

Responses for the Reading Questions 7

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Vector Operations

1 Where have you seen vectors used before in other courses? How were they different?

I have seen vectors in Calculus class and the biggest difference between those two vectors are: 1. The vector form is different. $\langle x, y, z \rangle$ is used as a coordinate in Euclidean space. 2. The vector (x, y, z) always has an initial position in the Euclidean space.

2 In words only, when are two vectors equal?

Two vectors are equal if and only if the magnitude and the direction are equal. Let A and B be vectors, and two vectors are equal if the resultant vector is same such that

$$A - B = C \quad (1)$$

$$B - A = C \quad (2)$$

3 Perform the following computation with vector operations

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + (-3) \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 10 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 18 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -19 \\ -8 \\ -15 \end{bmatrix}$$