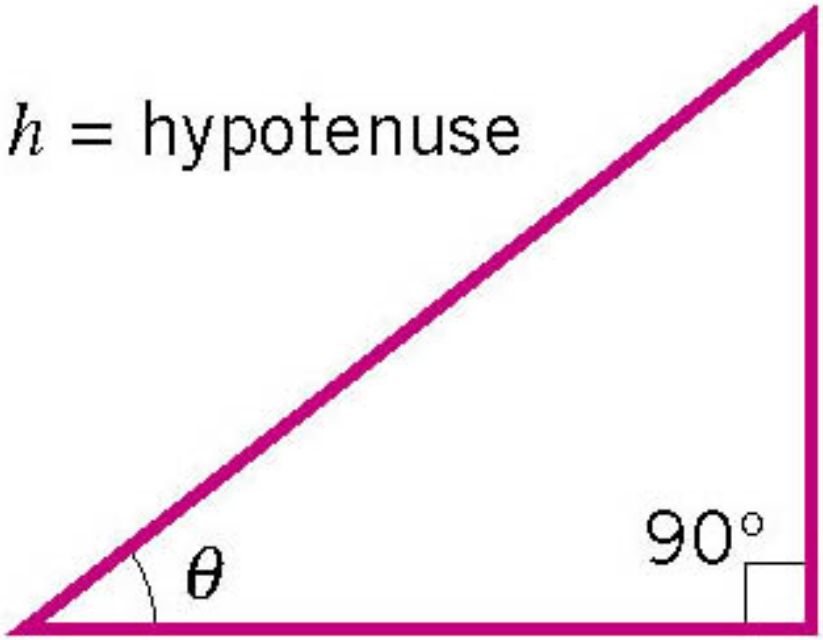
Chapter 3

Kinematics in Two Dimensions

3.1 Trigonometry



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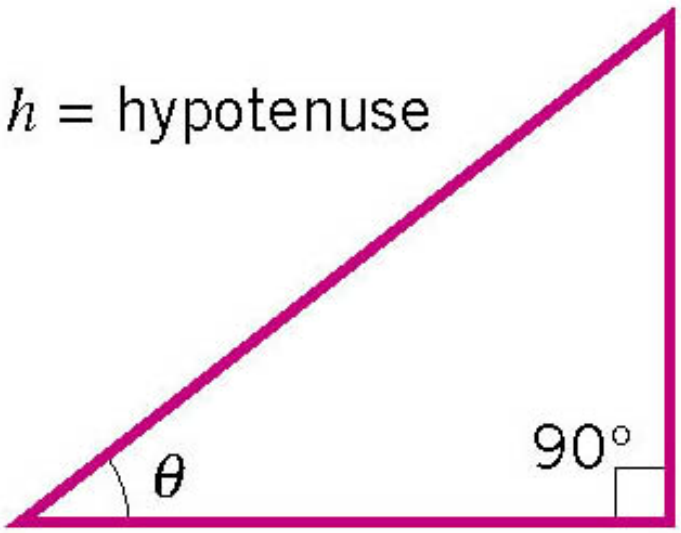

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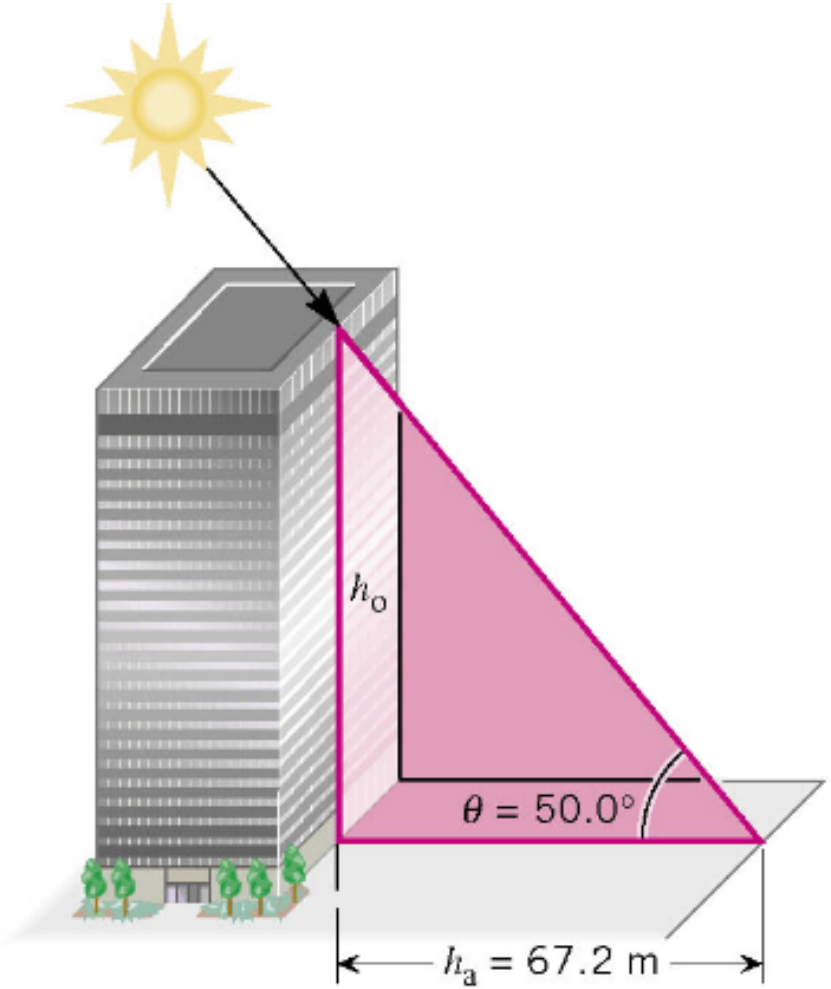

$$\tan\theta = \frac{h_o}{h_a}$$

$$\tan 50^\circ = \frac{h_o}{67.2\text{m}}$$

$$h_o = \tan 50^\circ (67.2\text{m}) = 80.0\text{m}$$

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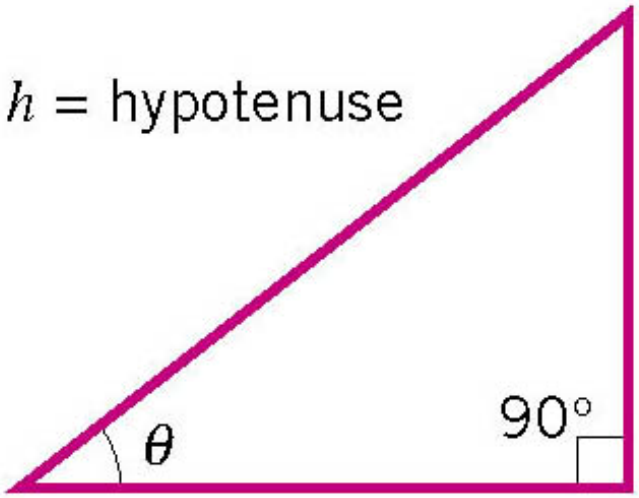

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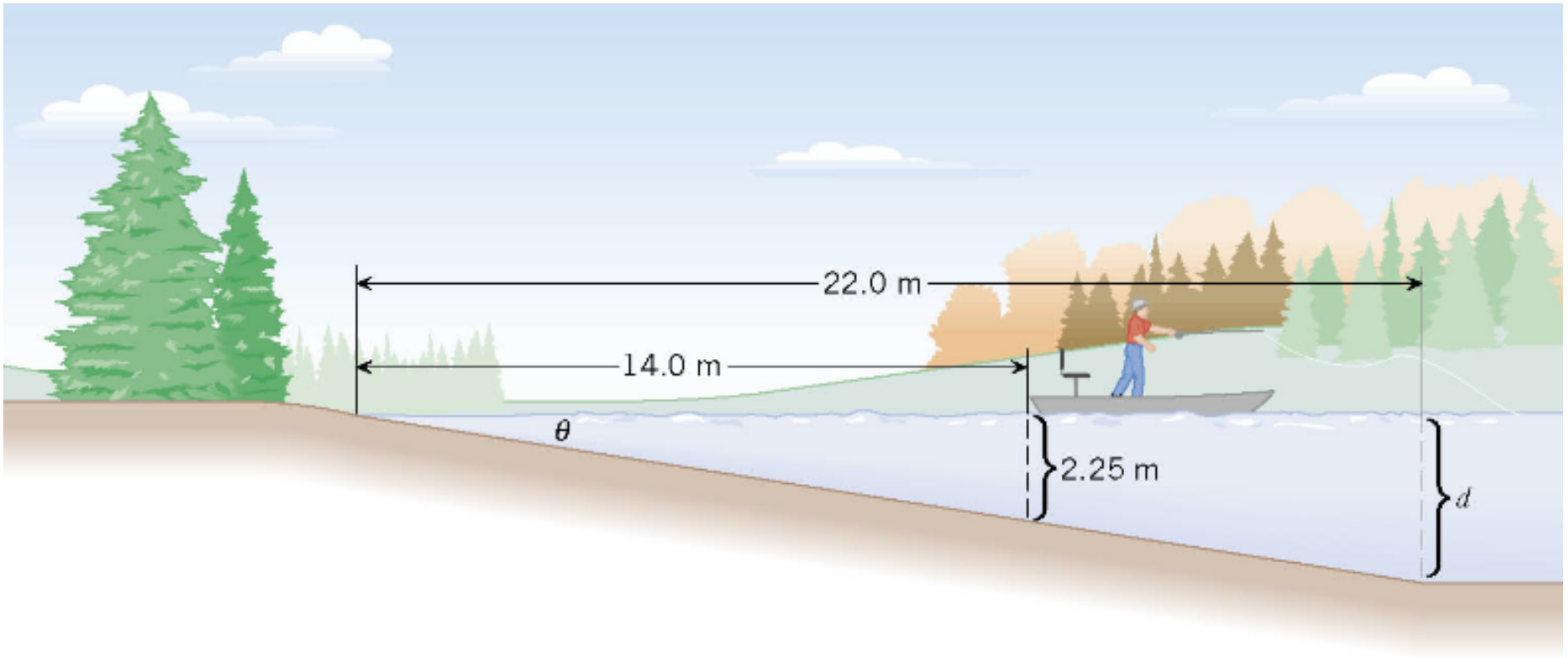

