



PHYSICS

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MOTION IN A PLANE

Solved Example

1. Rain is falling vertically with a speed of 35m s^{-1} . Wind starts blowing after some time with the speed of 12m s^{-1} in east to west

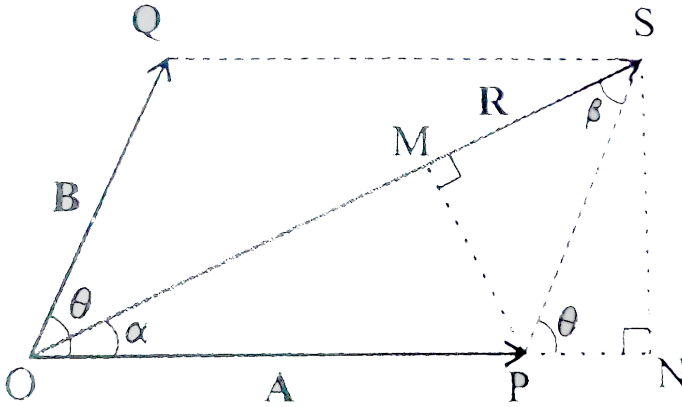
direction. At what angles with the vertical should a boy waiting at a bus stop hold his umbrella to protect himself from rain?



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2. Find the magnitude and direction of the resultant of two vectors A and B in the terms of their magnitudes and angle θ between

them.



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3. A motor boat is racing towards North at $25\text{km}/\text{h}$ and the water current in that region is $10\text{km}/\text{h}$ in the direction of 60° East of South. Find the resultant velocity of the boat.



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4. The position of a particle is given by

$$r = 3t\hat{i} + 2t^2\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}$$

where, t is in seconds and the coefficients have the proper units for r to be in metres.

(i) Find $v(t)$ and $a(t)$ of the particles.

(ii) Find the magnitude and direction of $v(t)$ and $a(t)$ at $t = 1s$.

$$A. \left(2.0\hat{i} + 4.0t\hat{j}\right), a = 4.0ms^{-2} \quad 5.0ms^{-1}$$

, 53° with x-axis`

B. $(3.0\hat{i} + 4.0t\hat{j})$, $a = 4.0ms^{-2} \ 5.0ms^{-1}$
, 53° with x-axis`

C. $(3.0\hat{i} + 4.0t\hat{j})$, $a = 2ms^{-2} \ 5.0ms^{-1}$,
 53° with x-axis`

D. $(3.0\hat{i} + 4.0t\hat{j})$, $a = 4.0ms^{-2} \ 5.0ms^{-1}$
, 45° with x-axis`

Answer: B



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5. A particle starts from origin at $t = 0$ with a velocity $5.0\hat{i} \text{ m/s}$ and moves in x-y plane under action of a force which produces a constant acceleration of $(3.0\hat{i} + 2.0\hat{j}) \text{ m/s}^2$.

(a) What is the y-coordinate of the particle at the instant its x-coordinate is 84 m ? (b) What is the speed of the particle at this time?



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6. Rain is falling vertically with a speed of $10\sqrt{3}ms^{-1}$. A woman rides a bicycle with a speed of $10ms^{-1}$ in east to west direction. What is the direction in which she should hold her umbrella to protect from rain ?



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7. Galileo, in his book Two new sciences, stated that "for elevations which exceed or fall short

of 45° by equal amounts, the ranges are equal. Prove this statement.



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8. A hiker stands on the edge of a cliff $490m$ above the ground and throws a stone horizontally with an initial speed of $15ms^{-1}$ neglecting air resistance. The time taken by the stone to reach the ground in seconds is $(g = 9.8ms^{-2})$



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9. A cricket ball is thrown at a speed of 28m s^{-1} in a direction 30° above the horizontal. Calculate (a) the maximum height (b) the time taken by ball to return to the same level, and (c) the distance from the thrower to the point where the ball returns to the same level.

A. 10.0m 2.8s 29m

B. 10.0m 2.8s 69m

C. 10.0m 3.8s 69m

D. $20.0m$ $2.8s$ $69m$

Answer: B



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10. An insect trapped in a circular groove of radius 12 cm moves along the groove steadily and completes 7 revolutions in 100 s . (i) What is the angular speed and the linear speed of the motion ? (ii) Is the acceleration vector a constant vector ? What is its magnitude ?



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Exercise

1. State, for each of the following physical quantities, if it is a scalar or a vector. Volume, mass speed acceleration, density, number of moles, velocity, angular frequency, displacement, angular velocity.



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2. Pick out the two scalar quantities in the following list: force, angular momentum, work, current, linear momentum, electric field, average force, angular momentum, work, current , linear momentum, electric field, average velocity, magnetic moment, relative velocity.



