Vectors have magnitude and direction



• Symbols: \vec{A} , \vec{B} Without arrow, just magnitude or size. $A = |\vec{A}|$



Vectors are often drawn at a common origin to emphasize direction and orientation.



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Multiplication by a scalar

 $\vec{F} = 3\vec{A}$

 $\vec{F} = \vec{A} + \vec{A} + \vec{A}$



Subtraction $\vec{C} = \vec{A} - \vec{B}$



Negative Vectors

The negative of a vector has the same size but points in the opposite direction.

Note $\vec{A} + (-\vec{A}) = 0$

General method

- Pick any start and end points
- Following an arrow in same direction is +
- Follow in opposite direction is –

