

## M. HOW CAN MOTION BE DESCRIBED AND EXPLAINED?

Reference: Heinemann Physics 11, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition  
Chapters 8 – 12, Page 257 – 444

### Physics with Synno – Motion-2 – Lesson 1

#### M.1 VECTORS AND SCALARS

**Video:** Vectors Physics, Basic Introduction, Head to Tail Graphical Method of Vector Addition & Subtraction  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1G5E\\_x0MgLc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1G5E_x0MgLc)


##### M.1.1 Scalars

A scalar is a quantity which has only a **size**.  
eg. distance, temperature, time, mass, volume

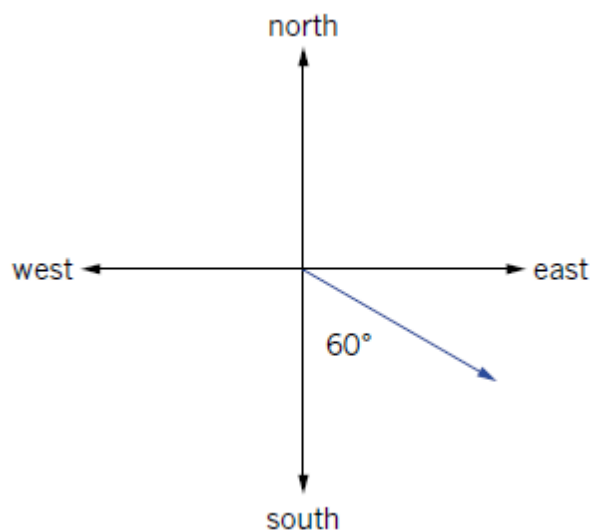
##### M.1.2 Vectors

A vector is a quantity which has both a **size** and a **direction**.  
eg. displacement, velocity, acceleration, force  
34 m north, 3 m s<sup>-1</sup> west, 6m s<sup>-2</sup> south, 12 N north 10° west

To distinguish the scalar F from the vector F we write vectors in one of two ways. **F** and  $\vec{F}$  are the vector F.

We represent a vector by an arrow, as such  where the size or magnitude of the vector is represented by the length of the arrow and the direction is the direction in which the arrow points.

Eg. Describe the direction of the vector shown in the diagram



South 60° East – S 60° E

Or

120° T

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