

Pre-Lab Practice: Object in Equilibrium

Review the Textbook:

- *PHYS 1401: Serway & Vuille: Sec. 3.2, Appendix A.5., Ex 4.2,4.6*
- *PHYS 2425: Serway & Jewett: Sec. 3.4, Appendix B.4, Ex 5.1,5.4*

1. The hypotenuse of a right triangle is 7.0 m, and the side opposite to angle θ is 5.0 m. What is the value of $\cos(\theta)$? (0.70)

Vector \vec{A} has a magnitude of 8.0 m and is at an angle of 45° CCW from the x-axis.

2. What is A_x , the x-component of vector A? (5.66 m)
3. What is A_y , the y-component of vector A? (5.66 m)

Vector \vec{B} has components of $B_x = -3.0 \text{ m/s}$ and $B_y = -7.0 \text{ m/s}$

4. What is the magnitude of vector \vec{B} ? (7.62 m/s)
5. What is the direction of vector B?
(-113.2° or 246.8°, where angles are measured CCW from the x-axis)

Given vectors $r_1 = (1.40\text{m}; 30^\circ)$, $r_2 = (3.40\text{m}; 90^\circ)$, and the equation of a new vector $R = -4.00 r_1 + 1.50 r_2$

6. What is R_x ? (-4.85 m)
 7. What is R_y ? (2.3 m)
 8. What is the magnitude of R? (5.37 m)
 9. What is the direction of R? (154.6°)
10. Solve for C in the following: $r_1 + 2r_2 + C = 0$.
($C = (-1.21\text{m})\hat{x} - (7.5\text{m})\hat{y}$)

A horizontal ring is being pulled in three directions by force vectors F_1 , F_2 , and F_3 . The forces balance, meaning the vectors add up to zero. Two of the forces are measured to be:

$F_1 = (4\text{N})x - (8\text{N})y$ and $F_2 = (-3\text{N})x - (6\text{N})y$

11. Express vector \vec{F}_3 in component form.
($\vec{F}_3 = (-1 \text{ N})\hat{x} + (14 \text{ N})\hat{y}$)
12. Express vector \vec{F}_3 in magnitude-direction form.
($\vec{F}_3 = (14 \text{ N})\angle 94.1^\circ$)