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{h_o}{h_a}\right) \qquad \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2.25\text{m}}{14.0\text{m}}\right) = 9.13^\circ$$

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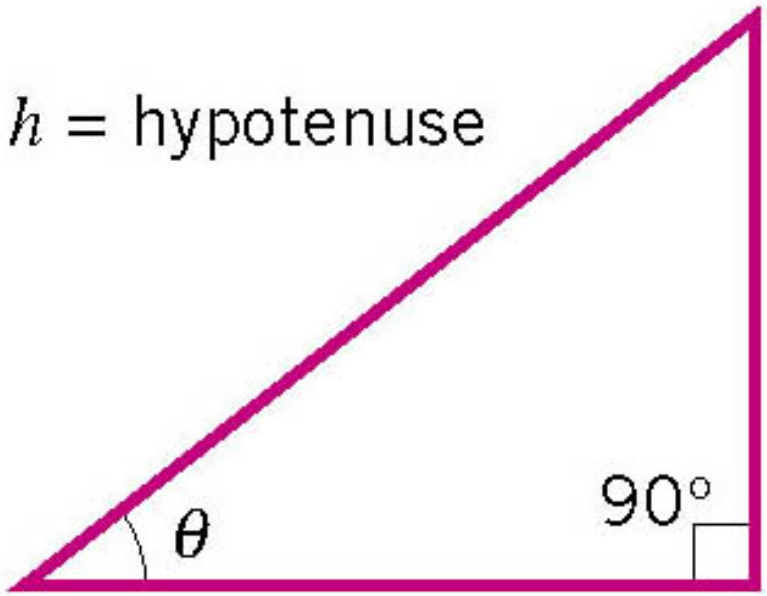
Pythagorean theorem: $h^2 = h_o^2 + h_a^2$



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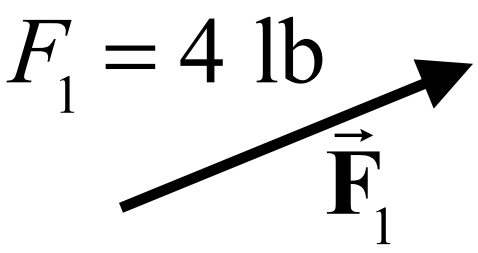

Vector $\vec{\mathbf{F}}_2$, (bold + arrow over it)

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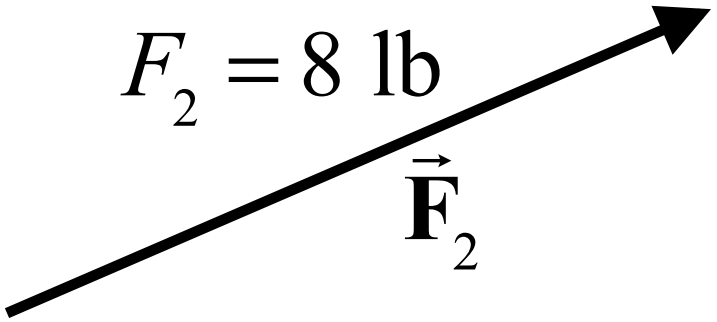

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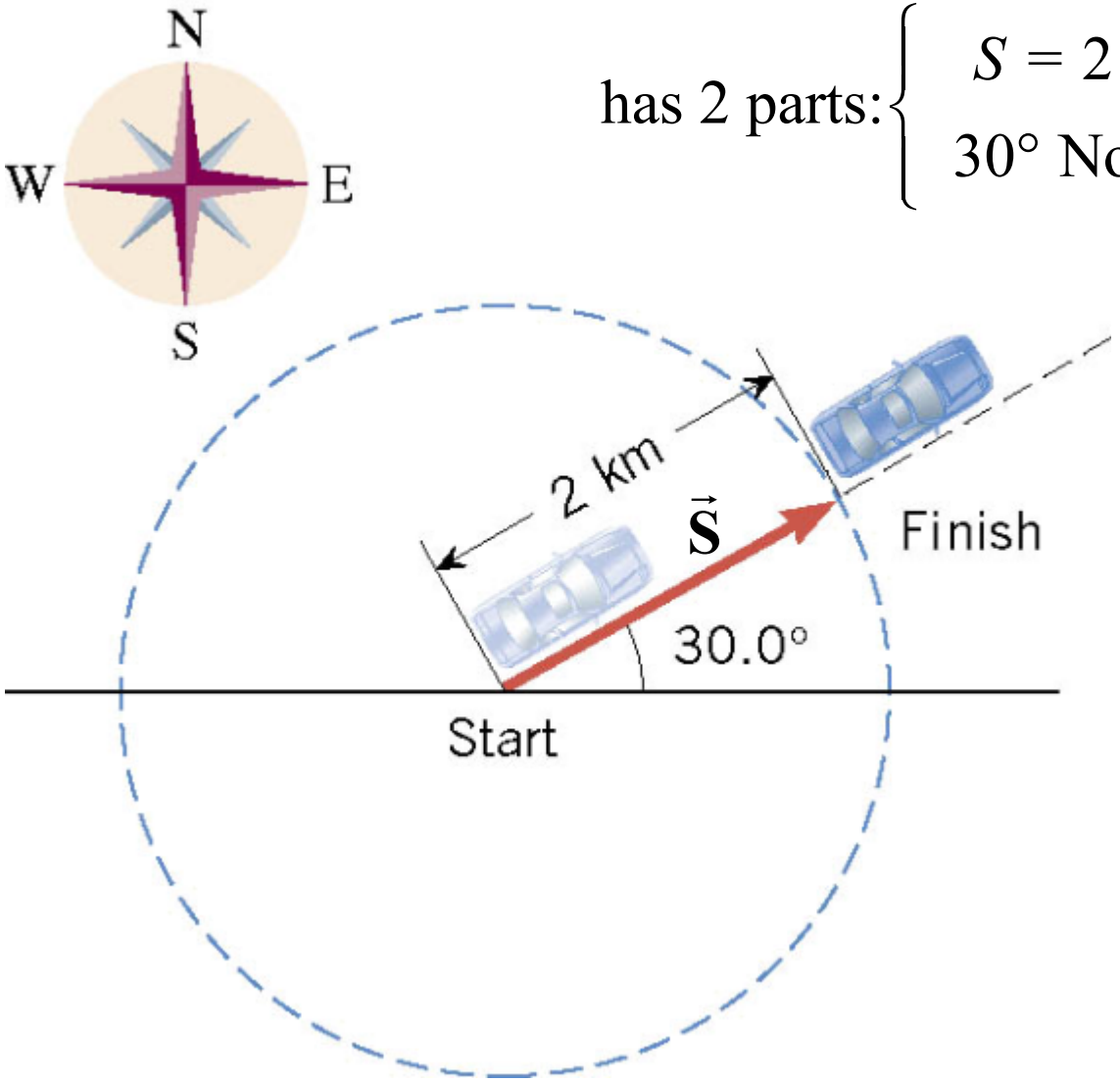
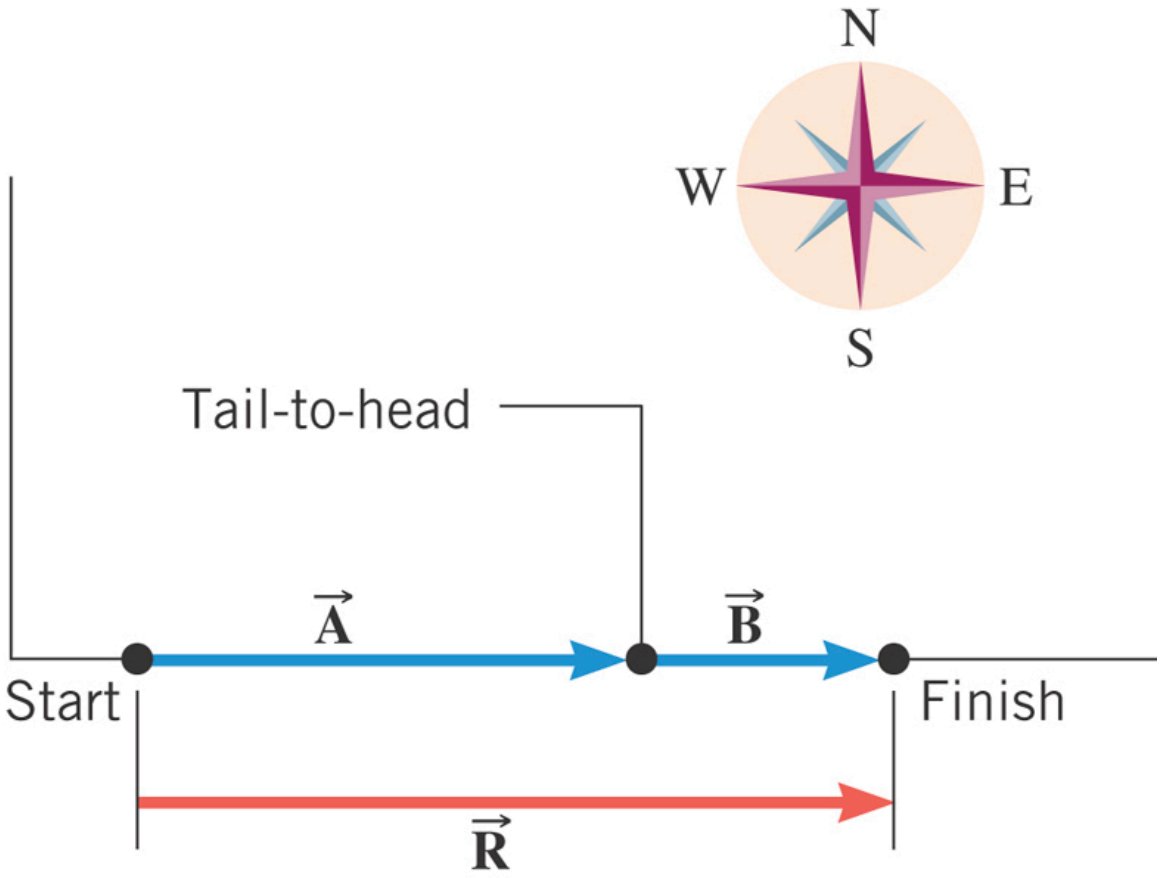
Displacement vector $\vec{\mathbf{S}}$

has 2 parts: { $S = 2$ km (magnitude) , and
30° North of East (direction)



3.2 Scalars and Vectors (Vector Addition and Subtraction)

Often it is necessary to add one vector to another.



