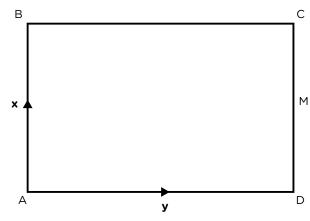
# Addition and Subtraction of Vectors Answers

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1. In the rectangle ABCD  $\overrightarrow{AB} = x$  and  $\overrightarrow{AD} = y$ . M is the midpoint of CD. Find in terms of **x** and **y**:



a) 
$$\overrightarrow{AC}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{AD} + \overrightarrow{DC}$$
  
= y + x

Answer:

$$\overrightarrow{BD} = \overrightarrow{BA} + \overrightarrow{AD}$$
  
= -x + v

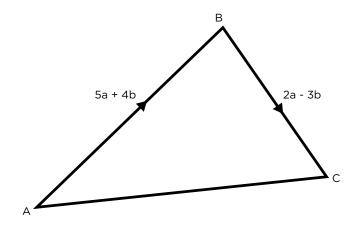
c) 
$$\overrightarrow{AM}$$

Answer:

$$\overrightarrow{AM} = \overrightarrow{AD} + \frac{1}{2} \overrightarrow{DC}$$

$$= y + \frac{1}{2}x$$

2. In the diagram  $\overrightarrow{AB} = 5\mathbf{a} + 4\mathbf{b}$  and  $\overrightarrow{BC} = 2\mathbf{a} - 3\mathbf{b}$ .



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Find AC in terms of a and b.

Answer:

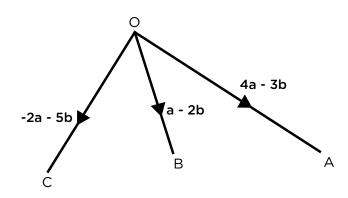
$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}$$
  
=  $5a + 4b + 2a - 3b$   
=  $7a + b$ 

In the following diagram 3.

$$\overrightarrow{OA}$$
 = 4a - 3b

$$\overrightarrow{OB} = \mathbf{a} - 2\mathbf{b}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OA} = 4\mathbf{a} - 3\mathbf{b}$$
  $\overrightarrow{OB} = \mathbf{a} - 2\mathbf{b}$   $\overrightarrow{OC} = -2\mathbf{a} - 5\mathbf{b}$ 



Find  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  in terms of **a** and **b**. (a)

Answer:

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{AO} + \overrightarrow{OB}$$
  
=  $-4a + 3b + a - 2b$   
=  $-3a + b$ 

(b) Find  $\overrightarrow{AC}$  in terms of **a** and **b**.

Answer:

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{AO} + \overrightarrow{OC}$$
  
= -4a + 3b - 2a - 5b  
= -6a - 2b

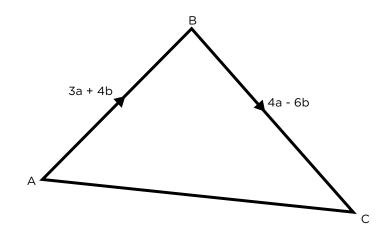
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4. In the diagram  $\overrightarrow{AB} = 3\mathbf{a} + 4\mathbf{b}$  and  $\overrightarrow{BC} = 4\mathbf{a} - 6\mathbf{b}$ .



(a) Find  $\overrightarrow{AC}$  in terms of **a** and **b**.

Answer:

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC}$$
  
=  $3a + 4b + 4a - 6b$   
=  $7a - 2b$ 

(b) Knowing that M is the midpoint of BC find  $\overrightarrow{AM}$  in terms of **a** and **b**.

Answer:

$$\overrightarrow{AM} = \overrightarrow{AB} + \underbrace{1}_{2} \overrightarrow{BC}$$

$$= 3a + 4b + 2a - 3b$$

$$= 5a + b$$