Lecture One – Vectors and Vector-Values Functions

Solution Section 1.1 – Vectors

Exercise

Give a geometric description of the set of points in space whose coordinates satisfy the given pairs of equations $x^2 + z^2 = 4$, y = 0

Solution

The circle $x^2 + z^2 = 4$ in the *xz*-plane

Exercise

Give a geometric description of the set of points in space whose coordinates satisfy the given pairs of equations $x^2 + y^2 = 4$, z = -2

Solution

The circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ in the plane z = -2

Exercise

Give a geometric description of the set of points in space whose coordinates satisfy the given pairs of equations $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$, x = 0

Solution

The circle $y^2 + z^2 = 1$ in the *yz*-plane

Exercise

Give a geometric description of the set of points in space whose coordinates satisfy the given pairs of equations $x^2 + (y-1)^2 + z^2 = 4$, y = 0

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Solution

$$x^{2} + (0-1)^{2} + z^{2} = 4 \implies x^{2} + z^{2} = 3$$

The circle $x^2 + z^2 = 3$ in the xz-plane

Give a geometric description of the set of points in space whose coordinates satisfy the given pairs of equations $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$, y = x

Solution

The circle formed by the intersection of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ and the plane y = x

Exercise

Find the distance between points $P_1(1, 1, 1)$, $P_2(3, 3, 0)$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} |P_1 P_2| &= \sqrt{(3-1)^2 + (3-1)^2 + (0-1)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{4+4+1} \\ &= \sqrt{9} \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise

Find the distance between points $P_1(-1, 1, 5)$, $P_2(2, 5, 0)$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \left| P_1 P_2 \right| &= \sqrt{(2+1)^2 + (5-1)^2 + (0-5)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{9+16+25} \\ &= \sqrt{50} \\ &= 5\sqrt{2} \ | \end{aligned}$$

Exercise

Find the distance between points $P_1(1, 4, 5)$, $P_2(4, -2, 7)$

$$|P_1P_2| = \sqrt{(4-1)^2 + (-2-4)^2 + (7-5)^2}$$

= $\sqrt{9+36+4}$
= 7

Find the distance between points $P_1(3, 4, 5)$, $P_2(2, 3, 4)$

Solution

$$|P_1 P_2| = \sqrt{(2-3)^2 + (3-4)^2 + (4-5)^2}$$

= $\sqrt{1+1+1}$
= $\sqrt{3}$

Exercise

Find the center and radii of the spheres $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 4z = 0$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 4z = 0$$

Solution

$$(x^{2} + 4x) + y^{2} + (z^{2} - 4z) = 0$$
$$(x^{2} + 4x + 4) + y^{2} + (z^{2} - 4z + 4) = 4 + 4$$
$$(x + 2)^{2} + y^{2} + (z - 2)^{2} = 8$$

The center is at (-2, 0, 2) and the radius is $\sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$

Exercise

Find the center and radii of the spheres $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 6y + 8z = 0$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 6y + 8z = 0$$

Solution

$$x^{2} + \left(y^{2} - 6y\right) + \left(z^{2} + 8z\right) = 0$$

$$x^{2} + \left(y^{2} - 6y + \left(-\frac{6}{2}\right)^{2}\right) + \left(z^{2} + 8z + \left(\frac{8}{2}\right)^{2}\right) = 9 + 16$$

$$x^{2} + \left(y - 3\right)^{2} + \left(z + 4\right)^{2} = 25$$

The center is at (0, 3, -4) and the radius is 5

Exercise

Find the center and radii of the spheres
$$2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 + x + y + z = 9$$

$$x^{2} + y^{2} + z^{2} + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}z = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\left(x^{2} + \frac{1}{2}x + \left(\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}\right) + \left(y^{2} + \frac{1}{2}y + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{2}\right) + \left(z^{2} + \frac{1}{2}z + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{2}\right) = \frac{9}{2} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} + \left(y + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} + \left(z + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} = \frac{9}{2} + \frac{3}{16}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} + \left(y + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} + \left(z + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} = \frac{75}{16}$$