The “Resultant Vector”

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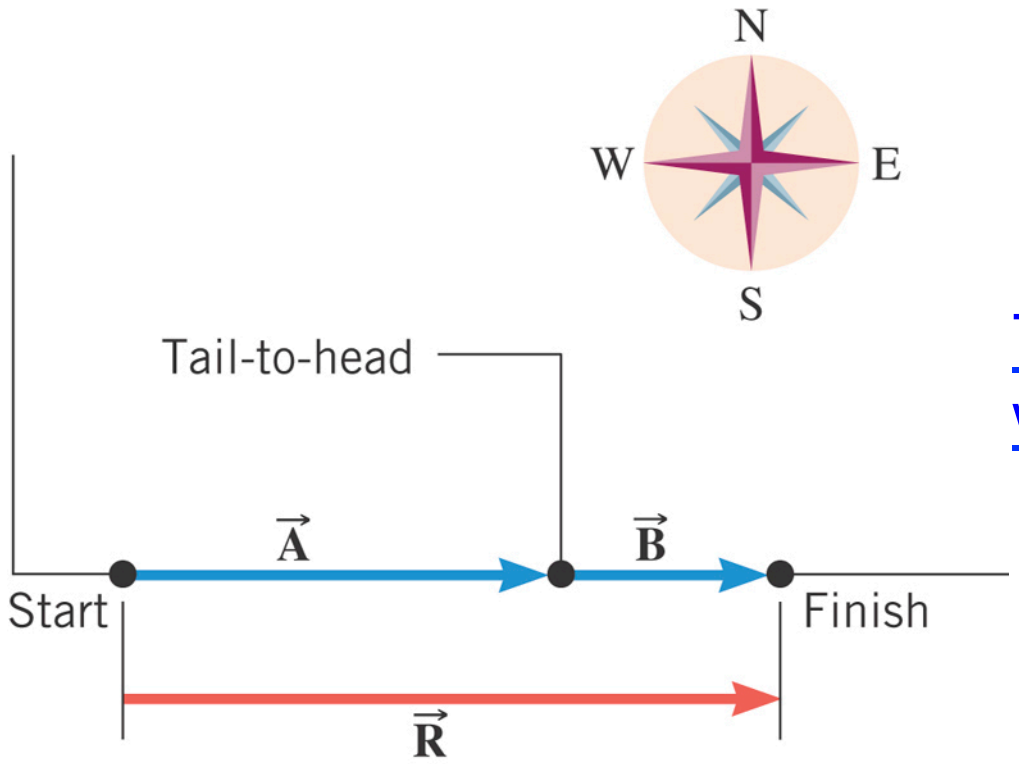

Two displacement vectors with magnitudes *A* and *B*

$A = 5\,\text{m}$

$B = 3\,\text{m}$

Adding together

$A = 5\,\text{m}$ $B = 3\,\text{m}$

Resultant

$R = 8\,\text{m}$

Vector addition is "commutative" - order of the addition doesn't matter

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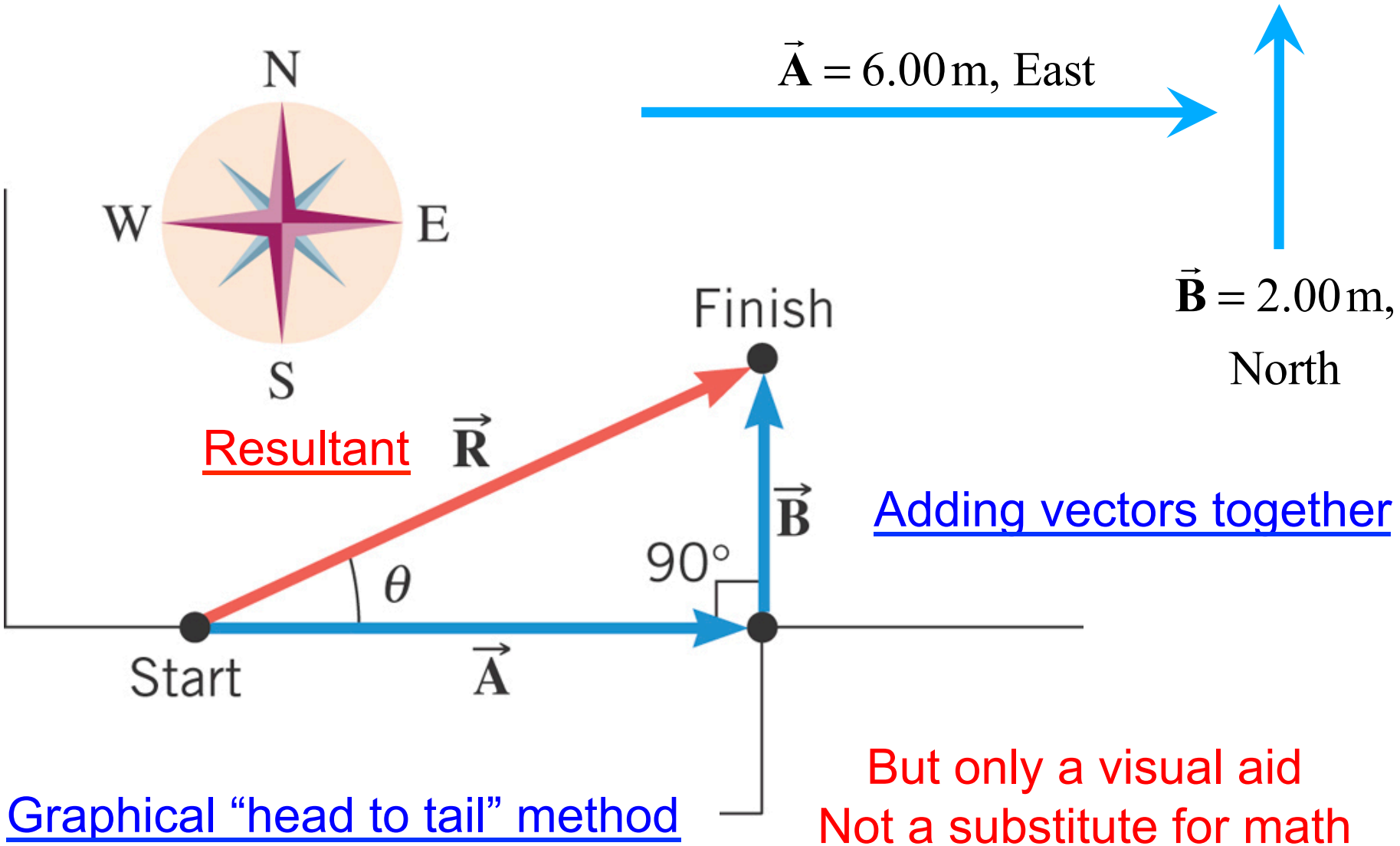

