## **REVISITING VECTORS**

#### We've defined vectors as quantities that have a magnitude and a direction

Displacement, velocity, and acceleration

 Represent by an arrow whose length represents magnitude and head represents direction



 If we arbitrarily say this vector is 20 m/s to the right



#### This vector is 60 m/s to the right





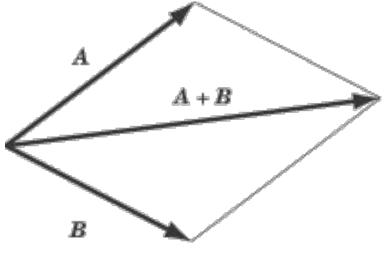
## ADDING VECTORS

- Resultant is the vector sum of two or more component vectors
- There are 2 ways to add vectors to get the resultant



# PARALLELOGRAM METHOD

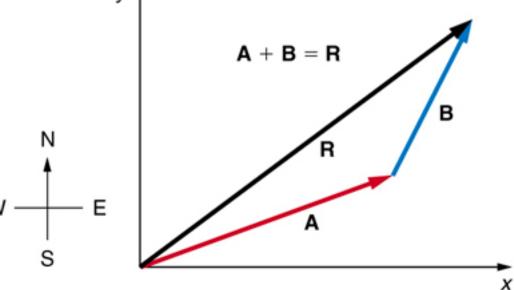
- I) Draw vectors with tails touching
- Draw a parallelogram projection of the vector with dashed lines to form a rectangle
- 3) Resultant is the diagonal from the point where the two tails touch to the opposite corner





## HEAD-TO-TAIL METHOD

- 1) Draw the first vector
- 2) Connect the tail of the second to the head of the first
- 3) Resultant is from the tail of the first to the head of the second

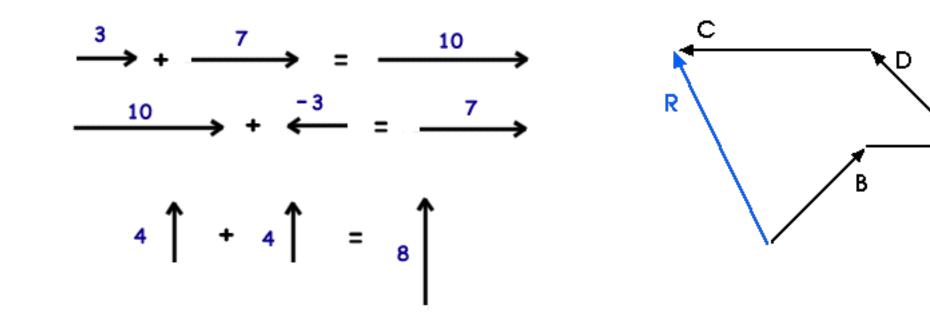




### ORDER OF ADDITION DOESN'T MATTER!



### ALSO WORKS IF YOU HAVE VECTORS POINTING IN THE SAME OR OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS, OR MORE THAN 2 VECTORS





Up/North Positive y direction

### LET'S GET 2D!

Left/West Negative x direction Right/East Positive x direction

Down/South Negative y direction

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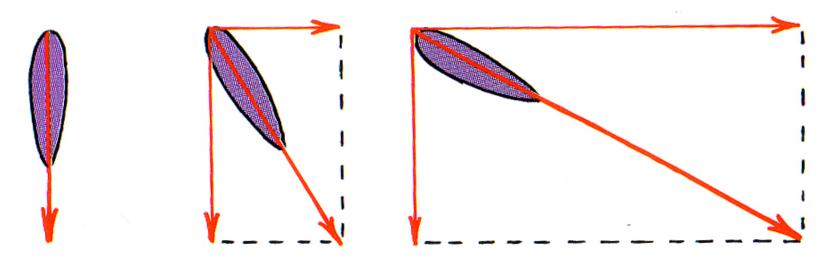


 A plane flying at 3600 m up is traveling at 150. m/s. Vin Diesel puts a car in reverse so it leaves the back of the plane traveling at a horizontal -10 m/s. How far would the car travel horizontally before it hits the ground in the absence of air resistance?