The center is at $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$ and the radius is $\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{4}$

Exercise

Find a formula for the distance from the point P(x, y, z) to x-axis

Solution

The distance between (x, y, z) and (x, 0, 0) is:

$$d = \sqrt{(x-x)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z-0)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

Exercise

Find a formula for the distance from the point P(x, y, z) to xy-plane

Solution

The distance between (x, y, z) and (x, 0, z) is:

$$d = \sqrt{(x-x)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z-z)^2}$$

= y |

Exercise

Let $u = \langle -3, 4 \rangle$ and $v = \langle 2, -5 \rangle$. Find the component form and the magnitude if the vector

a)
$$3u-4v$$

$$b) -2u$$

$$c)$$
 $u+v$

a)
$$3\vec{u} - 4\vec{v} = 3\langle -3, 4 \rangle - 4\langle 2, -5 \rangle$$

$$=\langle -17, 32 \rangle$$

b)
$$-2\vec{u} = -2\langle -3, 4 \rangle$$

= $\langle 6, -8 \rangle$

c)
$$\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \langle -3, 4 \rangle + \langle 2, -5 \rangle$$

$$= \langle -1, -1 \rangle$$

Let $\mathbf{u} = \langle 3, -2 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{v} = \langle -2, 5 \rangle$. Find the component form and the magnitude if the vector

- b) u v c) 2u 3v d) -2u + 5v
- $e) -\frac{5}{13}u + \frac{12}{13}v$

Solution

a)
$$3u = 3\langle 3, -2 \rangle$$

= $\langle 9, -6 \rangle$

b)
$$u-v = \langle 3, -2 \rangle - \langle -2, 5 \rangle$$

= $\langle 5, -7 \rangle$

c)
$$2u - 3v = 2\langle 3, -2 \rangle - 3\langle -2, 5 \rangle$$

= $\langle 6, -4 \rangle - \langle -6, 15 \rangle$
= $\langle 12, -19 \rangle$

d)
$$-2u + 5v = -2\langle 3, -2 \rangle + 5\langle -2, 5 \rangle$$

= $\langle -6, 4 \rangle + \langle -10, 25 \rangle$
= $\langle -14, 29 \rangle$

e)
$$-\frac{5}{13}u + \frac{12}{13}v = -\frac{5}{13}\langle 3, -2 \rangle + \frac{12}{13}\langle -2, 5 \rangle$$
$$= \langle -6, 4 \rangle - \langle -10, 25 \rangle$$
$$= \langle 4, -21 \rangle$$

Exercise

Find scalars a, b, and c such that $\langle 2, 2, 2 \rangle = a \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle + b \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle + c \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle$

$$\langle 2, 2, 2 \rangle = a \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle + b \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle + c \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle a+c, a+b, b+c \rangle$$

$$\begin{cases} a+c=2\\ a+b=2\\ b+c=2 \end{cases} \begin{cases} c=2-a\\ b=2-a \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2a-4=2 \end{cases}$$

$$a=b=c=1$$

Find the component form of the vector: The sum of \overrightarrow{AB} and \overrightarrow{CD} where

$$A = (1,-1), B = (2,0), C = (-1,3), and D = (-2,2)$$

Solution

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \langle 2 - 1, 0 - (-1) \rangle = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\overrightarrow{CD} = \langle -2 - (-1), 2 - 3 \rangle = \langle -1, -1 \rangle$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{CD} = \langle 1, 1 \rangle + \langle -1, -1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0, 0 \rangle$$

Exercise

Find the component form of the vector: The unit vector that makes an angle $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ with the positive x-axis

Solution

$$\left\langle \cos \frac{2\pi}{3}, \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \right\rangle = \left\langle -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right\rangle$$

