec{C}) = (\vec{A} + \vec{B}) + \vec{C}$$

2) If  $\vec{x} = \vec{a} + \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{y} = \vec{b} + \vec{c}$  so what is the angle between  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$

0 degree angle

**Resultant Vector:** Resultant vector is a single vector which is the sum of all the vectors and it has the same effect of all the vectors to be added as shown:



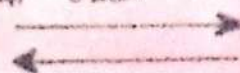
$$\vec{R} = \vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C} + \vec{D}$$

**Negative Vector:** A vector is said to be negative if it have same length a magnitude with the other vector but opposite in direction as shown:

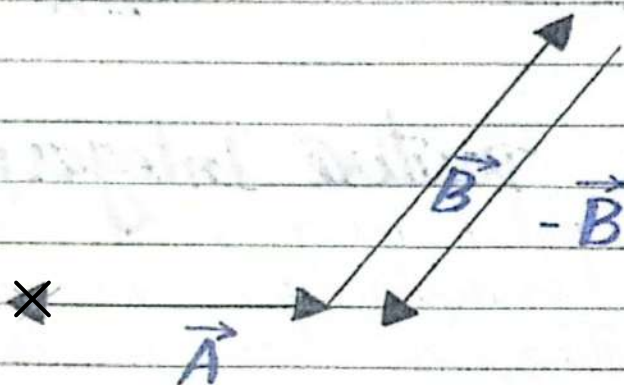




The angle between two negative vectors is  $180^\circ$  because they are antiparallel to each other



**Vector Subtraction:** Two vectors can be subtract by adding a negative vector into other vector as shown:



We can write it as

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

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

Make a vector B into negative and add it into  $\vec{A}$  as shown:

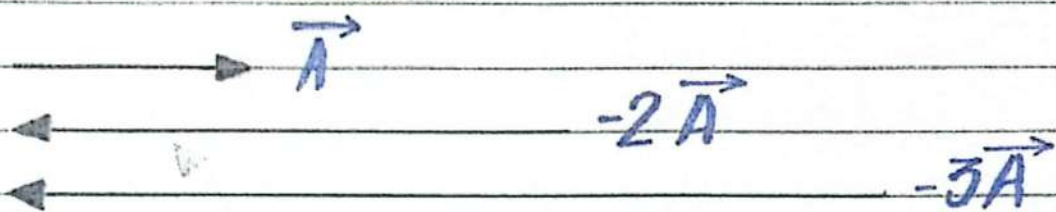


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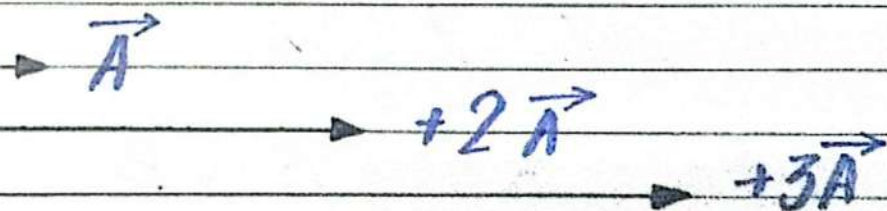


# Multiplication Of Vector:

If 'n' is a negative Integer: If a -ve integer multiplied with a vector 'A' then its length will increase upto that number but its direction is reversed as shown:



If 'n' is a positive Integer: If a +ve integer multiplied by a vector 'A' then its length will increase upto that number having same direction as of A as shown:



**Unit Vector:** A vector whose magnitude is one and gives specified direction is called unit vector.

It is denoted by a cap of a letter ' $\hat{A}$ '

$$\hat{A} = \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|}$$



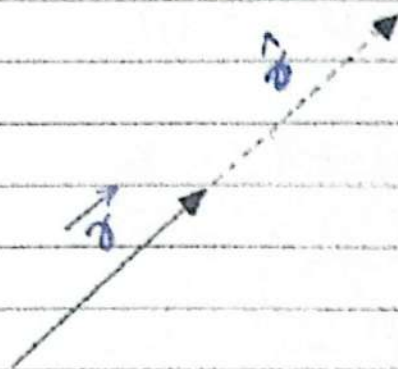
$\vec{A}$  = vector A

$|\vec{A}|$  = magnitude of vector

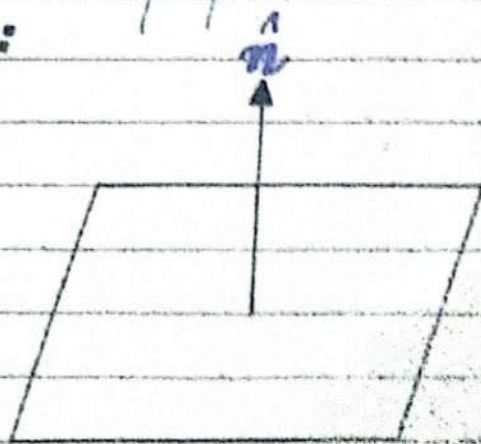
$\hat{A}$  = Unit vector A

$\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$  are the unit vectors of x-axis y-axis and z-axis respectively.

