

Vectors Revision Worked Solutions

Q1. i) $v = u + at$
 $\frac{m}{s} = \frac{m}{s} + \frac{m}{s^2}(s)$
 $\frac{m}{s} = \frac{m}{s} \checkmark$

ii) $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$
 $\left(\frac{m}{s}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{m}{s}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{m}{s^2}\right)(m)$
 $\frac{m^2}{s^2} = \frac{m^2}{s^2} + \frac{m^2}{s^2}$
 $\frac{m^2}{s^2} = \frac{m^2}{s^2} \checkmark$

iii) $P = \frac{W}{t}$

$$\frac{kg \cdot m^2}{s^3} = \frac{kg \cdot \frac{m^2}{s^2}}{s}$$

$$kg \cdot \frac{m^2}{s^3} = kg \cdot \frac{m^2}{s^3}$$

iv) $F = \frac{mv^2}{r}$

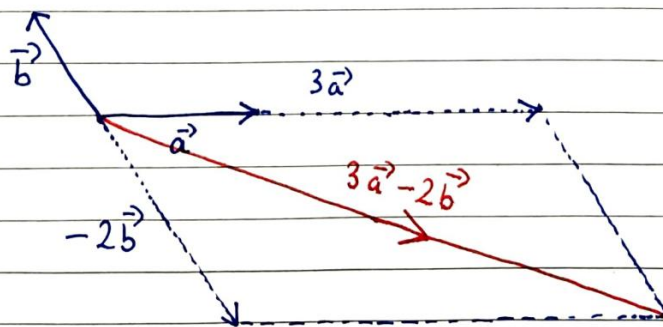
$$\frac{kg \cdot m}{s^2} = \frac{kg \cdot \left(\frac{m}{s}\right)^2}{m}$$

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$$kg \cdot \frac{m}{s^2} = kg \cdot \frac{m}{s^2} \checkmark$$

Q2. A vector quantity has a magnitude and a direction.
 A scalar quantity has a magnitude only.
 Vector examples: force, acceleration....
 Scalar examples: mass, speed.....

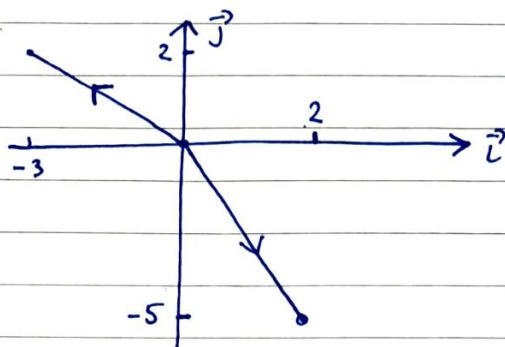
Q3.



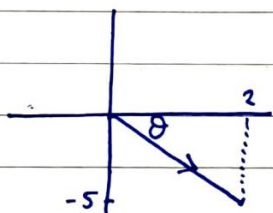
Q4.

$$\vec{x} = 2\vec{i} - 5\vec{j} \quad \vec{y} = -3\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$$

i)



$$ii) |\vec{x}| = \sqrt{(2)^2 + (-5)^2} = \boxed{\sqrt{29}} \quad |\vec{y}| = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (2)^2} = \boxed{\sqrt{13}}$$

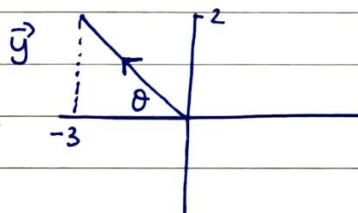
iii) $\vec{x}$ 

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$$

$$= 68.2^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E 68.2^\circ S}$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{S 21.8^\circ E}$$