Adding vectors together

Graphical "head to tail" method

But only a visual aid
Not a substitute for math

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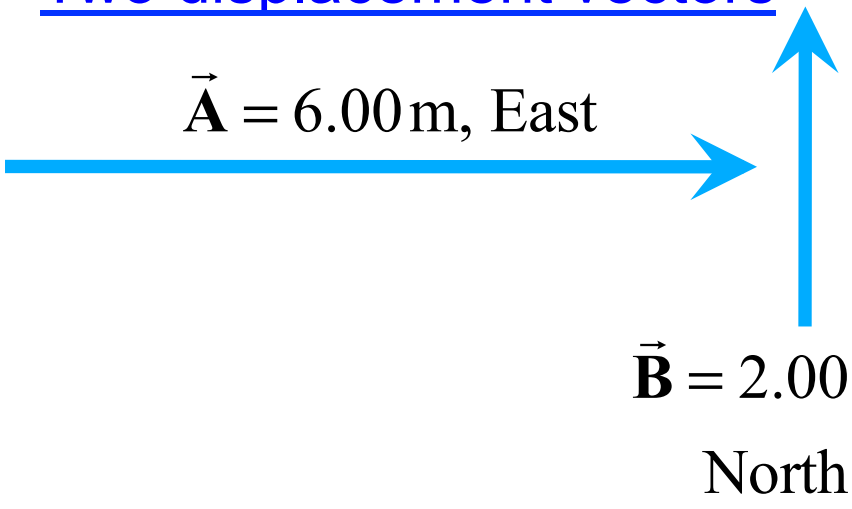
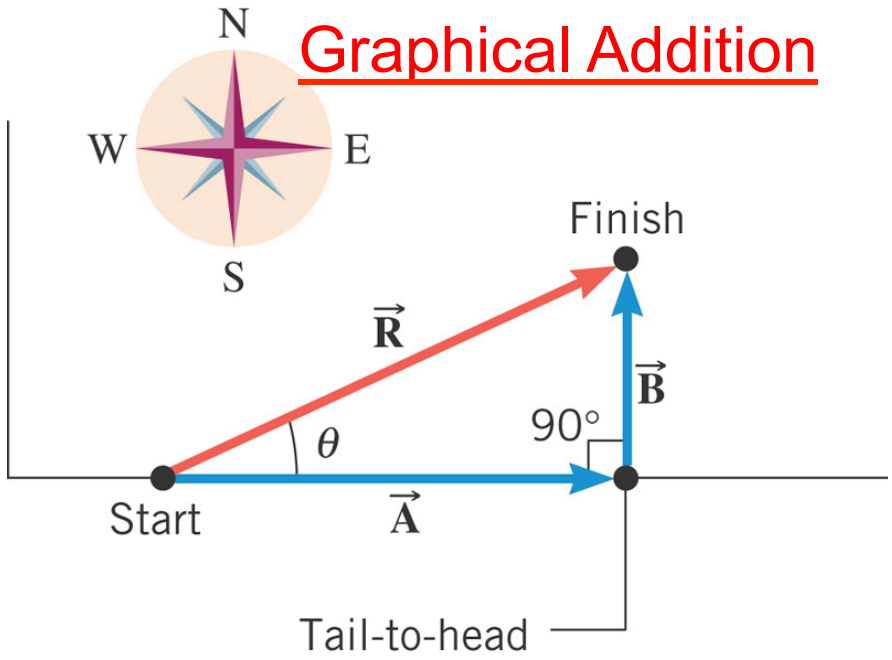
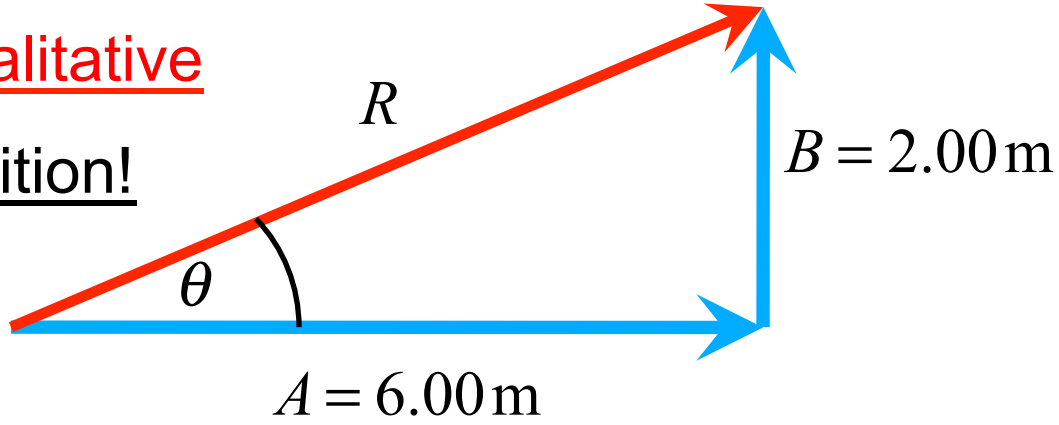


Graphical Addition



Graphical addition is only qualitative

YOU need quantitative addition!

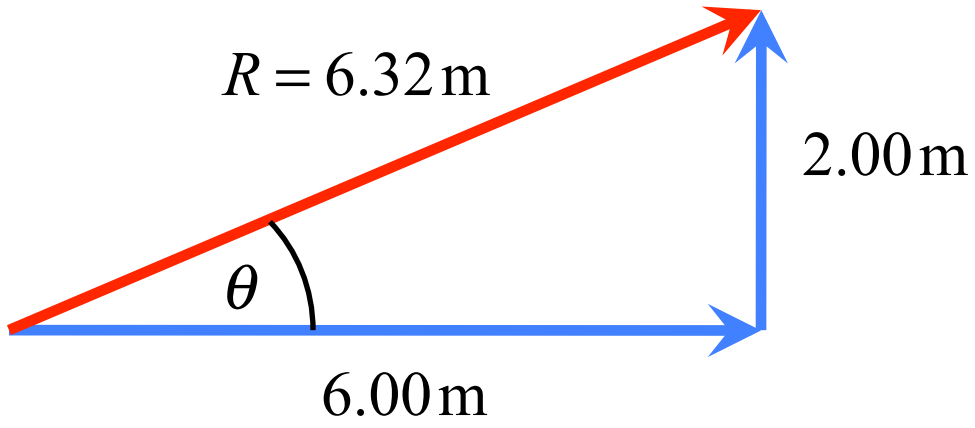


To do this addition of vectors requires trigonometry

Apply Pythagorean Theroem

$$R^2 = (2.00\,\text{m})^2 + (6.00\,\text{m})^2$$

$$R = \sqrt{(2.00\,\text{m})^2 + (6.00\,\text{m})^2} = 6.32\,\text{m}$$

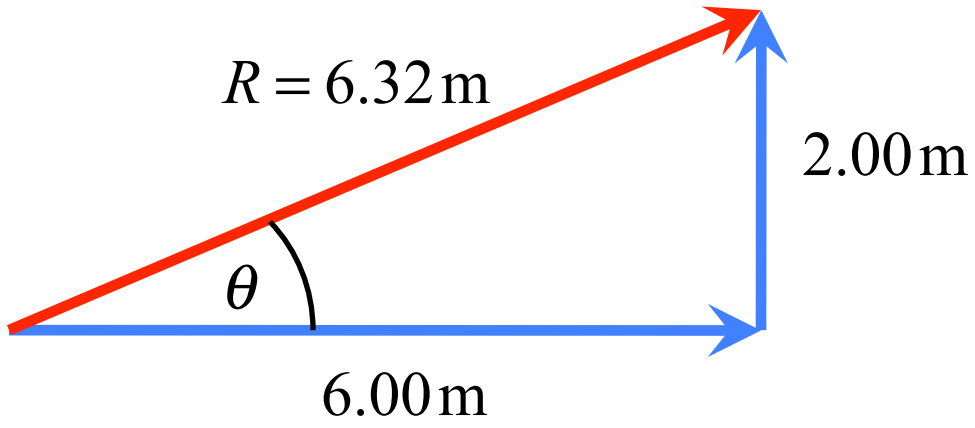


Use trigonometry to determine the angle

$$\tan\theta = 2.00/6.00$$

$$\text{tangent (angle)} = \frac{\text{opposite side}}{\text{adjacent side}}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(2.00/6.00\right) = 18.4^\circ$$



Also

$$\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(2.00/6.32\right) = 18.4^\circ$$

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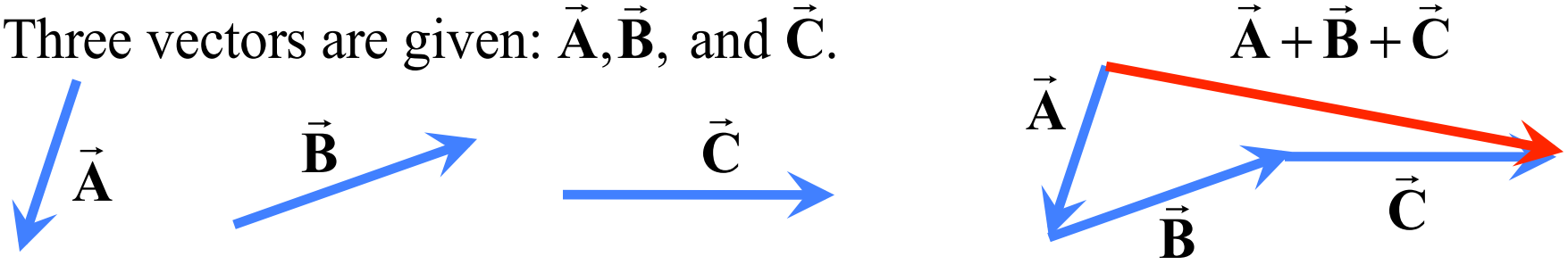

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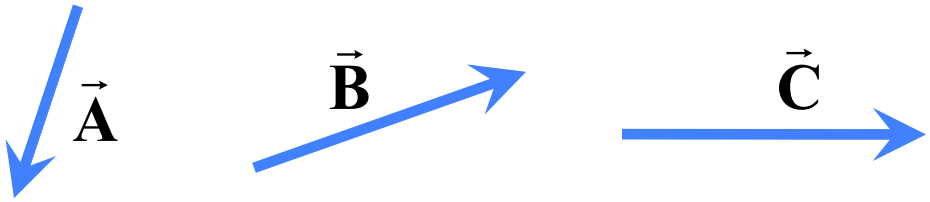

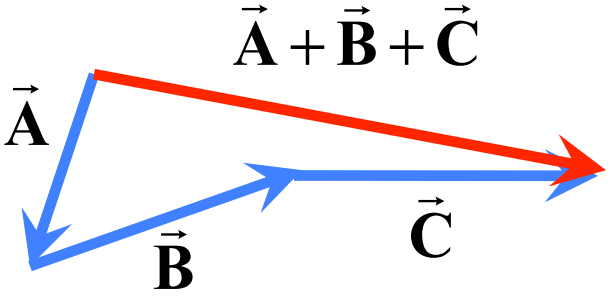

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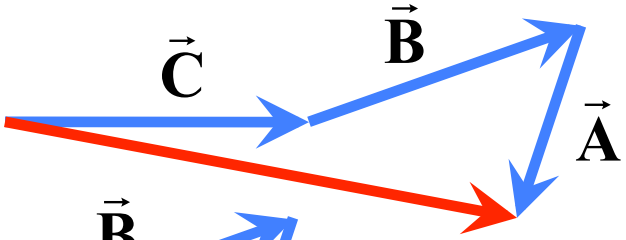

