



Intermediate Math Circles

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Problem Set 2 — Solutions

1. Solution

$$(a) \vec{u} + \vec{v} + \vec{w} = [3, 7] + [0, 4] + [2, -5] = [5, 6]$$

$$(b) 3\vec{u} - 2\vec{v} = 3[3, 7] - 2[0, 4] = [9, 21] - [0, 8] = [9, 13]$$

$$(c) -2\vec{u} + \frac{1}{8}\vec{v} + 3\vec{w} = [-6, -14] + [0, \frac{1}{2}] + [6, -15] = [0, -\frac{59}{2}]$$

2. Solution

$$\begin{aligned} & a[1, 1] + b[1, 1] + c[1, 1] - a[1, 2] + b[1, 2] - a[-1, -1] + b[-1, -1] + c[-1, -1] \\ &= a([1, 1] - [1, 2] + [1, 1]) + b([1, 1] + [1, 2] + [-1, -1]) + c([1, 1] + [-1, -1]) \\ &= a[1, 0] + b[1, 2] \end{aligned}$$

3. Solution

$$(a) a = 4, b = 4$$

We have $a = 4$. Thus, $6 = a + b \implies 6 = 4 + b$. Therefore, $b = 2$.

$$(b) a = 2, b = 6$$

We have $2 = a$. Thus, $b = 3a \implies b = 3(2) = 6$.

4. Solution A)

$$(a) |\vec{v}| = \sqrt{9 + 16} = 5$$

$$(b) \vec{u} = \frac{1}{5}[4, 3] = [\frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}]$$

$$(c) |\vec{u}| = \sqrt{(\frac{4}{5})^2 + (\frac{3}{5})^2} = \sqrt{\frac{16}{25} + \frac{9}{25}} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{25}} = 1$$

B) \vec{u} has the same direction of \vec{v} but $\frac{1}{5}$ the magnitude of \vec{v}

5. Solution

$$(a) |\vec{v}| = \sqrt{25 + 144} = 13; \vec{u} = \frac{1}{13}[5, 12] = [\frac{5}{13}, \frac{12}{13}]$$

$$|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{(\frac{5}{13})^2 + (\frac{12}{13})^2} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{169} + \frac{144}{169}} = \sqrt{\frac{169}{169}} = 1$$

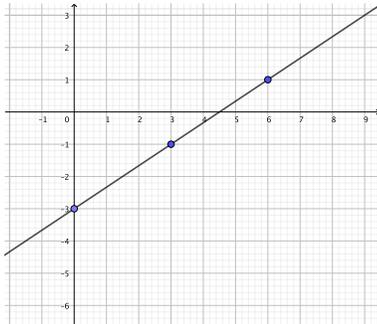


(b) $|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{16 + 49} = \sqrt{65}$; $\vec{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{65}}[4, 7] = [\frac{4}{\sqrt{65}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{65}}]$
 $|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{65}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{7}{\sqrt{65}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{16}{65} + \frac{49}{65}} = \sqrt{\frac{65}{65}} = 1$

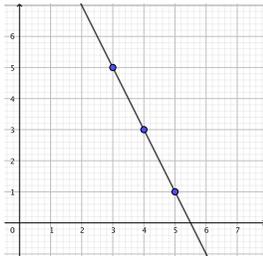
(c) $|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$; $\vec{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}[a, b] = [\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}]$
 $|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{b^2}{a^2 + b^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 + b^2}} = 1$

6. Solution

(a) $t = -1$, pt(0,-3); $t = 0$, pt(3,-1); $t = 1$, pt(6,1)



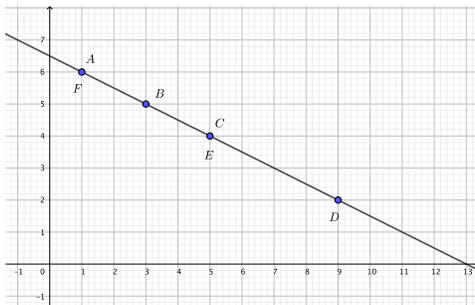
(b) $t = -1$, pt(3,5); $t = 0$, pt(4,3); $t = 1$, pt(5,1)



7. Solution A)

(a) $t = -1$, pt A(1,6); $t = 0$, pt B(3,5); $t = 1$, pt C(5,4)

(b) $t = -1$, pt D(9,2); $t = 0$, pt E(5,4); $t = 1$, pt F(1,6)





B) They are the same line.

8. Solution

- (a) The two direction vectors are $[2,-1]$ and $[-4,2]$. Since $[-4,2] = -2[2,-1]$, they are parallel to each other and have the 'same' direction
- (b) Sub 3 into the x of second equation $3 = 5 - 4t \implies -2 = -4t \implies t = \frac{1}{2}$
Check with y ; $y = 4 + 2\frac{1}{2} = 4 + 1 = 5 \implies$ the point is on the line.
Therefore the lines are the same.

9. Solution

The two direction vectors are $[3,-2]$ and $[6,-4]$. Since $[6,-4]=2[3,-2]$ they have the 'same' direction.

Show $[6,5]$ is in the other line.

Sub 6 into the $x \implies 6 = 9 + 6t \implies -3 = 6t \implies t = \frac{-1}{2}$

Check with y ; $y = -4\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) = 2 \implies$ the point is not on the line.

Therefore the lines are not the same.

10. Solution

Rewrite the second equation in slope y-int form. $3x + 2y - 19 = 0 \implies 2y = -3x + 19 \implies y = -\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{19}{2}$. Therefore the slope is $\frac{-3}{2}$ which gives a direction vector of $[-2,3]$. Therefore the two lines have the same direction

Now sub in the point from a) into b): $3(3)+2(5) - 19 = 19 - 19 = 0$. This is a true statement and therefore the point is on the second line. And they are the same line.