## RESOLUTION

#### Any vector drawn can be resolved into vertical and horizontal components





### RULES FOR RESOLVING VECTORS

#### Decompose all vectors into x and y components

## Add the x components together to get x component of resultant Same for y

• To get **magnitude** and **direction** of resultant vector:

$$\bullet V = \sqrt{V_x^2 + V_y^2} \qquad \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{V_y}{V_x}\right)$$

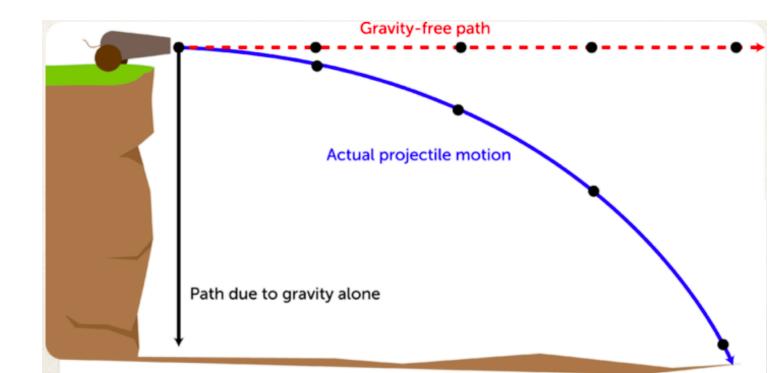


 Scrat is looking for his acorn. He walks 70.0 ft North, then 20.0 ft west. Lastly, he walks 50.0 ft at 30.0 degrees N of E. What is his overall displacement?

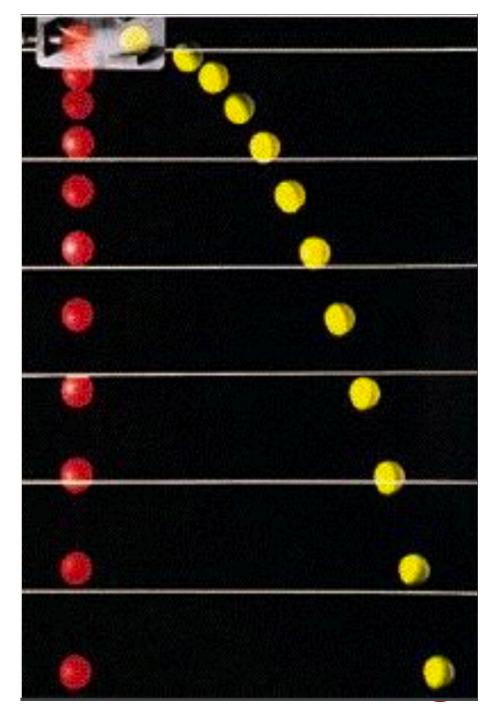


#### The horizontal and vertical components of a projectile are completely independent of each other

•Gravity does not affect the horizontal component of the velocity, so the horizontal velocity ( $v_{\chi}$ ) remains constant



 An object projected horizontally will reach the ground at the same time as an object dropped vertically



#### **ON TARGET LAB**

- Secure your track down with tape and keep one end tilted with books, binders, etc.
- Roll the ball from the top of the track and use your phones to time how long the ball is rolling <u>on the horizontal part</u>. Do <u>not</u> let the ball roll onto the floor! Average 12 times
- Measure the horizontal distance of your track and calculate the horizontal velocity
- Measure the vertical height of your table
- Calculate how long it will take for the ball to hit the ground, then calculate the horizontal distance based on the horizontal velocity you measured.
- Moment of truth! Place the cup at the horizontal distance you predicted, roll the ball, and see if you make it in the cup!
- If you make it, congratulations! If not, go back and check your calculations and try again.



Introduction

- Define a problem (that is not a "yes/no" question)
- Write a hypothesis, and be able to take a stand and give a rationale
- Materials and Methods
  - All materials given and procedure well organized
  - Repeated trials

Results

- Raw data given in a neatly drawn chart
- Draw position, velocity, and acceleration vs. time graphs while the ball is airborne, draw a curve for x and y on the same graph

Sample calculations

- Conclusion
  - "CER" "Claim, Evidence, Reasoning"- claim for the results of the experiment, evidence to justify the experiment, tie back to a basic physical concept
  - Explain uncertainty/error

