

GENERAL PHYSICS 1 VECTOR ADDITION and COMPONENTS OF VECTOR

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Read and understand each situation. Show a comprehensive step-by-step solution and your final answer.

1. A grab driver drives a delivery vehicle along a route shown in Figure 1. Determine the magnitude and direction of the resultant displacement by drawing a scale diagram.

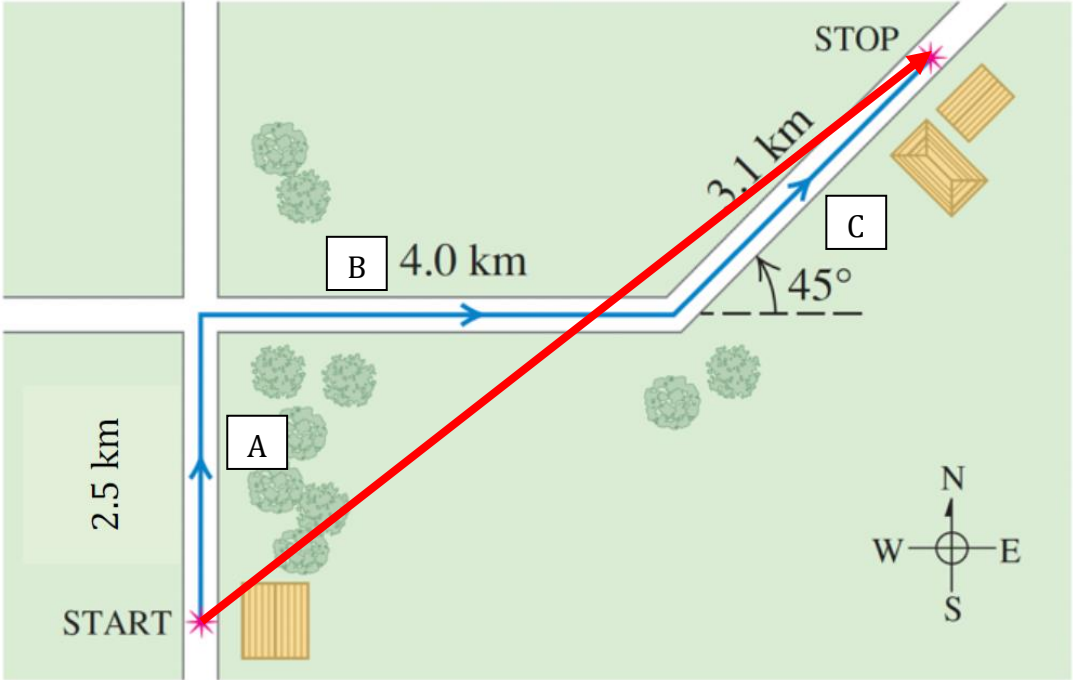


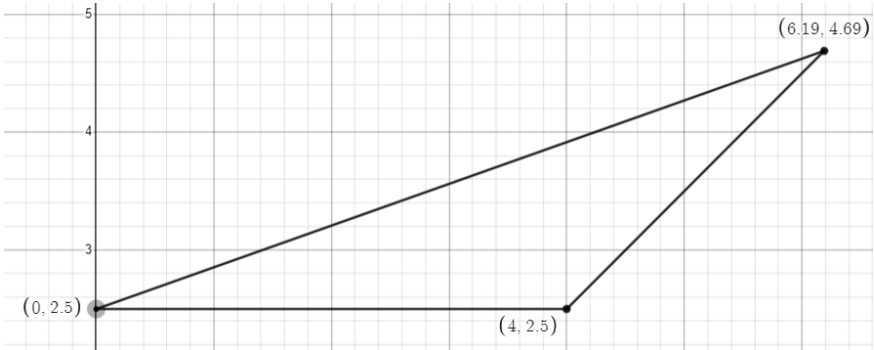
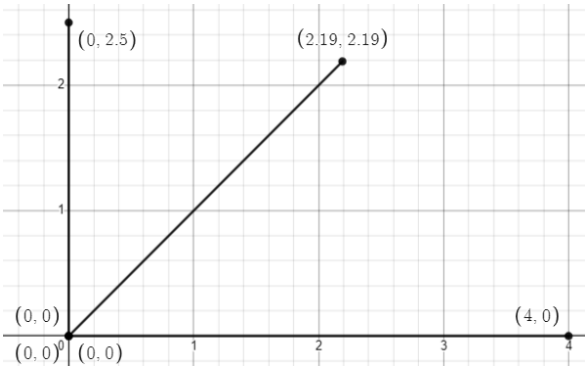
Figure 1

