Chapter 2 Problem 84 †

Given

$$\begin{split} \vec{A} &= -8.80 \hat{i} + 15.00 \hat{j} \\ \vec{B} &= 13.20 \hat{i} - 6.60 \hat{j} \\ \vec{A} - \vec{B} + 3\vec{C} &= 0 \end{split}$$

Solution

Find the components of vector C.

Begin with the equation and solve for \vec{C} .

$$\begin{split} &3\vec{C} = -\vec{A} + \vec{B} \\ &\vec{C} = \frac{-\vec{A} + \vec{B}}{3} = \frac{-(-8.80\hat{i} + 15.00\hat{j}) + (13.20\hat{i} - 6.60\hat{j})}{3} \\ &\vec{C} = \frac{8.80\hat{i} - 15.00\hat{j} + 13.20\hat{i} - 6.60\hat{j}}{3} = \frac{22.00\hat{i} - 21.60\hat{j}}{3} = 7.33\hat{i} - 7.20\hat{j} \end{split}$$

[†]Problem from University Physics by Ling, Sanny and Moebs (OpenStax)