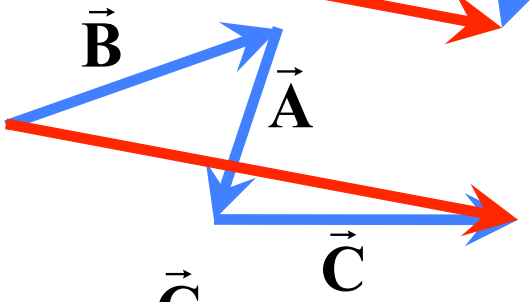

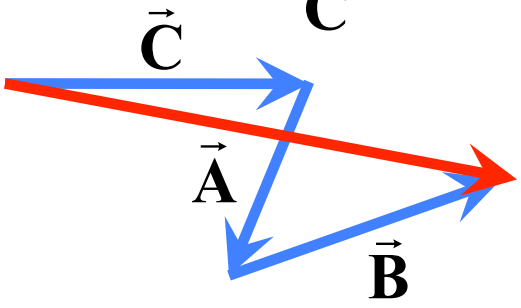

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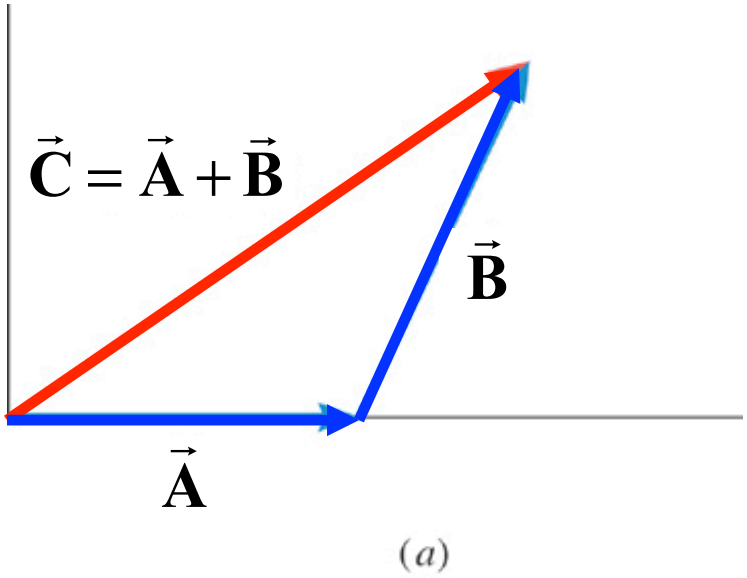

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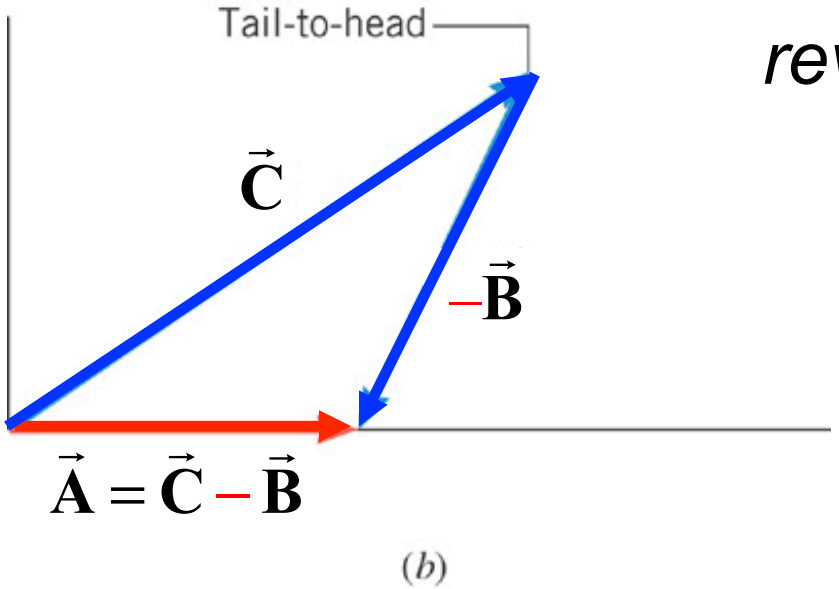

(b)

When a vector is multiplied by -1, the magnitude of the vector remains the same, but the direction of the vector is reversed.

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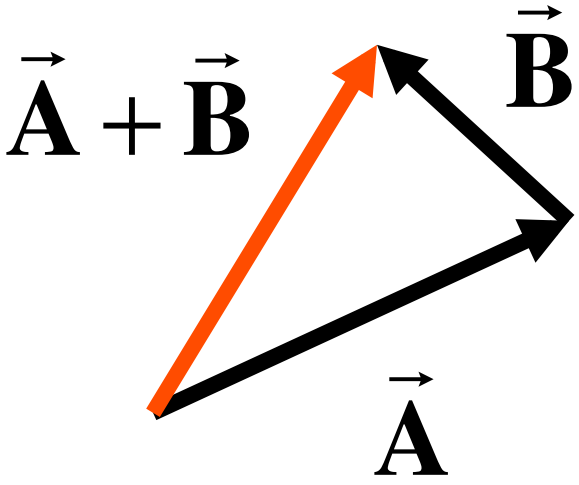
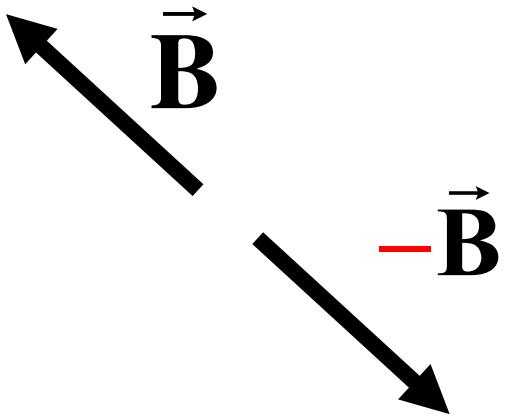
Add vectors $\vec{A}$ and $\vec{B}$



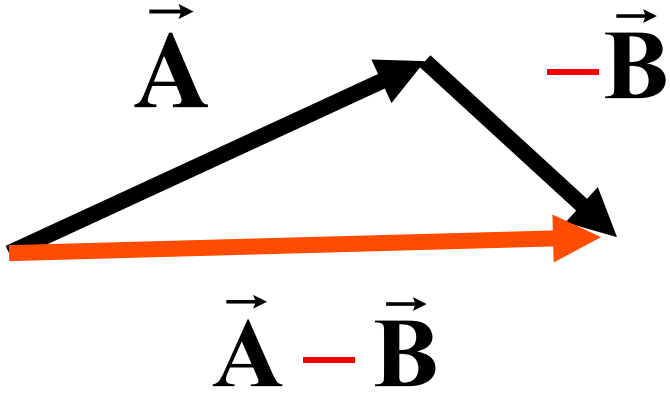
Now you are asked to find $\vec{A}-\vec{B}$

Instead of trying to do Vector Subtraction

add to vector $\vec{A}$ the negative of the vector $\vec{B}$



Subtracting vector $\vec{B}$ from vector $\vec{A}$



Adding vector $\vec{A}$ to vector $-\vec{B}$

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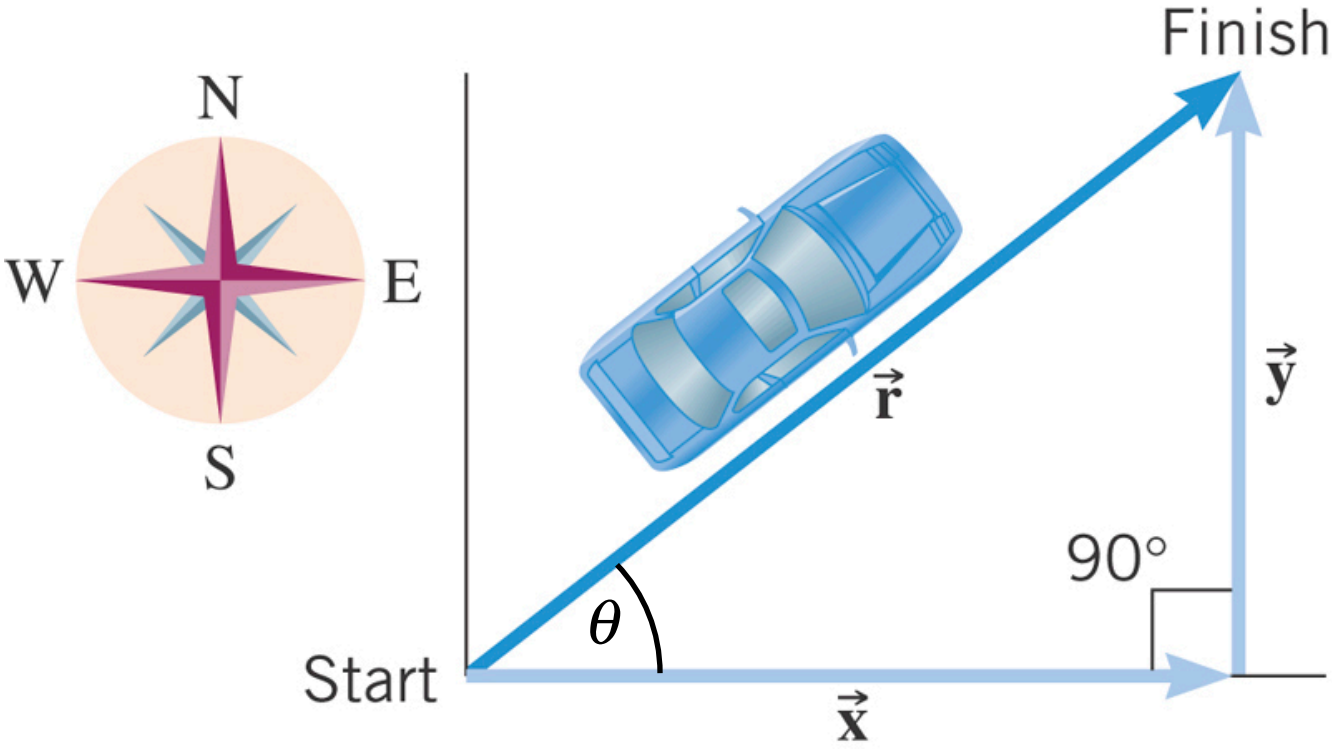
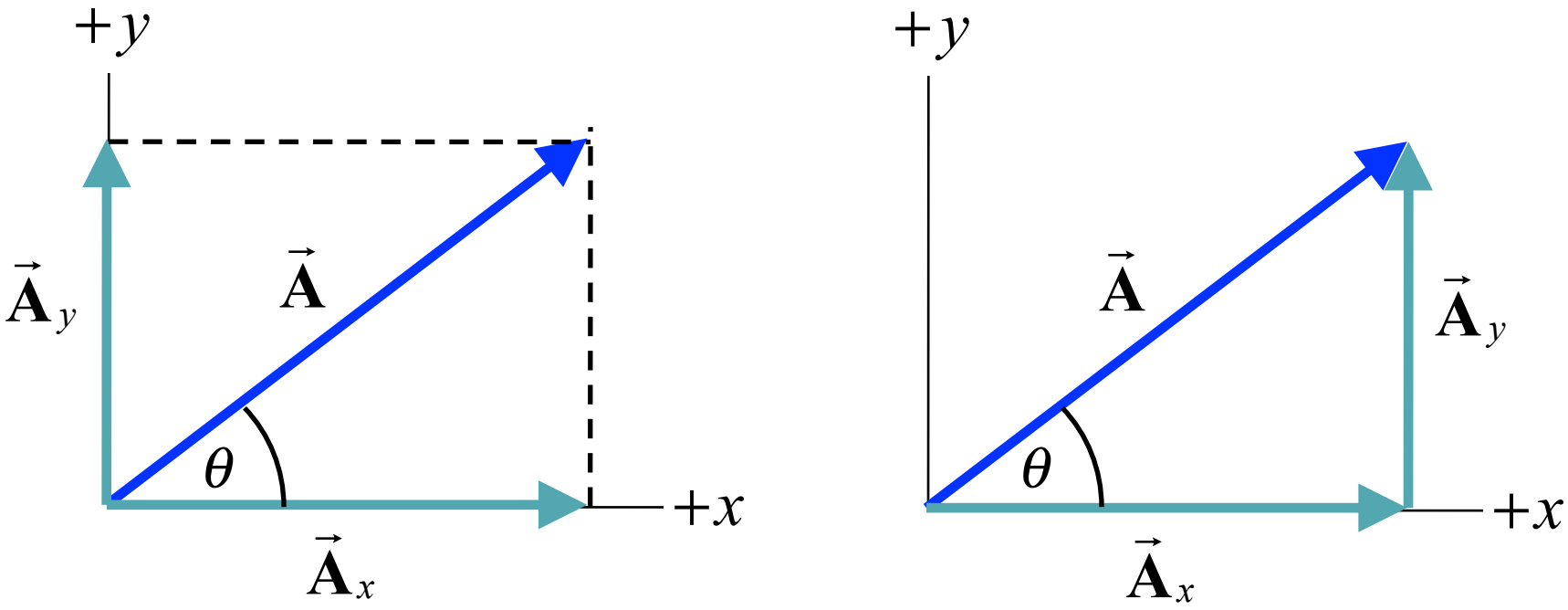


