

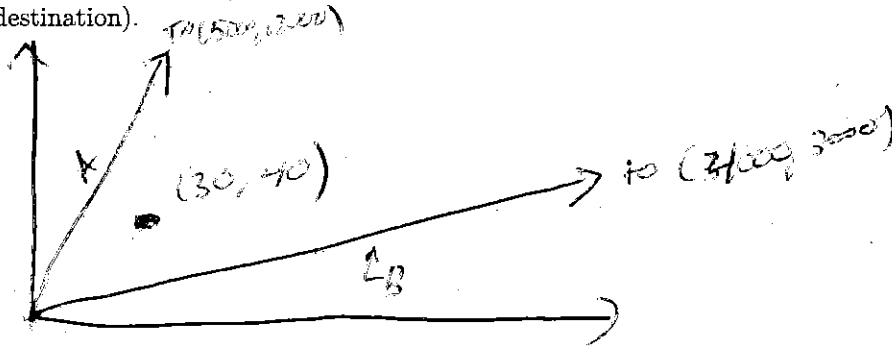
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Answer the questions in the spaces provided. If you run out of room for an answer, continue on the back of the page. Leave your answers in *exact form* or round to 4 decimal places.

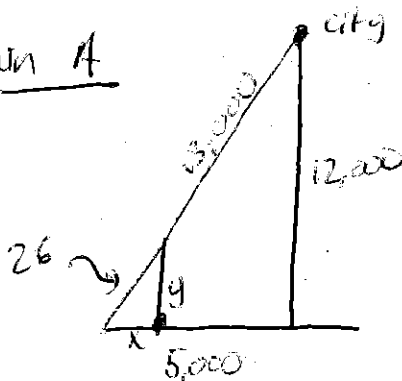
1. Two trains leave the same station at the same time. The first (train A) heads towards a city 5 kilometers east and 12 kilometers north of the station, at 26 meters per second. The second (train B) heads towards a town 4 kilometers east and 3 kilometers north of the station. 30 meters east and 40 meters north of the station stands an engineer, watching the trains.

- (a) (3 points) Choose a coordinate system and draw a picture, labeling the tracks of each train and the engineer. (WARNING: it will be hard to put the destinations in the picture while keeping everything to scale. Instead, just draw the railroad tracks, understanding that they go until they reach the destination).



- (b) (5 points) What are the coordinates of each train after 1 second?

Train A



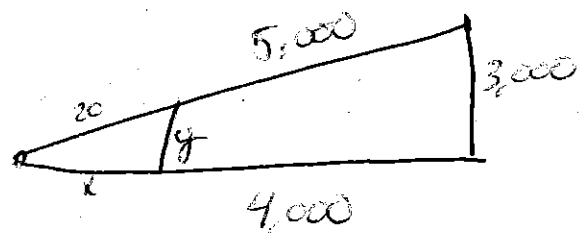
After 1 second,  
train A has travelled  
26 meters.

$$\text{So } \frac{x}{26} = \frac{5,000}{13,000} \quad \frac{y}{26} = \frac{12,000}{13,000}$$

$$x = 10 \quad y = 24$$

→ A (10, 24)

Train B



After 1 second train B  
has gone 20 meters

$$\text{So } \frac{x}{20} = \frac{4,000}{5,000} \quad \frac{y}{20} = \frac{3,000}{5,000}$$

$$x = 16 \quad y = 12$$

B (16, 12)

- (c) (6 points) Use part (b) to find parametric equations of motion for each train, with respect to a time variable  $t$  in seconds.

$$x_A(t) = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} t + x_A(0) = \frac{10}{1} t + 0 = 10t$$

$$y_A(t) = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} t + y_A(0) = \frac{24}{1} t + 0 = 24t$$

$$x_B(t) = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} t + x_B(0) = \frac{16}{1} t + 0 = 16t$$

$$y_B(t) = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} t + y_B(0) = \frac{12}{1} t + 0 = 12t$$

Train A:

$$x_A(t) = 10t$$

$$y_A(t) = 24t$$

Train B:

$$x_B(t) = 16t$$

$$y_B(t) = 12t$$

- (d) (3 points) Write down a function  $d_A(t)$  for the distance of train A to the engineer after  $t$  seconds. Do the same with  $d_B(t)$  for train B.

$$d_A(t) = \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2} = \sqrt{(10t - 30)^2 + (24t - 40)^2}$$

$$d_B(t) = \sqrt{(16t - 30)^2 + (12t - 40)^2}$$

- (e) (3 points) Let a new function be defined by the following rule:  $f(t) = d_A(t) - d_B(t)$ . In words, interpret this function. What does it mean when  $f(t) > 0$ ? What about when  $f(t) < 0$ ? When  $f(t) = 0$ ?

$$f(t) = (\text{dist A from engineer}) - (\text{dist B from engineer})$$

= How much further A is to engineer than B is

$$f(t) > 0 \Rightarrow B \text{ is closer to engineer}$$

$$f(t) < 0 \Rightarrow A \text{ is closer to engineer.}$$

$$f(t) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{They are the same distance from the engineer.}$$