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3. Pick out the only vector quantity in the following list:

Temperature, pressure, impulse, time, power , total path length, energy, gravitational potential , coefficient of friction, charge.



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4. State with reasons, whether the following algebraic operations with scalar and vector physical quantities are meaningful:

(i) Adding any two scalars (ii) Adding a scalar to a vector of the same dimensions

(iii) Multiplying any vector by any scalar (iv) Multiplying any two scalars

(v) Adding any two vectors



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5. Read each statement below carefully and state with reasons, with it is true or false :

(a) The magnitude of vector is always a scalar.

(b) Each component of a vector is always a

scalar.

(c) The total path length is always equal to the magnitude of the displacement vector of a particle.

(d) The average speed of a particle (defined as total path length divided by the time taken to cover the path) is greater or equal to the magnitude of average velocity of the particle over the same interval of time.

(e) three vectors not lying in a plane can never add up to give a null vector.



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6. Establish the following inequalities geometrically or otherwise ,

$$(a) \left| \vec{A} + \vec{B} \right| \leq \left| \vec{A} \right| + \left| \vec{B} \right| ,$$

$$(b) \left| \vec{A} + \vec{B} \right| \geq \left| \left| \vec{A} \right| - \left| \vec{B} \right| \right|$$

$$(c) \left| \vec{A} - \vec{B} \right| \leq \left| \vec{A} \right| + \left| \vec{B} \right|$$

$$(d) \left| \vec{A} - \vec{B} \right| \geq \left| \left| \vec{A} \right| - \left| \vec{B} \right| \right|$$

When does the equality sign above apply ?



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7. Given $\vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C} + \vec{D} = 0$, which of the following statements are correct ?

(a) \vec{A} , \vec{B} , \vec{C} and \vec{D} each must be a null vector.

(b) The magnitude of $(\vec{A} + \vec{C})$ equals the magnitude of $(\vec{B} + \vec{D})$.

(c) The magnitude of \vec{A} can never be greater than the sum of the magnitude of \vec{B} , \vec{C} and \vec{D} .

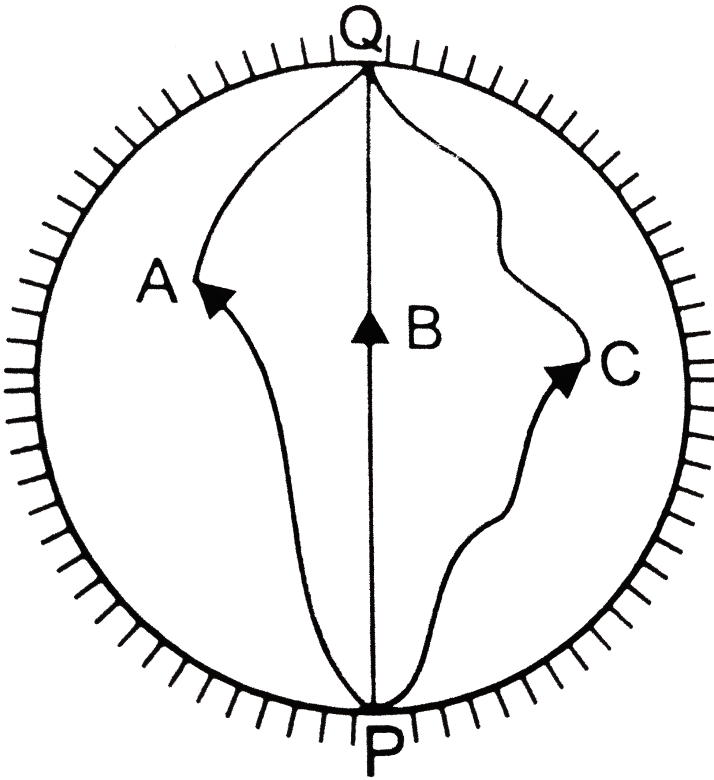
(d) $\vec{B} + \vec{C}$ must lie in the plane of $\vec{A} + \vec{D}$. if \vec{A} and \vec{D} are not collinear and in the line of \vec{A} and \vec{D} , if they are collinear.



