

Assignment

Exercise 7

40. Draw separate diagrams to illustrate the following.

(a) $\overrightarrow{FE} + \vec{JI}$

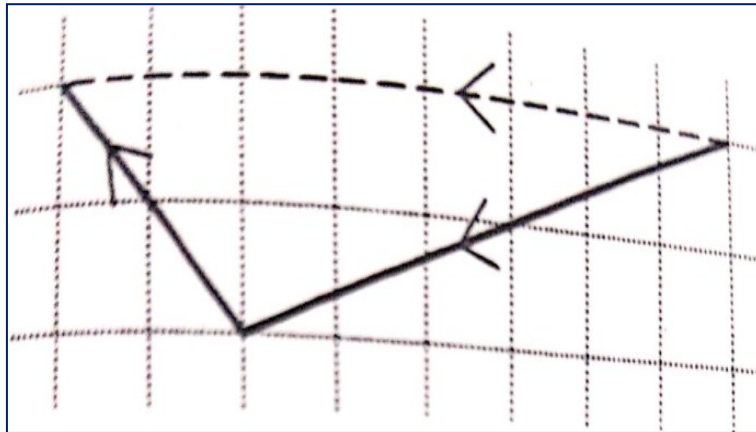
(b) $\overrightarrow{HG} + \overrightarrow{FE}$

(c) $\vec{JI} - \overrightarrow{FE}$

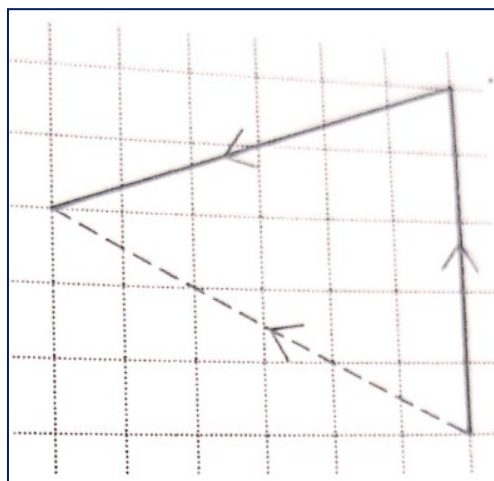
(d) $\overrightarrow{HG} + \vec{JI}$

Solution

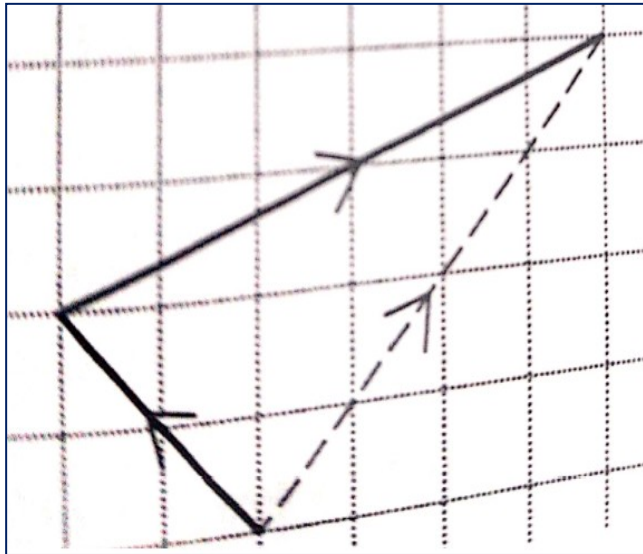
(a) $\overrightarrow{FE} + \vec{JI}$



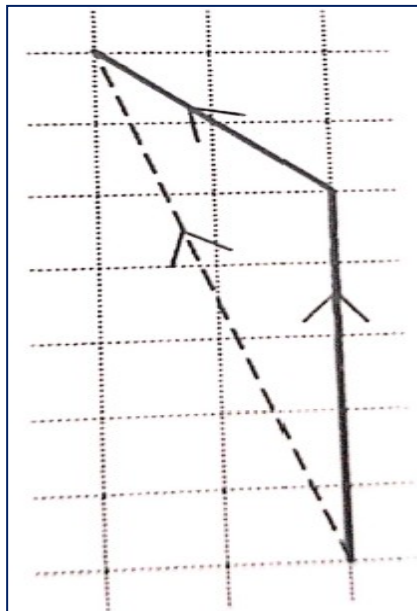
(b) $\overrightarrow{HG} + \overrightarrow{FE}$



(c) $\vec{JI} - \vec{FE}$

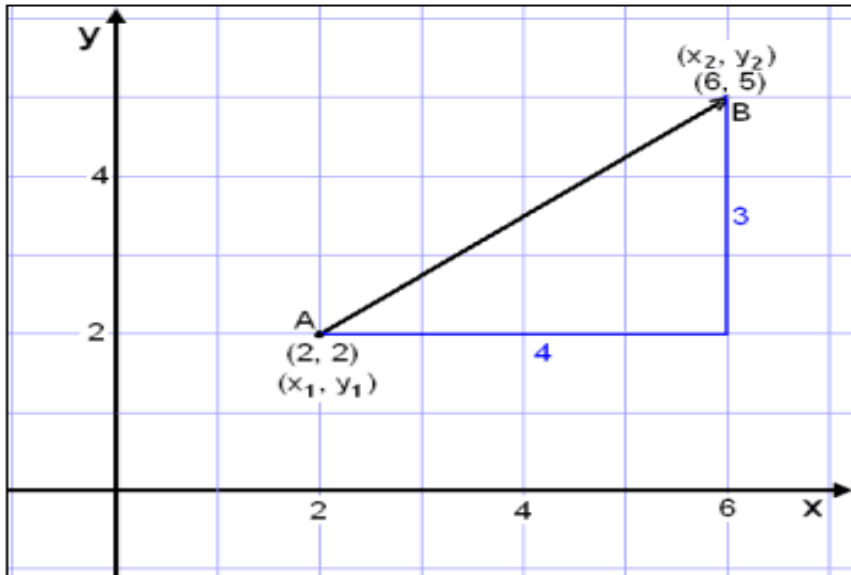


(d) $\vec{HG} + \vec{JI}$



TO find a vector given two co-ordinates :-

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ y_2 - y_1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Assignment

