

Vector is a quantity that has both direction and magnitude
 4 (velocity) vs. speed

APC 6.02 Geometric Vectors - Notes

Use the following to draw each vector diagram and resultant vector. Find the magnitude of the resultant.

$|\vec{a}| = 3$ $|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{40}$ $|\vec{c}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{52}$

1. $2\vec{b}$ $|2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 12^2} = \sqrt{160}$

2. $-3\vec{a}$ $|-3\vec{a}| = 9$

3. $2\vec{a} + \vec{c}$ (2 methods) $\sqrt{5^2 + 10^2} = \sqrt{136}$

$\vec{c} + 2\vec{a}$

4. $\vec{b} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{c}$ $\sqrt{5^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{41}$

State whether each quantity described is a vector quantity or a scalar quantity.

1. A box being pushed with a force of 125 newtons scalar
2. Wind blowing 20 knots scalar
3. A deer running 15 m/sec due west vector
4. A 15-pound tire hanging from a rope vector

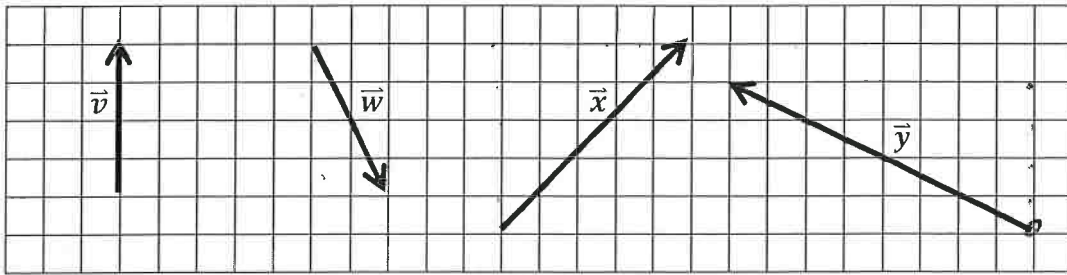
* vector quantity has both direction and magnitude
 * scalar quantity only has magnitude



6.02 Practice: Vectors Geometrically

5↑ 5→

4↑ 8←



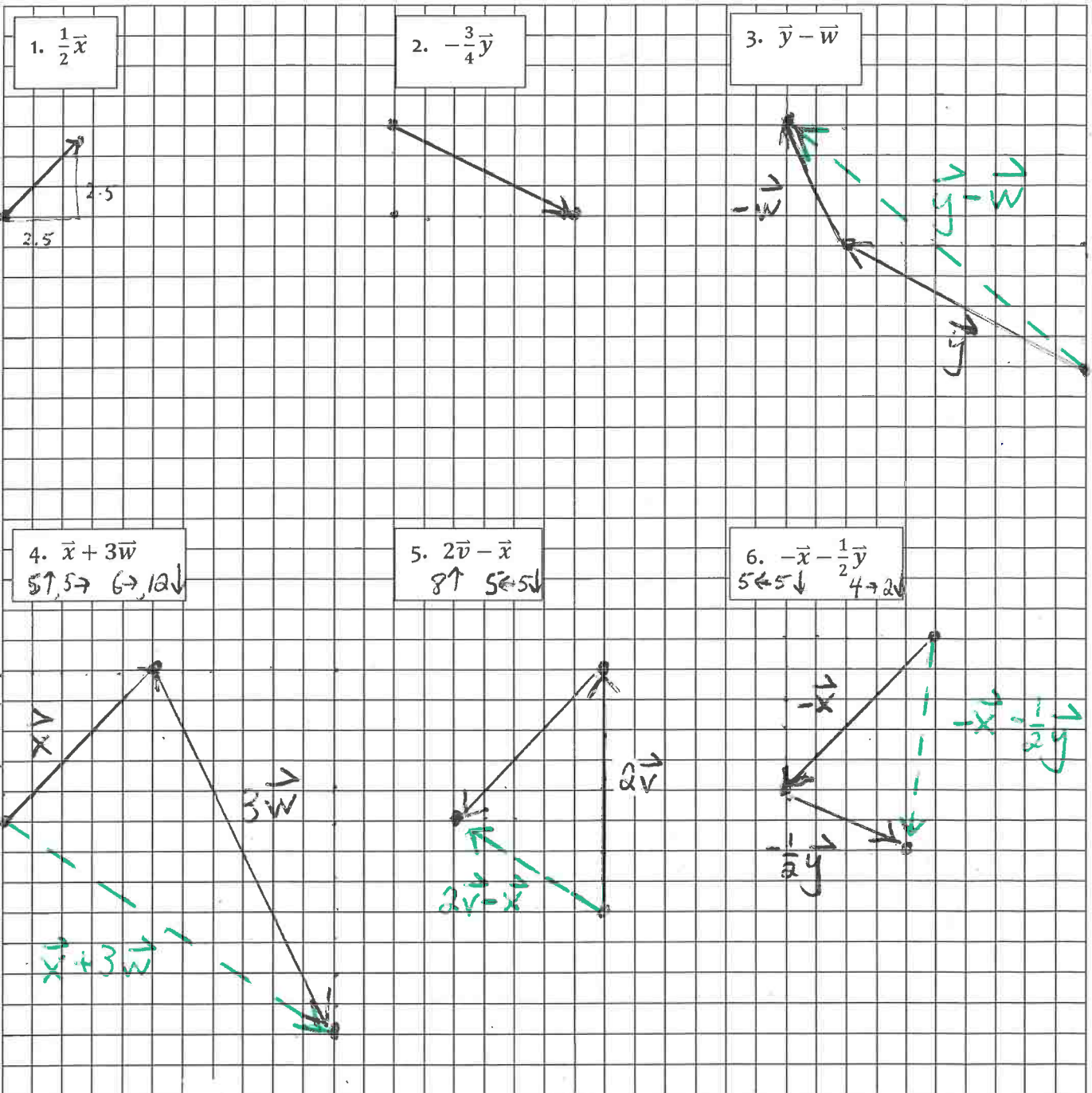
$$1) \left| \frac{1}{2} \vec{x} \right| = \sqrt{2.5^2 + 2.5^2} = \sqrt{12.5}$$