Exercise

Find the component form of the vector: The unit vector obtained by rotating the vector $\langle 0, 1 \rangle$ 120° counterclockwise about the origin

Solution

The angle of unit vector $\langle 0, 1 \rangle$ is 90°, this unit vector rotates 120° which makes an angle of $90^{\circ} + 120^{\circ} = 210^{\circ}$ with the positive *x*-axis

$$\langle \cos 210^{\circ}, \sin 210^{\circ} \rangle = \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

Find the component form of the vector: The unit vector obtained by rotating the vector $\langle 1, 0 \rangle$ 135° counterclockwise about the origin

Solution

The angle of unit vector $\langle 1, 0 \rangle$ is 0° , this unit vector rotates 135° which makes an angle of $0^{\circ} + 135^{\circ} = 135^{\circ}$ with the positive *x*-axis

$$\langle \cos 135^{\circ}, \sin 135^{\circ} \rangle = \left\langle -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$$

Exercise

Find the component form of the vector: The unit vector that makes an angle $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$ with the positive *x*-axis

Solution

$$\left\langle \cos \frac{\pi}{6}, \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

Exercise

Find the component form of the vector: The vector 5 units long in the direction opposite to the direction of $\frac{3}{5}\mathbf{i} + \frac{4}{5}\mathbf{j}$

Solution

$$-5\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{9}{25} + \frac{16}{25}}}\right) \left(\frac{3}{5}\hat{i} + \frac{4}{5}\hat{j}\right) = -5\left(1\right) \left(\frac{3}{5}\hat{i} + \frac{4}{5}\hat{j}\right)$$

$$= -3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j}$$

Exercise

Express the velocity vector $\mathbf{v} = \left(e^t \cos t - e^t \sin t\right) \mathbf{i} + \left(e^t \cos t + e^t \sin t\right) \mathbf{j}$ when $t = \ln 2$ in terms of its length and direction.

$$\vec{v}(t = \ln 2) = (e^{\ln 2}\cos(\ln 2) - e^{\ln 2}\sin(\ln 2))\hat{i} + (e^{\ln 2}\cos(\ln 2) + e^{\ln 2}\sin(\ln 2))\hat{j}$$

$$= (2\cos(\ln 2) - 2\sin(\ln 2))\hat{i} + (2\cos(\ln 2) + 2\sin(\ln 2))\hat{j}$$

$$Length = |v| = \sqrt{(2\cos(\ln 2) - 2\sin(\ln 2))^2 + (2\cos(\ln 2) + 2\sin(\ln 2))^2}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{\cos^2(\ln 2) - 2\cos(\ln 2)\sin(\ln 2) + \sin^2(\ln 2)}$$

$$+ \cos^2(\ln 2) + 2\cos(\ln 2)\sin(\ln 2) + \sin^2(\ln 2)$$

$$= 2\sqrt{2}$$

Direction
$$= \frac{v}{|v|} = \frac{2((\cos(\ln 2) - \sin(\ln 2))i + (\cos(\ln 2) + \sin(\ln 2))j)}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{(\cos(\ln 2) - \sin(\ln 2))}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} + \frac{(\cos(\ln 2) + \sin(\ln 2))}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j}$$

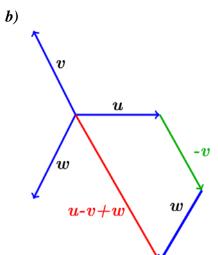
Sketch the indicated vector

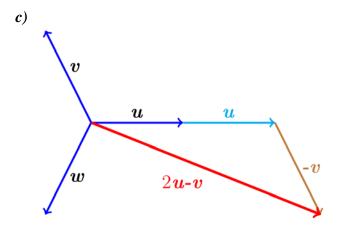
a) u - v

b) 2u - v

c) u-v+u

Solution

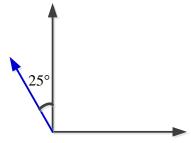




An Airplane is flying in the direction 25° west of north at $800 \, km/h$. Find the component form of the velocity of the airplane, assuming that the positive *x*-axis represents due east and the positive *y*-axis represents due north.