$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$$

$$= 33.7^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{W 33.7^\circ N}$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{N 56.3^\circ W}$$

iv)

$$2\vec{x} - \vec{y}$$

$$= 2(2\vec{i} - 5\vec{j}) - (-3\vec{i} + 2\vec{j})$$

$$= 4\vec{i} - 10\vec{j} + 3\vec{i} - 2\vec{j}$$

$$= \boxed{7\vec{i} - 12\vec{j}}$$

v)

$$|2\vec{x} - \vec{y}|$$

$$= |7\vec{i} - 12\vec{j}|$$

$$= \sqrt{(7)^2 + (-12)^2}$$

$$= \boxed{\sqrt{193}}$$

Q5. $\vec{x} = 6\vec{i} - 5\vec{j}$ $\vec{y} = 4\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$ $\vec{z} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{j}$

i) $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = (6\vec{i} - 5\vec{j}) \cdot (4\vec{i} + 3\vec{j})$

$$= (6)(4) + (-5)(3)$$

$$= 24 - 15$$

$$= \boxed{9}$$

ii) $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{z} = (6\vec{i} - 5\vec{j}) \cdot (2\vec{i} + \vec{j})$

$$= (6)(2) + (-5)(1)$$

$$= 12 - 5$$

$$= \boxed{7}$$

iii) $\vec{x} \cdot (\vec{y} + \vec{z})$

$$\vec{y} + \vec{z} = 4\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} + 2\vec{i} + \vec{j}$$

$$= 6\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow (6\vec{i} - 5\vec{j}) \cdot (6\vec{i} + 4\vec{j})$$

$$= (6)(6) + (-5)(4)$$

$$= 36 - 20$$

$$= \boxed{16}$$

Q6

i) $|5\vec{i} + 12\vec{j}| = |12\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}|$
 $= \sqrt{(12)^2 + (5)^2}$
 $= 13$

$$(5\vec{i} + 12\vec{j}) \cdot (12\vec{i} + 5\vec{j})$$

$$= (5)(12) + (12)(5)$$

$$= 60 + 60$$

$$= 120$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}}{|\vec{x}| \cdot |\vec{y}|}$$

$$= \frac{120}{(13)(13)}$$

$$= \frac{120}{169}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{120}{169}\right)$$

$$= \boxed{44.76^\circ}$$

ii) $|8\vec{i} - \vec{j}| = \sqrt{(8)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{65}$
 $|-7\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}| = \sqrt{(-7)^2 + (4)^2}$
 $= \sqrt{65}$

$$(8\vec{i} - \vec{j}) \cdot (-7\vec{i} + 4\vec{j})$$

$$= (8)(-7) + (-1)(4)$$

$$= -56 - 4$$

$$= -60$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}}{|\vec{x}| \cdot |\vec{y}|}$$

$$= \frac{-60}{\sqrt{65}\sqrt{65}}$$

$$= -\frac{12}{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{12}{13}\right) = 157.38^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Smaller angle} = \boxed{22.62^\circ}$$

Q7.

i) $\vec{p} \perp \vec{q}?$

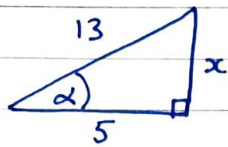
$$\begin{aligned} & (4\vec{i} - 2\vec{j})(\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) \\ &= (4)(1) + (-2)(2) \\ &= 4 - 4 \\ &= 0 \Rightarrow \vec{p} \perp \vec{q} \end{aligned}$$

ii) $\vec{p} \perp \vec{r}?$

$$\begin{aligned} & (4\vec{i} - 2\vec{j})(2\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}) \\ &= (4)(2) + (-2)(4) \\ &= 8 - 8 \\ &= 0 \Rightarrow \vec{p} \perp \vec{r}. \end{aligned}$$

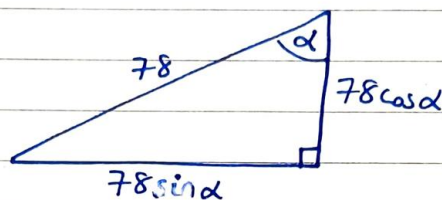
Q8

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{5}{13}$$



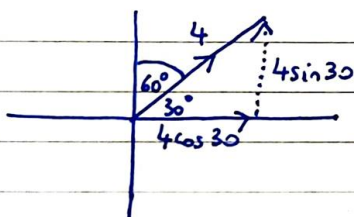
$$\begin{aligned} (13)^2 &= (5)^2 + (x)^2 \\ 169 - 25 &= x^2 \\ 144 &= x^2 \\ x &= 12 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \alpha = \frac{12}{13}$$



