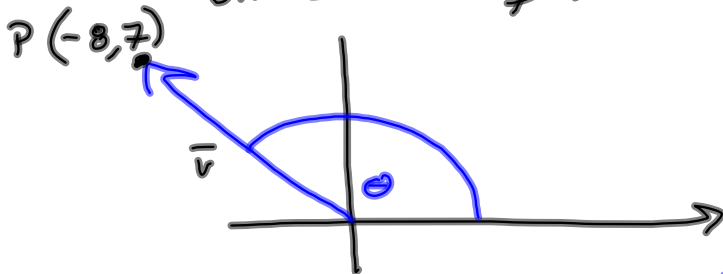


S3.3 More on vectors.

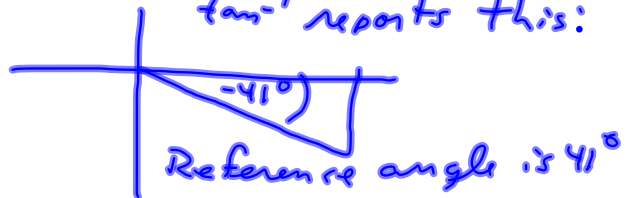
Direction angles



$\vec{v} = \langle -8, 7 \rangle$  is the position vector for  $P(-8, 7)$   
 $\tan^{-1}$  reports this:

We find  $\theta$ :

$$\tan \theta = \frac{7}{-8}$$

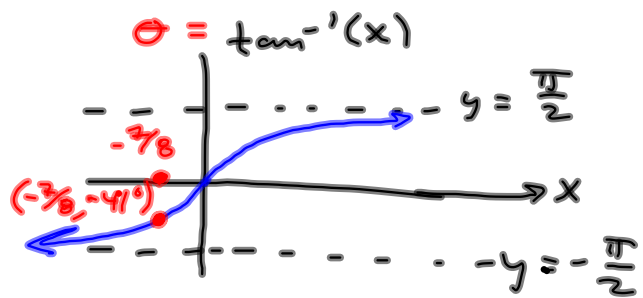
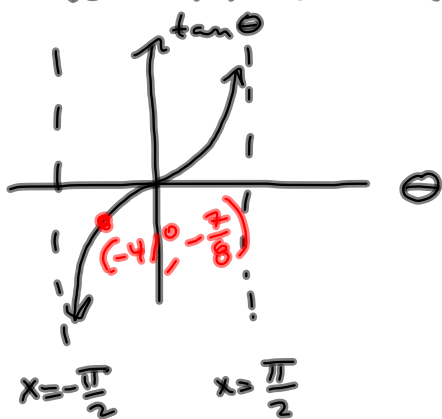


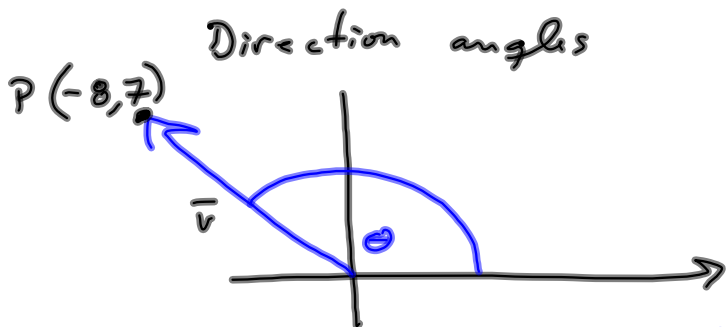
$$\tan^{-1}(\tan \theta) = \tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{7}{8}\right) \approx -41.19^\circ$$

What's the range of  $\tan^{-1}(x)$ ?

$$x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = (-90^\circ, 90^\circ)$$

This comes from how we restrict the domain of  $\tan \theta$  to make it 1-to-1, so that  $\tan^{-1}(x)$  is function.



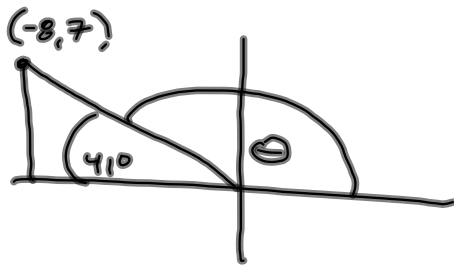


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$\tan^{-1}$  reports this:

Reference angle is  $41^\circ$

So the reference angle for  $\theta$  is  $41^\circ$ .

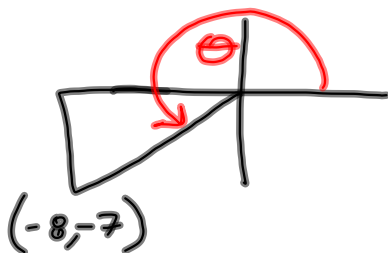


$$\theta = ?$$

$$\approx 180^\circ - 41.19^\circ$$

$$= 138.81^\circ \approx \theta$$

Used  $\tan^{-1}(\frac{y}{x})$  to find reference angle & then add/subtract to find  $\theta$ .



$$\tan^{-1}(-\frac{7}{8}) \approx 41.19^\circ$$



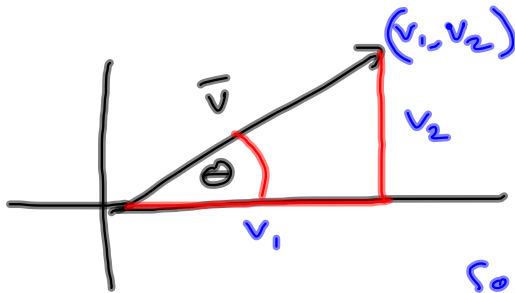
So  $41.19^\circ$  is reference angle



$$\theta \approx 180^\circ + 41.19^\circ$$

$$= 221.19^\circ \approx \theta$$

If  $\vec{v}$  has direction angle  $\theta$ ,



$$\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

$\|\vec{v}\| = \text{length of } \vec{v}.$

$$\text{So, } \frac{v_2}{\|\vec{v}\|} = \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow v_2 = \|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta$$