In general  $\hat{r}$  is the unit vector which represents the direction of any vector  $\vec{r}$  as shown:



' $\hat{n}$ ' is the unit vector which is used to represent the direction of vector perpendicular to the plane as shown:





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**Numerical:**

2.3 What is the unit vector in the direction of the vector

$$A = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} ?$$

Data:

$$\vec{A} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$$

To Find:  $\hat{A} = ?$

Solution:  $\hat{A} = \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|}$

$$|\vec{A}| = \sqrt{(4)^2 + (3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 + 9}$$

$$= \sqrt{25}$$

$$\hat{A} = \frac{5}{|\vec{A}|}$$

$$\hat{A} = \frac{4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}}{5} \quad \text{Ans}$$



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**Null Vector:** A vector whose magnitude is zero and gives arbitrary direction.  
It is denoted by  $\vec{0}$ .

$$\vec{A} + (-\vec{A}) = \vec{0}$$

Arbitrary:- Can not be drawn on page.

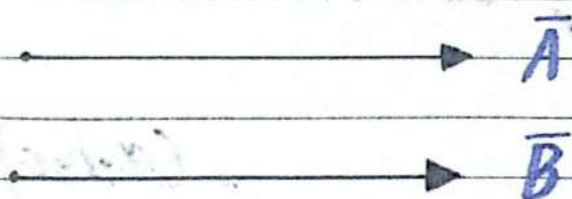
If we get a close shape after adding the vectors its resultant will be null vector.



MCQs:- How many minimum number of vectors gives 0 resultant?

(a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5

**Equal Vector:** Two vectors are said to be equal if they have same magnitude and same direction regardless of their initial position.



$$\vec{A} = \vec{B} = \vec{C}$$

The angle between two parallel vectors is 0 degree.

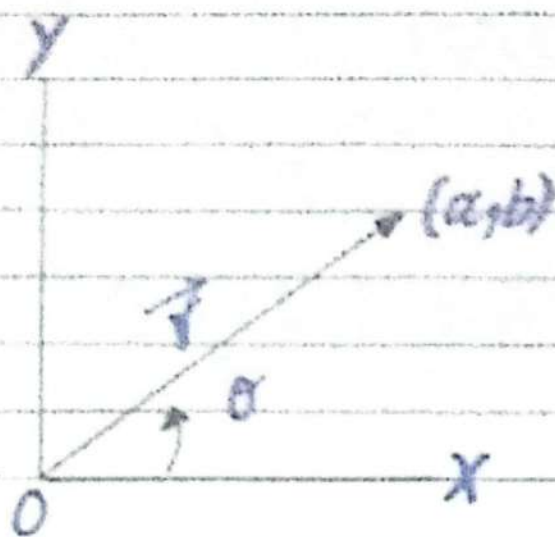
All the equal vectors are parallel but all the parallel vectors may or may not be equal.

**Position Vector:** A vector which describes the location of an object with respect to origin.  
It is denoted by  $\vec{r}$ .

**In 2-Dimensions:**

Origin is the point where position starts.