$\vec{\mathbf{x}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{y}}$ are called the $x-$component vector and the $y-$component vector of $\vec{\mathbf{r}}$.



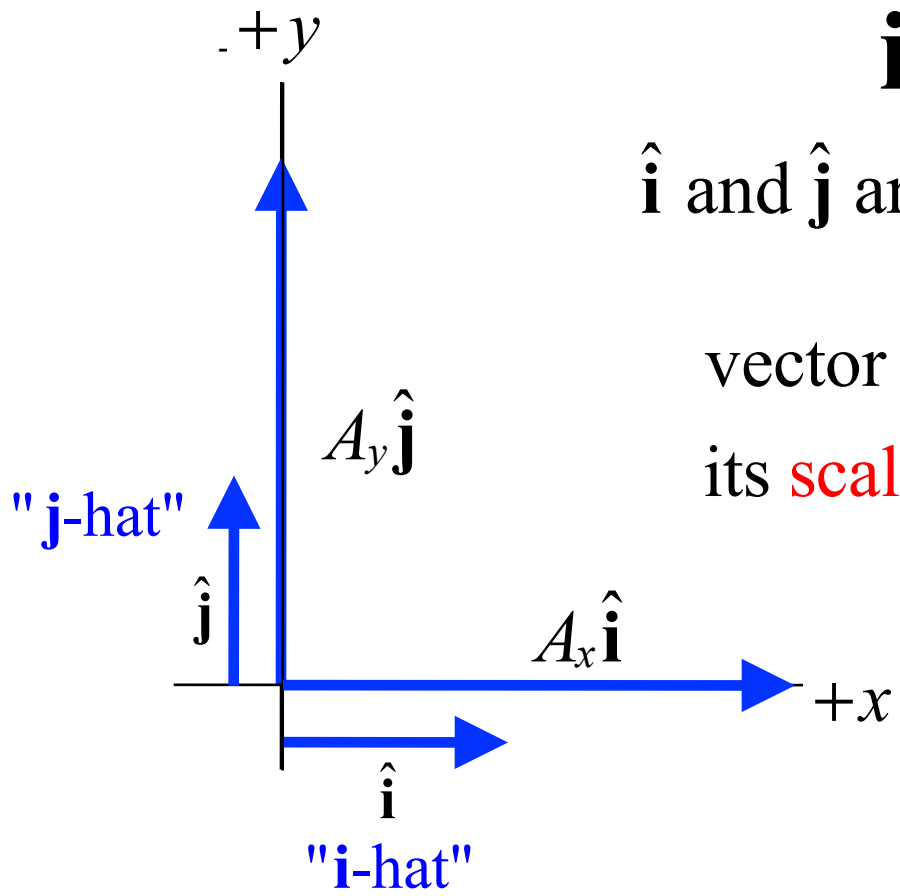
The vector components of $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ are two perpendicular vectors $\vec{\mathbf{A}}_x$ and $\vec{\mathbf{A}}_y$ that are parallel to the x and y axes, and add together vectorially so that $\vec{\mathbf{A}} = \vec{\mathbf{A}}_\mathbf{x} + \vec{\mathbf{A}}_\mathbf{y}$.

3.2 *Vector Addition and Subtraction (The Components of a Vector)*

It is often easier to work with the **scalar components** of the vectors, rather than the component vectors themselves.

"**i**-hat" "**j**-hat"

$\hat{\mathbf{i}}$ $\hat{\mathbf{j}}$



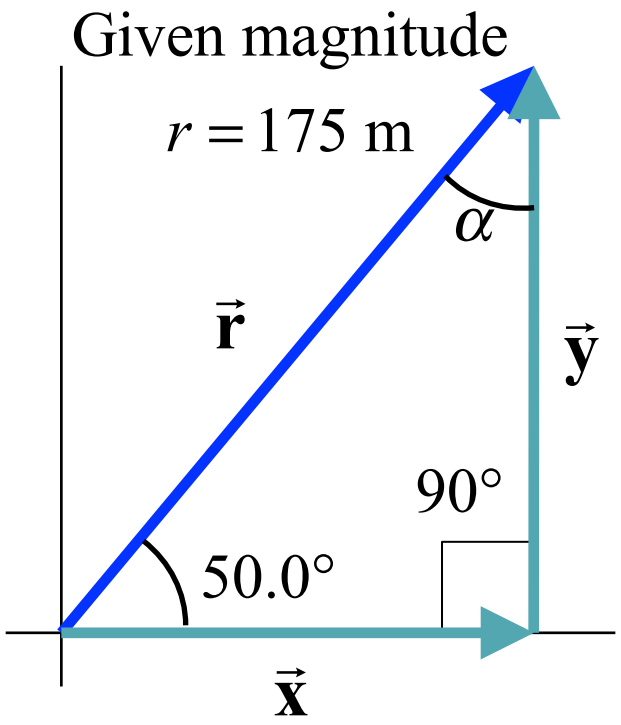
$\hat{\mathbf{i}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{j}}$ are "unit vectors", magnitude is 1.

vector $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ expressed in terms of its scalar components: $\vec{\mathbf{A}} = A_x\hat{\mathbf{i}} + A_y\hat{\mathbf{j}}$

A_x and A_y are the scalar components of the vector, $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$.

Example

A displacement vector has a magnitude of 175 m and points at an angle of 50.0 degrees relative to the *x* axis. Find the *x* and *y* components of this vector.



vector $\vec{\mathbf{x}}$ has magnitude *x*

vector $\vec{\mathbf{y}}$ has magnitude *y*

$$\sin\theta = y/r$$ *y*-component of the vector $\vec{\mathbf{r}}$

$$y = r\sin\theta = (175\text{ m})(\sin 50.0^\circ) = 134\text{ m}$$

$$\cos\theta = x/r$$ *x*-component of the vector $\vec{\mathbf{r}}$

$$x = r\cos\theta = (175\text{ m})(\cos 50.0^\circ) = 112\text{ m}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{r}} = x\hat{\mathbf{i}} + y\hat{\mathbf{j}}$$
$$= (112\text{ m})\hat{\mathbf{i}} + (134\text{ m})\hat{\mathbf{j}}$$

Check: $r = \sqrt{(112)^2 + (134)^2}\text{ m} = 175\text{m}$

Clicker Question 3.2

$\vec{\mathbf{A}} = A_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + A_y \hat{\mathbf{j}}$, where $A_x = 3\,\text{m}$, and $A_y = 4\,\text{m}$.

What is the magnitude of the vector $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$?

