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Consider 3 vectors: \vec{A} ($A=2.0, \theta=60^\circ$); \vec{B} ($B=4.0, \theta=150^\circ$); \vec{C} ($C=2.366, \theta=90^\circ$)

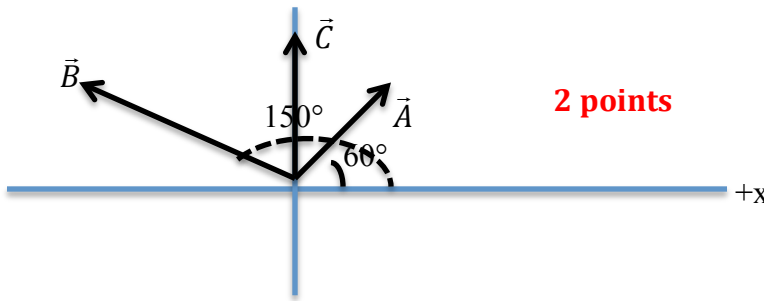
A) Express \vec{A} , \vec{B} and \vec{C} in **2D unit vector** (\hat{i} , \hat{j}) **form**. Plot them on an x-y graph.

$A_x = 2.0 \cos 60^\circ = 1.0$ and $A_y = 2.0 \sin 60^\circ = 1.732$, 1st quadrant, $\vec{A} = \hat{i} + 1.732\hat{j}$ **1 point**

$B_x = 4.0 \cos 150^\circ = -3.464$ and $B_y = 4.0 \sin 150^\circ = 2.0$, 2nd quadrant, $\vec{B} = -3.464\hat{i} + 2.0\hat{j}$ **1 point**

$C_x = 2.366 \cos 90^\circ = 0$ and $C_y = 2.366 \sin 90^\circ = 2.366$, $\vec{C} = 2.366\hat{j}$ **1 point**

NOTE that full grade only if answer is in **unit vector form**: $\vec{A} = \hat{i} + 1.732\hat{j}$; $\vec{B} = -3.464\hat{i} + 2.0\hat{j}$; $\vec{C} = 2.366\hat{j}$.

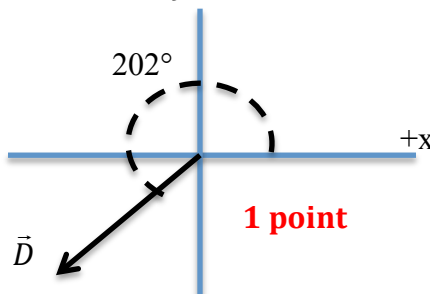


B) Using the results of part A, calculate $\vec{D} = \vec{A} + \vec{B} - 2\vec{C}$, in 2D unit vector (\hat{i} , \hat{j}) form. Find the **magnitude**, $D = |\vec{D}|$ and **angle** θ of \vec{D} . Plot \vec{D} on an x-y graph.

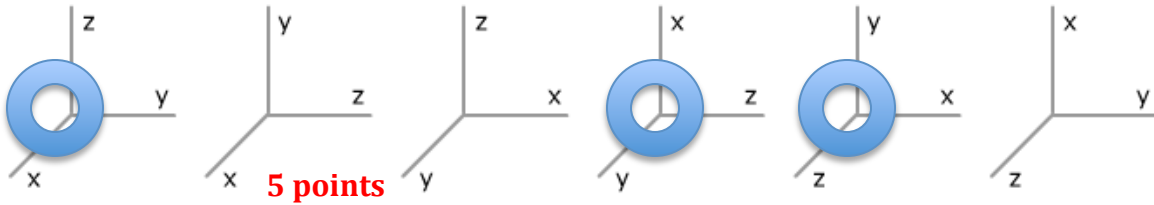
$D_x = A_x + B_x - 2C_x = 1.0 - 3.464 - 2 \times 0 = -2.464$ **1 point**

$D_y = A_y + B_y - 2C_y = 1.732 + 2.0 - 2(2.366) = -1.0$ **1 point**

$D = \sqrt{D_x^2 + D_y^2} = 2.659$, angle $\tan^{-1} \frac{D_y}{D_x} = 22.08^\circ$, but since $D_x < 0$ and $D_y < 0$, \vec{D} is in the 3rd quadrant, and the angle **counterclockwise** (ccw) **with respect to** (wrt) +x axis is $\theta = 180^\circ + 22.08^\circ = 202.08^\circ$. The resultant vector is \vec{D} ($D=2.7, \theta=202^\circ$), or in **unit vector form** $\vec{D} = -2.464\hat{i} - \hat{j}$. **1 point** **1 point**



C) Which of the Cartesian coordinate system below are **right handed**?
Circle them!



D) Given $\vec{A} = -2\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}$, $\vec{B} = -5\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}$, $\vec{C} = 11.2\hat{i} - 77\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}$. Find $\vec{D} = 2\vec{A} - \vec{B} + 0 \times \vec{C}$ in **unit vector form**. Find the **magnitude**, $D = |\vec{D}|$. **Plot \vec{D}** on the right-handed Cartesian coordinate below.

Note $\vec{D} = 2\vec{A} - \vec{B} + 0 \times \vec{C} = 2\vec{A} - \vec{B} = 2(-2\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) - (-5\hat{i} + 3\hat{k})$

$\vec{D} = -4\hat{i} + 6\hat{k} + 5\hat{i} - 3\hat{k} = \hat{i} + 3\hat{k}$, **3 points**

$D = |\vec{D}| = \sqrt{D_x^2 + D_y^2 + D_z^2} = \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 3^2} = 3.16 = 3$. **1 point**

\vec{D} is the **blue arrow**

