

Vectors 11C

1 a $|3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}$
 $= \sqrt{9 + 16}$
 $= \sqrt{25}$
 $= 5$

h $|-4\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2}$
 $= \sqrt{16 + 1}$
 $= \sqrt{17}$
 $= 4.12 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$

b $|6\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}| = \sqrt{6^2 + 8^2}$
 $= \sqrt{36 + 64}$
 $= \sqrt{100}$
 $= 10$

2 a $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{26}$$

c $|5\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j}| = \sqrt{5^2 + 12^2}$
 $= \sqrt{25 + 144}$
 $= \sqrt{169}$
 $= 13$

b $2\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c} = 2\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$

$$|2\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 7^2} = \sqrt{50} = 5\sqrt{2}$$

e $|3\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 5^2}$
 $= \sqrt{9 + 25}$
 $= \sqrt{34}$
 $= 5.83 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$

c $3\mathbf{b} - 2\mathbf{c} = 3\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} - 2\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix}$

$$|3\mathbf{b} - 2\mathbf{c}| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-10)^2} = \sqrt{101}$$

f $|4\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 7^2}$
 $= \sqrt{16 + 49}$
 $= \sqrt{65}$
 $= 8.06 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$

3 a a unit vector is $\frac{\mathbf{a}}{|\mathbf{a}|}$

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{a}}{|\mathbf{a}|} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.6 \end{pmatrix}$$

g $|-3\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 5^2}$
 $= \sqrt{9 + 25}$
 $= \sqrt{34}$
 $= 5.83 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$

3 b a unit vector is $\frac{\mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{b}|}$

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\mathbf{b}| = \sqrt{5^2 + (-12)^2} \\ = \sqrt{169} \\ = 13$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{b}|} = \frac{1}{13} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{5}{13} \\ -\frac{12}{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

c a unit vector is $\frac{\mathbf{c}}{|\mathbf{c}|}$

$$\mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\mathbf{c}| = \sqrt{(-7)^2 + 24^2} \\ = \sqrt{625} \\ = 25$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{c}}{|\mathbf{c}|} = \frac{1}{25} \begin{pmatrix} -7 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} -0.28 \\ 0.96 \end{pmatrix}$$

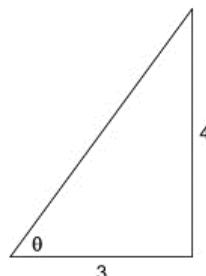
d a unit vector is $\frac{\mathbf{d}}{|\mathbf{d}|}$

$$\mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\mathbf{d}| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-3)^2} \\ = \sqrt{10}$$

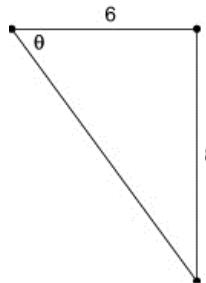
$$\frac{\mathbf{d}}{|\mathbf{d}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{10}}{10} \\ -\frac{3\sqrt{10}}{10} \end{pmatrix}$$

4 a $3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$



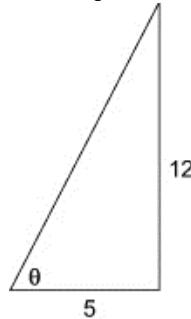
$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{3} \right) = 53.1^\circ \text{ above (3 s.f.)}$$

b $6\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}$



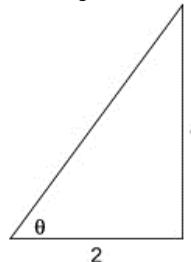
$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{8}{6} \right) = 53.1^\circ \text{ below (3 s.f.)}$$

c $5\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j}$

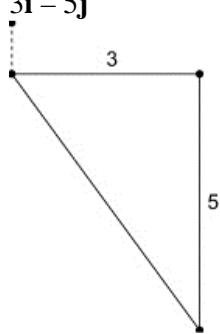


$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{12}{5} \right) = 67.4^\circ \text{ above (3 s.f.)}$$