$$2) \left| \frac{-3}{4} \vec{y} \right| = \sqrt{3^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{45}$$

$-\frac{3}{4}(4, 8) \rightarrow -3\downarrow 6\rightarrow$

Draw each and label the resultant. Then, find the magnitude of the resultant vector.

$-\vec{w}$ is 4↑ 2←



$$\sqrt{8^2 + 10^2} = \sqrt{164}$$

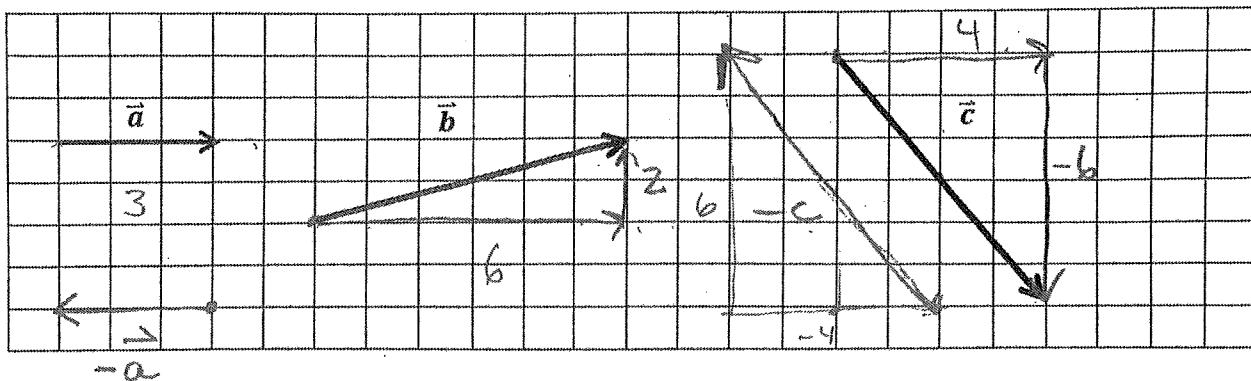
$3\vec{w}$ is 6→ 12↓
 $\sqrt{7^2 + 11^2} = \sqrt{170}$

$$\sqrt{3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{34}$$

$$\sqrt{7^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{50}$$

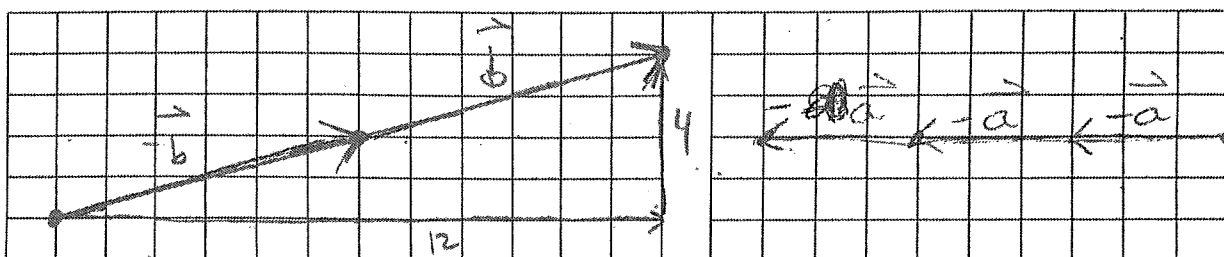
APC 5.02 Geometric Vectors - Notes

Use the following vectors to draw each. Find the magnitude.