Solution

25° west of north is 25° + 90° = 115° north of east
$$800\langle\cos 115^{\circ}, \sin 115^{\circ}\rangle \approx \langle -338.095, 725.046\rangle$$



Exercise

A jet airliner, flying due east at 500 *mph* in still air, encounters a 70-*mph* tailwind blowing in the direction 60° north of east. The airplane holds its compass heading due east but, because of the wind, acquires a new ground speed and direction. What speed and direction should the jetliner have in order for the resultant vector to be 500 *mph* due east?

Solution

$$u = \langle x, y \rangle$$
 = the velocity of the airplane;

v = the velocity of the tailwind

$$v = \langle 70\cos 60^{\circ}, 70\sin 60^{\circ} \rangle$$
$$= \langle 35, 35\sqrt{3} \rangle$$

$$u + v = \langle 500, 0 \rangle$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle + \langle 35, 35\sqrt{3} \rangle = \langle 500, 0 \rangle$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \langle 500, 0 \rangle - \langle 35, 35\sqrt{3} \rangle = \langle 765, -35\sqrt{3} \rangle$$

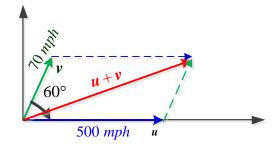
$$u = \langle 765, -35\sqrt{3} \rangle$$

$$|\mathbf{u}| = \sqrt{465^2 + \left(-35\sqrt{3}\right)^2}$$

$$\approx 468.9 \ mph \ |$$

$$\underline{|\theta} = \tan^{-1} \frac{-35\sqrt{3}}{465}$$
$$\approx -7.4^{\circ}$$

The direction is 7.4° south of east

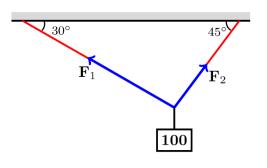


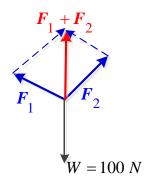
Consider a 100-N weight suspended by two wires. Find the magnitudes and components of the force vectors \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2

Solution

$$\begin{split} \vec{F}_1 &= \left\langle -\left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \cos 30^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \sin 30^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right| \vec{F}_1 \right|, \ \frac{1}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \cos 45^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \sin 45^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle 0, 100 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right|, \ \frac{1}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle = \left\langle 0, 100 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{1}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle = \left\langle 0, 100 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| = 0 \\ \left| \frac{1}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| = 100 \\ \Rightarrow \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \approx 73.205 \ N \right| \quad \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \approx 89.658 \ N \right| \\ \vec{F}_1 &= \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(73.205 \right), \ \frac{1}{2} \left(73.205 \right) \right\rangle \\ \approx \left\langle -63.397, \ 36.603 \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(89.658 \right), \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(89.658 \right) \right\rangle \end{split}$$

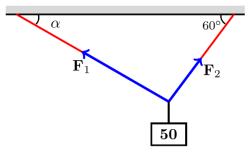
≈ (63.397, 63.397)



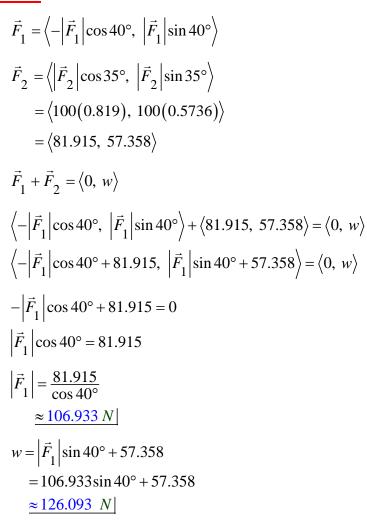


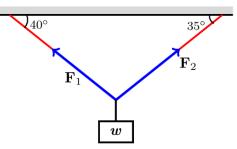
Consider a 50-N weight suspended by two wires, If the magnitude of vector $\vec{F}_1 = 35 \, N$, find the angle α and the magnitude of vector \vec{F}_2

