Step-1

a) Area of parallelogram with edges v = (3,2) and w = (1,4) is

$$\begin{vmatrix} u \\ v \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= 12 - 2$$
$$= 10 \text{ sq.units}$$

Step-2

(b) The area of the triangle with sides v, w, v+w is half the area of the parallelogram with the adjacent edges v, w

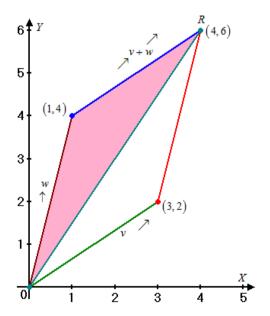
$$= \frac{10}{2}$$

= 5 sq.units

We draw the vectors v = (3, 2) and w = (1, 4) starting from the origin (0, 0).

We extend a line from v parallel to w whose length is equal to that of w in the positive direction of w with the end point R.

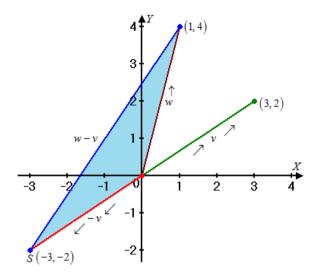
We join OR to get the vector v + w.



Step-3

c) Observe that -v is the vector in the negative direction of v and with the same magnitude that of v.

Also, the vector $w \hat{a} \in v$ is a vector that joins OS where S is the end point of the vector drawn from w in the negative direction of v and is parallel to v of magnitude v.



Step-4

The area of the triangle with sides v, w, w - v is also equal to half the area of the parallelogram with adjacent edges v and w.

Therefore, the required area is 5 sq.units