Exercise 8

1. If D has coordinates (7, 2) and E has coordinates (9, 0), find the column vector for \overrightarrow{DE} .

Solution:-

Column vector for \overrightarrow{DE}

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 9 - 7 \\ 0 - 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overrightarrow{DE} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Find the column vector \overrightarrow{XY} where X and Y have coordinates $(-1, 4)$ and $(5, 2)$ respectively.

Solution:-

Column vector for \overrightarrow{XY}

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 5 - (-1) \\ 2 - 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

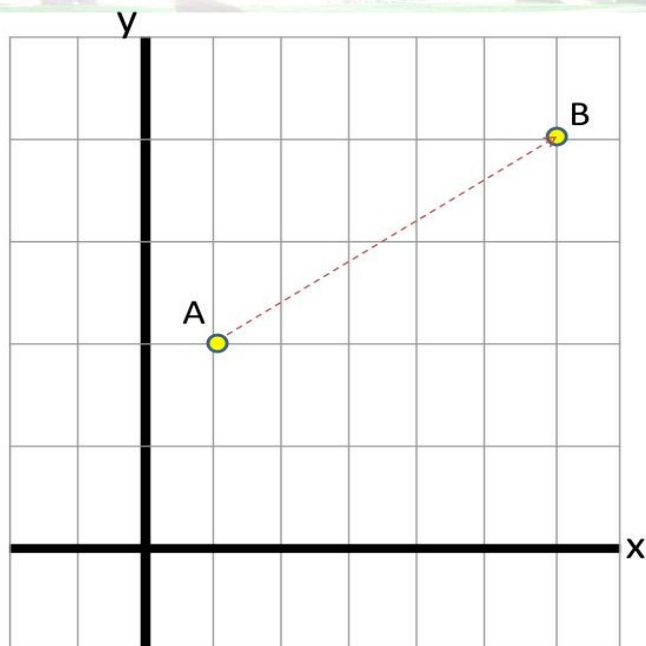
$$\overrightarrow{XY} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

If A has the coordinate $(1,2)$ and B has the coordinate $(6,4)$, find the column vector for \overrightarrow{AB}

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the column vector for \overrightarrow{BA}

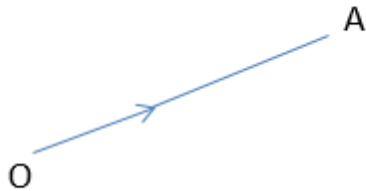
$$\overrightarrow{BA} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$



Position Vector

A position vector is a vector which starts at the origin. Sometimes a vector is fixed in position relative to a specific point. The position vector of the point

$A(x,y)$ is the vector $\overrightarrow{OA} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

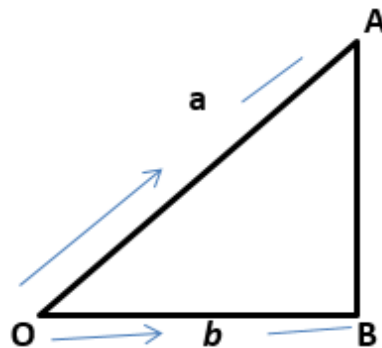


The position vector of $(2, 3)$ is $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$.

Here are two results about position vectors:

If \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} have position vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} respectively then;

1. $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}$

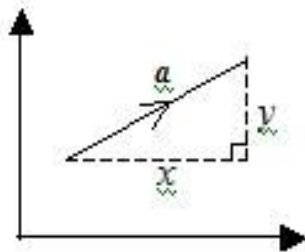


The length of a vector is called the **magnitude** or modulus of the vector.

The magnitude of vector \underline{a} is written as $|\mathbf{a}|$.

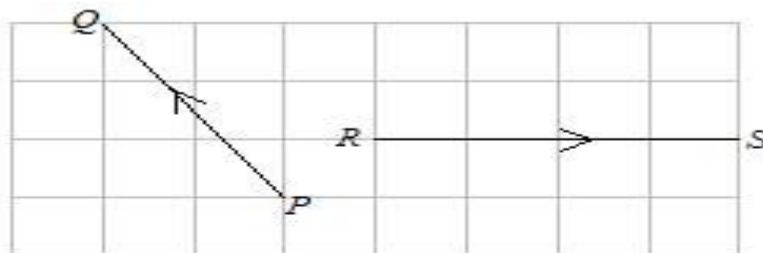
The magnitude of the vector \overline{AB} is written as $|\overline{AB}|$.

If $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ then the magnitude $|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ (using the Pythagorean theorem)



Example:

Express each of the following vectors as a column vector and find its magnitude



Solution:

$$\overline{PQ} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } |\overline{PQ}| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13} \text{ units}$$

$$\overline{RS} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } |\overline{RS}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 0^2} = 4 \text{ units}$$