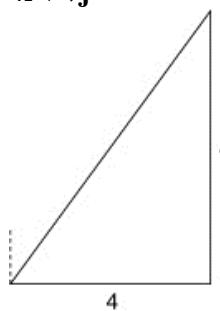
d $2\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$



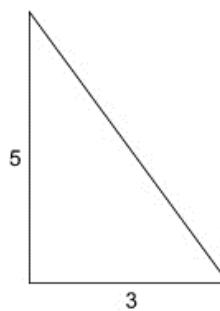
$$\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{2} \right) = 63.4^\circ \text{ above (3 s.f.)}$$

5 a $3\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j}$


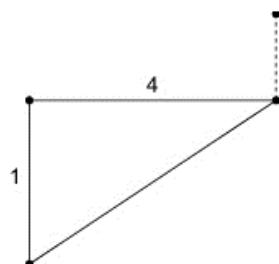
$$90^\circ + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) = 90^\circ + 59^\circ \\ = 149^\circ \text{ (3 s.f.) to the right}$$

b $4\mathbf{i} + 7\mathbf{j}$


$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{7}\right) = 29.7^\circ \text{ (3 s.f.) to the right}$$

c $-3\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j}$


$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) = 31.0^\circ \text{ (3 s.f.) to the left}$$

d $-4\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}$


$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{5 d} \quad 90^\circ + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) &= 90^\circ + 14^\circ \\ &= 104^\circ \text{ (3 s.f.) to the left} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{6 a} \quad \cos 45^\circ &= \frac{x}{15} \\ x &= 15 \cos 45^\circ \\ &= \frac{15\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 45^\circ &= \frac{y}{15} \\ y &= 15 \sin 45^\circ \\ &= \frac{15\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

The vector is $\frac{15\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{15\sqrt{2}}{2}\mathbf{j}$

$$\text{or } \begin{pmatrix} \frac{15\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{15\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b} \quad \cos 20^\circ = \frac{x}{8}$$

$$x = 8 \cos 20^\circ \\ = 7.52$$

$$\sin 20^\circ = \frac{y}{8}$$

$$y = 8 \sin 20^\circ \\ = 2.74$$

The vector is $7.52\mathbf{i} + 2.74\mathbf{j}$

$$\text{or } \begin{pmatrix} 7.52 \\ 2.74 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{c} \quad \cos 25^\circ = \frac{x}{20}$$

$$x = 20 \cos 25^\circ \\ = 18.1$$

$$\sin 25^\circ = \frac{y}{20}$$

$$y = 20 \sin 25^\circ \\ = 8.45$$

The vector is $18.1\mathbf{i} - 8.45\mathbf{j}$

$$\text{or } \begin{pmatrix} 18.1 \\ -8.45 \end{pmatrix}$$

6 d $\cos 30^\circ = \frac{x}{5}$
 $x = 5 \cos 30^\circ$
 $= \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}$

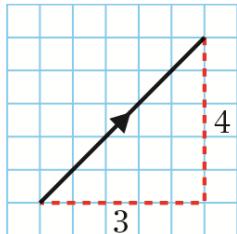
$$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{y}{5}$$

 $y = 5 \sin 30^\circ$
 $= 2.5$

The vector is $\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} \mathbf{i} - 2.5 \mathbf{j}$

or $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -2.5 \end{pmatrix}$

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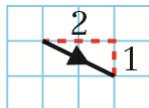
$$\text{magnitude} = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{4}{3}$$

 $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}$

$= 53.1^\circ$ above the positive x -axis

b



$$\text{magnitude} = \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$= 26.6^\circ$ below the positive x -axis

c



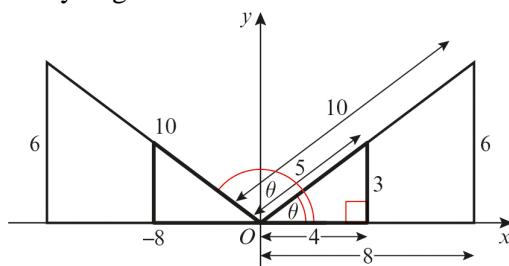
$$\text{magnitude} = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{29}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{2}{5}$$

