

Homework 1

Physics III, Fall 09

Problems: 3-20, 21, 22, 24

3-20

Let: N/S = y -axis and E/W = x -axis

$$\text{So: } dx = 2dy, \quad d_1 = 8, \quad d_2 = 3$$

$$\vec{d} = (d_1 dx \hat{i} + d_2 dy \hat{j})$$

a) Total distance is:

$$d_T = d_1 dx + d_2 dy$$

$$= 8dx + 3dy$$

$$= 8dx + 3 \cdot 2 \cdot dx$$

$$d_T = 14dx \text{ or } 14 \text{ E/W blocks}$$

$$\text{b) } |\vec{d}| = \left((8 \cdot dx)^2 + (3 \cdot dy)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

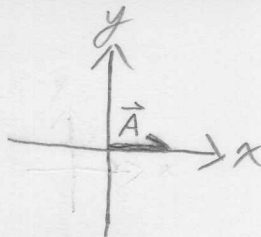
$$= \left((8 \cdot dx)^2 + (3 \cdot 2 \cdot dx)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= (64 + 36)^{1/2} dx$$

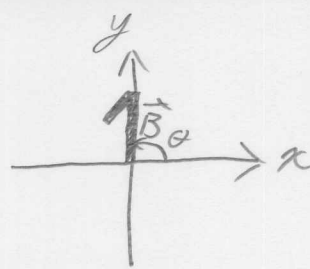
$$|\vec{d}| = 10dx \text{ or } 10 \text{ E/W blocks}$$

3-21

$$|\vec{A}| = 3.0\text{m}, \theta_A = 0$$



$$|\vec{B}| = 4.0\text{m}, \theta_B = 90^\circ$$



Find \vec{C} so that $\vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C} = 0$

$$\vec{A} = (3.0\text{m}\hat{x} + 0\text{m}\hat{y})$$

$$\vec{B} = (0\text{m}\hat{x} + 4.0\text{m}\hat{y})$$

$$A_x + B_x = -C_x$$

$$3.0 + 0 = -C_x$$

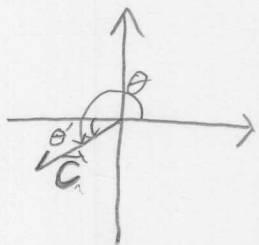
$$\boxed{C_x = -3.0}$$

$$A_y + B_y = -C_y$$

$$0 + 4.0 = -C_y$$

$$\boxed{C_y = -4.0}$$

$$\boxed{|\vec{C}| = (9 + 16)^{1/2} = 5.0\text{m}}$$



$$\theta' = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = 53^\circ$$

$$\theta = 180 + \theta'$$

$$\boxed{\theta = 180 + 53^\circ = 233^\circ}$$

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3-49

$$|\vec{A}| = 1.0 \text{ m}$$

$$\theta_A = -35^\circ$$

$$|\vec{B}| = 1.8 \text{ m}$$

$$\theta_B = ?$$

$$\vec{A} + \vec{B} = 0\hat{x} + Y\hat{y}$$

2 equations:

$$x: |\vec{A}| \cos \theta_A + |\vec{B}| \cos \theta_B = 0$$

$$y: |\vec{A}| \sin \theta_A + |\vec{B}| \sin \theta_B = Y$$

Solve x equation for θ_B

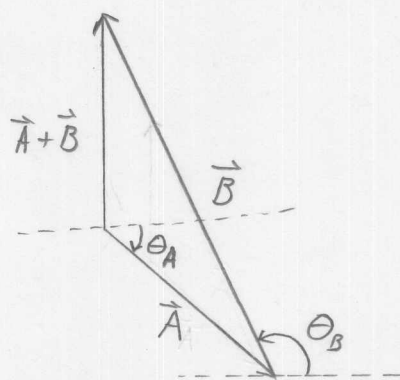
$$|\vec{A}| \cos \theta_A + |\vec{B}| \cos \theta_B = 0$$

$$|\vec{A}| \cos \theta_A = -|\vec{B}| \cos \theta_B$$

$$\cos \theta_B = -\frac{|\vec{A}|}{|\vec{B}|} \cos \theta_A$$

$$\theta_B = \cos^{-1} \left[-\frac{|\vec{A}|}{|\vec{B}|} \cos \theta_A \right]$$

$$\theta_B = \cos^{-1} \left[-\frac{1.0}{1.8} \cos(-35^\circ) \right] = 117^\circ$$



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3-50

$$\vec{A} = 15\hat{x} - 40\hat{y}, \quad \vec{B} = 31\hat{y} + 18\hat{k},$$

$$\vec{C} = C_x\hat{x} + C_y\hat{y} + C_z\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C} = 0$$

3 equations

$$x: \overset{A}{15} + \overset{B}{0} + \overset{C}{C_x} = 0 \Rightarrow C_x = -15$$

$$y: -40 + 31 + C_y = 0 \Rightarrow C_y = 9$$

$$z: 0 + 18 + C_z = 0 \Rightarrow C_z = -18$$

$$\vec{C} = -15\hat{x} + 9\hat{y} - 18\hat{k}$$