Likewise,

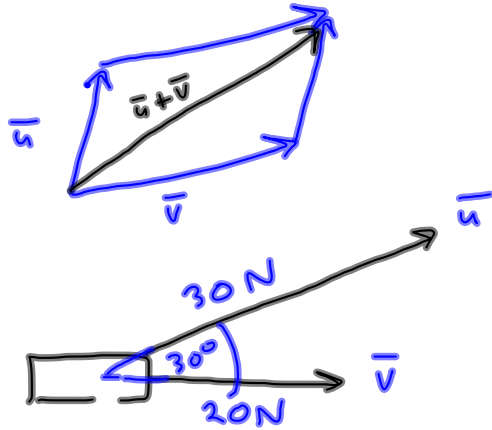
$$v_1 = \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$$

$$\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

$$= \langle \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta, \|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta \rangle$$

$$= \underbrace{\|\vec{v}\|}_{\text{length}} \underbrace{\langle \cos \theta, \sin \theta \rangle}_{\text{Direction of } \vec{v}} \text{ is another way to write } \vec{v}.$$

Resultant of  $\vec{v}$  &  $\vec{u}$  is  $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$   
 is the diagonal of the parallelogram.



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} &= 30 \langle \cos 30^\circ, \sin 30^\circ \rangle \\ &= 30 \langle \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \rangle \\ &= \langle 15\sqrt{3}, 15 \rangle \\ \vec{v} &= 20 \langle \cos 0^\circ, \sin 0^\circ \rangle \\ &= 20 \langle 1, 0 \rangle = \langle 20, 0 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

What's the resultant force?  
 (Direction & magnitude)

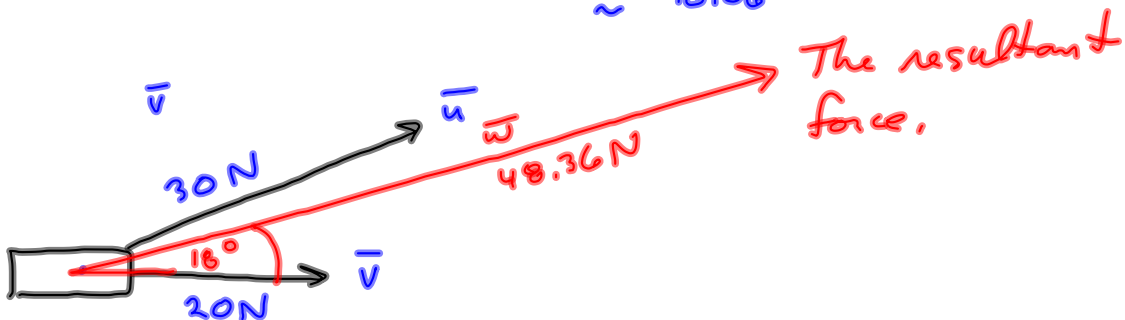
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{w} &= \vec{u} + \vec{v} = \langle 15\sqrt{3}, 15 \rangle + \langle 20, 0 \rangle \\ &= \langle 15\sqrt{3} + 20, 15 \rangle \\ &\approx \langle 45.980, 15 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Now, let's talk magnitude & direction

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{w}\| &\approx \sqrt{45.980^2 + 15^2} \\ &\approx 48.36 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\approx 1.732 \\ &\quad \frac{3}{5.196} \\ &5(5.196 + 4) \\ &5(9.196) \\ &\quad 9.196 \\ &\quad \frac{5}{45.980} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta = ? \quad \tan^{-1}(\tan \Theta) &\approx \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{15}{45.98}\right) \\ &\approx 18.06^\circ \end{aligned}$$



## §3.4 Dot product

Dot product is a kind of measure of how similar 2 vectors are.

How big is the shadow cast by one on the other?

"Projections"

$$\vec{u} = \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2$$

$$\vec{v} = \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$$

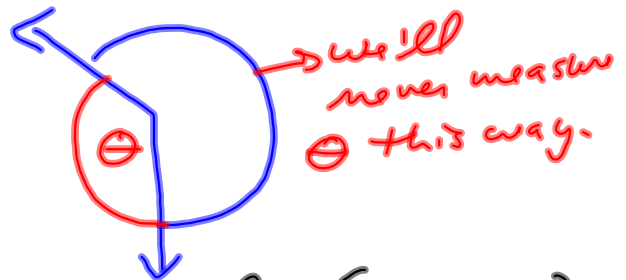
NOTE:  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u} = u_1 u_1 + u_2 u_2$   
 $= u_1^2 + u_2^2 = \|\vec{u}\|^2$   
 since  $\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2}$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|}$$

Assumption:  
 $0 \leq \theta < \pi$



can be proved using the Law of Cosines.  
 (See pg 334)



Two vectors are orthogonal ( $\theta = 90^\circ$ ) if and only if their dot product is ZERO

$$\cos(90^\circ) = 0 = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|} \rightarrow \text{must be zero.}$$

Work a bunch of  
 §3.3 odds & 3.4 odds