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8. Three girls skating on a circular ice ground of radius $200m$ start from a point (P) on the edge of the ground and reach a point Q diametrically opposite to (P) following different paths as shown in Fig. What is the magnitude of the displacement vector for each ? which girl's displacement is equal to

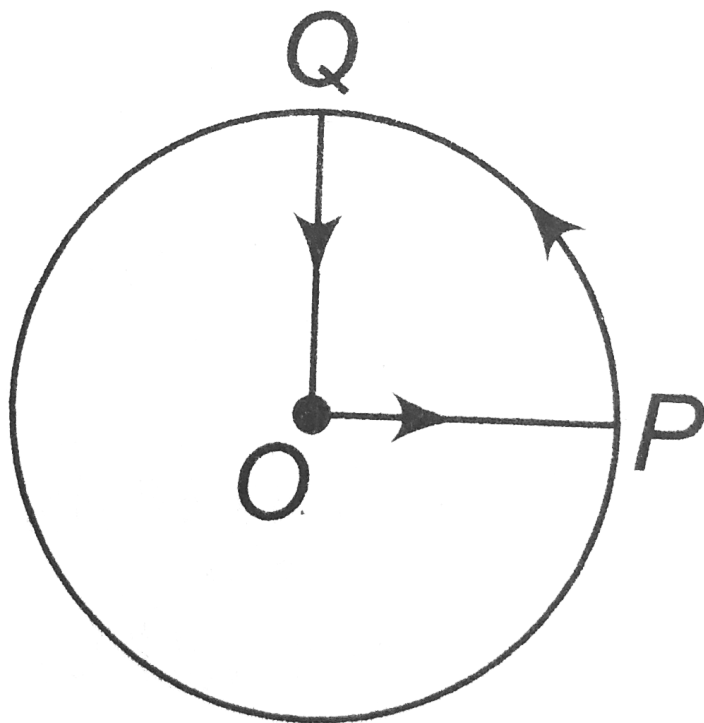
the actual length of path skate ?



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9. A cyclist starts from the center O of a circular park of radius 1km, reaches the edge P of the park, then cycles along the PQ circumference and returns to the center along OQ as shown in fig. If the round trip taken ten minute, the (a) net displacement, (b) average velocity and (c) average speed of the cyclists

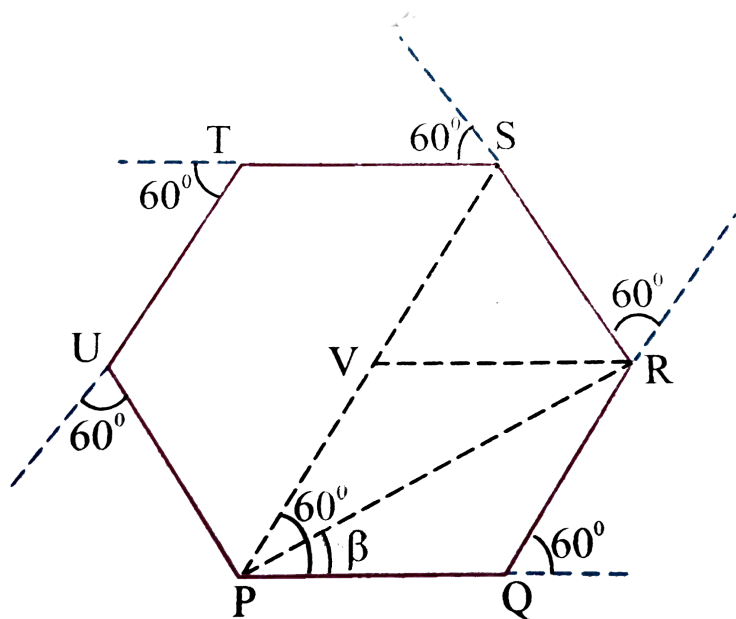
(in kilometer per hour) is



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10. On an open ground, a motorist follows a track that turns to his left by an angle of 60°

after every $500m$. Starting from a given turn, The path followed by the motorist is a regular hexagon with side $500m$, as shown in the given figure specify the displacement of the motorist



at the third, sixth and eighth turn. Compare the magnitude of the displacement with the

total path length covered by the motorist in each case.



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11. A passenger arriving in a new town wishes to go from the station to a hotel located 10km away on a straight road from the station. A dishonest cabman takes him along a circuitous path 23km long and reaches the hotel in 28 minutes . What is (a) the average

speed of the taxi, (b) the magnitude of average velocity? Are the two equal?



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12. Rain is falling vertically with a speed of 30ms^{-1} . A woman rides a bicycle with a speed of 10ms^{-1} in the North to South direction. What is the direction in which she should hold her umbrella?



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13. A man can swim with a speed of 4kmh^{-1} in still water. He crosses a river 1km wide that flows steadily at 3kmh^{-1} . If he makes his strokes normal to the river current, how far down the river does he go when he reaches the other bank?



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14. In a harbour, wind is blowing at the speed of $72\text{km} / \text{h}$ and the flag on the mast of a boat anchored in the harbour flutters along the N-E

direction. If the boat starts moving at a speed of $51\text{km} / \text{h}$ to the North, what is the direction of flag on the mast of the bat ?



