

13. We write  $\vec{r} = \vec{a} + \vec{b}$ . When not explicitly displayed, the units here are assumed to be meters. Then  $r_x = a_x + b_x = 4.0 - 13 = -9.0$  and  $r_y = a_y + b_y = 3.0 + 7.0 = 10$ . Thus  $\vec{r} = (-9.0 \text{ m})\hat{i} + (10 \text{ m})\hat{j}$ . The magnitude of the resultant is

$$r = \sqrt{r_x^2 + r_y^2} = \sqrt{(-9.0)^2 + (10)^2} = 13 \text{ m} .$$

The angle between the resultant and the  $+x$  axis is given by  $\tan^{-1}(r_y/r_x) = \tan^{-1} 10/(-9.0)$  which is either  $-48^\circ$  or  $132^\circ$ . Since the  $x$  component of the resultant is negative and the  $y$  component is positive, characteristic of the second quadrant, we find the angle is  $132^\circ$  (measured counterclockwise from  $+x$  axis).