$$\begin{split} \vec{F}_1 &= \left\langle -\left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \cos \alpha, \ \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \sin \alpha \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle -35 \cos \alpha, \ 35 \sin \alpha \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \cos 60^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \sin 60^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle \\ w &= \left\langle 0, \ -50 \right\rangle \implies \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 = \left\langle 0, \ 50 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -35 \cos \alpha, \ 35 \sin \alpha \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle = \left\langle 0, \ 50 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -35 \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2} \right| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ 35 \sin \alpha + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle = \left\langle 0, \ 50 \right\rangle \\ &\rightarrow \left\{ -35 \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2} \right| \vec{F}_2 \right| = 0 \\ 35 \sin \alpha + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| = 50 \\ &\rightarrow \left\{ \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| = 70 \cos \alpha \right\} \\ 35 \sin \alpha + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(70 \cos \alpha \right) = 50 \\ 35 \sin \alpha + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(70 \cos \alpha \right) = 50 \\ 35 \sqrt{3} \cos \alpha = 50 - 35 \sin \alpha \\ \sqrt{3} \cos \alpha = \frac{10}{7} - \sin \alpha \\ \left(\sqrt{3} \cos \alpha \right)^2 = \left(\frac{10}{7} - \sin \alpha \right)^2 \\ 3\cos^2 \alpha = \frac{100}{49} - \frac{20}{7} \sin \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha \\ 3 \left(1 - \sin^2 \alpha \right) = \frac{100}{49} - \frac{20}{7} \sin \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha \\ 3 - 3 \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{100}{49} + \frac{20}{7} \sin \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha = 0 \\ -4 \sin^2 \alpha + \frac{20}{7} \sin \alpha + \frac{47}{49} = 0 \\ -196 \sin^2 \alpha + 140 \sin \alpha + 47 = 0 \implies \sin \alpha = \frac{5 \pm 6\sqrt{2}}{14} \\ \text{Since } \alpha > 0 \implies \sin \alpha > 0 \end{split}$$



Consider a w-N weight suspended by two wires, If the magnitude of vector $\vec{F}_2 = 100 \, N$, find w and the magnitude of vector \vec{F}_1

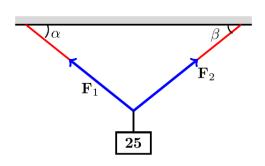




Consider a 25-N weight suspended by two wires, If the magnitude of vector \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2 are both 75 N, then angles α and β are equal. Find α .

Solution

$$\begin{split} \vec{F}_1 &= \left\langle -\left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \cos \alpha, \ \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \sin \alpha \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle -75 \cos \alpha, \ 75 \sin \alpha \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \cos \beta, \ \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \sin \beta \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle 75 \cos \beta, \ 75 \sin \beta \right\rangle \\ w &= \left\langle 0, \ -25 \right\rangle \implies F_1 + F_2 = \left\langle 0, \ 25 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -75 \cos \alpha, \ 75 \sin \alpha \right\rangle + \left\langle 75 \cos \beta, \ 75 \sin \beta \right\rangle = \left\langle 0, \ 25 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -75 \cos \alpha + 75 \cos \alpha, \ 75 \sin \alpha + 75 \sin \alpha \right\rangle = \left\langle 0, \ 25 \right\rangle \\ -75 \cos \alpha + 75 \cos \beta = 0 \implies \cos \alpha = \cos \beta \\ 150 \sin \alpha = 25 \\ \sin \alpha = \frac{25}{150} \\ \left| \underline{\alpha} = \sin^{-1} \frac{25}{150} \right| \\ \underline{\alpha} = \sin^{-1} \frac{25}{150} \end{split}$$