A) $7\,\text{m}$

B) $6\,\text{m}$

C) $5\,\text{m}$

D) $\sqrt{7}\,\text{m}$

E) $25\,\text{m}$

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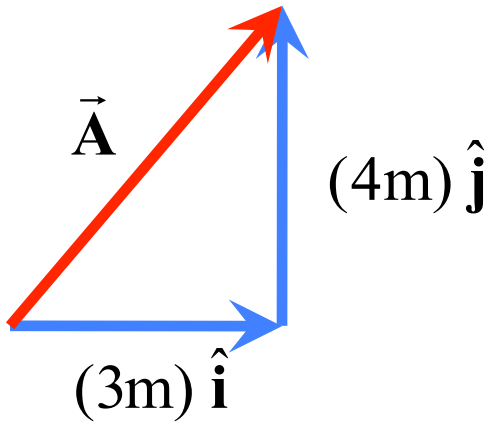

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magnitude of $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$, $A = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2} = \sqrt{(3\text{m})^2 + (4\text{m})^2}$

$$= \left(\sqrt{9+16}\right)\text{m} = \sqrt{25}\,\text{m} = 5\,\text{m}$$

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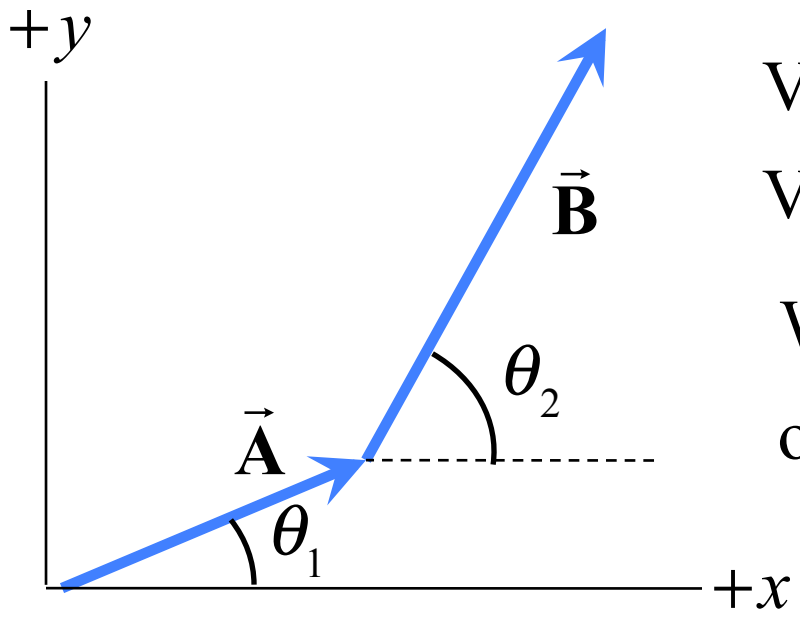
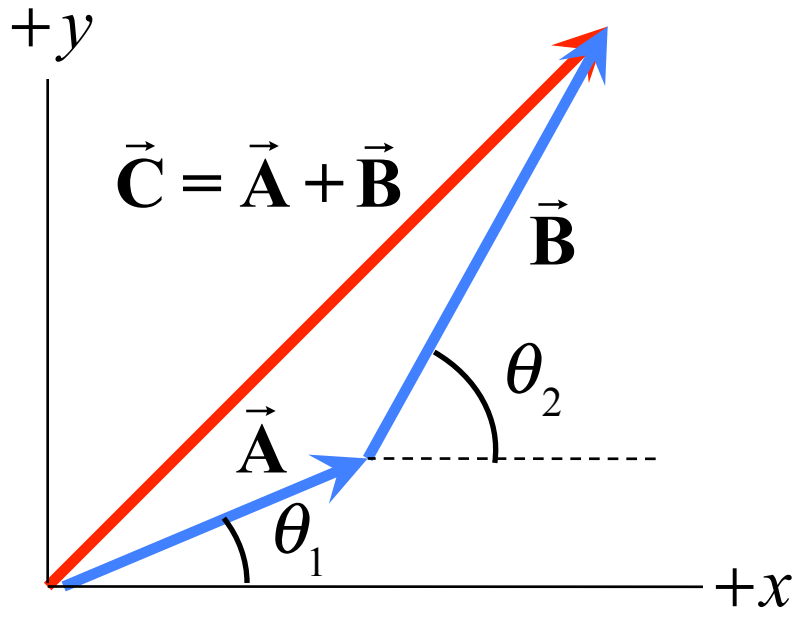


Vector $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ has magnitude A and angle θ_1

Vector $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$ has magnitude B and angle θ_2

What is the magnitude and direction of vector $\vec{\mathbf{C}} = \vec{\mathbf{A}} + \vec{\mathbf{B}}$?

Graphically no PROBLEM



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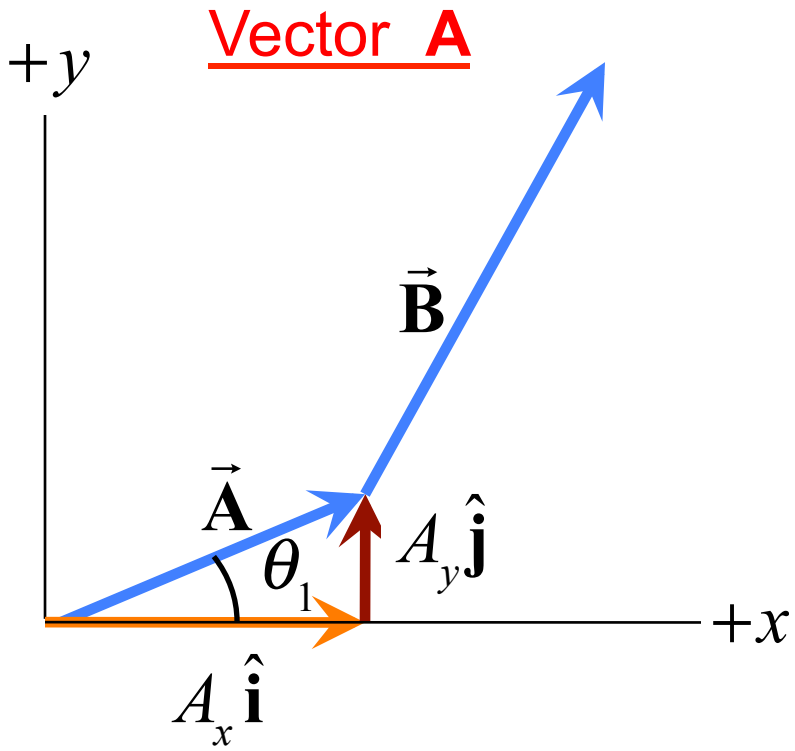
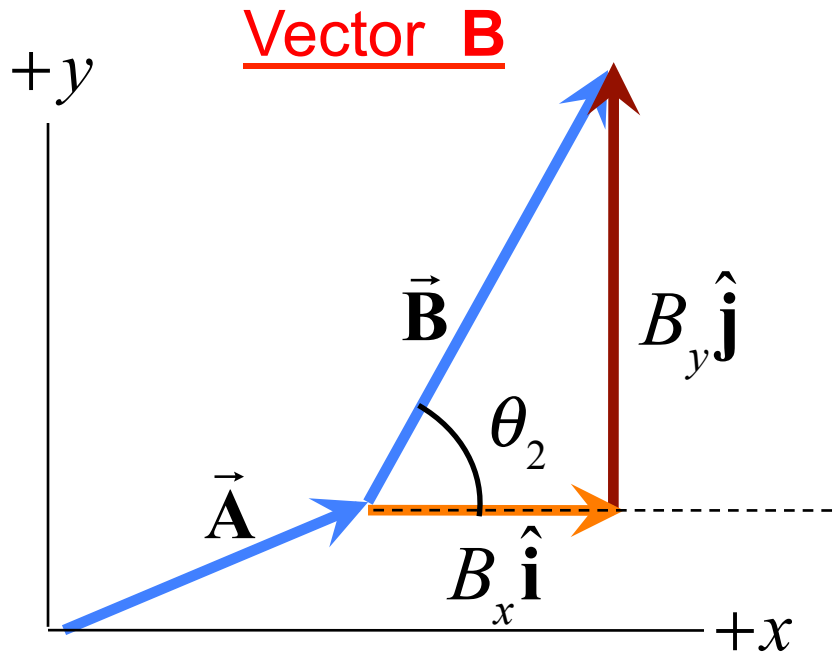
The only way to solve this problem is to use vector components!





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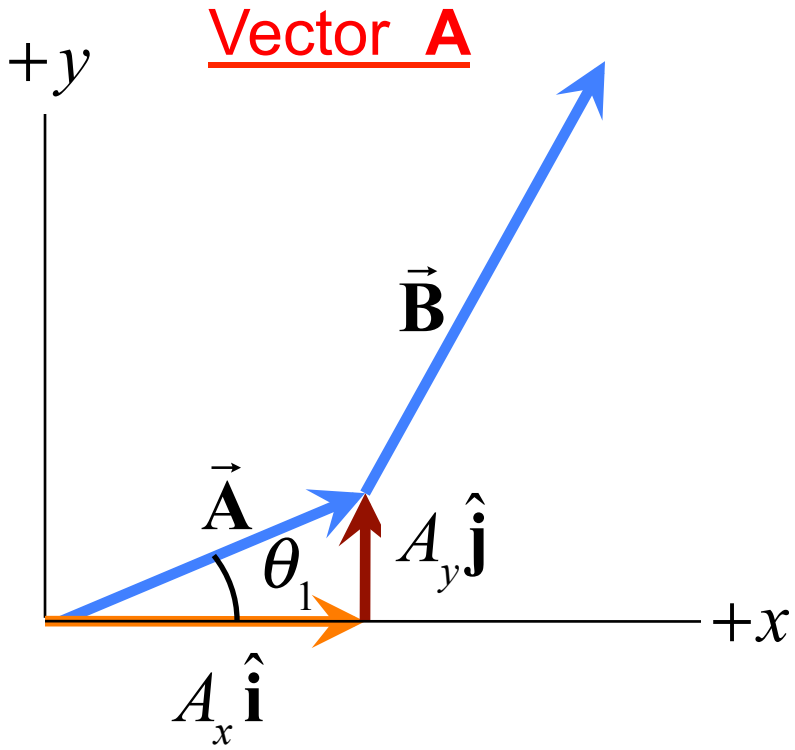
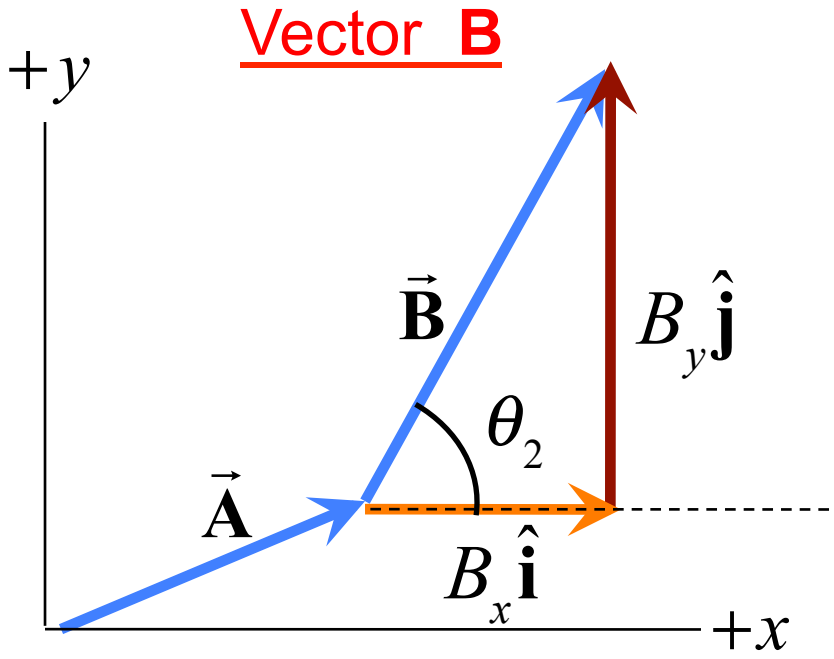
Get the components of the vectors $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$.