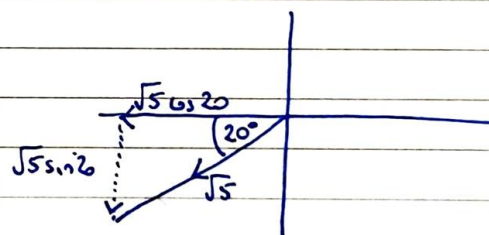
$$\begin{aligned} |pq| &= 78 \sin \alpha \\ &= 78 \left(\frac{12}{13} \right) \\ &= \boxed{72m} \end{aligned}$$

Q9. i) Sketch:



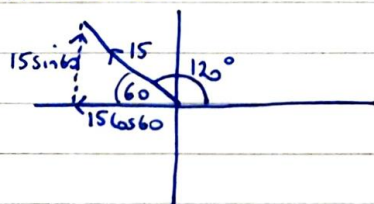
$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow 4 \cos 30 \vec{i} + 4 \sin 30 \vec{j} \\ &= \boxed{2\sqrt{3} \vec{i} + 2 \vec{j}} \end{aligned}$$

ii) Sketch:



$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow -\sqrt{5} \cos 20 \vec{i} - \sqrt{5} \sin 20 \vec{j} \\ &= \boxed{-2.1 \vec{i} - 0.72 \vec{j}} \end{aligned}$$

iii) Sketch:



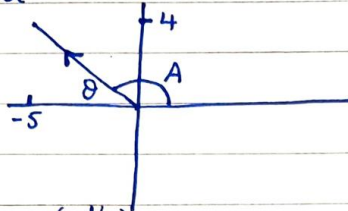
$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow -15 \cos 60 \vec{i} + 15 \sin 60 \vec{j} \\ &= \boxed{-7.5 \vec{i} + 13 \vec{j}} \end{aligned}$$

OR Using calculator

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Rec}(15, 120) \\ &= \boxed{-7.5 \vec{i} + 13 \vec{j}} \end{aligned}$$

Q10. i) $-5\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$

By hand:



$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{-5}\right)$$

$$= 38.7^\circ \Rightarrow A = 141.3^\circ$$

$$|-5\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}| = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (4)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{41}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{41} \mid 141.3^\circ}$$

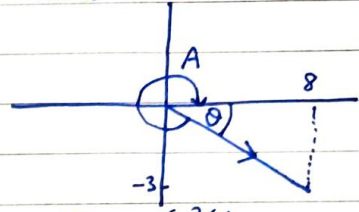
OR By calc:

Pol $(-5, 4)$

$$= \boxed{\sqrt{41} \mid 141.3^\circ}$$

ii) $8\vec{i} - 3\vec{j}$

By hand:



$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-3}{8}\right)$$

$$= 20.6^\circ \Rightarrow A = 339.4^\circ$$

$$|8\vec{i} - 3\vec{j}| = \sqrt{(8)^2 + (-3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{73}$$

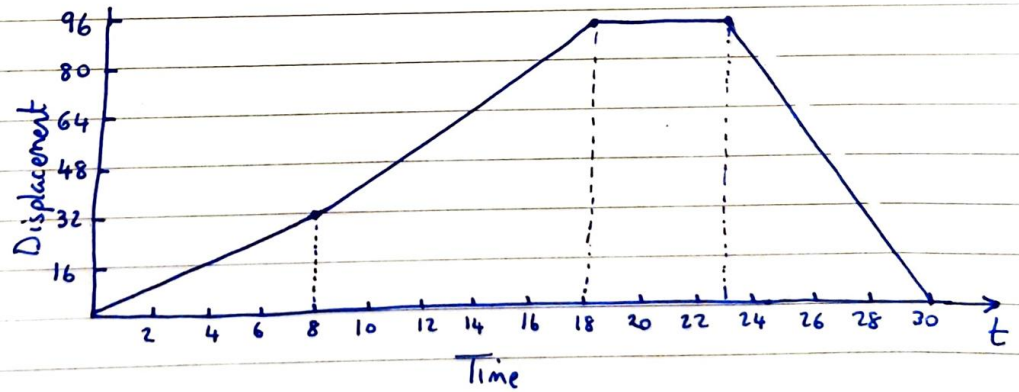
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{73} \mid 339.4^\circ}$$

OR By calc:

Pol $(8, -3)$

$$= \boxed{8.544 \mid -20.6^\circ}$$

Q11.