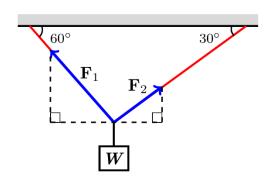
since $\alpha = \beta$

Exercise

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Consider a W = 100 N weight suspended by two wires. Find the magnitudes and components of the force vectors \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2

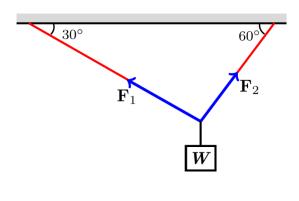
$$\begin{split} \vec{F}_1 &= \left\langle -\left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \cos 60^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \sin 60^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle -\frac{1}{2} \right| \vec{F}_1 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \cos 30^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \sin 30^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{1}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_1 &+ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle 0, \ 100 \right\rangle \end{split}$$



 $=\langle 25\sqrt{3}, 25\rangle$

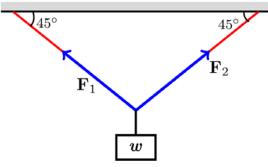
Consider a W = 50 N weight suspended by two wires. Find the magnitudes and components of the force vectors \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2

$$\begin{split} \vec{F}_1 &= \left\langle -\left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \cos 30^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \sin 30^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right|, \ \frac{1}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \cos 60^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \sin 60^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_1 &+ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle 0, \ 50 \right\rangle \end{split}$$



Consider a W = 100 N weight suspended by two wires. Find the magnitudes and components of the force vectors \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2

$$\begin{split} \vec{F}_1 &= \left\langle -\left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \cos 45^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \sin 45^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \cos 45^\circ, \ \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \sin 45^\circ \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle \\ \vec{F}_1 &+ \vec{F}_2 &= \left\langle 0, 100 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle = \left\langle 0, 100 \right\rangle \\ \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right|, \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_1 \right| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left| \vec{F}_2 \right| \right\rangle = \left\langle 0, 100 \right\rangle \end{split}$$



$$\begin{cases} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} |\vec{F}_1| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} |\vec{F}_2| = 0\\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} |\vec{F}_1| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} |\vec{F}_2| = 100 \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{vmatrix} = -1 \quad \Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 100 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{vmatrix} = -50\sqrt{2} \quad \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 100 \end{vmatrix} = -50\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{F}_1| = 50\sqrt{2} N | |\vec{F}_2| = 50\sqrt{2} N$$

$$\vec{F}_1 = \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(50\sqrt{2} \right), \quad \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(50\sqrt{2} \right) \right\rangle$$
$$= \left\langle -50, \quad 50 \right\rangle$$

$$\vec{F}_2 = \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(50\sqrt{2} \right), \quad \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(50\sqrt{2} \right) \right\rangle$$
$$= \left\langle 50, \quad 50 \right\rangle$$

A bird flies from its nest 5 km in the direction 60° north east, where it stops to rest on a tree. It then flies 10 km in the direction due southeast and lands atop a telephone pole. Place an *xy*-coordinate system so that the origin is the bird's nest, the *x*-axis points east, and the *y*-axis points north.

- a) At what point is the tree located?
- b) At what point is the telephone pole?

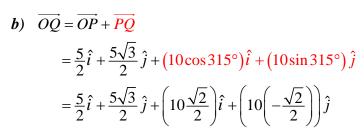
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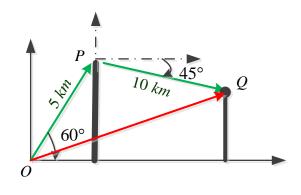
a)
$$\overrightarrow{OP} = (5\cos 60^{\circ})\mathbf{i} + (5\sin 60^{\circ})\mathbf{j}$$

$$= \frac{5}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}\mathbf{j}$$

The tree is located at the point

$$P = \left(\frac{5}{2}, \ \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$





$$= \left(\frac{5}{2} + 5\sqrt{2}\right)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{10\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\hat{j}$$
$$= \left(\frac{5 + 10\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{5\sqrt{3} - 10\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\hat{j}$$

The pole is located at the point $Q = \left(\frac{5+10\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{5\sqrt{3}-10\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$

Exercise

Suppose that A, B, and C are the corner points of the thin triangular plate of constant density.