1. $2\vec{b}$

2. $-3\vec{a}$

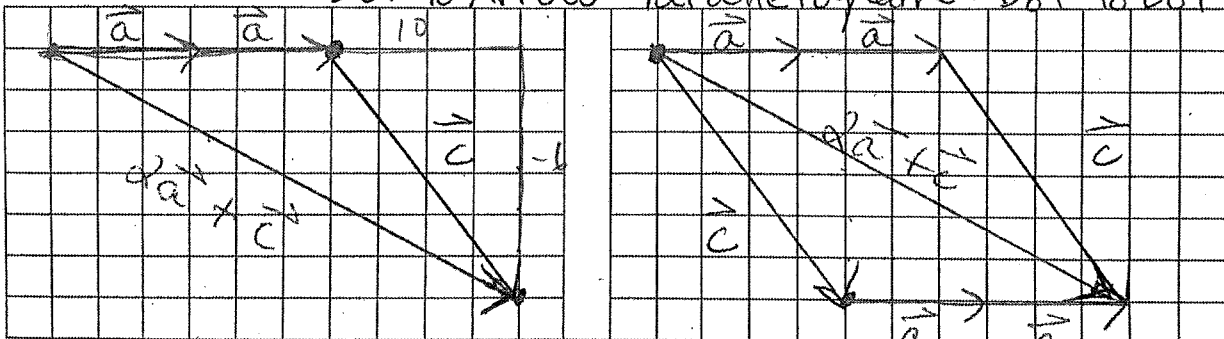


$$|2\vec{b}| = \sqrt{12^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{160}$$

$$|-3\vec{a}| = 9 \text{ or } \sqrt{(-9)^2 + 0^2} = 9$$

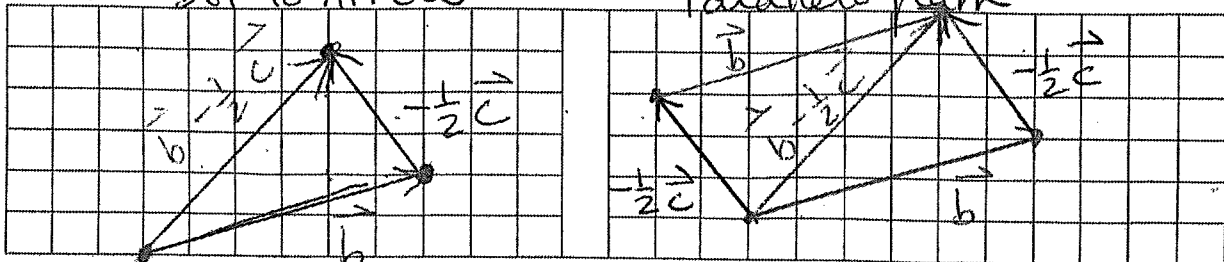
3. $2\vec{a} + \vec{c}$ (2 methods) Dot to Arrow

Parallelogram: Dot to Dot



4. $\vec{b} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{c}$ $|2\vec{a} + \vec{c}| = \sqrt{10^2 + (-6)^2} = \sqrt{136}$
 Dot to Arrow

Parallelogram

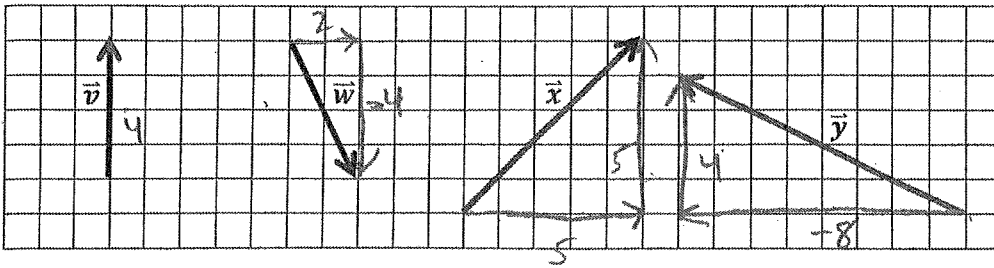


State whether each quantity described is a *vector* quantity or a *scalar* quantity.

1. A box being pushed with a force of 125 newtons *Scalar*
2. Wind blowing 20 knots *Scalar*
3. A deer running 15 m/sec due west *Vector*
4. A 15-pound tire hanging from a rope *Vector*

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5.02 Homework: Vectors Geometrically



Draw each and label the resultant. Then, find the magnitude of the resultant vector.

