Answer on question #84622, Physics / Mechanics | Relativity

An airplane flies 20km in a direction 60 degree north of east then 30 km straight east and then 16km straight north .How far and what direction is the plane from the stating point?

Solution



$$\frac{x}{20} = \cos 60^{\circ} \ x = 20 \cdot 0.5 = 10$$
$$\frac{y}{20} = \sin 60^{\circ} \ ny = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot 20 = 17.32$$
$$z = \sqrt{(x+30)^2 + (16+y)^2} = 52.06$$
$$\cos \alpha = \frac{x+30}{z} = \frac{40}{52.06} = 0.768$$
$$\alpha = 39.8^{\circ}$$

Answer: z = 52.06; $\alpha = 39.8^{\circ}$

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