

If \mathbf{F} is a constant force in any direction, then the **work** W done by \mathbf{F} in moving an object from A to B is

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \mathbf{F} \cdot \overrightarrow{AB} \\ &= |\mathbf{F}| |\overrightarrow{AB}| \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

where θ is the angle between \mathbf{F} and \overrightarrow{AB} . Except for the sign, the work is the magnitude of the effective force in the direction of \overrightarrow{AB} times $|\overrightarrow{AB}|$.

EXAMPLE 7 Finding Work

Find the work done by a 10 pound force acting in the direction $\langle 1, 2 \rangle$ in moving an object 3 feet from $(0, 0)$ to $(3, 0)$.

SOLUTION The force \mathbf{F} has magnitude 10 and acts in the direction $\langle 1, 2 \rangle$, so

$$\mathbf{F} = 10 \frac{\langle 1, 2 \rangle}{|\langle 1, 2 \rangle|} = \frac{10}{\sqrt{5}} \langle 1, 2 \rangle.$$

The direction of motion is from $A = (0, 0)$ to $B = (3, 0)$, so $\overrightarrow{AB} = \langle 3, 0 \rangle$. Thus, the work done by the force is

$$\mathbf{F} \cdot \overrightarrow{AB} = \frac{10}{\sqrt{5}} \langle 1, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle 3, 0 \rangle = \frac{30}{\sqrt{5}} \approx 13.42 \text{ foot-pounds.}$$

Now try Exercise 53.

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Work is usually measured in foot-pounds or Newton-meters. One Newton-meter is commonly referred to as one Joule.

QUICK REVIEW 6.2 (For help, go to Section 6.1.)

In Exercises 1–4, find $|\mathbf{u}|$.

1. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, -3 \rangle$

2. $\mathbf{u} = -3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}$

7. $\mathbf{A} = (2, 0), \mathbf{B} = (1, -\sqrt{3})$

8. $\mathbf{A} = (-2, 0), \mathbf{B} = (1, -\sqrt{3})$

3. $\mathbf{u} = \cos 35^\circ \mathbf{i} + \sin 35^\circ \mathbf{j}$

4. $\mathbf{u} = 2(\cos 75^\circ \mathbf{i} + \sin 75^\circ \mathbf{j})$

In Exercises 9 and 10, find a vector \mathbf{u} with the given magnitude in the direction of \mathbf{v} .

9. $|\mathbf{u}| = 2, \mathbf{v} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$

10. $|\mathbf{u}| = 3, \mathbf{v} = -4\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$

In Exercises 5–8, the points A and B lie on the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$. Find the component form of the vector \overrightarrow{AB} .

5. $A = (-2, 0), B = (1, \sqrt{3})$

6. $A = (2, 0), B = (1, \sqrt{3})$

SECTION 6.2 EXERCISES

In Exercises 1–8, find the dot product of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

1. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 5, 3 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle 12, 4 \rangle$

2. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -5, 2 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle 8, 13 \rangle$

3. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 4, 5 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -3, -7 \rangle$

4. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -2, 7 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -5, -8 \rangle$

5. $\mathbf{u} = -4\mathbf{i} - 9\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{v} = -3\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}$

6. $\mathbf{u} = 2\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{v} = -8\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j}$

7. $\mathbf{u} = 7\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{v} = -2\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j}$

8. $\mathbf{u} = 4\mathbf{i} - 11\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{v} = -3\mathbf{j}$

In Exercises 9–12, use the dot product to find $|\mathbf{u}|$.

9. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 5, -12 \rangle$

10. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -8, 15 \rangle$

11. $\mathbf{u} = -4\mathbf{i}$

12. $\mathbf{u} = 3\mathbf{j}$

In Exercises 13–22, find the angle θ between the vectors.

13. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -4, -3 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -1, 5 \rangle$

14. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, -2 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -3, -3 \rangle$

15. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -3, 5 \rangle$ 16. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 5, 2 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -6, -1 \rangle$

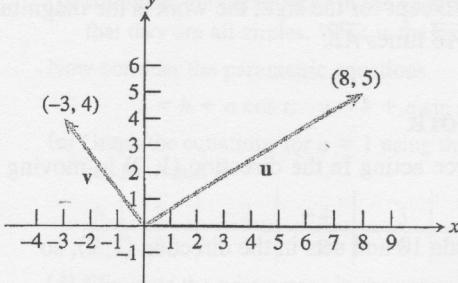
17. $\mathbf{u} = 3\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{v} = -2\mathbf{i} + 2\sqrt{3}\mathbf{j}$

18. $\mathbf{u} = -2\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{v} = 5\mathbf{j}$

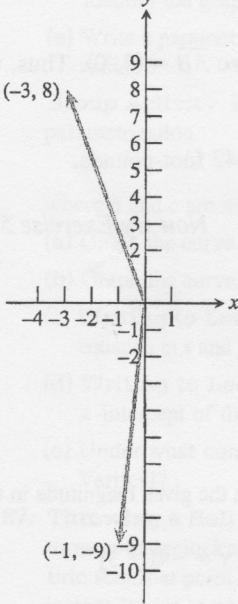
19. $\mathbf{u} = \left(2 \cos \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(2 \sin \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{v} = \left(\cos \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\sin \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)\mathbf{j}$

20. $\mathbf{u} = \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{v} = \left(3 \cos \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(3 \sin \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\mathbf{j}$

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In Exercises 23–24, prove that the vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal.

23. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle 3/2, -1 \rangle$

24. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -4, -1 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle 1, -4 \rangle$

In Exercises 25–28, find the vector projection of \mathbf{u} onto \mathbf{v} . Then write \mathbf{u} as a sum of two orthogonal vectors, one of which is $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}}\mathbf{u}$.

25. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -8, 3 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -6, -2 \rangle$

26. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 3, -7 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -2, -6 \rangle$

27. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 8, 5 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -9, -2 \rangle$

28. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -2, 8 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle 9, -3 \rangle$

In Exercises 29 and 30, find the interior angles of the triangle with given vertices.

29. $(-4, 5), (1, 10), (3, 1)$

30. $(-4, 1), (1, -6), (5, -1)$

In Exercises 31 and 32, find $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ satisfying the given conditions where θ is the angle between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

31. $\theta = 150^\circ, |\mathbf{u}| = 3, |\mathbf{v}| = 8$

32. $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, |\mathbf{u}| = 12, |\mathbf{v}| = 40$

In Exercises 33–38, determine whether the vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are parallel, orthogonal, or neither.

33. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 5, 3 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \left\langle -\frac{10}{4}, -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle$

34. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, 5 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \left\langle \frac{10}{3}, \frac{4}{3} \right\rangle$

35. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 15, -12 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -4, 5 \rangle$

36. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 5, -6 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -12, -10 \rangle$

37. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -3, 4 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle 20, 15 \rangle$

38. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, -7 \rangle, \mathbf{v} = \langle -4, 14 \rangle$

In Exercises 39–42, find

(a) the x -intercept A and y -intercept B of the line.

(b) the coordinates of the point P so that \overrightarrow{AP} is perpendicular to the line and $|\overrightarrow{AP}| = 1$. (There are two answers.)

39. $3x - 4y = 12$

40. $-2x + 5y = 10$

41. $3x - 7y = 21$

42. $x + 2y = 6$

In Exercises 43 and 44, find the vector(s) \mathbf{v} satisfying the given conditions.

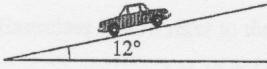
43. $\mathbf{u} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle, \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 10, |\mathbf{v}|^2 = 17$

44. $\mathbf{u} = \langle -2, 5 \rangle, \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = -11, |\mathbf{v}|^2 = 10$

45. **Sliding Down a Hill** Ojemba is sitting on a sled on the side of a hill inclined at 60° . The combined weight of Ojemba and the sled is 160 pounds. What is the magnitude of the force required for Mandisa to keep the sled from sliding down the hill?

46. **Revisiting Example 6** Suppose Juan and Rafaela switch positions. The combined weight of Rafaela and the sled is 125 pounds. What is the magnitude of the force required for Juan to keep the sled from sliding down the hill?

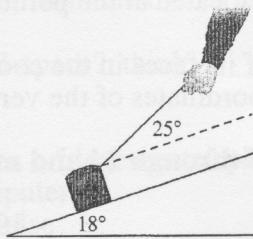
47. **Braking Force** A 2000 pound car is parked on a street that makes an angle of 12° with the horizontal (see figure).



(a) Find the magnitude of the force required to keep the car from rolling down the hill.

(b) Find the force perpendicular to the street.

- 48. Effective Force** A 60 pound force \mathbf{F} that makes an angle of 25° with an inclined plane is pulling a box up the plane. The inclined plane makes an 18° angle with the horizontal (see figure). What is the magnitude of the effective force pulling the box up the plane?



- 49. Work** Find the work done lifting a 2600 pound car 5.5 feet.
- 50. Work** Find the work done lifting a 100 pound bag of potatoes 3 feet.
- 51. Work** Find the work done by a force \mathbf{F} of 12 pounds acting in the direction $\langle 1, 2 \rangle$ in moving an object 4 feet from $(0, 0)$ to $(4, 0)$.
- 52. Work** Find the work done by a force \mathbf{F} of 24 pounds acting in the direction $\langle 4, 5 \rangle$ in moving an object 5 feet from $(0, 0)$ to $(5, 0)$.
- 53. Work** Find the work done by a force \mathbf{F} of 30 pounds acting in the direction $\langle 2, 2 \rangle$ in moving an object 3 feet from $(0, 0)$ to a point in the first quadrant along the line $y = (1/2)x$.

