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1. Vectors

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2A-1

5.0/5 points (graded)

Find the magnitude of the vector $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$.

$|\langle 3, 4 \rangle| =$

✓

Find a vector which is in the same direction as $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$ and has length **10**.

(Enter the vector in the form . That is surround your vector by square brackets, and separate entries by a comma. Note that the entries of your vector must be numbers.)

✓

Find a vector which is in the same direction as $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$ and has length **1**.

(Enter the vector in the form . That is surround your vector by square brackets, and separate entries by a comma. Note that the entries of your vector must be numbers.)

✓

If the vector $\langle a, 6 \rangle$ points in the same direction as $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$, then what is a ?

$a =$

✓

Which of the following are perpendicular to $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$. (Choose all that apply.)

- ☒ $\langle 4, -3 \rangle$
- ☒ $\langle -1/2, 3/8 \rangle$
- ☐ $\langle 4, 3 \rangle$
- ☐ $\langle -1/4, -1/3 \rangle$
- ☒ $\langle 1, -3/4 \rangle$



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2A-2

6.0/6 points (graded)

In this problem, we will practice vector properties in other notation.

Find the magnitude and direction of the vectors. Enter the magnitude as a positive real number, the direction as a unit vector.

(Enter vectors surrounded by square brackets and with commas separating entries: .)

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Vector \vec{v}	Magnitude $ \vec{v} $	Direction \hat{v}
$\hat{i} + \hat{j}$	<div><input type="text" value="sqrt(2)"/></div> <div>Answer: sqrt(2)</div>	<div><input type="text" value="[1/sqrt(2),1/sqrt(2)]"/></div> <div>Answer: (1/sqrt(2))*[1,1]</div>
$2\hat{i} - \hat{j}$	<div><input type="text" value="sqrt(5)"/></div> <div>Answer: sqrt(5)</div>	<div><input type="text" value="[2/sqrt(5),-1/sqrt(5)]"/></div> <div>Answer: (1/sqrt(5))*[2,-1]</div>
$3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j}$	<div><input type="text" value="3*sqrt(5)"/></div> <div>Answer: 3*sqrt(5)</div>	<div><input type="text" value="[1/sqrt(5),-2/sqrt(5)]"/></div> <div>Answer: 1/(sqrt(5))*[1,-2]</div>

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Solution:

Vector \vec{v}	Magnitude $ \vec{v} $	Direction \hat{v}
$\hat{i} + \hat{j}$	$ \hat{i} + \hat{j} = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$	$\frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{ \hat{i} + \hat{j} } = \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$
$2\hat{i} - \hat{j}$	$ 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} = \sqrt{2^2 + 1} = \sqrt{5}$	$\frac{2\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{ 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} } = \frac{2\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{5}}$
$3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j}$	$ 3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} = 3 \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} = 3\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2} = 3\sqrt{5}$	$\frac{3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j}}{ 3\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} } = \frac{\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}}{\sqrt{5}}$

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2A-3

1.0/1 point (graded)

For what value(s) of c will $\frac{1}{5}\hat{i} + c\hat{j}$ be a unit vector?

(If there is more than one value, separate by commas; e.g. `0,1`.)

Answer: 2*sqrt(6)/5, -2*sqrt(6)/5

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Solution:

Note that we do expect there to be two answers, depending on the sign of the component of the vector pointing along the y axis.

The magnitude of the vector is given by $\sqrt{\frac{1}{5^2} + c^2} = 1$. Solving for c we find

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{25} + c^2} = 1$$

(3.123)

$$\frac{1}{25} + c^2 = 1$$

(3.124)


$$c^2 = \frac{24}{25}$$

(3.125)

$$c = \pm \frac{\sqrt{24}}{5}$$

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