$\vec{\mathbf{A}}$: magnitude A and angle θ_1 $\qquad$ $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$: magnitude B and angle θ_2

$$A_x = A\cos\theta_1 \qquad B_x = B\cos\theta_2$$

$$A_y = A\sin\theta_1 \qquad B_y = B\sin\theta_2$$



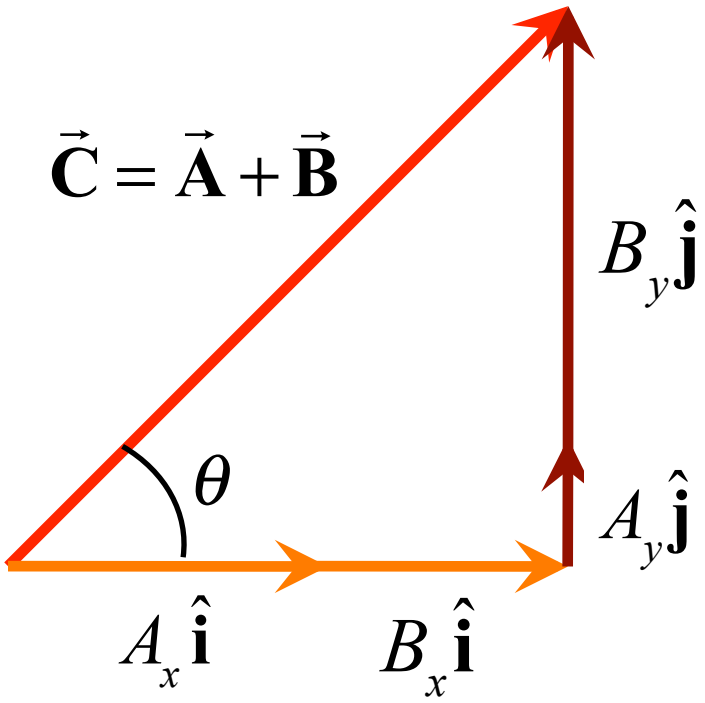


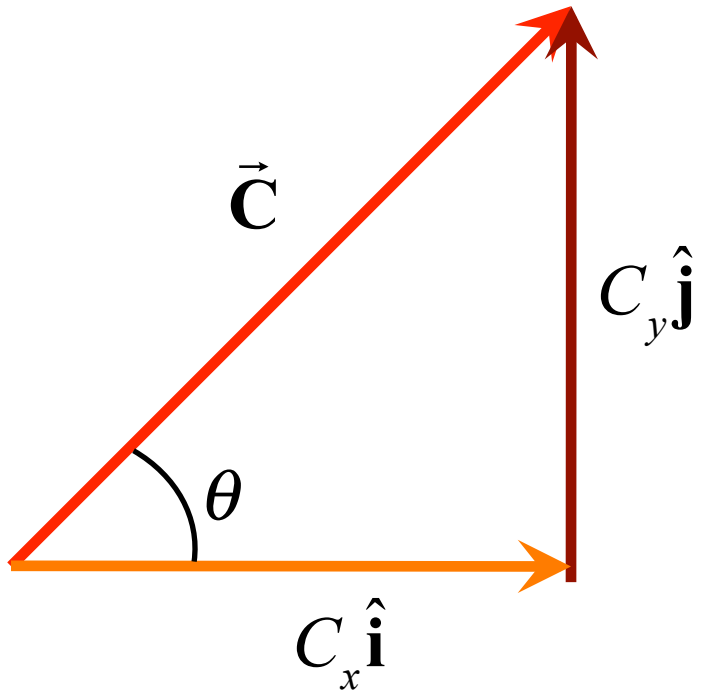
3.2 Vector Addition and Subtraction (using Components)

Get components of vector $\vec{\mathbf{C}}$ from components of $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$.

$$A_x = A\cos\theta_1 \qquad B_x = B\cos\theta_2 \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad C_x = A_x + B_x$$

$$A_y = A\sin\theta_1 \qquad B_y = B\sin\theta_2 \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad C_y = A_y + B_y$$

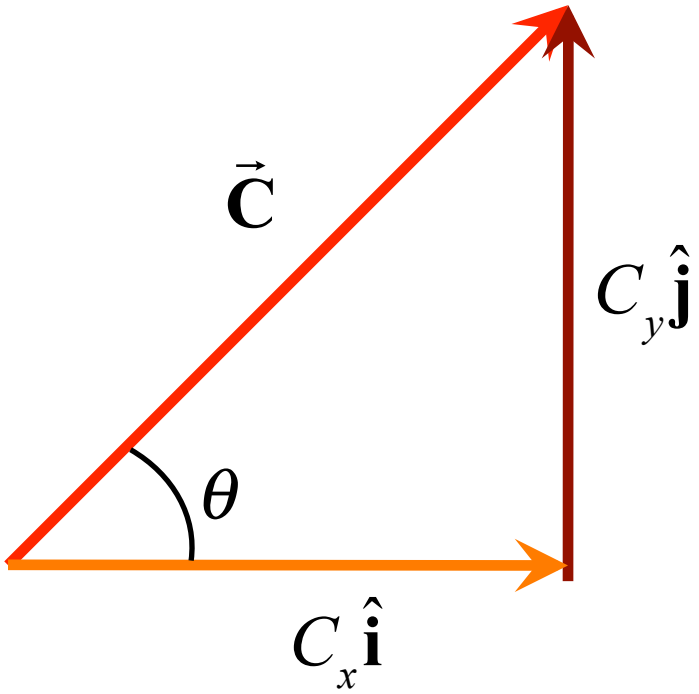




3.2 Vector Addition and Subtraction (using Components)

What is the magnitude of $\vec{\mathbf{C}}$, and what angle θ does it make relative to x-axis ?

$$C_x = A_x + B_x$$
$$C_y = A_y + B_y$$



PROBLEM IS SOLVED

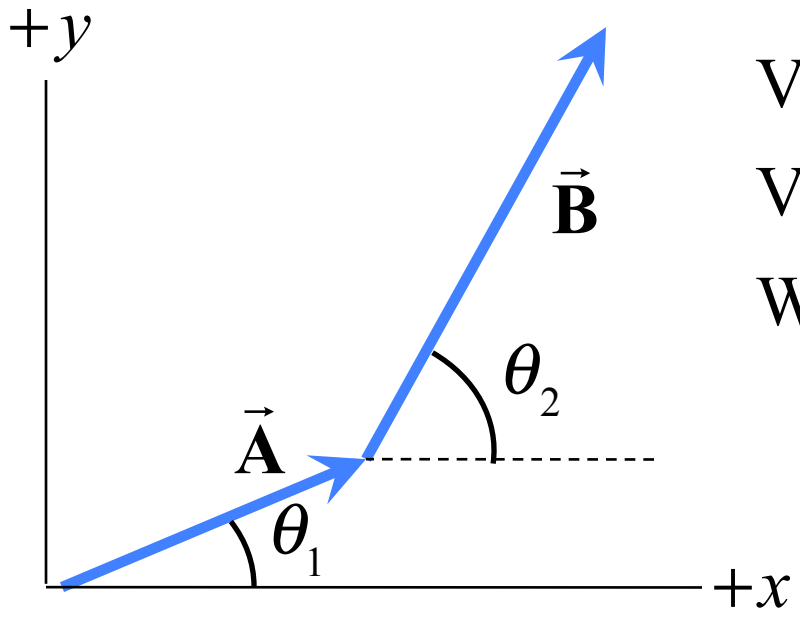
magnitude of $\vec{\mathbf{C}}$: $C = \sqrt{C_x^2 + C_y^2}$

Angle θ: $\tan\theta = \dfrac{C_y}{C_x}$;

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(C_y / C_x)$$

3.2 *Addition of Vectors by Means of Components*

Summary of adding two vectors together



Vector $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ has magnitude A and angle θ_1

Vector $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$ has magnitude B and angle θ_2

What is the vector $\vec{\mathbf{C}} = \vec{\mathbf{A}} + \vec{\mathbf{B}}$?

1) Determine components of vectors $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$: A_x, A_y and B_x, B_y

2) Add x-components to find $C_x = A_x + B_x$

3) Add y-components to find $C_y = A_y + B_y$

4) Determine the magnitude and angle of vector $\vec{\mathbf{C}}$

magnitude $C = \sqrt{C_x^2 + C_y^2}$; $\theta = \tan^{-1}(C_y / C_x)$