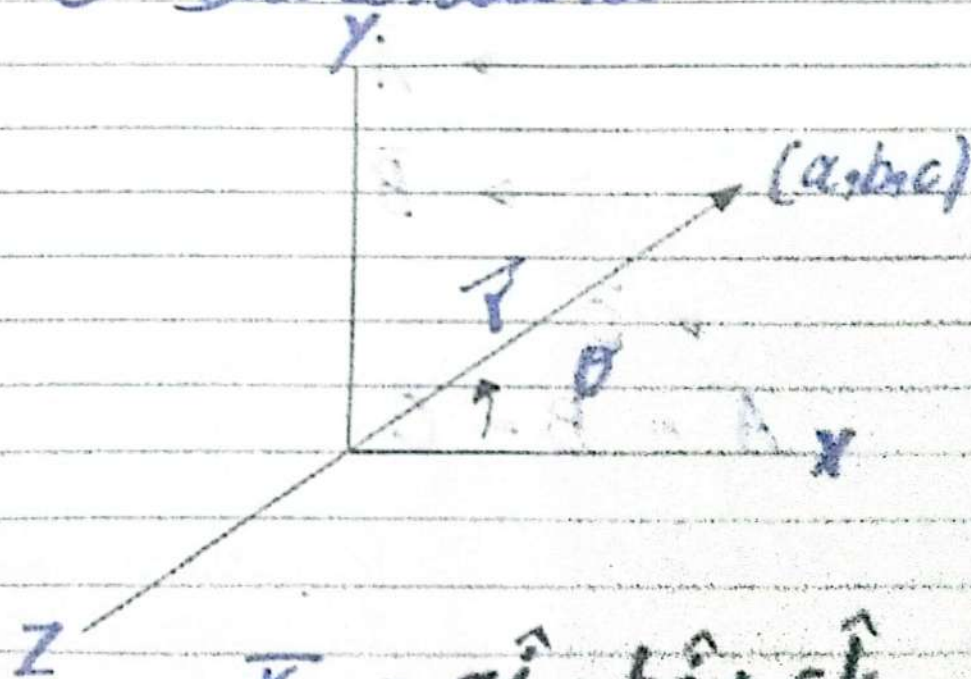




$$\vec{r} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j}$$

$$|\vec{r}| = \sqrt{(a)^2 + (b)^2}$$

In 3-Dimensions



$$\vec{r} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{r}| = \sqrt{(a)^2 + (b)^2 + (c)^2}$$



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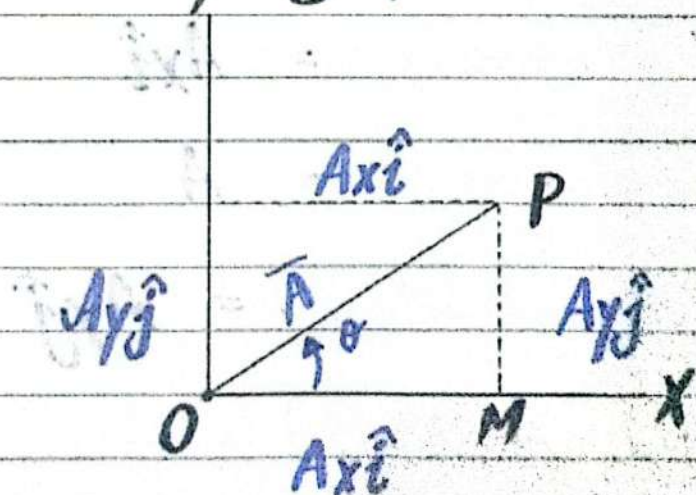
# Rectangular Components Of A Vector:

The process of splitting a single vector into two or more than two vectors is called **resolution of vector**, usually a vector resolved into two vectors called **components of a vector**.

One of the component is along **x-axis** called horizontal component or x-component other component is along **y-axis** called vertical component or y-component.

These components are at right angle to each other so they rectangular components of a vector.

**Explanation:** Consider a vector **A** named as  $\vec{OP}$  in **xy plane** as shown:



Draw the projection of vector **A** along **x** and **y-axis** such that



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$A_x \hat{i}$  = Projection of vector  $\vec{A}$  along  $x$ -axis

$A_y \hat{j}$  = Projection of vector  $\vec{A}$  along  $y$ -axis

We observe that

rectangular C.S. Simple C.S.  
A vector may or may not be the resultant vector of their component so, we can write

$$\vec{A} = A_x \hat{i} + A_y \hat{j}$$

To find the  $x$  and  $y$ -component of vector  $\vec{A}$  we consider the triangle  $\triangle OPM$  such that

$$OM = \text{base} = A_x \hat{i}$$

$$OP = \text{hypot} = A$$

$$MP = \text{perpendicular} = A_y \hat{j}$$

**X-component:-** To find the  $x$ -component of a vector we consider

$$\frac{\text{base}}{\text{hyp}} = \frac{OM}{OP} = \cos \theta$$

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A vector have \_\_\_\_\_ maximum rectangular components?  
(a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5  
A vector have \_\_\_\_\_ component?  
Ans:- Infinite.



$$\frac{A_x}{A} = \cos \theta$$

$$A_x = A \cos \theta$$

**Y-component:** To find the y-component again consider the same triangle  $\triangle OPM$  such that:-

$$\frac{\text{Perp}}{\text{hyp}} = \frac{MP}{OP} = \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{A_y}{A} = \sin \theta$$

$$A_y = A \sin \theta$$

**Magnitude:** To find the magnitude of vector  $A$  we apply **Pythagoras theorem**

$$(\text{hyp})^2 = (\text{base})^2 + (\text{perp})^2$$

$$(A)^2 = (A_x)^2 + (A_y)^2$$

$$A = \sqrt{(A_x)^2 + (A_y)^2}$$

**Direction:** To find the direction of vector, consider projection so



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$$\frac{\text{Perp}}{\text{base}} = \tan \theta$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{A_y}{A_x}$$

