EE112 – Engineering Mathematics II

Problem Set 3

Due by 5pm on Friday, 23 February 2018

- 1. Identify each of following physical quantities as either a scalar or a vector: (a) the volume of a car's petrol tank; (b) the Earth's magnetic field; (c) the population of Tokyo; (d) the acceleration of a falling object.
- 2. Let \vec{A} , \vec{B} and \vec{C} be the vectors shown below:



Draw, to the best of your ability, the vectors

- (a) $-0.5\vec{B};$
- (b) $\vec{A} \vec{B}$;
- (c) $2\vec{B} \vec{A} + \vec{C}$.
- 3. \vec{x} is a vector of magnitude 3 pointing directly southeast and \vec{y} is a vector of magnitude 1 pointing directly west.
 - (a) Determine the magnitudes of the vectors $\vec{x} + \vec{y}$ and $\vec{x} \vec{y}$.
 - (b) Determine the directions of $\vec{x} + \vec{y}$ and $\vec{x} \vec{y}$ relative to east. (As examples of what is meant by this, the given vectors \vec{x} and \vec{y} point, respectively, 45° clockwise from east and 180° anticlockwise from east.)