Module 03 - Lesson 1 Velocity in Two Dimensions

Question 1: Use unit vectors to express an instantaneous velocity of 120 km/h oriented at 30° counter-clockwise from the positive x-axis.

Question 2: On the way to the grocery store, you drive North at 40 km/h for 10 min, then turn East and go 10.0 km at 60 km/h. Finally, you turn South-West and drive at 50 km/h for 4.0 min. Determine the car's (a) displacement and (b) average velocity for this trip.

Problem: A biologist is monitoring a bacterium through a microscope. She initially sees the bacterium at $\vec{r_1} = (2.2\hat{\imath} - 3.0\hat{\jmath}) \,\mu$ m. After 5.0 s, the bacterium is at $\vec{r_2} = (4.5\hat{\imath} + 1.5\hat{\jmath}) \,\mu$ m. Find (a) its average velocity, expressed in unit vectors, and (b) its average speed.