- a) Find the vector from C to the midpoint M of side AB.
- b) Find the vector from C to the point that lies two-thirds of the way from C to M on the median CM.
- c) Find the coordinates of the point in which the medians of $\triangle ABC$ intersect (this point is the plate's center of mass).

Solution

a) The midpoint of AB is:

$$M = \left(\frac{4+1}{2}, \frac{2+3}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$\overrightarrow{CM} = \left(\frac{5}{2} - 1\right)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{5}{2} - 1\right)\hat{j} + (0-3)\hat{k}$$

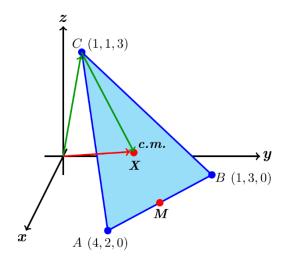
$$= \frac{3}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{3}{2}\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

b) The desired vector is

$$\overrightarrow{CX} = \frac{2}{3} \overrightarrow{CM}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2} \hat{i} + \frac{3}{2} \hat{j} - 3\hat{k} \right)$$

$$= \hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$



c) The vector whose sum is the vector from the origin to C and the result of part (b) will terminate at the center of mass.

$$\overrightarrow{OX} = \overrightarrow{OC} + \overrightarrow{CX}$$

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

$$= 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

Therefore; the center of mass point is (2, 2, 1)

Show that a unit vector in the plane can be expressed as $\mathbf{u} = (\cos \theta)\mathbf{i} + (\sin \theta)\mathbf{j}$, obtained by rotating \mathbf{i} through an angle θ in the counterclockwise direction. Explain why this form gives *every unit vector* in the plane.

Solution

Let u be any unit vector in the plane.

If \boldsymbol{u} is positioned so that its initial point and terminal point is at (x, y), then \boldsymbol{u} makes an angle θ with \boldsymbol{i} , measured in the ccw direction.

Since
$$|\mathbf{u}| = 1 \implies x = \cos \theta$$
 and $y = \sin \theta$

That implies to:
$$\mathbf{u} = (\cos \theta)\hat{i} + (\sin \theta)\hat{j}$$

Since u is any unit vector in the plane; this holds for every unit vector in the plane.

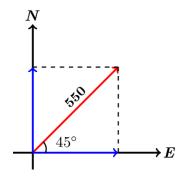
Exercise

Assume the positive x-axis points east and the positive y-axis points north.

- a) An airliner flies northeast at a constant altitude at 550 mi/hr in calm air. Find a and b such that it velocity may be expressed in the form $\mathbf{v} = a\hat{\mathbf{i}} + b\hat{\mathbf{j}}$
- b) An airliner flies northeast at a constant altitude at 550 *mi/hr* relative to the air in a southerly crosswind $\mathbf{w} = \langle 0, 40 \rangle$. Find the velocity of the airliner relative to the ground.

Solution

- a) $\vec{v} = 550\langle -\cos 45^{\circ}, \sin 45^{\circ} \rangle$ $= 550\langle -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \rangle$ $= \langle -275\sqrt{2}, 275\sqrt{2} \rangle$
- **b**) $\vec{v} = 550 \left\langle -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right\rangle + \left\langle 0, 40 \right\rangle$ $= \left\langle -275\sqrt{2}, 275\sqrt{2} \right\rangle$



Exercise

Let \overrightarrow{PQ} extended from P(2, 0, 6) to Q(2, -8, 5)

- a) Find the position vector equal to \overrightarrow{PQ} .
- b) Find the midpoint M of the line segment PQ. Then find the magnitude of \overrightarrow{PM} .