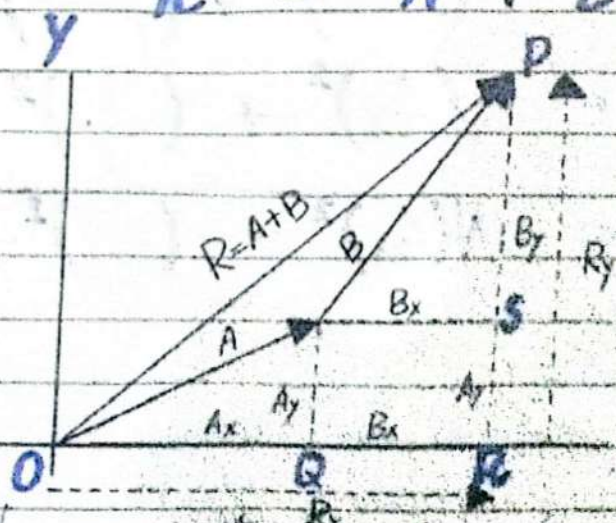
$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{A_y}{A_x}$$

Long Q: Vector Addition by rectangular Components:-

Two vectors  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$  in  $xy$  plane  
Add them by head to tail rule and we  
get resultant  $\vec{R}$  such that

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

$$\vec{R} = \vec{A} + \vec{B} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$



Draw the projection of vector  $\vec{A}$ ,  $\vec{B}$  and  $\vec{R}$



$A_x, B_x, R_x$  be the x-component of vector  $\vec{A}, \vec{B}$  and  $\vec{R}$  and similarly  $A_y, B_y, R_y$  be the y-component of vector  $\vec{A}, \vec{B}$  and  $\vec{R}$ .

From figure, we can write

$$\vec{OR} = \vec{OQ} + \vec{QR}$$

$$R_x = A_x + B_x \longrightarrow 2$$

$$R_x \hat{i} = A_x \hat{i} + B_x \hat{i}$$

$$R_x \hat{i} = (A_x + B_x) \hat{i}$$

Similarly,

$$\vec{RP} = \vec{RS} + \vec{SP}$$

$$R_y = A_y + B_y \longrightarrow 3$$

$$R_y \hat{j} = A_y \hat{j} + B_y \hat{j}$$

$$R_y \hat{j} = (A_y + B_y) \hat{j}$$



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Now we know that,  $\vec{A}$  vector is the resultant vector of their components.

$$\vec{R} = R_x \hat{i} + R_y \hat{j}$$

Put equation 2 and 3 in above equation.

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

**Magnitude:** To find the magnitude of the resultant vector  $\vec{R}$  we use

$$|\vec{R}| = \sqrt{(R_x)^2 + (R_y)^2}$$

$$|\vec{R}| = \sqrt{(A_x + B_x)^2 + (A_y + B_y)^2}$$

**Direction:** To find the direction of the resultant vector  $\vec{R}$  we can write

$$\tan \theta = \frac{R_y}{R_x}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{A_y + B_y}{A_x + B_x}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{A_y + B_y}{A_x + B_x} \right]$$

For any number of coplanar vectors we can write



$$R = \sqrt{(A_x + B_x + C_x + \dots)^2 + (A_y + B_y + C_y + \dots)^2}$$

$$\text{and } \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{(A_y + B_y + C_y + \dots)}{(A_x + B_x + C_x + \dots)}$$

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# Memorials

2.4: Two particles are located at  $r_1 = 3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$  and  $r_2 = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$  respectively. Find both the magnitude of the vector  $(r_2 - r_1)$  and its orientation with respect to the X-axis.

Data:

$$r_1 = 3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}$$

$$R_x = -ve, R_y = +ve$$

$$\bar{R} = R_x\hat{i} + R_y\hat{j}$$

$$\theta = 180 - \phi$$

$$R_x = +ve, R_y = +ve$$

$$\bar{R} = R_x\hat{i} + R_y\hat{j}$$

$$\theta = \phi$$

To Find:

$$r_2 = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$$

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$$R_x = -ve, R_y = -ve$$

$$\bar{R} = R_x\hat{i} - R_y\hat{j}$$

$$\theta = 180 + \phi$$

$$R_x = +ve, R_y = -ve$$

$$\bar{R} = R_x\hat{i} - R_y\hat{j}$$

$$\theta = 360 - \phi$$

Solve:

$$r_2 - r_1 = ?$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_2 - r_1 &= (-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) - (3\hat{i} + 7\hat{j}) \\ &= -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 3\hat{i} - 7\hat{j} \\ &= -2\hat{i} - 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 7\hat{j} \\ &= -5\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1}(0.8)$$

$$\phi = 39^\circ$$

$$|r_2 - r_1| = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (-4)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{25 + 16}$$

$$= \sqrt{41}$$

$$= 6.4$$

$$\theta = 180 + \phi$$

$$\theta = 180 + 39^\circ$$

$$\theta = 219^\circ$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{r_y}{r_x}$$