7 c $\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{5} \right)$
 $= 21.8^\circ$ above the negative x -axis
 $= 158.2^\circ$ above the positive x -axis

8 $|2\mathbf{i} - k\mathbf{j}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-k)^2} = \sqrt{4+k^2}$
 $\sqrt{4+k^2} = 2\sqrt{10} = \sqrt{40}$
 $4+k^2 = 40$
 $k^2 = 36$
 $k = \pm 6$

9 $|p\mathbf{i} + q\mathbf{j}| = 10$
 Adding the information and using Pythagoras' theorem



$$p = 8 \text{ and } q = \pm 6$$

Consider also the case where θ is below the x -axis. By symmetry, $p = \pm 8$ and $q = -6$ are also solutions.

So the possible values of p and q are:

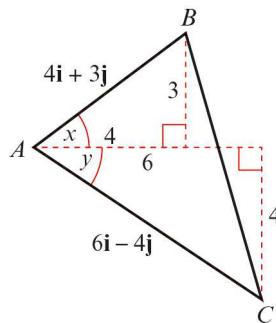
$$p = 8, q = 6$$

$$p = 8, q = -6$$

$$p = -8, q = 6$$

$$p = -8, q = -6$$

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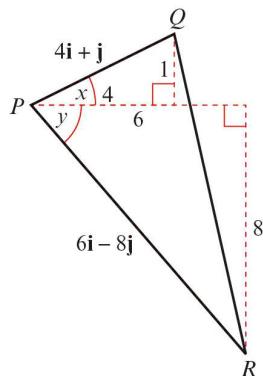
a $\tan x = \frac{3}{4}$

$$x = \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4}$$

 $= 36.870^\circ$

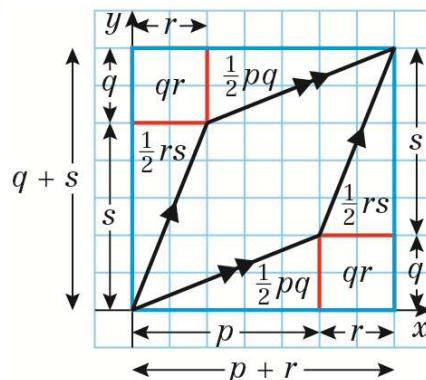
10 b $\tan y = \frac{2}{3}$
 $y = \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{3}$
 $= 33.690^\circ$

c Angle $BAC = x + y$
 $= 70.6^\circ$ (1 d.p.)

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a Angle $QPR = x + y$
 $\tan x = \frac{1}{4}$
 $x = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{4}$
 $= 14.0362\dots$
 $\tan y = \frac{4}{3}$
 $y = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}$
 $= 53.1301\dots$
Angle $QPR = 67.2^\circ$ (1 d.p.)

b Area $= \frac{1}{2}rq \sin P$
 $r = \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2}$
 $= \sqrt{17}$
 $q = \sqrt{6^2 + 8^2}$
 $= \sqrt{100} = 10$
Area $= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{17} \times 10 \times \sin 67.2^\circ$
 $= 19.0$ units² (3 s.f.)

Challenge

Area of parallelogram

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{area of large blue rectangle} - 2(\text{area of small red rectangle}) - 2(\text{area of triangle 1}) \\ &\quad - 2(\text{area of triangle 2}) \\ &= (p+r)(q+s) - 2(qr) - 2\left(\frac{1}{2}pq\right) - 2\left(\frac{1}{2}rs\right) \\ &= pq + ps + qr + rs - 2qr - pq - rs \\ &= ps - qr \end{aligned}$$