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c) Find a vector of length 8 with direction opposite that of \overrightarrow{PQ} .

Solution

a)
$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = \langle 2-2, -8-0, 5-6 \rangle$$

= $\langle 0, -8, -1 \rangle$

$$b) \quad M = \left(\frac{2+2}{2}, \frac{0-8}{2}, \frac{6+5}{2}\right)$$
$$= \left(2, -4, \frac{11}{2}\right)$$
$$\overrightarrow{PM} = \left\langle 0, -4, -\frac{1}{2}\right\rangle$$

$$\left| \overrightarrow{PM} \right| = \sqrt{16 + \frac{1}{4}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{65}$$

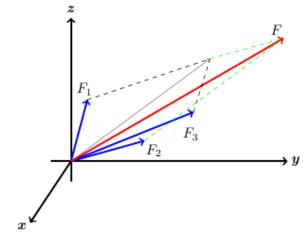
c)
$$|\overrightarrow{PQ}| = \sqrt{64 + 1}$$

 $= \sqrt{65}$ |
 $vector = \frac{-8}{\sqrt{65}} \langle 0, -8, -1 \rangle$
 $= \frac{8}{\sqrt{65}} \langle 0, 8, 1 \rangle$ |

Exercise

An object at the origin is acted on by the forces $F_1 = -10\hat{i} + 20\hat{k}$, $F_2 = 40\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}$, and $F_3 = -50\hat{i} + 20\hat{j}$. Find the magnitude of the combined force and use a sketch to illustrate the direction of the combined force.

$$\begin{split} \vec{F} &= \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 \\ &= -10\hat{i} + 20\hat{k} + 40\hat{j} + 10\hat{k} - 50\hat{i} + 20\hat{j} \\ &= -60\hat{i} + 60\hat{j} + 30\hat{k} \\ \left| \vec{F} \right| &= \sqrt{3600 + 3600 + 900} \\ &= \sqrt{8100} \\ &= 90 \end{split}$$



A remote sensing probe falls vertically with a terminal of 60 m/s when it encounters a horizontal crosswind blowing north at 4 m/s and an updraft blowing vertically at 10 m/s. find the magnitude and direction of the resulting velocity relative to the ground.

Solution

The velocity relative to the ground is:

$$\langle 0, 4, 10-60 \rangle = \langle 0, 4, -50 \rangle$$

Magnitude: $\sqrt{16+2500} = \sqrt{2516}$

$$= 2\sqrt{629} \qquad \approx 50.16 \quad m/s \qquad 100$$

Direction = $\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{\sqrt{2516}}$

$$\approx 85.4^{\circ} \mid$$

Below the horizontal in the northerly horizontal direction.

Exercise

A small plane is flying north in calm air at 250 *mi/hr* when it is hit by a horizontal crosswind blowing northeast at 40 *mi/hr* and a 25 *mi/hr* downdraft. Find the resulting velocity and speed of the plane.

Velocity vector =
$$\langle 250, 0, 0 \rangle$$

Crosswind = $\langle 40\cos 45^{\circ}, 40\sin 45^{\circ}, 0 \rangle$
= $\langle 20\sqrt{2}, 20\sqrt{2}, 0 \rangle$
Downdraft = $\langle 0, 0, -25 \rangle$
Resulting velocity = $\langle 250, 0, 0 \rangle + \langle 20\sqrt{2}, 20\sqrt{2}, 0 \rangle + \langle 0, 0, -25 \rangle$
= $\langle 250 + 20\sqrt{2}, 20\sqrt{2}, -25 \rangle$
Speed = $\sqrt{(250 + 20\sqrt{2})^2 + 800 + 625}$
= $\sqrt{62500 + 10^4 \sqrt{2} + 800 + 1,425}$
= $\sqrt{64,725 + 10^4 \sqrt{2}}$
= $5\sqrt{2,589 + 400\sqrt{2}}$
= $280.83 \ mph$