

Quiz 1  
Math 253

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A 135-lb. rocket is located at the origin  $(0, 0, 0)$ , and pointed toward the point  $(0, 300, 400)$ . At the instant it takes off, two forces act on it: gravity and the force produced by its jet engines. The engines produce ~~500~~ 1000 lbs. of thrust.

1. Give, in coordinate form, a vector representing the force of gravity on the rocket.

$$\vec{G} = \langle 0, 0, -135 \rangle \text{ lbs}$$

2. Give, in coordinate form, a vector representing the force resulting from the engines at take-off.

$$\vec{F}_E = c \langle 0, 300, 400 \rangle$$

$$\|\vec{F}\| = 1000 = 10^3$$

$$10^6 = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{F} = c^2 (300^2 + 400^2)$$

$$100 = c^2 \cdot 25$$

$$c = 2$$

$$\vec{F}_E = \langle 0, 600, 800 \rangle \text{ lbs}$$

3. Give, in coordinate form, a vector representing the total force on the rocket at take-off. Specify units.

$$\vec{G} + \vec{F}_E = \langle 0, 0, -135 \rangle + \langle 0, 600, 800 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0, 600, 665 \rangle \text{ lbs}$$