- 54. Work** Find the work done by a force \mathbf{F} of 50 pounds acting in the direction $\langle 2, 3 \rangle$ in moving an object 5 feet from $(0, 0)$ to a point in the first quadrant along the line $y = x$.
- 55. Work** The angle between a 200 pound force \mathbf{F} and $\overrightarrow{AB} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$ is 30° . Find the work done by \mathbf{F} in moving an object from A to B .
- 56. Work** The angle between a 75 pound force \mathbf{F} and \overrightarrow{AB} is 60° , where $A = (-1, 1)$ and $B = (4, 3)$. Find the work done by \mathbf{F} in moving an object from A to B .

- 57. Properties of the Dot Product** Let \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} be vectors and let c be a scalar. Use the component form of vectors to prove the following properties.
- $\mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$
 - $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$
 - $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$
 - $(c\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot (cv) = c(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})$

- 58. Group Activity Projection of a Vector** Let \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} be nonzero vectors. Prove that

$$(a) \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \right) \mathbf{v}$$

$$(b) (\mathbf{u} - \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}) \cdot (\text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

- 59. Group Activity Connecting Geometry and Vectors** Prove that the sum of the squares of the diagonals of a parallelogram is equal to the sum of the squares of its sides.

- 60. If \mathbf{u} is any vector, prove that we can write \mathbf{u} as**

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{i})\mathbf{i} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{j})\mathbf{j}.$$

Standardized Test Questions

- 61. True or False** If $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$, then \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are perpendicular. Justify your answer.
- 62. True or False** If \mathbf{u} is a unit vector, then $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 1$. Justify your answer.

In Exercises 63–66, you may use a graphing calculator to solve the problem.

- 63. Multiple Choice** Let $\mathbf{u} = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v} = \langle -1, 1 \rangle$. Which of the following is the angle between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} ?
- (A) 0° (B) 45° (C) 60° (D) 90° (E) 135°
- 64. Multiple Choice** Let $\mathbf{u} = \langle 4, -5 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v} = \langle -2, -3 \rangle$. Which of the following is equal to $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$?
- (A) -23 (B) -7 (C) 7 (D) 23 (E) $\sqrt{7}$
- 65. Multiple Choice** Let $\mathbf{u} = \langle 3/2, -3/2 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v} = \langle 2, 0 \rangle$. Which of the following is equal to $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u}$?
- (A) $\langle 3/2, 0 \rangle$ (B) $\langle 3, 0 \rangle$ (C) $\langle -3/2, 0 \rangle$
 (D) $\langle 3/2, 3/2 \rangle$ (E) $\langle -3/2, -3/2 \rangle$
- 66. Multiple Choice** Which of the following vectors describes a 5 lb force acting in the direction of $\mathbf{u} = \langle -1, 1 \rangle$?
- (A) $5 \langle -1, 1 \rangle$ (B) $\frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \langle -1, 1 \rangle$ (C) $5 \langle 1, -1 \rangle$
 (D) $\frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \langle 1, -1 \rangle$ (E) $\frac{5}{2} \langle -1, 1 \rangle$

Explorations

- 67. Distance from a Point to a Line** Consider the line L with equation $2x + 5y = 10$ and the point $P = (3, 7)$.
- Verify that $A = (0, 2)$ and $B = (5, 0)$ are the y - and x -intercepts of L .
 - Find $\mathbf{w}_1 = \text{proj}_{\overrightarrow{AB}} \overrightarrow{AP}$ and $\mathbf{w}_2 = \overrightarrow{AP} - \text{proj}_{\overrightarrow{AB}} \overrightarrow{AP}$.
 - Writing to Learn Explain why $|\mathbf{w}_2|$ is the distance from P to L . What is this distance?
 - Find a formula for the distance of any point $P = (x_0, y_0)$ to L .
 - Find a formula for the distance of any point $P = (x_0, y_0)$ to the line $ax + by = c$.

Extending the Ideas

- 68. Writing to Learn** Let $\mathbf{w} = (\cos t) \mathbf{u} + (\sin t) \mathbf{v}$ where \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are not parallel.
- Can the vector \mathbf{w} be parallel to the vector \mathbf{u} ? Explain.
 - Can the vector \mathbf{w} be parallel to the vector \mathbf{v} ? Explain.
 - Can the vector \mathbf{w} be parallel to the vector $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$? Explain.
- 69. If the vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are not parallel, prove that**

$$a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{v} = c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} \Rightarrow a = c, b = d.$$