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15. The ceiling of a long hall is 25m high. What is the maximum horizontal distance if a ball thrown with a speed of 40ms^{-1} can go without hitting the ceiling of the hall ?



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16. A cricketer can throw a ball to a maximum horizontal distance of 100m. With the same speed how much high above the ground can the cricketer throw the same ball?

A. 150m

B. 250m

C. 350m

D. 50m

Answer: D



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17. A stone tied to end of a string 80cm long is whirled in a horizontal plane with a constant speed. If the stone makes 14 revolutions in 25 seconds, what is the magnitude and direction of acceleration of the stone ?



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18. An aircraft executes a horizontal loop of radius 1 km with a steady speed of 900kmh^{-1} .

Compare its centripetal acceleration with the acceleration due to gravity.



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19. Read each statement below carefully and state, with reasons, if it is true or false :

(a) The net acceleration of a particle in circular motion is always along the radius of the circle towards the center.

(b) The velocity vector of a particle at a point is always along the tangent to the path of the

particle at that point.

(c) The acceleration vector of a particle in uniform circular motion averaged over one cycle is a null vector.



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20. The position of a particle is given by

$$\vec{r} = 3.0t\hat{i} - 2.0t^2\hat{j} + 4.0\hat{k}m, \text{ where } (t) \text{ in}$$

seconds and the coefficients have the proper

units for \vec{r} to be in metres. (a) Find the \vec{v}

and \vec{a} of the particle ? (b) What is the

magnitude and direction of velocity of the particle at $t = 2s$?



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21. A particle starts from the origin at $t = 0$ with a velocity of $10.0\hat{j}m/s$ and moves in the x-y plane with a constant acceleration of $(8.0\hat{i} + 2.0\hat{j})ms^{-2}$. (a) At what time is the x-coordinate of the particle $16m$? What is the y-coordinate of the particle at that time? (b) What is the speed of the particle at that time?



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22. \hat{i} and \hat{j} are unit vectors along x-and y-axis respectively. What is the magnitude and the direction of the vectors $\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ and $\hat{i} - \hat{j}$?

What are the components of a vector $\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$ along the direction $\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ and $\hat{i} - \hat{j}$?



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23. For any arbitrary motion in space, which of the following relations are true?

(a) $v_{\text{average}} = (1/2)(v(t_1) + v(t_2))$

(b) $v_{\text{average}} = [r(t_2) - r(t_1)] / (t_2 - t_1)$

(c) $v(t) = v(0) + at$

(d) $a_{\text{average}} = [v(t_2) - v(t_1)] / (t_2 - t_1)$

The average stands for average of the quantity over time interval t_1 to t_2



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24. Read each statement below carefully and state with reason and examples, if it is true or false.

A scalar quantity is one that

(a) is conserved in a process

(b) can never take negative values

(c) must be dimensionless

(d) does not vary from one point to another in space

(e) has the same value for observers with different orientations of axes.



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25. An aircraft is flying at a height of 3400 m above the ground. If the angle subtended at a ground observation point by the aircraft positions 10 s apart is 30° , what is the speed of the aircraft ?



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26. A vector has magnitude and direction (i) Does it have a location in the space ? (ii) Can it

vary with time ? (iii) Will two equal vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} different locations in space necessarily have identical physical effects ? Give examples in support of your answer.



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27. A vector has both magnitude and direction. Does that mean anything that has magnitude and direction is necessarily a vector ? The rotation of a body can specified by the direction of the axis of rotation and the angle

of rotation about the axis. Does the make any rotation a vector ?



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28. Can you associate vectors with (a) the length of a wire bent into a loop (b) a plane area (c) a sphere ? Explain.



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29. A bullet fired at an angle of 30° with the horizontal hits the ground 3.0 km away. By adjusting its angle of projection, can one hope to hit a target 5.0 km away? Assume the muzzle speed to be fixed and neglect air resistance.



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30. A fighter plane flying horizontally at an altitude of 1.5 km with speed 720 km h^{-1}

passes directly overhead an anti-aircraft gun. At what angle from the vertical should the gun be fired for the shell with muzzle speed 600 m s^{-1} to hit the plane. (Take $g = 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$)



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31. A cyclist is riding with a speed of 27 km h^{-1} . As he approaches a circular turn on the road of radius 80 m , he applies brakes and reduces his speed at the constant rate 0.5 m s^{-1} . What is the magnitude and direction of the net

acceleration of the cyclist on the circular turn

?



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32. Show that for a projectile the angle between the velocity and the x-axis as function of time is given

$$\text{by } \theta_t = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{v_{0y} - gt}{v_{0x}} \right)$$

(b) Shows that the projection angle θ_0 for a projectile launched from the origin is given by

$$\theta_t = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{4h_m}{R} \right)$$

where the symbols have their usual meanings.



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