Vector	Magnitude = M	Direction = A	x-component M(cos(A))	y-Component M(sin(A))
A	2.5	90 degrees	0	2.5
B	4	0 degrees	4	0
C	3.1	45 degrees	2.19	2.19
Summation of x and y components			6.19	4.69

M_{new} = New Magnitude
 X = sum of x components
 Y = sum of y components
 $M_{\text{new}} = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}$
 $M_{\text{new}} = \sqrt{6.19^2 + 4.69^2}$
 $\sqrt{38.32 + 21}$
 $\sqrt{59.32}$
 $M_{\text{new}} = 7.7 \text{ km}$
 A_{new} = New Direction
 X = sum of x components
 Y = sum of y components
 $A_{\text{new}} = \frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{Y}{X}\right)$
 $A_{\text{new}} = \frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4.69}{6.19}\right)$
 $\frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1}(0.7577)$
 $\frac{180}{\pi} (0.6484)$
 $A_{\text{new}} = 37 \text{ degrees}$

The resultant vector has a magnitude of 7.7 kilometers with a direction of 37 degrees north of east.

Scale Diagram is in the next page



2. Compute the x- and y-components of vectors A, B and C in Figure 2.

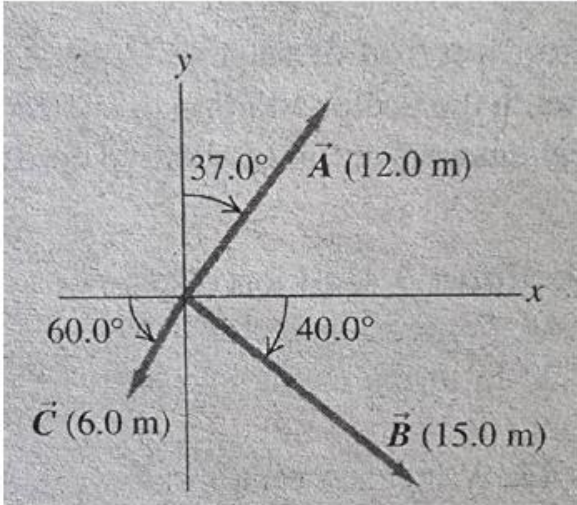


Figure 2

M_{new} = New Magnitude

X = sum of x components

Y = sum of y components

$$M_{\text{new}} = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}$$

$$M_{\text{new}} = \sqrt{15.71^2 + -5.26^2}$$

$$\sqrt{246.8 + 27.67}$$

$$\sqrt{274.47}$$

$$M_{\text{new}} = 15.73 \text{ m}$$

A_{new} = New Direction

X = sum of x components

Y = sum of y components

$$A_{\text{new}} = \frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{Y}{X}\right)$$

$$A_{\text{new}} = \frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-5.26}{15.71}\right)$$

$$\frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1}(0.3348)$$

$$\frac{180}{\pi} (-0.323)$$

$$A_{\text{new}} = -19 \text{ or } 341 \text{ degrees}$$

Vector	Magnitude = M	Direction = A	x-component M(cos(A))	y-Component M(sin(A))
A	12	53 degrees	7.22	9.58
B	15	320 degrees	11.49	-9.64
C	6	240 degrees	-3	-5.2
Summation of x and y components			15.71	-5.26

The resultant vector has a magnitude of 15.73 meters with a direction of 341 degrees along the x axis or -19 degrees south of east.

3. Given the following displacements of a moving car, illustrate and calculate for the resultant displacement.
- **d₁** = 72.4 m, 58.0° north of east
 - **d₂** = 57.3 m, 36.0° south of west
 - **d₃** = 17.8 m, south

Vector	Magnitude = M	Direction = A	x-component M(cos(A))	y-Component M(sin(A))
D1	72.4	32 degrees	61.4	38.37
D2	57.3	213 degrees	-48.06	-31.21
D3	17.8	270 degrees	0	-17.8
Summation of x and y components			13.34	-10.64

M_{new} = New Magnitude

X = sum of x components

Y = sum of y components

$$M_{new} = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}$$

$$M_{new} = \sqrt{13.34^2 + -10.64^2}$$

$$\sqrt{117.96 + 113.21}$$

$$\sqrt{231.17}$$

$$M_{new} = 15.2\ m$$

A_{new} = New Direction

X = sum of x components

Y = sum of y components

$$A_{new} = \frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1}(\frac{Y}{X})$$

$$A_{new} = \frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-10.64}{13.34} \right)$$

$$\frac{180}{\pi} \tan^{-1}(-0.7976)$$

$$\frac{180}{\pi} (-0.6733)$$

$$A_{new} = = -39\ or\ 321\ degrees$$

The resultant vector has a magnitude of 15.2 meters with a direction of 321 degrees along the x axis or -39 degrees south of east.