Q12. $\vec{x} = 3\vec{i} - \vec{j}$ $\vec{y} = 9\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$

i) $-3\vec{x} + \vec{y}$
 $= -3(3\vec{i} - \vec{j}) + (9\vec{i} + 4\vec{j})$
 $= -9\vec{i} + 3\vec{j} + 9\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$
 $= 0\vec{i} + 7\vec{j}$
 No $\vec{i}$ component $\Rightarrow$ along $\vec{j}$ axis

ii) $k\vec{x} + \vec{y}$
 $= k(3\vec{i} - \vec{j}) + 9\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$
 $= 3k\vec{i} - k\vec{j} + 9\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$
 $= (3k+9)\vec{i} + (-k+4)\vec{j}$
 Along $\vec{i}$ axis $\Rightarrow \vec{j}$ component = 0
 $\Rightarrow -k + 4 = 0$
 $\boxed{k = 4}$

Q13. $|t\vec{i} + 24\vec{j}| = |15\vec{i} - 20\vec{j}|$

$$\sqrt{(t)^2 + (24)^2} = \sqrt{(15)^2 + (-20)^2}$$

$$\sqrt{t^2 + 576} = 25$$

Square both sides:

$$t^2 + 576 = 625$$

$$t^2 = 625 - 576$$

$$t^2 = 49$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \sqrt{49} = \boxed{\pm 7}$$

Q14. $\vec{a} = 3\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$ $\vec{b} = 4\vec{i} - \vec{j}$

$$l(3\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) + k(4\vec{i} - \vec{j}) = 2\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}$$

$$3l\vec{i} + 2l\vec{j} + 4k\vec{i} - k\vec{j} = 2\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}$$

$$(3l + 4k)\vec{i} + (2l - k)\vec{j} = 2\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}$$

$$\vec{i} = \vec{i} \quad \vec{j} = \vec{j}$$

$$3l + 4k = 2 : A \quad 2l - k = 5 : B$$

Solving:

A: $3l + 4k = 2$

Bx4: $8l - 4k = 20$

$$11l = 22$$

$$\boxed{l = 2}$$

A: $3(2) + 4k = 2$

$$6 + 4k = 2$$

$$4k = -4$$

$$\boxed{k = -1}$$

Q15. $\vec{p} = 3\vec{i} - (k-1)\vec{j}$ $\vec{q} = (k+1)\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$

i) $\vec{p} \perp \vec{q} \Rightarrow \vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = 0$

$$(3)(k+1) + (4)(-(k-1)) = 0$$

$$3k+3 - 4k+4 = 0$$

$$-k+7 = 0$$

$$\boxed{k=7}$$

ii) $\vec{p} + \vec{q} = 3\vec{i} - 6\vec{j} + 8\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$
 $= \boxed{11\vec{i} - 2\vec{j}}$

iii) $|\vec{p} + \vec{q}| = \sqrt{(11)^2 + (-2)^2} = 5\sqrt{5}$ $|\vec{q}| = \sqrt{(8)^2 + (4)^2} = 4\sqrt{5}$

$$(\vec{p} + \vec{q}) \cdot \vec{q} = (11\vec{i} - 2\vec{j}) \cdot (8\vec{i} + 4\vec{j})$$

$$= (11)(8) + (-2)(4) = 80$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}}{|\vec{x}| |\vec{y}|} = \frac{80}{(5\sqrt{5})(4\sqrt{5})} = \boxed{\frac{4}{5}}$$