

3. Given that the point A has position vector $4\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j}$ and the point B has position vector $-5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}$,

(a) find the vector \vec{AB} ,

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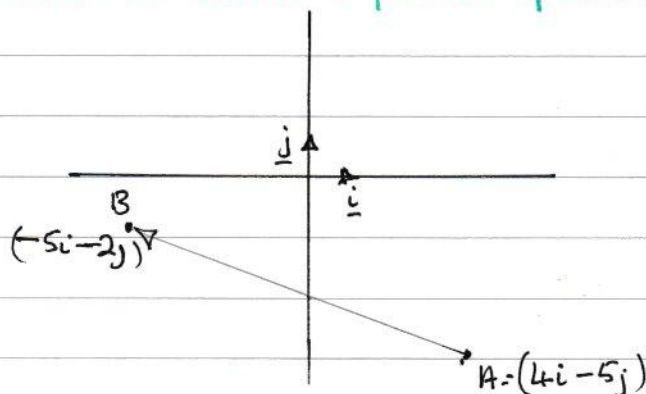
(b) find $|\vec{AB}|$.

Give your answer as a simplified surd.

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(2)

Presumably \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} are the standard unit vectors
Always best to draw a picture if unsure.



$$\vec{AB} = -9\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} = (-5\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}) - (4\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j})$$

i.e. AB is nine units in the $-\mathbf{i}$ direction and 3 in the $+\mathbf{j}$ direction

$$|\vec{AB}| = \sqrt{(-9)^2 + 3^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{90}$$

$$= \underline{3\sqrt{10}}$$